

# Beech Grove Church of Christ

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#### Hidden Rocks

Have you ever bought an old car with a shiny paint job only to find that the paint was cover for hidden damage and inferior repairs? When you find rotten wood in your house, would you want the bad materials painted over without being repaired? At times we are much wiser in dealing with these matters than with spiritual defects.

The Bible speaks of those who were "hidden rocks in your love-feasts when they feast with you," Jude 1:12 ASV, evidently a reference to the ungodly people of vs. 4 who came among the faithful Christians as they enjoyed their meals together in the early days of the church. Jude did not white-wash the fact that the evil men would try to undermine the church. Those who wish to spread false doctrine or evil ways of life would prefer to be seen as "ministers of righteousness" as they serve Satan, a false "angel of light," 2 Corinthians 11:13-15. The church has always had to deal with false brethren who come in privily (secretly), Galatians 2:4; 2 Peter 2:1.

While we do not want to be suspicious of others, neither should we be gullible. Both truth and error exist and have their proponents. Let us love truth while hating every false way, Psalms 119:104.

#### Ken Thomas

Sunday Schedule	
<b>Bible Classes</b>	<b>10 AM</b>
Worship	11 AM
Worship	<b>6 PM</b>
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Wednesday: Bible Classes 7 PM

## Mission Works and Evangelism:

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



## Questions for week of November 4, 2007

- 1. (Refer to the last questions for last week.) To what plant is the mother compared?
- **2.** What kind of instrument is described as having teeth?
- **3.** In the Old Testament the Lord told a prophet to write a vision whose message would be delayed until an appointed time. What was the prophet to do until that time?
- **4.** What small creature shows wisdom even though it has no kingly rule?
- **5.** In what Old Testament passage is the Creator's divine activity compared to pre-natal bone growth? (The passage speaks of people's lack of knowledge about both.)
- **6.** In what chapter of the Bible do we read both of "a **perfect** heart" and "a **perfect** way"?
- **7.** What man lived before the flood came and is said to be "**perfect**", also walking with God?
- **8.** What man living after the flood was told to walk before God and be **perfect**?
- 9. What king encouraged his people to HAVE a **perfect** heart, but he personally is later described as NOT HAVING a **perfect** heart? (You will need to find two passages, one for each part of the question/clue.)

## **Answers for week of October 28 2007**

1. What is the reaction of Satan to resistance?

Answer: He will flee.

James 4:7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

**2.** Who will run away when no one is chasing him?

**Answer: The wicked** 

Proverbs 28:1 - The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are bold as a lion. In the 26th chapter of Leviticus God is preparing

his people for the transition into the promised land. Canaan. He sets forth the conditions/requirements for obedience and the conditions/results of disobedience. For those who are obedient GOOD things will happen. Verses 3-13. For those who are disobedient many BAD things will happen. Verses 14-39. Leviticus 26:13, 17 - "I am the Lord your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, . . . 17 And I will set my face against you, and ye shall be slain before your enemies: they that hate you shall reign over you: and ye shall flee when none pursueth you."....In fact people will be so afraid that they will flee at the sound of rustling leaves even when none is chasing them.

Lev. 26:36 And upon them that are left alive of you I will send a faintness into their hearts in the lands of their enemies; and the sound of a shaken leaf shall chase them; and they shall flee, as fleeing from a sword; and they shall fall when none pursueth.

**3.** What is considered as a sporting event in the view of the foolish?

**Answer: Doing mischief** - Proverbs 10:23 - **It is as sport to a fool to do mischief**: but a man of understanding hath wisdom.

**4.** Who was mediator of a faulty covenant, and in comparison to Christ had an inferior ministry? To answer this you need to find a passage in which this is implied by the wording of scripture.

Answer: Moses. The main subject in this passage is Christ, the high priest. The "he" in verse 6 is Jesus, who has the "more excellent ministry" and is mediator of a better covenant, established on better promises. By contrast, Moses was mediator of the law (old covenant) which was "not faultless" and was replaced by a covenant that was without fault.

(Heb 8:1-7) "Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens; {2} A minister of

the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man. {3} For every high priest is ordained to offer gifts and sacrifices: wherefore it is of necessity that this man have somewhat also to offer. {4} For if he were on earth, he should not be a priest, seeing that there are priests that offer gifts according to the law: {5} Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, that thou make all things according to the pattern showed to thee in the mount. {6} But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises. {7} For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second."

