BIBLE TRIVIA

- 1. How often did God say to Joshua to meditate on "Book of the Law"?
- 2. How many days did the Israelites army marched around the city of Jericho before the walls came down?
- 3. When Joshua died, in which mountain was he buried?
- 4. One of you routs__?__, because the Lord your God fights for you, just as he promised
 - 5. Who was Abraham's father?

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY



A.M. Jamie Cobb "Sin It's a Killer" (Romans 6:23)

P.M. Jamie Cobb "This Mind" (Philippians 2:5)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE DEVOTIONAL

Bro Cobb

Welcome Visitors

We want to personally thank you for joining us today. It is our prayer you leave our worship service with an uplifted spirit. Below is what you can expect during our services.

SINGING: Non-instrumental singing plays a great part of our worship services. We hope that you will find this to be an uplifting praise to the Lord. (Eph. 5:19)

LORD'S SUPPER: Each Sunday we observe the Lord's Supper, which reflects on the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord Jesus, and the hope of everlasting life we now can live through Him. (I Cor. 11:23-26)

CONTRIBUTION: During the service, we as members are given the opportunity to give a portion of what God has given us. This money is used to support the church and to help spread God's Word. (I Cor. 16:2

Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Sunday Morning 10:00 a.m. Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Wednesday Night 7:00 p.m.



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Little Strokes Fell Great Oaks

We've all done it. We commit ourselves to making some serious changes. Losing weight. Becoming debt free. Reading our Bible every day. So, we make the decision, get ourselves motivated for the change, and start putting a plan in place. Maybe we even write down specific goals and read books to help us do it right. For the first week or so things look good, and our motivation stays high, then problems arise. We get sick. A major problem gets dropped on us at work. We get tired and stressed. The next thing we know, our motivation is gone and so is our goal. Many times, this is where it ends.

One of the most difficult challenges in life is self-improvement. This is the case because our goals seem so enormous and we usually we try to tackle too much at once. Benjamin Franklin wisely said, "Little strokes fell great oaks." The changes we want to make are often these massive oaks in our lives and the plan we put in place attempts to chop it down huge chunks at a time with massive swings. But soon we tire out, our motivational axes become dull, and we give up at the gigantic goal tree in front of us.

The problem is our mindset. The goal just seems too long, too big, and too hard. So, when the first challenge hits us, it's a challenge to bounce back. This is when a change in thinking is most valuable. Perhaps the best frame of mind is to focus not on the big goal, but simply on becoming 1% better every day. That is it, just 1% each day. So, if a person's goal were to do 100 pushups, then they would start with one on the first day, two on the second day, and so on until they were doing 100 pushups each day.

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Pray for our Family

Terry Peavler has started a round of chemo, recent CT scans have shown tumors are growing again.

Andrea Rucker is still recovering, continue to keep Andrea & Michael in prayer.

Cynthia Hudson (Tonia's mom in law) has started chemo again. Pray for her and her doctors.

Lydia Walden is receiving treatment to prevent surgery.

Donald Jones had surgery and his healing. Pray he quits smoking in order to improve his heal.

Larry Moore (Kevin's Dad) is recovering from surgery, he had a blood transfusion but he is out of the ICU and is able to walk around and is doing better.

Erin Ledoux (Cobb) recent scan shows there still might be cancer in her lymph nodes, she will have a full work up done in May to determine treatment.

Debbie Hollander is going through some troublesome times and needs prayers.

Martha Polk (friend of the Cobbs) is receiving another round of cancer treatments. Treatments are rough on her body and mind.

Sherry Phillips, please keep her in prayer for her health and spiritual growth.

Johnny Atkinson (Shannon's cousin) has been diagnosed with prostate cancer, luckily it was caught early. Will start treatment soon.

Please remember: Cedric Rucker, Larry Moore, Donald Jones, Charles Smith, Andrescia Frank, Curtis Williams, Gov. Clements, Donald Jones, Chloe Phillips, Erin LeDoux (COBB), Krystal Spearman, Joe Silva, Cliff Redmond, Sandra Collins, Ira Goode, Sandra Frasier, Tywanna Williams, Karen Gentry, Yvonne Warner, Pattie Yazell, Andrea Rucker, Jackie Crawford, Michael Howsley, Lydia Walden, Emileigh Marsh, Linda Allee, Susan Wyche, Mark Florez, Linda Carpenter, Russel Dukes Jr and ALL the first responders and police.

April 2023 1. Joshua 7.9 17.1 Samuel 11-13 2. Joshua 10-12 18.1 Samuel 14-16 3. Joshua 13-15 19.1 Samuel 17-20 4 Joshua 16-18 20. 1Sam. 21-24 5. Joshua 19-21 21.1 Sam, 25-28 6. Joshua 22-24 22.15am, 29-31 7. Judges 1-4 23. 2 Samuel 1:4 B. Judges 5-8 24. 2 Samuel 5-B 9. Judges 9-12 25.2 SamUel 9-12 10. Judges 13-15 26.2 Sam. 13-15 11. Judges 16-18 27.2 Sam. 16-18 12. Judges 19-21 28.2 Sam. 19-21 13, Ruth 1-4 29. 2 Sam. 22-24 14.1Samuel 1-3 30. 1 Kings 1-4 15. 1 Samuel 4-7 31.1 Kines 5.7 16.1 Samuel 8-10

Sunday morning class study (2 Timothy Chapter 3)

Bible Trivia Answers

- 1. Joshua 1:6-9
- 2. Joshua 6:1-5
- 3. Joshua 24:30
- 4. Joshua 23:10
- 5. Joshua 24:02

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While there is certainly value in eating better and losing weight, as Paul pointed out, "for bodily discipline is only of little profit, but godliness is profitable for all things, since it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come" (1 Timothy 4:8) We need to be the people who are striving daily for spiritual gain. The problem is this is hard to do. These oaks are sometimes the largest of them all. Praying with consistency. Reading through the Bible. Really studying the word with depth. Once again, taking "little strokes" will help us to take down these "big oaks." If we strive to become just 1% better every day, we will make huge improvements over time. This is typically more than we could say after we have burnt out and quit with previous goals.

<u>Psalm 1:1-3</u> says it well, "How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, nor stand in the path of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scoffers! But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law, he meditates day and night. He will be like a tree firmly planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in its season and its leaf does not wither; and in whatever he does, he prospers." We know We must be people who are learning and growing from Scripture (<u>Ephesians 4:15; Hebrew 6:1</u>). But how does a person get to the point of meditating on Scripture Day and Night? By attacking it with small strokes.

We can take amazing steps in our spiritual growth if we keep working. Perhaps just striving for 1% improvement per day is the best mindset. No matter which method works best for you, let us just make sure we keep learning, growing, and striving towards heaven

(2 Peter 1:5-11).