

## Church of Christ at Beech Grove

meeting at Beechgrove, TN since 1875
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# **Gospel Meeting**

### July 27 - 30, 2008

Services on Sunday at 10 and 11 AM, 7:30 PM. Weeknight services at 7:30 PM

The congregation invites all visitors to eat with us following the morning service on Sunday

Derrell Blankenship began preaching at the age of 16 in Prestonsburg KY. He graduated from Lipscomb in 76 with a BA in Bible. He received an MA in 86 from Austin Peay State University. He has taught High School Bible and Social Studies at David Lipscomb High school for 25 years.

has served as pulpit minister for congregations in KY and Middle Tennessee, most recently for 13 years at Charlotte Ave. until they merged with West Nashville Heights. He is now co-preaching for the newly formed Charlotte Heights congregation. Married to Brenda, he has two sons Aaron and Ryan. His father and grandfather were both preachers in the hills of KY



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



#### Questions for week of July 20

**1.** What must be done for a son to give parents rest and joy?

2. In the Old Testament, a certain way of "God-magnification" is said to be more pleasing to God than a horned animal with hoofs. In addition to singing the praises of God, what "magnified" God?

**3.** What is the means of correcting a foolish child?

**4.** Find a connection between limited talking and knowledge.

**5.** According to Zechariah, what kind of speech does God hate?

**6.** When a wise person fears and gets away from evil, what does a fool do?

**7.** If one is prideful and ignorant, what will they do?

#### Answers for week of July 13

**1.** Who will think it unusual that the new convert to Christ does not run with them?

Answer: Former associates. In the past the individual discussed here had taken part in the "party life" of the heathen, but after they ceased that lifestyle, their past associates consider the change "strange", and even speak evil of the follower of Christ.

1 Peter 4:1-5: Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin; 2 That he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God. 3 For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries: 4 Wherein they think it strange that ye run not with them to the same excess of riot, speaking evil of you: 5 Who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the quick and the dead.

Charley added: They think it strange that you no longer join them in a way of life that seemed to have much attraction and to make life happy and merry. They do not understand why you have left them, and regard you as "nuts'.

Jennie wrote: I think this refers to our old friends, the ones we ran with before becoming a Christian, the ones that saw all the sinful things we participated in. They don't understand why we don't do them anymore. They think that it should be the way it always was before, and when it's not, they turn against us.

**2.** Who had siblings that could not speak in a peaceful way to him?

Answer: Joseph

Genesis 37:3-4: Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age: and he made him a coat of many colours. 4 And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his brethren, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him

**3.** Who would not go with the Israelites to the promised land because of their (Israelites') stubbornness?

Answer: God (the Lord)

Exodus 33:1 And the LORD said unto Moses, Depart, and go up hence, thou and the people which thou hast brought up out of the land of Egypt, unto the land which I sware unto Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, Unto thy seed will I give it: 2 And I will send an angel before thee; and I will drive out the Canaanite, the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite: 3 Unto a land flowing with milk and honey: for I will not go up in the midst of thee; for thou art a stiffnecked people: lest I consume thee in the way.

**4.** In what short section of five verses are people advised NOT to do four things? I know of at least one section in which the form for each is "\_\_\_\_\_not". (This is besides the Ten Commandments.)

My Answer: Proverbs 3:25-29. You will notice that all uncleanness with greediness. verse 26 does not contain a "NOT"

25 Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh. 26 For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken. 27 Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it. 28 Say not unto thy neighbour, Go, and come again, and to morrow I will give; when thou hast it by thee. 29 Devise not evil against thy neighbour, seeing he dwelleth securely by thee.

Continuing on to verse 31, we could have asked what seven verses contain six things for people NOT to do!

30 Strive not with a man without cause, if he have done thee no harm. 31 Envy thou not the oppressor, and choose none of his ways.

The main thing I wanted all of you to do was to see how many "prohibitions" were a part of the old law, and how specific they were.

5. Find verses in both New and Old Testaments that tell God's people NOT to walk as certain others. (You probably will find several candidates, but try to choose the clearest examples.)

