Beech Grove News

Remember all those who are dealing with health problems. Sister Rose is making progress at NHC, across the street from MTMC. Marie Crowell and James Mason are improved.

Record of our attendance:					Workers list for November		
Date Classes AM PM Cont. Wed.			Wed.	Announce: Andy Miller			
10/30 19	25	20	\$523	21	At the Lord's Table (all month)		
11/06 25*	30	22	\$485	19	Center: Tim Waldron and Cole Gordon		
11/13 21	29	22	\$460	25	Sides: T. J. Waldron and Daniel Gordon		
11/20 22	29	25	\$600+	19	Sunday A.M. Prayers		
Goals 25	40	30		35	Opening	Closing	
CANCELLED: 4 th Sunday Singing				10/27 Joe Green	T. J. Waldron		
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ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

Gamma herefore consider the goodness and severity of God." That challenge by Paul appears in Romans 11:22. With these two extremes, goodness and severity, Paul offers an overall picture of the character of God.

Sadly, modern religion often speaks as if God were morally indifferent. The temptation to focus on the goodness of God to the exclusion of His severity is easy because it is popular. In our culture, popularity equals success, and the easiest way to be popular is to tell people what they want to hear.

We know that God is good (1 Chronicles 16:34) and that through His grace and mercy we are saved. However, God has also told us about His awesome judgment. "It is a fearful thing," Hebrews 10:31 warns, "to fall into the hands of the living God."

This issue contains articles (pages 27-37) concerning the attributes of God – His goodness and His leniency but also the biblical truth about His severity and His strictness. To teach selectively about God is presumptuous. We must affirm all that God has said about Himself.

Hebrews 12:28-29 describes the gratitude we should have toward God's gift of salvation yet balance it with reverence because of His judgment. "Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. For our God is a consuming fire."

By maintaining this balance, we can be true to the gospel God has given to us. \Box

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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

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GBN is on the Air

The Gospel Broadcasting Network signed on the air at Midnight EST Friday night. I started watching about 6:00 CST Saturday night. So far tonight I've seen or listened to children's songs accompanied with pictures of animals in nature, and teaching to reach children with the message of creation by God. I've seen other teaching by Jim Dearman, John Cupp, Tom Holland, Caleb Colley, Glenn Colley, James Watkins, David Prophater, and others. Right now at 8:46 a textual lesson on Colossians is being given by Jim Dearman.

I believe there is going to be a strong effort to present programming that is doctrinally sound. There may be something presented that brethren might differ on, but considering the flood of false doctrine on TBN, 700 Club, Trinity Network, and other so-called Christian programming, this is a refreshing option. Announcements are made to emphasize that neither fund solicitation nor advertising will be done on the broadcasts. The work is overseen by the elders at Highland/Dalton, GA

If you have a high speed internet connection you can view this at http://gbntv.org/ . Information of how to see the programs by way of satellite dish will be passed out to you. As time passes, some cable systems are expected to pick the programming up.

We hope and pray that the constant dissemination of the Word of God will make this an attractive draw for serious searchers for truth. May all of us in the church tell our friends about this opportunity, and enjoy the blessings of it ourselves.

Ken Thomas



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Questions for week of November 27 1. What three cities beginning with the letter "H" were places where prisoners from 2 and a half tribes were taken by the Assyrians?

2. What capital city of the Ammonites was destined to be a place for camels?3. What "earthshaking" event is used to date Amos?

4. What was the source of a sound that had to be heard as Aaron went in and out of the holy place to prevent his death?

5. What had Israelite people done that caused blushing and embarrassment to a praying priest?

6. Name at least three kings of whom it is said that he did what was right in the eyes of the Lord.

7. What kind of person does what is right in his own eyes?

Answers for week of November 20 Family Relationships

1. What father was due great respect, but asked questions which indicated that he felt disrespected?

Answer: God. He asked the questions through Malachi, the prophet. This was originally asked on Fathers' Day. I though that a question about respecting a father would remind us all of the greatest father of all, God our Father in Heaven. To whom do we owe more respect than God. . .and who more often than not gets forgotten in the hustle and bustle of Fathers' Day?)

