



Church of Christ at Beech Grove

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Our Heavenly Father - Who Loves Us and Leads Us

John 16:27 For the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God. 28 I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father.

1 John 3:1 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. 2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. 3 And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

Romans 8:14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. 15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. 16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: 17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

On this day, Fathers' Day 2008, let all of us appreciate our Father's love. And may all who are fathers here on earth follow the example of loving leadership in our families. God bless all godly fathers.

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

(Wording is based on KJV)
by Kenneth L. Thomas

Questions for week of June 15

1. What prophet of God rebuked the children of Israel for making captives of 200,000 women and children from Judah, intending to enslave them?
2. What two different animals are described as having ferocity (fierceness) ?
3. What kind of animals (created by God) are acceptable as food for God's people if they (the animals used for food) are set apart prayerfully and received thankfully? The correct passage where this is found also emphasizes the fact that God's word is involved in making the food "holy".
4. Jesus spoke of improper dishwashing in Matthew 23. In another context, who spoke of the habits of a man wiping a dish?
5. What kind of addiction is commended in the Bible? (KJV wording)
6. Where is an aggressive sheep which picks on the weaker sheep described, as a picture of the oppression of God's people and their need for being saved by God?
7. A man of God was mistakenly mis-identified as an Egyptian who led a huge gang of murderers. Who is he, and what is the reference?

Answers for week of June 8

1. We've all probably experienced chapped lips. But what causes chapped earth?
Answer: Dry weather, no rain.
Jeremiah 14:1-4. Because **the ground is chapt, for there was no rain in the earth**, the plowmen were ashamed, they covered their heads.
2. What desire did Satan have (according to a statement by the Lord)?
Answer: He desired to "sift" Simon Peter.
(Luke 22:31) "And the Lord said, **Simon, Simon,**

behold, **Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you** as wheat:"

In today's world in which we buy pre-sifted flour and meal, the meaning might escape us, but it seems that Satan wanted to shake Peter in such a way as to "break him".

Interestingly, the Lord threatened ungodly nations with a "sifting".

(Isa 30:28) "And his breath, as an overflowing stream, shall reach to the midst of the neck, **to sift the nations with the sieve of vanity:** and there shall be a bridle in the jaws of the people, causing them to err."

(Amos 9:9) "For, lo, I will command, and **I will sift the house of Israel** among all nations, **like as corn is sifted in a sieve**, yet shall not the least grain fall upon the earth."

3. What animal is described as hard-hearted?

Answer: Leviathan A sea animal. Described additionally in shorter passages below

Job 41:1-24 - "Canst thou draw out **leviathan** with an hook? . . . His **heart is as firm as a stone; yea, as hard as a piece of the nether millstone.**" (Job 41:1,24).

(Psa 104:24-26) "O LORD, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all: the earth is full of thy riches. {25} So is this great and wide sea, wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts. {26} There go the ships: there is that **leviathan**, whom thou hast made to play therein."

(Isa 27:1) "In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish **leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent;** and he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea."

Another answer: Humans (House of Israel)
Ezekiel 3:7 - But the house of Israel will not hearken unto thee; for they will not hearken unto me: for all the **house of Israel** are impudent and **hardhearted.**

Ex. 7:13, 14, 22 (and more for Pharoah.) Also 1 Samuel 6:6, 2 Chron. 36:13, Mark 6:52, Acts 19:9, and others

Another answer is "ostrich", although her

"hardness" against her young is seemingly because of a lack of wisdom and understanding. Too bad that some people act like the ostrich and abandon their little ones.

(Job 39:13-18) "Gavest thou the goodly wings unto the peacocks? or wings and feathers unto the **ostrich**? {14} Which leaveth her eggs in the earth, and warmeth them in dust, {15} And forgetteth that the foot may crush them, or that the wild beast may break them. {16} **She is hardened against her young ones**, as though they were not hers: her labour is in vain without fear; {17} Because God hath deprived her of wisdom, neither hath he imparted to her understanding. {18} What time she lifteth up herself on high, she scorneth the horse and his rider."

4. What nation was referred to as an iron furnace? (At least three references are possible.)

Answer: Egypt

Deuteronomy 4:20 - But the LORD hath taken you, and brought you forth out of **the iron furnace, even out of Egypt**, to be unto him a people of inheritance, as ye are this day.

1 Kings 8:51 - For they be thy people, and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest forth out of **Egypt, from the midst of the furnace of iron**:

Jeremiah 11:4 - Which I commanded your fathers in the day that I brought them forth **out of the land of Egypt, from the iron furnace**, saying, Obey my voice, and do them, according to all which I command you: so shall ye be my people, and I will be your God:

Randal M. shared this insightful comment: Israel was subjected to oppressive bondage in Egypt. In these verses it is compared to the hottest fire then known. The comparison indicates the intensity of their suffering, as well as their being tested and purified during this period. The metaphor reminds us that, if we allow him, God will use our most intense trials for our good and will eventually deliver us from them.

5. What is the probable consequence to a friendship if someone advertises a wrong that someone has done?

Answer: The destruction of the friendship (Prov 17:9) "He that covereth a transgression

seeketh love; but he that repeateth a matter separateth very friends."

