

GOD'S PLAN FOR SAVING MAN

God's Grace - Ephesians 2:8
God's Love and Mercy - Ephesians 2:4
Christ's Blood Shed - Romans 5:9-11
The Gospel - Romans 1:16
Sinner's Faith - Acts 16:31; Mark 16:15-16
Sinner's Repentance - Luke 13:3
Sinner's Confession - Romans 10:10
Sinner's Baptism - 1 Peter 3:21; Acts 2:38
Christian's Hope - Romans 8:24-25
Christian's Faithfulness and Endurance - Revelation 2:10; 1 John 1:7-10

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LORD'S DAY ASSIGNMENTS

for today - August 16

READ SCRIPTURE:

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OFFICIATE:

Ken Russell

SERVE COMMUNION:

Bill Brooks David Houk
Roy Petett Matt Forbes

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a.m. - Wayne Hatcher
p.m. - Wayne Hatcher

LEAD SINGING:

am - Ken Russell pm - BA Fudge

DON'T QUIT

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all up hill,
When the funds are low, and the debts are high,
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,
When care is pressing you down a bit,
Rest if you must, but don't you quit.
Life is queer with its twists and turns,
As everyone of us sometimes learns,
And many a failure turns about,
When he might have won had he stuck it out.
Don't give up though the pace seems slow,
You may succeed with another blow.
Success is failure turned inside out,
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt,
And you never can tell how close you are,
It may be near when it seems so far,
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit,
It's when things seem worse, that you must not quit.

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TIME OF SERVICES: Sunday: Bible Study 10 AM;
Worship 11 AM & 6 PM Wednesday: Bible Study 7 PM

CHURCH WEB PAGE: www.horsecavecoc.com

We gladly welcome you to our congregation, trusting that - if you are *seeking Christ* you will find Him here, if *sorrowing* you will receive comfort and strength here, if *troubled in spirit* you will gain the blessing of peace here, if *discouraged* you will rejoice in encouragement and hope here, if *friendless* you will find companionship and Christian love here. That these and other blessings may be yours is our prayer.

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Who Is Most Important?

During a serious and dangerous operation, a surgeon asked a young intern, *"Who is the most important person in this operating room?"*

The intern groped for an appropriate answer. He didn't believe that his mentor was asking for personal compliments, so, trying to sound gracious, he replied, *"I suppose that it would be these nurses who assist you in such an efficient manner."*

The surgeon shook his head and said, *"No, the most important individual in this room is the patient."*

It's possible to overlook the obvious. In personal Bible study it's easy to forget that the most important element is *YOU*. Whether you find profit or not depends on *your* attitude.

What is the right attitude to bring to Bible study? First, approach the Bible with a sense of your own need, not simply to teach it to someone else.

Second, approach the Bible with humility. Don't try to make the Bible say what you would like it to say, but study to discover what God has said.

German theologian Johann Bengel said, *"Be like a maker of a well who brings no water to his source but allows the water he finds there to flow freely without stoppage, diversion, or defilement."*

Those who do that will grow like trees *"planted by the rivers"* (Psalm 1:3).
- Haddon Robinson

Afraid to see what's in God's Book?

It's meant for you, don't fail to look.

The words and thoughts contained therein

Will bring God's peace and cleanse your sin. - Beals

BIBLE STUDY IS MEANT NOT MERELY TO INFORM BUT TO TRANSFORM

PERSONAL NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Doug Edwards; Linda Forbes; James Horton; Parker Bybee; Becca Napper; Chris Burchett; Blake Morris; Dennis Hatcher; Gerald Watt; Pat Bradford (Ruth's son); Vickie Thompson's dad, William E. Estes; Frankie Walters; Buddy Logsdon; Faye Guinn (member at Center); Brenda K. Thomason (member at E-town); Roger Lyons (Jean Turner's relative) in FL; Gladys Doyle; Katherine Wright (former member here now in AZ) recovering from surgery

FRIENDS FROM OUR COMMUNITY:

Jim Reed; Leslie Witty; Billy Ross; James Minor; Roger Lile; Jeff Lile; Kay Bush; Mary Bush; Graham Rutherford (in Iraq); the Witherspoon family

SHUT-INS AT HOME:

Alma Reynolds Sally Marshall Johnalene Lancaster

HART COUNTY HEALTH CARE:

Hallie Davidson 403; Mary Edwards 502; Helen Stanley 707; Berdine Hogan 502 Alma Stilts 501

HIGHLAND RIDGE ASSISTED LIVING:

Ford Smith 164

NHC HEALTHCARE in Glasgow:

Robert Allen Edwards

MISSION WORKS WE SUPPORT:

Al Horne in South Africa
Mike Brooks in Bangladesh/Nepal
Patinya Thitathan in Thailand
Sammy Flanary – work in Europe
Danny McCain - Green Co. KY
Doka Obadiah in Nigeria, Africa
Jason Freed family going to France
Mid-South Bible Institute in Glasgow, KY
Jerry Carmichael — Grant Co. KY
Dhan Ramkelawan – Suriname, South America
International Gospel Hour – Fayetteville, TN

Gospel Broadcasting Network – Dalton, GA
HTH/HTH ministry here in Horse Cave
Local Radio programs over WLOC-1150 AM
Darrell Wallace Sunset's Satellite Schools

NEW WEDNESDAY NIGHT STUDY:

We got off to a great start on Wed. night in our new study of the Gospel of John. If you haven't picked up your book, please do so and make plans to attend this class.

