

Assignments	January 7	January 14
Song leader (SS)	Tim Waldron	Wayne Gannon
Announcements	Mason Fisher	Ken Thomas
Songleader - Worship	Wayne Gannon	Tim Waldron
Scripture reading	Junior Conner	Daniel Green
Opening prayer	James Mason	Wayne Gannon
Table service (center)	Mason Fisher	Joe Green
(center)	Cole Gordon	Nick Graham
(outside)	Ken Lewis	Daniel Green
(outside)	T J Waldron	Junior Conner
Closing Prayer	Lee Rose	James Mason

Sick, Injured, and Rehabilitating

Steve Miller's father, William Miller, is back at NHC, room 158. Brooke Carter was sick last Wednesday. Sister Green has not been well this week.

. Remember the Masons, the Roses, sister Jessie Pearl Green, sister Singleton, the Conners and sister Trail in prayer as they deal with chronic conditions.

Bible Bowl Woodbury, this afternoon, 2:00 PM

January 12 - Friday Night Singings

New Spring Creek (Bon Aqua) and Hartsville

January 26 - LaVergne

Courtesy. . continued from front

Even in the church we seem to have slipped into careless ways. No longer do some consider how to enter an assembly without disturbing the worship of others. I can remember a time when people who were late would wait quietly in the lobby until a song or prayer was finished. And other no circumstances would a person walk in or out during the reading of scripture or the Lord's Supper. The Word of God was held in high esteem, and only severe sickness or an out of control child would cause someone to leave during the service. People made sure they had taken care of their "restroom calls" before the services or during a break. People did not carry on private (or not so private) personal conversations during classes or worship. Even before services conversation was

subdued in volume.

Here at Beech Grove we have a less formal atmosphere than we might have to maintain in a larger congregation. But in my opinion we need to consider our assemblies just as sacred with a few folks as with a houseful. Here are some scriptures to consider:

(Psa 89:7) God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all them that are about him.

(1 Cor 14:40) Let all things be done decently and in order.

(Phil 2:4) Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.

(Heb 10:24) And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

(Heb 12:28-29) Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear: {29} For our God is a consuming fire.

(Hab 2:20) But the LORD is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him.

(Mal 1:6) A son honoureth his father, and a servant his master: if then I be a father, where is mine honour? and if I be a master, where is my fear? saith the LORD of hosts unto you, O priests, that despise my name. And ye say, Wherein have we despised thy name?

Kenneth L. Thomas

Record of our attendance:

Date	Classes	AM	PM	Cont.	Wed.
12/03	18	32	27	\$623.81	18
12/10	22	34	20	\$525	21
12/17	21	28	24	\$585.50	21
12/24	21	37	25	\$592.50	15
12/31	21	33	24	\$523.82	19
Goals	35	45	36		35

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January 7, 2007

Courtesy -- Not So Common

With the growth of the aggressive feminist movement the respect of men for the opposite gender has become rare. Men who would dare to open a door for a lady are sometimes rebuffed by a "liberated woman" who considers his offer as an insult to her. Crude men who in an earlier day would have reserved crude humor and vulgarity to men of like mind now have little or no hesitation to be crude in the presence of women. Many women have become just as uncouth as men.

With the advent of modern conveniences a lot of common courtesies of the past are no longer common. Conversation is almost non-existent in many homes, as everyone is absorbed in watching their favorite programs or playing their video games, even when guests are present. Cell phones dominate the lives of many, not just as a means of making necessary connections but as a means of entertainment which blocks out the outside world. Those who attend movies, concerts, graduation ceremonies, etc. are often unable to hear the event due to the rude, loud, and unrelated conversations which spoil the event.

Many of us grew up in a time of saying "Yes sir", "No Ma'am", "Please", "Thank You", and "You're welcome." Today we hear a lot of "Yep" and "Nope", and not a lot else to give us hope for a considerate citizenry.

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Schedule This Week

Sunday:

Bible Classes 10 AM

Worship 11 AM

Worship 6 PM

Wednesday:

Bible Classes 7 PM

Mission Works

Restoration Radio

Jim Waldron

Manuelito Children's

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Bible Search

by Kenneth L. Thomas

Questions for week of January 7, 2006

1. What was the specific motivation for the selling of Joseph into Egyptian bondage by his brothers?
2. The Old Testament pictures high places and high hills as places of idolatry, and the use of such is described with denunciation and destruction of the worshipers. But the Bible mentions a hill that IS holy. What is its name?
3. What effect did the size of a family have on its observance of passover under the Mosaic law?
4. What family lost 11 members (spanning two generations) by hanging?
5. After Jesus was baptized He was filled and led. With what was He filled, and where was He led?
6. Who took a dozen bullocks out of the temple area?
7. How were these bullocks related to the sea?

Answers for week of December 31, 2006

1. What king fell down from weakness? The weakness was caused by not eating, and also the news that "on the morrow" he and his children were going to be in the presence of a dead man who spoke to him?
Answer: King Saul.
 "And Samuel said to Saul, **Why hast thou disquieted me, to bring me up?** And Saul answered, I am sore distressed; for the Philistines make war against me, and God is departed from me, and answereth me no more, neither by prophets, nor by dreams: therefore I have called thee, that thou mayest make known unto me what I shall do. Then said Samuel, Wherefore then dost thou ask of me, seeing the LORD is departed from thee, and is become thine enemy? And the LORD hath done to him, as he spake by me: for the LORD hath rent the kingdom out of thine hand, and given it to thy neighbour, even to David: Because thou obeyedst not the

voice of the LORD, nor executedst his fierce wrath upon Amalek, therefore hath the LORD done this thing unto thee this day. Moreover the LORD will also deliver Israel with thee into the hand of the Philistines: and **to morrow shalt thou and thy sons be with me: the LORD also shall deliver the host of Israel into the hand of the Philistines. Then Saul fell straightway all along on the earth, and was sore afraid, because of the words of Samuel: and there was no strength in him; for he had eaten no bread all the day, nor all the night.**" (I Sam. 29:15-20).