(Gal 3:19) "Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator." [That mediator was Moses. klt]

As scripture elsewhere teaches, the real fault was not with the law, but with the sinfulness of mankind. The law identified sin but had no real remedy until the death of Christ and the shedding of his blood

**5.** In the USA we name hurricanes alphabetically, but what strong wind is named in the Bible?

## **Answer: Euroclydon (The Northeaster)**

Acts 27:13-24 And when the south wind blew softly, supposing that they had obtained their purpose, loosing thence, they sailed close by Crete. 14 But not long after there arose against it a **tempestuous wind, called Euroclydon**. 15 And when the ship was caught, and could not bear up into the wind, we let her drive. 16 And running under a certain island which is called Clauda, we had much work to come by the boat: 17 Which when they had taken up, they used helps, undergirding the ship; and, fearing lest they should fall into the quicksands, strake sail, and so were driven. 18 And we being exceedingly

tossed with a tempest, the next day they lightened the ship; 19 And the third day we cast out with our own hands the tackling of the ship. 20 And when neither sun nor stars in many days appeared, and no small tempest lay on us, all hope that we should be saved was then taken away. 21 But after long abstinence Paul stood forth in the midst of them, and said, Sirs, ye should have hearkened unto me, and not have loosed from Crete, and to have gained this harm and loss. 22 And now I exhort you to be of good cheer: for there shall be no loss of any man's life among you, but of the ship. 23 For there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I serve, 24 Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Caesar: and, lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee.

The OT also has names for each of the winds coming from the four points of the compass. The worst was the sirocco, powerful scorching east wind from the desert. See Isa. 27.8 and Jer. 4.11-12.

**6.** To what weapon are sons and daughters compared (in the context of being an inheritance from God)?

Answer: Children are compared to "Arrows" in the hand of a mighty man. (Psa 127:3-5) "Lo, children are an heritage of

the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward. {4} As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. {5} Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate."

**7.** To what plants (around a table) are children compared?

### **Answer: Olive plants**

(Psa 128:1-3) . . . . Blessed is every one that feareth the LORD; that walketh in his ways. {2} For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee. {3} Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house: thy children like olive plants round about thy table."

#### **Our Best Protection**

by Andre Godoy

If a friend told a lie about you to the group, you, all of a sudden, would be concerned about the truth.

If on your light bill appeared an exorbitant amount you couldn't pay, you'd certainly want to establish the exact consumption of kilowatts.

If your neighbor presented you with a document from the city government requiring you give up a meter of your lot, without a doubt you would try to establish the veracity of the new measurements.

When there is a chance of personal or property damage, we want to get right down to the truth. We rightly believe that the truth is our protection and guarantee.

So it is with the gospel of Jesus Christ. It is not enough to be sincere about spiritual things. We must verify the truth.

"And you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free" (John 8:32).

The truth in its unknown state is of no gain. Whoever ignores the truth will not feel its liberating effects.

So our greatest need and only protection is the intense search for the truth. Jesus is the truth (John 14:6). The Spirit of truth inspired the

For the record:	10/7	10/14	10/21	10/28
Bible Study	24	20+	24	20
AM Worship	28	29	31	24
PM Worship	11	21	22	23
Wed. Bible Study	18	*	21	16
Contribution	\$362	\$736	\$587	\$595

apostles, that we might have the written word of God, which is truth (John 16:13; 17:17). In Scripture, therefore, we find all the truth about spiritual realities.

"Buy truth, and do not sell it; buy wisdom, instruction, and understanding" (Proverbs 23:23).

Join us in this search for truth, so that we not suffer eternal damage.

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## **Prayer Needs and Requests**

◆ Pray for the sick and injured of our congregation.

Sister Laura Singleton is at Vanderbilt Hospital, room 6153.

◆ Remember our shut-ins and the older members who have to deal with the infirmities that come with age.

#### **Events**

- ◆ Bible Bowl Today at Mt. Leo, 2:00 PM. Good luck to our team.
- ◆ Area wide Friday Night Singings:

November 9 - Windrow, Rutherford County.

**Address for Millers** - Andy, Brandy, and Steven are living at 1206 Meadowlark Place, Manchester, 37355. Please record this for future reference.

Assignments	November 4	November 11
Song leader (SS)	Tim Waldron	Wayne Gannon
Announcements	Mason Fisher	Junior Conner
Songleader-Worship	Wayne Gannon	Tim Waldron
Scripture reading	Daniel Green	T J Waldron
Opening prayer	Tim Waldron	Wayne Gannon
Table service (center)	Joe Green	Joe Green
(center)	Nick Graham	Andy Miller
(outside)	T J Waldron	Daniel Green
(outside)	Cole Gordon	Wayne Gannon
Closing Prayer	Lee Rose	Junior Conner
If you cannot serve,	please contact	Junior Conner