DVD OF RELATIONSHIP SEMINAR:

If you wanted a copy of our recent "Relationship Seminar" conducted by Sam Dick and you haven't picked yours up yet, see Wayne.

INFORMATIONAL DIRECTORY:

We are in the early stages of doing a new informational directory. Please help us by filling out one of the data sheets that Becca Napper has prepared. Please return it to Becca or to Wayne. Judy Petett has also agreed to help with this project. We are also considering including color pictures.

GOSPEL MEETING:

August 16-20 Cave City Church of Christ with James Barnes 7:00 nightly

Our next Gospel Meeting will be Nov. 6-8 with Mel Futrell doing the preaching.

WELCOME VISITORS:

If you are visiting with us today, we always appreciate you, and trust you will find a warm and friendly welcome.

TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ:

In what book does the Lord tell Moses to tear down all the pagan altars he finds?

The answer to last week's question was: his bed, Matthew 9:1-8

The Lost Bible by Mike Benson

E. T. Gackenhaimer laid his preaching Bible on top of his car and then drove off. When he arrived at the church where he was scheduled to speak in Barbados some time later, he realized what he had done. By then, it was too late to try to backtrack and find it. E. T. never saw his Bible again. It was lost forever—or so he thought.

Twenty years after E. T.'s death and more than five decades after his Bible slid off the top of his automobile, the volume found its way back into his families' possession this past June. It was a gift from a stranger who had found it in a moldy, dusty stack of books in Chile, South America.

Stephanie Garcia, a missionary herself, decided one day to stop by a local junk store. As she perused the dilapidated merchandise, she stumbled across a leather-bound Bible with a cursive name written inside—*E. T. Gackenhaimer*.

She didn't purchase the book initially. Instead, she went home and did a Google search on the web. To her surprise, she found considerable information about the life and ministry of Mr. Gackenhaimer. Eventually she was able to contact his relatives and then mail his Bible to them up in North Georgia.

A scratch on the front and the unique handwritten signature on the inside confirmed the Bible's authenticity. Audrey Henson, E. T.'s 76-year-old daughter said seeing her daddy's Bible for the first time after all of those years was "very meaningful, very emotional."

"Very meaningful, very emotional." Ponder those words and then go back with me in your memory to an ancient ruler of Judah and another lost Bible.

Josiah had reigned for eighteen years (2 Kings. 22:3). At this particular juncture in his administration, the young king ordered repairs to the temple and an accounting of the monies therein (vv. 3-7). During this period of "house-cleaning," the high priest Hilkiah, somewhat like Stephanie Garcia, happened upon the the Law (v. 8) of Moses. The

book had been missing for perhaps as many as fifty-seven-years. Hilkiah then passed the once lost text on to a scribe by the name of Shaphan, who in turn read it before Josiah (v. 10).

When the monarch heard God's Word, Scripture says he wept (v. 19) and tore his clothes (v. 11). Think "very meaningful, very emotional." He then ordered the Book of the Law to be read aloud before the entire nation (2 Kgs. 23:1-2).

Josiah recognized that Jehovah's will had not been followed and ordered that true worship be restored in Judah (vv. 3ff). He then instigated a thorough overhaul of the religious corruption of his day, and destroyed anything and everything associated with idolatry. And all of this came about because one man found a lost Bible.

How many times have you thought to yourself, "I never knew that was in the Bible!?" It was as if the sacred text had somehow finally been found in your possession. Yes, you owned a copy of the Scriptures, perhaps more than one, but you had never taken the time to sit down and really pour over them to see what they taught.

Maybe your Bible laid under a layer of dust in some forgotten shelf near the TV. And only when you had heard a particular sermon, or found yourself in the throes of great adversity, did you really "find your Bible" and realize that your worship was vain and your life was not in harmony with the Law of Christ.

Restoration and legitimate change began only when folks back in Josiah's day found and read the Bible. This ought to tell us something.

Dear reader, do you know where your Bible is located right now? Can you put your hand on it at this very instant? Has it somehow been lost in stacks of old books and outdated reading materials in your home? When was the last time you sat down and read God's Word?

Locate your Bible and start reading. You'll find it "very meaningful, very emotional." I promise.

-via Kensington Woods Church of Christ bulletin