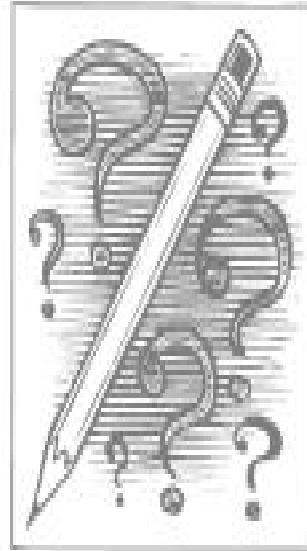


TEST YOUR BIBLE KNOWLEDGE

Answer the questions below with the scripture where it can be found. The answers will appear in the following bulletin.

26. Who slept on an iron bedstead over thirteen feet long?
27. Who was the first drunkard and how long did he live?
28. When were the apostles accused of being drunk?
29. What was the penalty for working on the Sabbath?
30. Who had his wages changed ten times?



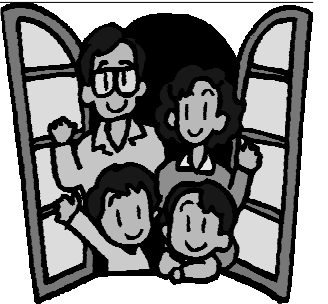
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“Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.” I Timothy 4:12.

WEST SIDE WINDOW

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A CRISIS OF FAITH

By Grady Miller, Colorado Springs, Colorado

The story is told in Leviticus 10 of Nadab and Abihu, priests of Israel and sons of Aaron, who “offered profane fire before the LORD, which He had not commanded them.”

All of us are familiar with that Old Testament narrative. We know the important lesson it declares. How many sermons based on this text have warned us of the danger in making unauthorized changes to the form of our worship? We must worship our God in the way He has specified and declared. The fire that rained down from heaven and destroyed the sons of Aaron is a fearful reminder that God means what He says. It is essential we do what He says in the way He has prescribed.

But there is another verse in this narrative I have pondered at some length in recent weeks. When the fire came down and killed Nadab and Abihu, the text records the reaction of Aaron, their father. In the briefest and most dramatic description possible we read—

“So Aaron held his peace.”

Try as I might, I cannot imagine what Aaron thought-what Aaron felt! - as he watched his sons consumed and incinerated by the sovereign judgment of Jehovah God. Although the chronology of Leviticus and Numbers is not always as straightforward and easy to follow as the Exodus narrative, it appears that Nadab and Abihu were struck down by the Lord when Israel camped at Mt. Sinai. Aaron’s death is not recorded until Numbers 20, near the end of the forty years of wandering in the Wilderness.

40 years! How many times in those forty years did Aaron wake up from the nightmare of his sons’ death, hearing their screams in his sleep? Here was a memory to torment a loving father all the days of his life.

There are trials of faith I would not wish on anyone. There are temptations to compromise, pressures to surrender lifelong convictions so heart-breaking and gut-wrenching any feeling person must shudder and pray to God he or she might be spared so cruel a fate.

Take another look at the heartache of Aaron. I presume he enjoyed all the blessings of fatherhood. Was he not proud of his sons? Did he not love them as much as any father could love his boys? And to see them struck down so quickly, so completely! There was no trial. No appeal. No time to embrace and say goodbye.

Years ago I heard the whispers and speculation “explaining” how one great man of God restudied the marriage-divorce-remarriage issue and why he began to argue a looser view than he held in previous years. “It’s his daughter,” they said. “Brother so-and-so never would have changed his doctrine if his daughter had not left her husband and took up with another man.”

I don’t know about that, but I know this. Upon seeing his sons perish before his eyes, some sense of protest had to come into Aaron’s mind.

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SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study —
9:30 am
Worship — 10:30 am &
6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study —
7:00 pm

MINISTER

Larry G. Reynolds

ELDERS

Mike Haviland
Brian Huffman
Larry G. Reynolds
Herb Smith
Larry Taylor
George Welker

DEACONS

Don Allison, Youth
Bill Gaw, Building &
Grounds
Jerry Hoyt, Bible Corresp. &
Upon The Rock
Lowell Huffman,
Benevolence
Volker Jaromin, Building &
Grounds
Dwayne Odle, Missions
Gary Reynolds, Seminars
Todd Stults, Education and
Asst. Finance
Jim Witty, Finance & Upon
The Rock

MISSION WORKS

Cochran, Georgia
Willie Smith
South Central Church of
Christ
Robert Ray
Tanzania, Africa
Christopher Mwakabanje
plus two preaching school
students
Memphis School Of
Preaching
Andrey Kostine

WORSHIP FOR JULY 12**MORNING WORSHIP**

Song Leader: Lowell Huffman
 Opening Prayer: Richard Messer
 Scripture Reading: Gunnar Taylor
 (I Pet. 1:3-8)

Sermon: Larry G. Reynolds
 Sermon Topic: "Are You Having A Bad Day?"

Announcements: Brian Huffman
 Closing Prayer: Volker Jaromin

COMMUNION SERVERS

West Side-Assist: Clayton Parker
 Prayer: Kendall Clark
 East Side-Prayer: Howard Goodman
 Assist: Nick Qualkenbush

EVENING WORSHIP

Song Leader: Lowell Huffman
 Opening Prayer: Jim Smith
 Scripture Reading: Blade Taylor
 (I Pet. 1:10-12)

Sermon: Larry G. Reynolds
 Sermon Topic: "What Are You Looking For?"

