

Beech Grove News

Remember all those who are dealing with health problems. Ken's father Richard Thomas is in Livingston Regional Hospital, room 129, due to pneumonia, and expects to go home early next week. Sister Rose has been able to sit for extended periods, and stood up for the first time this past week. She is still at Kindred Hospital, Chattanooga. Maria Curl had successful surgery this week. Melissa Dickerson had tests this week and got a good report. Marie Crowell is still having a lot of pain, but hopes to be back soon. Marie Singleton is having blood pressure problems and her medicine is being adjusted. Several members have coughs and sniffles.

Record of our attendance:

Date	Classes	AM	PM	Cont.	Wed.
9/11	23	28	23	\$534	34*
9/18	23	31	20	\$517	32
9/25	21	34	24	\$620	23
10/2	24	33	25	\$529	15
10/9	16	31	22	\$612	25
10/16	22	31	25	\$614	26
Goals	25	40	30		35

Gospel Meetings and Events

Fredonia Oct. 23-26 at 7:00 PM

Jerry Noblin speaking

New Union Oct. 23-26 at 7:00 M-W

Chris Whitaker speaking

Coffee County singing today at Main Street today at 2:30

Workers list for October

Announce: Junior Conner/Joe Green

At the Lord's Table

Center: Joe Green and Nick Graham

Sides: Daniel Green and Brian Dennis

Sunday A.M. Prayers

Opening Closing

4th Joe Green

Tim Waldron

5th Jr. Conner

Joe Green

THE OLD RUGGED CROSS

George Bailey

It was the most tragic event in history...
Yet it was the most wonderful thing that ever happened.

It was the saddest spectacle mankind ever beheld...
Yet by it came the greatest joy.

The old rugged cross was Satan's greatest victory...
Yet by the cross Satan suffered his most stunning defeat.

The cross was the greatest exhibition of divine justice...
Yet it was the most wonderful demonstration of Divine mercy.

It was through the cross that God condemned sin....
Yet by it He forgave the sinner.

The cross stands for God's hatred of sin....
Yet it was the greatest proof of His love for the sinner.

The cross was mankind's darkest hour...
Yet it was the greatest of all lights.

On that day the sun, the S - U - N, refused to shine at midday...

But on that day the son, the S - O - N, became the light of the world.

Beech Grove Church of Christ

meeting at Beech Grove, TN since 1875

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October 23, 2005

GETHSEMANE

As one reads the account of Jesus entering the garden of Gethsemane just prior to his betrayal and crucifixion, one can notice that there are four groups of people:

1. The Lord alone – praying.
2. The three disciples – sleeping.
3. The eight disciples – waiting.
4. The murderous mob – approaching.

Now, don't miss this! The further from the Lord, the larger the crowd. And it's still true today. Don't allow your convictions to be swayed by the majority. Seldom has the majority been right when it comes to spiritual matters. Don't allow your reluctance to be different and alone to persuade you to compromise your convictions. Remember Gethsemane!

*Steve Higginbotham
Glasgow, KY*

Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Classes 10 AM

Worship 11 AM

6 PM

Wednesday:

Bible Classes 7 PM

Mission Works

Restoration Radio

Jim Waldron

Manuelito Children's

Home

Mail: P.O. Box 85

Beech Grove, TN 37018

Visitors

Always

Welcome



Bible Search

by Kenneth L. Thomas

Questions for October 23

1. Who claimed to have no wealth, but through Jesus gave a man power to walk?
2. What preacher went to get someone to come back inside after the person had "suddenly left the room", and interrupted the sermon?
3. Who is not qualified to help a blind person find his way?
4. Who was told to bury an accursed woman because she was descended from royalty?
5. When is it not acceptable to practice traditional activities?
6. Who claimed to have avoided eating forbidden foods all his life?
7. Who claimed that he had never done anything that he thought was wrong at the time he did it, thus maintaining a pure conscience?

Answers for week of October 16 (Who Said It?)

1. Who offered 50% of his possessions for those in poverty?
Answer: **Zacchaeus** (Luke 19:8) not only offered **half his goods to the poor**, but promised to quadruple anything he had taken by means of false accusation (fraud.)
Luke 19:1 And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. 2 And, behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich. 3 And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature. 4 And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him: for he was to pass that way. 5 And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house. 6 And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully. 7 And when they saw it, they all

murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner. 8 And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord: Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold.

