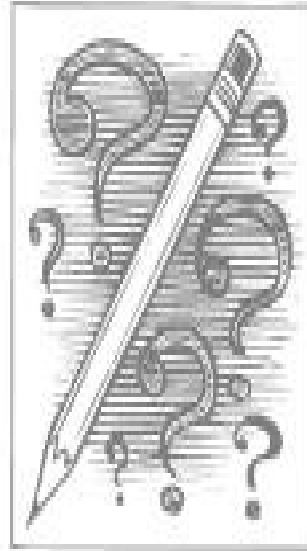


TEST YOUR BIBLE KNOWLEDGE

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

51. Who deceived his son-in-law by substituting the bride's older sister on the wedding night?
52. Who worked seven years to earn a wife?
53. Who said, "He who finds a wife finds a good thing"?
54. Who advised young widows to marry?
55. What father and son passed off their wives as their sisters?



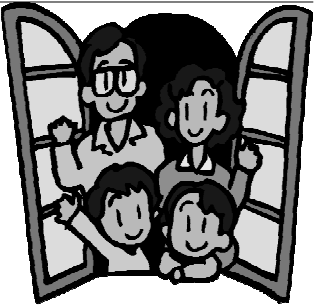
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"Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." 1 Timothy 4:12.

WEST SIDE WINDOW

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LUKEWARM LAMPSTANDS

By Blaine Kelly, Glasgow, KY

Jesus' words in Revelation 2:1-7 to the church at Ephesus reveal his contempt for a lukewarm faith. The Ephesians had lost their love for Christ, even though they tested false teachers and stood against the unrighteous works of others, namely the Nicolaitans. Sadly, Jesus could characterize an entire city of Christians as "lukewarm" and "fallen".

Many preachers and Bible class teachers reference this passage when speaking of Christianity in our world today. "Lukewarmness" is the spiritual epidemic of our times. It can easily creep unnoticed into our daily lives and even into the Lord's church.

In speaking to the Ephesians, Jesus warns that if a lukewarm status continues, then he will "remove [their] lampstand." I once believed that this meant the church in Ephesus would quickly disappear and be no more. But I now see it a bit differently.

Lukewarm churches don't immediately vanish and come to nothing. They continue to gather for worship, provide some good programs, and even stand up against sin and false teaching—just like the church at Ephesus. The problem is that their spiritual tank is empty; they're just going through the religious motions. If such an existence continues, a lukewarm church will still exist for a while, but its light will slowly fade to nothing. It loses its desire for spiritual growth and for reaching the lost. Its love for Jesus will be a forgotten memory and its influence on others will be gone. A lukewarm church does not immediately disappear from the spiritual landscape. Instead it dies a very slow death.

Lights only burn hot and bright, and there's no such thing as a lukewarm lampstand. If Ephesus could lose its lampstand, so can we...even South Green Street, even me. The good news is that those who overcome will "eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God." "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says."

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 SEPTEMBER 6
MORNING WORSHIP**

Song Leader: Lowell Huffman
Opening Prayer: Don Allison
Scripture Reading: Blade Taylor
(Psalm 119:9-16)
Sermon: Larry G. Reynolds
Sermon Topic: "Respect for Divine Authority"
Announcements: Brian Huffman
Closing Prayer: Mark Stewart

COMMUNION SERVERS

West Side-Assist: Jim Clark
Prayer: Danny Odle
East Side- Prayer: Gary Reynolds
Assist: Larry Terrell

EVENING WORSHIP

Song Leader: Lowell Huffman
Opening Prayer: Rick Cox
Scripture Reading: Drew Odle
(Galatians 5:16-21)
Sermon: Larry G. Reynolds
Sermon Topic: "Putting Away the Lust of the Flesh"
Communion Table: Volker Jaromin
Closing Prayer: Sam Arnold

**PULPIT PREVIEW FOR
SEPTEMBER 13, 2009**

AM: "Why it is Great to be a Christian"
(Acts 11:25-30)
PM: "The Challenge of Christianity"
(Matt. 5:13-16)

SEPTEMBER

GREETERS:

East Door: Ginger Whitenack & Betty Curry
Front Door + Ushers: Jay Kellow & Forrest Hurst

COMMUNION:

