

BIBLE TRIVIA

1. What did Martha warn Jesus about before he went into the tomb to raise Lazarus from the dead?
2. When God said Solomon could have anything he wanted, what did Solomon choose?
3. Whose mother got paid to be his nurse?
4. What did Mary pour onto Jesus' feet?
5. How many fish did Jesus use to feed over 5,000 people?

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY



A.M. Jamie Cobb
“The Joy of Christ”
(1 Thessalonians 5:16)

P.M. Jamie Cobb
“Tempted and Tried”
(James 1:14)

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE
DEVOTIONAL**

Bro Bennett

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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Game Planning for Victory

I have never seen a football fan chanting “We’re number 2! We’re number 2!” Why? Because everyone wants to be the best; to win every contest; to always emerge victorious. Such should also be true for our daily struggle against the forces of evil. Satan has tried to overthrow God’s purposes since the beginning of time. Ever since the promise was made that Eve’s offspring would bruise Satan’s heel, that battle has raged. It is highlighted in several Biblical texts like Job 1 and 2 and Matthew 4 (the temptation in the wilderness).

This was especially true in the early days of the church. Paul talks about this very thing in 1 Thessalonians 2:18. Specifically, he states, “For we wanted to come to you—I, Paul, more than once—and yet Satan hindered us.” In this context, what Satan hindered was the reuniting of brethren who had been separated by persecution. Paul was only able to spend a few weeks with these brethren at the time of their conversion (Acts 17:2). After his departure, he was concerned about their faithfulness and stability. Due to the hindrances of Satan, he could not return to check on them, and this troubled him greatly. Instead of succumbing to Satan’s discouragements, Paul found another way and defeated Satan’s purposes. 1 Thessalonians 3:6 verifies that Paul did learn of their condition and was refreshed by it.

Satan didn’t want Paul to know. He didn’t want Paul to find out. He didn’t want Paul’s mind to be put at ease. He didn’t want the faith of the Thessalonians to share knowledge. But his purposes were defeated. They were defeated by 5 principles contained in the first 5 verses of 1 Thessalonians 3. With these same 5 principles, we can defeat the purposes of Satan’s today. We can emerge victoriously from every battle.

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Pray for our Family:

The Ring family please continue to keep Doris and the family in prayer as they grieve the loss of Carl.

The Flowers family remember Brother Flowers in prayer as he graves the loss of his sister Joyce Sanders.

Barbara Marsh heart procedure went well, and she is home recovering.

Doxie’s grandson Kyle Edwards is recovering from 2 broken legs at home and dealing with pain and mobility issues.

Brother Phillips friend Keith Hodges is dealing with blood pressure problems.

Kenny Stine has asked for prayers for his friend **Abe Namink’s** health.

Sandra Collins has asked for prayers for **Devin Jackson, Kenneth Osbourne, Donna Bishop, Veda Bryan, Georgette Haywood** and **Chris Haywood (Georgette’s grandson)** needs a kidney transplant. **Sandra’s cousin Jerry Scott.**

Cheryl’s brother Steve Jordan’s health as he improves.

Lydia Walden is still healing from her fall; she needs prayers of healing and encouragement. Also continue to pray for her brother-in-law **Ray Garcia**. **Lydia’s Aunt Yolanda** is recovering from heart surgery.

Michael Dukes is continuing his fire fighter training. Pray for safety and health for him and his fellow cadets.

Please remember: Barbarba Marsh, Trestina Jones, Megan Najera, Jason Calcote, Doxie Nacol, Sceffers Ward, Dorianne Ward, Debbie Hollander, James Couch, Michael Ringenebrg, Dixie Roden, Kay Brittmeier, The Ruckers, Kelli McQuiston, Deandra Jones, Callie Fitch, Brenda Bodhi, Everett Thompson, Marlin Phillips, Chloe Phillips, Erin LeDoux, Barbara Marsh, Christina Bennett, Ruby Holt, Glynn Cobb, Angela, Don, Ben, Marvin and Faye Jones, Richard Jordan, Charles Smith, Sandra Frasier, Karen Gentry, Pattie Yazell, Michael Howsley, Linda Allee, Susan Wyche, Russell Dukes family and Russell Dukes Jr and students, teachers /aids, bus drivers, and ALL the first responders and police.



Sunday Morning Bible Class (Hebrews)

Bible Trivia Answers

1. **John 11:39**
2. **1 Kings 3:11**
3. **Exodus 2:8-10**
4. **John 12:3**
5. **Matthew 14:19**

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First, Paul sacrificed his original plans (3:1-2a). Paul did not let his ego or pride get in the way. He wanted to go and see them face-to-face, but he was not so stubborn that he could not alter his agenda. We must never let our pride get in the way of spiritual victory. Sacrifice a necessary part of any spiritually successful game plan.

Second, Paul equipped others to handle Satan’s attacks (2b). Timothy was qualified to be Paul’s replacement or delegate. His empowerment came through his association and his salvation. He was Paul’s brother and God’s co-worker. Timothy was just as capable and qualified for this work. The lesson for us is simple – we need to train more people to do more work so that more can be accomplished. One way we can defeat Satan’s purposes is to train more soldiers in God’s army.

Third, they had a defined mission (2c-3). Timothy was not sent on a survey mission or simply as a guest preacher. He was sent to “establish” and “encourage.” His work was to strengthen their spiritual condition and to give them reason to hope. Our mission and goals need to be clearly defined or else as we walk aimlessly, we will never be victorious.

Fourth, they were aware of Satan’s modes of attack (4). Paul had warned that persecution might come, so they knew what to expect. Likewise, we should “not be ignorant of his devices “(2 Corinthians 2:11), because his methods have been revealed (1 John 2:15).

Fifth, they were motivated by love (5). Twice in this context, Paul reveals that he “could no longer endure” not knowing about them. His tender affection and genuine concern (i.e., love) motivated him just like it should motivate us.

This list may not be exhaustive, but it is certainly a great place to start. When the battle gets intense this week, remember Paul’s game plan, and follow it carefully. God wants us to win and has granted us the knowledge and support necessary to do just that.