2. Who hated the fact that he was alive so much that he wished the very date did not exist?

Answer: **Job**. (Another possible answer, because of my poor wording of the question, is Jonah - - See Jonah 4:8) (Job 3:1-9 KJV) "After this opened Job his mouth, and cursed his day. {2} And Job spake, and said, {3} Let the day perish wherein I was born, and the night in which it was said, There is a man child conceived. {4} Let that day be darkness; let not God regard it from above, neither let the light shine upon it. {5} Let darkness and the shadow of death stain it; let a cloud dwell upon it; let the blackness of the day terrify it. {6} As for that night, let darkness seize upon it; let it not be joined unto the days of the year, let it not come into the number of the months. {7} Lo, let that night be solitary, let no joyful voice come therein. {8} Let them curse it that curse the day, who are ready to raise up their mourning. {9} Let the stars of the twilight thereof be dark; let it look for light, but have none; neither let it see the dawning of the day:" . . . Job 7:15-16 So that my soul chooseth strangling, and death rather than my life. {16} I loathe it; I would not live alway: let me alone; for my days are vanity.

3. What person wanted to be immersed by someone who came to him for immersion?

Answer: **John (the baptizer)**. John recognized Jesus' superior character. John had been baptizing multitudes for remission of sins. Mark 1:4 "John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins. 5 And there went out unto him all the land of Judaea, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptized of him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins." John is surprised that the sinless Jesus would come to be baptized. As I see it, this reaction can be compared to Peter's when he asked the Lord to "depart from me, I am a sinful man" (Luke 5:8). Jesus insists that John allow the baptism to "fulfill all righteousness." Jesus did not need baptism for forgiveness, but he expressed the need to be baptized to be "right." How different from those who refuse to obey the Lord's command. Matthew 3:13 Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. 14 But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou

to me? 15 And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him. 16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: 17 And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

4. What spokesman for God claimed to have a background in agriculture rather than a genealogical background as a prophet?

Answer: **Amos** (Amos 7:14) Amos 7:12 Also Amaziah said unto Amos, O thou seer, go, flee thee away into the land of Judah, and there eat bread, and prophesy there: 13 But prophesy not again any more at Bethel: for it is the king's chapel, and it is the king's court. 14 Then answered Amos, and said to Amaziah, **I was no prophet, neither was I a prophet's son; but I was an herdman, and a gatherer of sycomore fruit:** 15 And the LORD took me as I followed the flock, and the LORD said unto me, Go, prophesy unto my people Israel. See also Zec 13:4-5 - And it shall come to pass in that day, that the prophets shall be ashamed every one of his vision, when he hath prophesied; neither shall they wear a rough garment to deceive: {5} But he shall say, I am no prophet, I am an husbandman; for man taught me to keep cattle from my youth.

5. Whose harlotry and behavior as a witch prevented peace in a nation?

Answer: **Jezebel** (2Kings 9:22)
2 Kings 9:21 And Joram said, Make ready. And his chariot was made ready. And Joram king of Israel and Ahaziah king of Judah went out, each in his chariot, and they went out against Jehu, and met him in the portion of Naboth the Jezreelite. 22 And it came to pass, when Joram saw Jehu, that he said, Is it peace, Jehu? And he answered, What peace, so long as the whoredoms of thy mother Jezebel and her witchcrafts are so many? 23 And Joram turned his hands, and fled, and said to Ahaziah, There is treachery, O Ahaziah. 24 And Jehu drew a bow with his full strength, and smote Jehoram between his arms, and the arrow went out at his heart, and he

sunk down in his chariot. Another answer . . .but the question is better matched by an individual's name: The City of Ninevah (Nah.3:4)
Nahum 1 :1 The burden of Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite. . . .Nahum 3:1 Woe to the bloody city! it is all full of lies and robbery; the prey departeth not; . . .4 Because of the multitude of the whoredoms of the wellfavoured harlot, the mistress of witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her whoredoms, and families through her witchcrafts.

Billy Yarbrough commented:"Nowhere in all scriptures is the horrors and realities of battle more descriptive than that found in Nahum 3. It is truly awesome."

6. Whose animal was so badly mistreated that a vocal complaint was made against him?

Answer: **The prophet, Balaam's** . Numbers 22:28 ff.
21 And Balaam rose up in the morning, and saddled his ass, and went with the princes of Moab. . . .27 And when the ass saw the angel of the LORD, she fell down under Balaam: and Balaam's anger was kindled, and he smote the ass with a staff. 28 And the LORD opened the mouth of the ass, and she said unto Balaam, What have I done unto thee, that thou hast smitten me these three times? 29 And Balaam said unto the ass, Because thou hast mocked me: I would there were a sword in mine hand, for now would I kill thee. on which thou hast ridden ever since I was thine unto this day? was I ever wont to do so unto thee? and he said, Nay. . . .31 Then the LORD opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and he bowed down his head, and fell flat on his face.

7. Who said words that caused a tree to shrivel?

Answer: **Jesus**. (Mat 21:19-21 KJV) "And when he saw a fig tree in the way, he came to it, and found nothing thereon, but leaves only, and said unto it, Let no fruit grow on thee henceforward for ever. And presently the fig tree withered away. {20} And when the disciples saw it, they marvelled, saying, How soon is the fig tree withered away! {21} Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done."