



Beech Grove Church of Christ

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The Plea from the Powerful Savior

by Ken Thomas

Revelation describes Jesus as Lord of lords and King of kings. His mighty miracles were beyond imagination (See Mark 4:41, John 7:31; John 9:32). No one ever spoke like He did (John 7:46). His teaching was authoritative (Matthew 7:29). His life was beyond reproach (John 8:46, 1 Peter 2:22), and even His death was powerful to destroy the devil and give hope to those who die (Hebrews 2:14-15).

He is no past founder or dead hero. He lives to head the church he founded. Other religious leaders have tombs that are occupied, but not Jesus. He is truly the victor over death and the grave. All authority (power) IS His Matthew 28:18)....

...BUT HE PLEADS....

Why does He plead, when He has the power to demand, to force?? He sounds like a salesman extolling the virtues of what He offers and the benefit to the one who will accept. "Come, take my yoke, learn of me, find rest" (Matthew 11:28-30). He expresses willingness to gather people "under his wings, as a hen with chickens," but was refused (Matthew 23:37). He stands at the door and knocks, asking entrance to anyone who will open the door. The Lord's invitation is extended to all who will come to Him, but we are given the freedom to choose, to receive the blessings or bear the consequences.

Have you chosen whom you will serve? You have a choice now, but when life, is over, the pleading but powerful savior will be our judge. What will YOU do with Jesus?

Sunday Schedule

Bible Classes	10 AM
Worship	11 AM
Worship	6 PM
Wednesday: Bible Classes	7 PM

Mission Works and Evangelism:

House to House/ Heart to Heart
 Restoration Radio
 Jim Waldron
 Manuelito Children's Home



Bible Search

by Kenneth L. Thomas

Questions for week of October 14, 2007

1. What city's downfall would cause crying by pilots?
2. What two groups were known for "fair" trading?
3. God told Israel use weaponry for firewood for how many years?
4. How long would signs stay up if a passerby viewed a human skeleton?
5. What beautiful storage places were full of skeletons?
6. What skeletal part was strengthened by an apostle's assistance?

Answers for week of October 7, 2007

1. What Assyrian king was given treasures from the temple by a king of Judah?

Answer #1: Sennacherib. The king of Judah was Hezekiah.

(2 Ki 18:13-16) "Now in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah did Sennacherib king of Assyria come up against all the fenced cities of Judah, and took them. {14} And Hezekiah king of Judah sent to the king of Assyria to Lachish, saying, I have offended; return from me: that which thou puttest on me will I bear. And the king of Assyria appointed unto Hezekiah king of Judah three hundred talents of silver and thirty talents of gold. {15} And Hezekiah gave him all the silver that was found in the house of the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house. {16} At that time did Hezekiah cut off the gold from the doors of the temple of the LORD, and from the pillars which Hezekiah king of Judah had overlaid, and gave it to the king of Assyria."

Answer #2: Tiglath-Pileser. The king of Judah was Ahaz.

(2 Ki 16:7-9) "So Ahaz sent messengers to Tiglathpileser king of Assyria, saying, I am thy servant and thy son: come up, and save me out of the hand of the king of Syria, and out of the hand of the king of Israel, which rise up against me. {8} And Ahaz took the silver and gold that was found in the house of the LORD, and in the treasures of

the king's house, and sent it for a present to the king of Assyria. {9} And the king of Assyria hearkened unto him: for the king of Assyria went up against Damascus, and took it, and carried the people of it captive to Kir, and slew Rezin."

Some other references (2 Ki 12:17-18) (1 Ki. 15:18) referred to the same type action of a king of Judah toward kings of Syria, but Syria and Assyria are not the same nation.

2. Who urged the Jews to ignore Hezekiah and give loyalty to Assyria in exchange for personal vines, fig trees, and cisterns for all.

Answer: The Rabshakeh. This was probably an officer such as a cupbearer. He was carrying a message for Assyrian king, Shalmaneser.

(Isa 36:13-18) "Then Rabshakeh stood, and cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language, and said, Hear ye the words of the great king, the king of Assyria. {14} Thus saith the king, Let not Hezekiah deceive you: for he shall not be able to deliver you. {15} Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the LORD, saying, The LORD will surely deliver us: this city shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria. {16} Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the king of Assyria, Make an agreement with me by a present, and come out to me: and eat ye every one of his vine, and every one of his fig tree, and drink ye every one the waters of his own cistern; {17} Until I come and take you away to a land like your own land, a land of corn and wine, a land of bread and vineyards. {18} Beware lest Hezekiah persuade you, saying, The LORD will deliver us. Hath any of the gods of the nations delivered his land out of the hand of the king of Assyria?"

Also 2 Ki 18:28 ff. (See below - the parallels)

3. According to Assyrian propaganda, even the _____ of the nations could not save them from the hand of the Assyrian king. (fill in the blank)

Answer: gods. And that was correct. The gods of the nations could not save them. But the God of Heaven could!

See passages for question 2

(2 Ki 18:28-36) "Then Rabshakeh stood and cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language, and spake, saying, Hear the word of the great king, the

king of Assyria: {29} Thus saith the king, Let not Hezekiah deceive you: for he shall not be able to deliver you out of his hand: {30} Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the LORD, saying, The LORD will surely deliver us, and this city shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria. {31} Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the king of Assyria, Make an agreement with me by a present, and come out to me, and then eat ye every man of his own vine, and every one of his fig tree, and drink ye every one the waters of his cistern: {32} Until I come and take you away to a land like your own land, a land of corn and wine, a land of bread and vineyards, a land of oil olive and of honey, that ye may live, and not die: and hearken not unto Hezekiah, when he persuadeth you, saying, The LORD will deliver us. {33} Hath any of the gods of the nations delivered at all his land out of the hand of the king of Assyria? {34} Where are the gods of Hamath, and of Arpad? where are the gods of Sepharvaim, Hena, and Ivah? have they delivered Samaria out of mine hand? {35} Who are they among all the gods of the countries, that have delivered their country out of mine hand, that the LORD should deliver Jerusalem out of mine hand? {36} But the people held their peace, and answered him not a word: for the king's commandment was, saying, Answer him not."