6. In two different books of the Bible, blind people are told to "hold" something. One of them is named. Who is he, and what was he told to hold?

Answer: Bartimaeus was told to hold his peace, described in Mark and Luke. (So were two other blind men described in Matthew.) The simple meaning of "hold your peace" is "maintain silence" or "be quiet."

(Mark 10:46-52) "And they came to Jericho: and as he went out of Jericho with his disciples and a great number of people, blind **Bartimaeus, the son of Timaeus**, sat by the highway side begging. {47} And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out, and say, Jesus, thou son of David, have mercy on me. {48} And **many charged him that he should hold his peace**: but he cried the more a great deal, Thou son of David, have mercy on me. {49} And Jesus stood still, and commanded him to be called. And they call the blind man, saying unto him, Be of good comfort, rise; he calleth thee. {50} And he, casting away his garment, rose, and came to Jesus. {51} And Jesus answered and said unto him, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? The blind man said unto him, Lord, that I might receive my sight. {52} And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way."

(Luke 18:35-43) "And it came to pass, that as he was come nigh unto Jericho, **a certain blind man** sat by the way side begging: {36} And hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant. {37} And they told him, that Jesus of Nazareth passeth by. {38} And he cried, saying, Jesus, thou son of David, have mercy on me. {39} And **they which went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace**: but he cried so much the more, Thou son of David, have mercy on me. {40} And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto him: and when he was come near, he asked him, {41} Saying, What wilt thou that I shall do unto thee? And he said, Lord, that I may receive

my sight. {42} And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight: thy faith hath saved thee. {43} And immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God."

(Mat 20:29-34) - {30} And, behold, two blind men sitting by the way side, when they heard that Jesus passed by, cried out, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou son of David. {31} And **the multitude rebuked them, because they should hold their peace:** but they cried the more, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou son of David.

7. What king, wearing borrowed clothing, was killed by a Syrian bowman's random shot? His own king had commanded chariot captains to spare all soldiers of Israel, and to attack only the king.

Answer: Ahab

(1 Ki 22:29-39) "So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up to Ramothgilead. {30} And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, I will disguise myself, and enter into the battle; but put thou on thy robes. And the king of Israel disguised himself, and went into the battle. {31} But **the king of Syria commanded his thirty and two captains that had rule over his chariots, saying, Fight neither with small nor great, save only with the king of Israel.** {32} And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they said, Surely it is the king of Israel. And they turned aside to fight against him: and Jehoshaphat cried out. {33} And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots perceived that it was not the king of Israel, that they turned back from pursuing him. {34} And a **certain man drew a bow at a venture, and smote the king of Israel** between the joints of the harness: wherefore he said unto the driver of his

chariot, Turn thine hand, and carry me out of the host; for I am wounded. {35} And the battle increased that day: and the king was stayed up in his chariot against the Syrians, and died at even: and the blood ran out of the wound into the midst of the chariot. {36} And there went a proclamation throughout the host about the going down of the sun, saying, Every man to his city, and every man to his own country. {37} So the king died, and was brought to Samaria; and they buried the king in Samaria. {38} And one washed the chariot in the pool of Samaria; and the dogs licked up his blood; and they washed his armour; according unto the word of the LORD which he spake. {39} Now the rest of the acts of Ahab, and all that he did, and the ivory house which he made, and all the cities that he built, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?"

Beech Grove News and Prayer Requests

We extend our sympathy to sister Jessie Pearl Green in the loss of her brother. Arlin Mesick died last Sunday night in Elkhart, IL. Remember in prayer: Kim Bryant (blood clot), Melissa Dickerson (MRSA), sister Green's brother Jerry Messick (cancer), William Miller at NHC (on dialysis), Laura Singleton (shut-in at home). Donna Gordon (recovering from foot surgery), Lady Ruth Reed (cancer)

On Wednesday night Carl Walker had a good report from the Philippines mission work, and we had visitors from Smyrna-LaVergne area as well as Manchester. It was an enjoyable time to be together

For the record:	05/18	05/25	06/01	06/08
Bible Study	20	18	22	18
AM Worship	25	31	28	26
PM Worship	28	30	22	18
Wed. Bible Study	15	21	22	29
Contribution	\$660	\$766	\$728	\$487

Assignments	June 15	June 22
Song leader (SS)	Tim Waldron	Wayne Gannon
Announcements	Joe Green	Junior Conner
Songleader-Worship	Wayne Gannon	Tim Waldron
Scripture reading	Daniel Green	T J Waldron
Opening prayer	Lee Rose	Wayne Gannon
Table service (center)	Tim Waldron	Joe Green
(center)	Ken Thomas	Daniel Green
(outside)	Steve Miller	Junior Conner
(outside)	Joe Green	T J Waldron
Closing Prayer	T J Waldron	James Mason
<i>If you cannot serve, please contact Junior Conner</i>		

It's not too early to
remind ourselves and
our neighbors:

Gospel Meeting
July 27 - 30, 2008

Visiting Preacher:
Darrell Blankenship

Sunday morning at
regular times, night
services at 7:30