2. What building's collapse caused the death of 18 people?
Answer: A tower in Siloam Luke 13:4 . Incidentally, this story illustrates the universal nature of God's command to repent. These people perished by a tower that fell. The impenitent among the Israelites perished in the Roman's destruction of Jerusalem. A worse perishing is the fate of those who refuse to repent today. God is not willing that any should perish. . . BUT . . .that all should come to repentance. 2 Peter 3:9
 Luke 13:1 There were present at that season some that told him of the Galilaeans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. 2 And Jesus answering said unto them, Suppose ye that these Galilaeans were sinners above all the Galilaeans, because they suffered such things? 3 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish. 4 **Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them,** think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem? 5 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

3. What man made a proposal to meet with a leader of the efforts to rebuild Jerusalem, but wanted to meet inside behind the closed doors of the temple due to an alleged threat on the leader's life . (The proposal was refused, since the leader rightly discerned that this was a plot to hurt his reputation and make it appear that he was afraid.)
Answer: Shemaiah - Nehemiah 6: 10-13
 Nehemiah 6:1 Now it came to pass when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and Geshem the Arabian, and the rest of our enemies, heard that **I had builded the wall,** and that there was no breach left therein; (though at that time I had not set up the doors upon the gates;) 2 That Sanballat and Geshem sent unto me, saying, Come, let us meet together in some one of the villages in the plain of Ono. But they thought to do me mischief. 3 And I sent messengers unto them, saying, I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down: why should the work cease, whilst I leave it, and

come down to you? 4 Yet they sent unto me four times after this sort; and I answered them after the same manner.5 Then sent Sanballat his servant unto me in like manner the fifth time with an open letter in his hand; 6 Wherein was written, It is reported among the heathen, and Gashmu saith it, that thou and the Jews think to rebel: for which cause thou buildest the wall, that thou mayest be their king, according to these words. 7 And thou hast also appointed prophets to preach of thee at Jerusalem, saying, There is a king in Judah: and now shall it be reported to the king according to these words. Come now therefore, and let us take counsel together. 8 Then I sent unto him, saying, There are no such things done as thou sayest, but thou feignest them out of thine own heart. 9 For they all made us afraid, saying, Their hands shall be weakened from the work, that it be not done. Now therefore, O God, strengthen my hands. 10 Afterward I came unto the house of **Shemaiah the son of Delaiah the son of Mehetabeel, who was shut up; and he said, Let us meet together in the house of God, within the temple, and let us shut the doors of the temple: for they will come to slay thee; yea, in the night will they come to slay thee.** 11 And I said, Should such a man as I flee? and who is there, that, being as I am, would go into the temple to save his life? I will not go in. 12 And, lo, **I perceived that God had not sent him; but that he pronounced this prophecy against me: for Tobiah and Sanballat had hired him.** 13 **Therefore was he hired, that I should be afraid, and do so, and sin, and that they might have matter for an evil report, that they might reproach me.** 14 My God, think thou upon Tobiah and Sanballat according to these their works, and on the prophetess Noadiah, and the rest of the prophets, that would have put me in fear.

4. What king was offering a sacrifice and burning incense when he heard a prophecy of the birth of a future king? (The future king was named in the prediction.)
Answer: Jeroboam. Though he was not a priest, he was usurping the priesthood by his actions. His behavior was rebuked by a message from God predicting the birth of Josiah.
 1 Kings 12:32 And Jeroboam ordained a feast in the eighth month, on the fifteenth day of the month, like unto the feast that is in Judah, and he offered upon the altar. So did he in Bethel, sacrificing unto the calves that

he had made: and he placed in Bethel the priests of the high places which he had made. 33 So he offered upon the altar which he had made in Bethel the fifteenth day of the eighth month, even in the month which he had devised of his own heart; and ordained a feast unto the children of Israel: and he offered upon the altar, and burnt incense.
 1 Kings 13:1 And, behold, there came a man of God out of Judah by the word of the LORD unto Bethel: and Jeroboam stood by the altar to burn incense. 2 And he cried against the altar in the word of the LORD, and said, O altar, altar, thus saith the LORD; Behold, **a child shall be born unto the house of David, Josiah by name;** and upon thee shall he offer the priests of the high places that burn incense upon thee, and men's bones shall be burnt upon thee.

5. An incinerated royal skeleton turned into what substance?
Answer: lime.
 Amos 2:1 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Moab, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because **he burned the bones of the king of Edom into lime:**
 6. Who gave fruit of the vine (liquid) to those who had vowed not partake of anything from the vine? (They also ordered prophets not to prophesy.)
Answer: Israel
 (According to Numbers 6 Nazarites took a vow not to use any part of the grape vine.)
 Amos 2:6 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Israel, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because they sold the righteous for silver, and the poor for a pair of shoes; 7 That pant after the dust of the earth on the head of the poor, and turn aside the way of the meek: and a man and his father will go in unto the same maid, to profane my holy name: 8 And they lay themselves down upon clothes laid to pledge by every altar, and they drink the wine of the condemned in the house of their god. 9 Yet destroyed I the Amorite before them, whose height was like the height of the cedars, and he was strong as the oaks; yet I destroyed his fruit from above, and his roots from beneath 10 Also I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and led you forty years through the wilderness, to possess the land of the Amorite. 11 And I raised up of your sons for prophets, and of your young men for Nazarites. Is it not even thus, **O ye children of Israel? saith the LORD. 12 But ye gave the Nazarites wine to drink; and commanded the prophets, saying, Prophecy not.**