Communion Table: Sam Arnold
 Closing Prayer: Gary Reynolds

**PULPIT PREVIEW FOR
JULY 19, 2009**

AM: "People Pleaser Or God Pleaser?"
 (1 Pet 1:13-21)

PM: "The Word Will Stand In Judgment"
 (I Pet. 1:22-25)

JULY**GREETERS:**

East Door: Clayton & Gail Parker
Front Door + Ushers: Jay Kellow & Larry Terrell

COMMUNION:

Prep: Lowell & Charlene Huffman
Clean-up: Lisa, Ginger, Vada

BUILDING CLEANING: Lola Harrell,
 Ginger Whitenack and Betty Curry

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Natalie's friend, **Kiana Allen's mom** needs prayers.

Barbara Blaser, friend of Lisa, has recurrence of cancer
Martina Conaster, Gail Parker's aunt, has breast cancer
Ferrell Conner, Jessica's grandpa fell, suffered brain injury, and is in ICU.

Tom Davis

Ann Dowd, Pat Kidd's daughter
Rachel Hotmire, friend of Lowell and Charlene, is in ICU at BMH.

Brandon Lee, 1st grade student who is seriously ill. Brandon and his mother need our prayers.

Marie McBride

Michelle, Ira's cousin has MS
Paul Messer, Richard's brother, is doing some better.
Norma Norris, Grant's grandmother

Gail Parker

Butch Perry, friend of Dorothy
Nora Lee Robbins, Gail Parker's mother
Kent Sanders is battling cancer
Hazel Spears, Wilma's sister
Travis, friend of Pat Ertle.

Carol Van Norman, Pat Kidd's daughter

Kay Thomason, Howard Goodman's sister, has brain cancer. Send encouragement to 1219 Kelly Dr., Elizabethtown, KY 42701.

Evelyn Vannatter fell, no broken bones, hopefully back to worship next week.

Erica Walden, Pat Kidd's granddaughter

George & Ellen Welker

Jerry & Melba Wilhoite

Richard Williams, Pat Kidd's son

David Witty is awaiting test results for a kidney transplant.

Everett & Ann Witty

Shut-Ins

Virginia Ashley - Westminster
Juanita Broderick - The Woodlands
Twyla Monroe - The Woodlands
Mary Norris - The Woodlands

Away in the Military

Grant Kellow

Brian Noonkester - Germany

Justin Spence-Iraq

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

July 12—Group 1 will meet in the small classroom after evening services.

July 12—Elders will meet today at 4:30

July 14—Men's fellowship breakfast at IHOP at 8 AM.

July 14 & 16—Ladies exercise at 9 AM.

July 15—Make plans to join us for fellowship and dinner Wednesday at 5:30.

July 19—Elders and deacons will meet at 4:30.

Aug 2—Elders will meet at 4:30.

Aug 16—Elders and deacons will meet at 4:30.

Aug 28—Sept 3—Polishing the Pulpit lecture-ship.

Aug 30—Carry in lunch with early evening services.

Oct 10—Lebanon church of Christ Ladies Inspiration Day, "Hungering For More", 9-noon.

**ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK OF
JULY 5, 2009**

Sunday Bible Study	87
Sunday Worship am	127
Sunday Worship pm	68
Wednesday Bible Study	70

BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST!!

Jonah Stults was baptized at Camp Indogan. Emma Gors, Mike's daughter, was also baptized at camp.

TEST YOUR BIBLE KNOWLEDGE Answers from 07/05

- Where is it stated that a man should be ashamed to wear long hair? **A: I Cor. 11:14**
- Aprons from what man's body were used to cure the sick? **A: Paul's. Acts 19:11-12**
- Who said, "A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump"? **A: Paul. I Cor. 5:6; Gal. 5:9**
- Who broke three hundred pitchers? **A: Gideon and his army. Judges 7:16-21**
- Who were complained of because they did not wash their hands before meal? **A: The disciples of Jesus. Matt. 15:1,2; Mark 7:5.**

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A father just can't see his sons struck down and not struggle with the immediate, spontaneous impulse to blurt out his hurt and anguish. Did the punishment fit the crime? Shouldn't the Lord have listened to His own High Priest before taking such drastic measures? Why was there no warning given to his sons, no occasion for repentance?

Here was the supreme test in Aaron's life. Would he give in to his hurt? Would he cry out and curse God? Would bitterness and resentment drive him to question the Almighty?

Say what you will about the cowardly Aaron who gave Israel a golden calf, the weak Aaron that followed his sister in a revolt against Moses. I know that grand old man faced his greatest crisis when God punished his children.

**WHAT MUST I DO TO BE
SAVED?**

HEAR—(ROMANS 10:17;
 MATTHEW 7:24-27).

BELIEVE—(HEBREWS 11:6;
 MARK 16:15-16).

REPENT—(ACTS 2:38; 17:30; LUKE 13:3).

CONFESS—(MATTHEW 10:32,33;
 ACTS 8:36).

BE BAPTIZED—(ACTS 2:38;
 GALATIANS 3:27).

LIVE FAITHFULLY UNTO DEATH—
 (REV. 2:10).