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? 7 Ye offer polluted bread upon mine altar; and ye say, Wherein have we polluted thee? In that ye say, The table of the LORD is contemptible. 8 And if ye offer the blind for sacrifice, is it not evil? and if ye offer the lame and sick, is it not evil? offer it now unto thy governor; will he be pleased with thee, or accept thy person? saith the LORD of hosts.

In the days of old, as well as today, people were taking shortcuts in their casual approach to pleasing God. They offered just any old animal they had. . .sick, blind, lame..as a gift to God. They were not even concerned that fresh bread be prepared for the offering. . .they used the old polluted bread. What about us? Do we give god the leftovers? Or do we give him the firstfruits, the very best we have? Think about it.

2. What father could not find the idols which his daughter had taken from him?

Answer: Laban. He could not find them because Rachel was sitting on them! (Read Gen. 31:19-34) Gen 31:33 And Laban went into Jacob's tent, and into Leah's tent, and into the two maidservants' tents; but he found [them] not. Then went he out of Leah's tent, and entered into Rachel's tent. 34 Now Rachel had taken the images, and put them in the camel's furniture, and sat upon them. And Laban searched all the tent, but found [them] not.

3. Who wanted to kiss his parents before entering his ministry? (He also served ox meat before he left them.)Answer: Elisha, son of Shaphat, became minister to Elijah.

1Ki 19:19 So he departed thence, and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who [was] plowing [with] twelve yoke [of oxen] before him, and he with the twelfth: and Elijah passed by him, and cast his mantle upon him. 20 And he left the oxen, and ran after Elijah, and said, Let me, I pray thee, kiss my father and my mother, and [then] I will follow thee. And he said unto him, Go back again: for what have I done to thee? 21 And he returned back from him, and took a yoke of oxen, and slew them, and boiled their flesh with the instruments of the oxen, and gave unto the people, and they did eat. Then he arose, and went after Elijah, and ministered unto him. 4. What father was known for feeding

Answer: God, our Heavenly Father (Matthew 6:26;Luke 12:24)

birds?

Mat. 6:25 Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? 26 Behold **the fowls of the air**: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your **heavenly Father feedeth them**. Are ye not much better than they?

Luke 12: 24 Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap; which neither have storehouse nor barn; and God feedeth them: how much more are ye better than the fowls? (Job 38:41) Who provideth for the raven his food? when his young ones cry unto God, they wander for lack of meat.

5. What prophet laments the dishonor to God's name when a father and son are intimate with the same woman.

Answer: Amos. (Amos 2:6-7)

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:

see also Ezek. 22:11, 1 Cor. 5:1-2; and Gen. 35:22, 1 Chron. 5:1

6. Who expressed a curse on the one who took news of his birth to the father?

Answer: Jeremiah. (Jer 20:14-18 KJV) Cursed be the day wherein I was born: let not the day wherein my mother bare me be blessed. **{15}** Cursed be the man who brought tidings to my father, saying, A man child is born unto thee; making him very glad. **{16}** And let that man be as the cities which the LORD overthrew, and repented not: and let him hear the cry in the morning, and the shouting at noontide; **{17}** Because he slew me not from the womb; or that my mother might have been my grave, and her womb to be always great with me. **{18}** Wherefore came I forth out of the womb to see labour and sorrow, that my days should be consumed with shame?

7. Who was both Paul's son and brother? In what way?

Answer: Timothy was Paul's "son in faith" since Paul had taught him the gospel. They were also "brothers in Christ."

SON: (1 Tim 1:2) Unto Timothy, **my own son** in the faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord. (1 Tim 1:18) **son Timothy**,... (2 Tim 1:2) To **Timothy**, **my dearly beloved son: BROTHER** (2 Cor 1:1) **Paul**, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and **Timothy our brother**, unto the church of God which is at Corinth, with all the saints which are in all Achaia:

(Phile 1:1) Paul, ..., and Timothy our brother,

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