Prep: Lowell & Charlene Huffman
Clean-up: Holly, Kista, Melinda

BUILDING CLEANING: Lisa, Kathy, Cindy, and Nancy

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Sally Anderson, her mother, and grandmother Barbara Blaser, friend of Lisa, has recurrence of cancer
Martina Conaster, Gail Parker's aunt, has breast cancer
Christy Disney, friend/co-worker of Delores
Clarence "Bud" Henry, Delores' uncle
Charlene Huffman is doing some better
Ray Gastineau
Brandon Lee, 1st grade student who is seriously ill. Brandon and his mother need our prayers.
Marie McBride fell and hurt her arm
Norma Norris, Grant's grandmother
Ryburn Perry
Carol Reedy, co-worker of Tyann
Nora Lee Robbins, Gail Parker's mother
Kent Sanders is battling cancer
Travis, friend of Pat Ertle.
Kay Thomason, Howard Goodman's sister. Send encouragement to 1219 Kelly Dr., Elizabethtown, KY 42701.
Erica Walden, Pat Kidd's granddaughter
George & Ellen Welker
Jerry & Melba Wilhoite
David Witty
Everett & Ann Witty

Shut-Ins

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

Away in the Military

Grant Kellow
Brian Noonkester - Germany
Justin Spence-Iraq

**MARK YOUR
CALENDARS**

Sept 6—Elders will meet at 4:30.
Sept 6—Group 3 (Mike & Herb) will meet after evening services. This group is also responsible for making sure the building is secure and lights are out after each service.
Sept 7—Labor Day breakfast at Marrow's Meadows, 9 AM.
Sept 8—Men's fellowship breakfast at IHOP at 8 AM.
Sept 8 & 10—Ladies exercise at 9 AM.
Sept 9—Make plans to join us for fellowship and dinner Wednesday at 5:30.
Sept 13-16—The church of Christ of Tipton invites all to their gospel meeting with speaker, Phil Dunn. See bulletin board for details.
Sept 19—Garfield Heights Ladies Day, "I Never Promised You A Rose Garden" at 10:00 with speakers, Kista and Mindy Reynolds. RSVP by Sept. 1.
Sept 20—Elders and deacons will meet at 4:30.
Sept 20-23—All are welcome to Lebanon church of Christ's Marriage and Parenting Seminar with speaker Jim Russell, LCPC. See bulletin board for details.
Sept 25-27—Washington Avenue church of Christ invite all to the Bible series "Christians—Lights in a Dark World." See bulletin board for further details.
Oct 10—Lebanon church of Christ Ladies Inspiration Day, "Hungering For More", 9-noon.

**ATTENDANCE FOR THE
WEEK OF AUGUST 27, 2009**

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| Sunday Bible Study | 75 |
| Sunday Worship am | 115 |
| Sunday Worship pm | 85 |
| Wednesday Bible Study | 82 |

UPON THE ROCK RECIPIENT

Thank you for continuing sending me the "Upon The Rock" publications.

I am so thankful for the many gospel preachers who submit sound Biblical material for each issue. And, so grateful for Brothers Larry Reynolds and his son, Mark Reynolds for the great work they do in editing the publications.

Leadale Simpson

WHAT JOSHUA DID NOT SAY

By Neal Richey

In his farewell address, Joshua stands before the representatives of all the tribes of Israel and tells them to make a decision. He says that they can either turn from God and serve idols, or they can turn to God and serve Him. Joshua told them what his decision was: "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15). The leaders who represented the nation of Israel agreed, saying, "God forbid that we should forsake the Lord, to serve other gods" (24:16). I am so thankful for Joshua and his dedication. I am also grateful for what Joshua did not say.

I'm thankful that Joshua did not say, "My family will serve the Lord without me." Friends, so many wives and children serve God without fathers. Fathers should be the spiritual leaders of the home. Fathers have an obligation to their families and God to set the spiritual tone of the home. God give us faithful fathers!

I'm thankful that Joshua did not say, "I will serve the Lord without my family." Sadly, some fathers must serve the Lord on their own, because they have wives who refuse to follow their lead. Fathers must maintain their faithfulness, and one day they may win their families to Christ.

I'm thankful that Joshua did not say, "My family and I will not serve the Lord." Entire families will be lost eternally because they refuse to serve the Lord. I cannot help but think that greater punishment will come upon fathers who have the duty of leading the home in the way it should go. May God give us Christian homes!

THANK YOU

Thank you all so much for the cards, prayers and phone calls I received meant so much to me. Thank you.

"What a wonderful world this would be if everyone's life could be touched by someone as caring as [all of] you."

In Christian Love,
Charlotte [Manis]