4. What prophet urged a king's servants not to fear Assyrian blasphemy.

Answer: Isaiah

(2 Ki 19:3-7) "And they said unto him, Thus saith Hezekiah, This day is a day of trouble, and of rebuke, and blasphemy: for the children are come to the birth, and there is not strength to bring forth. {4} It may be the LORD thy God will hear all the words of Rabshakeh, whom the king of Assyria his master hath sent to reproach the living God; and will reprove the words which the LORD thy God hath heard: wherefore lift up thy prayer for the remnant that are left. {5} So the servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah. {6} And Isaiah said unto them, Thus shall ye say to your master, Thus saith the LORD, Be not afraid of the words which thou hast heard, with which the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed me. {7} Behold, I will

send a blast upon him, and he shall hear a rumour, and shall return to his own land; and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land."

5. To what king did Isaiah give assurance that his prayers about the Assyrian king Sennacherib had been heard?

Answer: Hezekiah

(2 Ki 19:15-20) "And Hezekiah prayed before the LORD, and said, O LORD God of Israel, which dwellest between the cherubims, thou art the God, even thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; thou hast made heaven and earth. {16} LORD, bow down thine ear, and hear: open, LORD, thine eyes, and see: and hear the words of Sennacherib, which hath sent him to reproach the living God. {17} Of a truth, LORD, the kings of Assyria have destroyed the nations and their lands, {18} And have cast their gods into the fire: for they were no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and stone: therefore they have destroyed them. {19} Now therefore, O LORD our God, I beseech thee, save thou us out of his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou art the LORD God, even thou only. {20} Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent to Hezekiah, saying, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, That which thou hast prayed to me against Sennacherib king of Assyria I have heard."

6. What was an Assyrian king doing when he was slain by his own two children with swords?

Answer: Worshipping in the house of his god, Nisroch

(2 Ki 19:36-37) "So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and dwelt at Nineveh. {37} And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons smote him with the sword: and they escaped into the land of Armenia. And Esarhaddon his son reigned in his stead."

7. What two musical instruments are associated with crying?

Answer: harp and organ

(Job 30:31) My harp also is turned to mourning, and my organ into the voice of them that weep.

Take Time to Be Holy

by Ken Thomas

"FAST BAPTIST CHURCH - The fast food concept has reached the church. Starting tomorrow, the Rev. Thaine E. Ford, pastor of First American Baptist Church of Pensacola, Fla., guarantees a Compact Mini 22-Minute Worship Service that'll include a sermon, hymn-singing, prayer, reading of scripture - and, presumably, passing the collection plate."

The article above tells a sad story. Many in our society refuse to "Take Time to Be Holy," and will "Come to the Feast" of spiritual things only if it is served up like a quick burger and fries. Perhaps someone will think of preparing a short cassette tape which can be picked up at a drive-through window to be listened to on the way to a nice sit-down dinner at a fine restaurant. (Of course if WE were to do this, we would have to include a "communion" packet!)

Seriously, in our fast paced world, we may be traveling the superhighway to destruction. It takes a little longer to travel the narrow way that leads to eternal life.

God once complained that his people were destroyed for lack of knowledge. He warned that the sheep might starve if not fed properly. It takes time to learn the word of God, and we need to spend that time. Why not take part in our Bible teaching program here. We have classes, and competent teachers. This goes for Wednesday night also! Our attendance is too low on for Bible classes. Somebody is starving themselves and their children spiritually. Please consider the consequences.

February 7, 1993

For the record:	9/16	9/23	9/30	10/7
Bible Study	17	18	18	24
AM Worship	29	26	33	28
PM Worship	27	25	17	11
Wed. Bible Study	16	16	25	18
Contribution	\$513	\$515	\$518	\$362

Prayer Needs

Pray for the sick and injured of our congregation.

- ◆ Charlene Brandon's grandson Cody's wife is having difficulty with her pregnancy and needs our prayers. Cody is in Iraq. Pray for all.
- ◆ Continue to pray for Samuel Curl.
- ◆ Ann and Junior Conner have been touring the country. We pray for their safe return.
- ◆ Remember all of our shut-ins and the older members who have to deal with the infirmities that come with age. Sister Singleton continues to have serious problems with her breathing.

Events

- ◆ Bible Bowl - Beech Grove placed second last week. Congratulations to Heather, TJ, Daniel and Leah
- ◆ 30th Anniversary - Open House at Stones River Manor in Murfreesboro today 2-4 PM. Refreshments served.
- ◆ East Main Street in Murfreesboro has scheduled Glenn Colley to preach August 14-17. Themes will be about strengthening homes and marriage.

Assignments	October 14	October 21
Song leader (SS)	Wayne Gannon	Tim Waldron
Announcements	Ken Thomas	Junior Conner
Songleader-Worship	Tim Waldron	Wayne Gannon
Scripture reading	Daniel Green	T J Waldron
Opening prayer	Wayne Gannon	Lee Rose
Table service (center)	Joe Green	Tim Waldron
(center)	Ken Thomas	Daniel Green
(outside)	Daniel Green	Andy Miller
(outside)	Nick Graham	Nick Graham
Closing Prayer	James Mason	Joe Green
<i>If you cannot serve, please contact</i>	Junior Conner	