Answers: There are several possible, but the first two references below clearly require the godly to "walk" differently from the "walk" of others. Of course "walking" in this context represents the course, the aim and direction of a person's life. How we "walk" is a choice we must make.

Leviticus 20: 22 Ye shall therefore keep all my statutes, and all my judgments, and do them: that the land, whither I bring you to dwell therein, spue you not out. 23 And ye shall not walk in the manners of the nation, which I cast out before you: for they committed all these things, and therefore I abhorred them.

Ephesians 4: 17 This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, 18 Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: 19 Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work

Psa 1:1 Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

Prov 1:10 My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not. 11 If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause: 12 Let us swallow them up alive as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit: 13 We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil: 14 Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse: 15 My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path:

Isa 8:11 For the LORD spake thus to me with a strong hand, and instructed me that I should not walk in the way of this people, saying,

Ezek 20:18 But I said unto their children in the wilderness, Walk ye not in the statutes of your fathers, neither observe their judgments, nor defile yourselves with their idols:

Rom 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. . . 4 That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

And there are others. . .

6. What kind of activity on the part of humans was said to be prerequisite to the Lord's guidance, prosperity, and a comparison to a watersource that fails not?

Answer: Remove the yoke of affliction, quit "pointing fingers" and speaking wickedly, reach out to the hungry, and "satisfy the afflicted soul."

Homer Hailey in his commentary on Isaiah says, "It seems to indicate a sharing of one's self by sympathizing, comforting, and bearing the burden of those afflicted with inward pain."

Isa. 58: 9 Then shalt thou call, and the LORD shall answer; thou shalt cry, and he shall say, Here I am. If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking vanity; 10 And if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noon day:11 And the LORD shall guide thee

continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not.

7. Whose hospitality included an admonition not to stay in the roadway?

Answer: Lot's hospitality. (Gen 19:1-3)

And there came two angels to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing them rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground; {2} And he said, Behold now, my lords, turn in, I pray you, into your servant's house, and tarry all night, and wash your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on your ways. And they said, Nay; but we will abide in the street all night. {3} And he pressed upon them greatly; and they turned in unto him, and entered into his house; and he made them a feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat.

These visitors to Sodom said they would not come in to Lot's house to stay, enjoy getting their feet clean, and then leave the next day. But he urged them to do so, and treated them to a feast. It would soon be evident why Lot did not want these men to stay in the street, because the men of the city came to Lot's door demanding that he allow the visitors to come outside the house so they could "know them". What a traumatic affront upon these visitors, and Lot himself.

Another answer that meets the conditions:

The old man coming from his work in the mount of Ephraim. Jdg 19:12-20..with vs. 20 having the reference to not lodging in the street.

Assignments	July 20	July 27					
Song leader (SS)	Tim Waldron	Ken Thomas					
Announcements	Joe Green	Junior Conner					
Songleader-Worship	Wayne Gannon	Tim Waldron					
Scripture reading	T J Waldron	Daniel Green					
Opening prayer	Tim Waldron	Joe Green					
Table service (center)	Andy Miller	Wayne Gannon Ken Thomas Junior Conner					
(center)	Joe Green						
(outside)	Daniel Green						
(outside)	Steve Miller	Daniel Green					
Closing Prayer	Lee Rose	James Mason					
If you cannot serve, please contact Junior Conner							

#### **Beech Grove News, Prayer Requests**

Wanda Miller was sick this Wednesday night. Donna Gordon is beginning to walk on her injured foot. Laura Singleton and William Miller are still limited as to what they can do. Laura is at home and William is at NHC. James Mason has not been well lately. Melissa Dickerson still needs our prayers due to her infection. Nancy Harvey will have colon tests on Tuesday. Her mother, Mrs. Cartwright has been in a nursing home in Smyrna for a few days.



Let us know how we may serve you. We are glad that we are frequently blessed with visitors, Most of the time visitors are familiar with what to expect in our services, but if you have any questions why we worship as we do, feel free to ask.

For the record:	6/22	6/29	7/06	7/13	
Bible Study	16		16	13	
AM Worship			22	21	
PM Worship			16		
Wed. Bible Study	20		20	11	
Contribution	\$	\$632	\$621 \$		