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Resuming Bible Classes

SEPTEMBER 27 THRU NOVEMBER 4

SUNDAY MORNINGS at 9:00 A.M.

<i>The Book of Revelation (Part 2)</i>	Dan Jenkins (Auditorium)
<i>Song of Solomon</i>	David Sproule (Family Room)
<i>Sr. High: Answering Bible Questions</i>	Josh Blackmer
<i>Jr. High: Acts 1-12: The Beginning of the Church</i>	Victor Colage

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS at 7:00 P.M.

<i>Ezekiel</i>	Josh Blackmer (Auditorium)
<i>Ladies: Coming Back from Failure</i>	Traci Sproule (Adult 1-2)
<i>Sr. High: Getting to Know the Bible</i>	Cam Crotts & Ivan Villard
<i>Jr. High: The Christian's Responsibility</i>	Daniel Wagner

These are the classes that were interrupted by COVID-19 back in March. The teachers have been given a couple extra class periods to recap where their studies left off and then complete the session. There are a limited number of options being offered for adults, to ensure that there is sufficient spacing in each of the classes.

Let us "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" (2 Pet. 3:18)!



By Dan Jenkins

Can I Buy Your Bible?

Just how many Bibles have been printed since Gutenberg invented the printing press? The number is staggering. Over 5,000,000,000 Bibles have been printed. To appreciate this number, consider that the world's population is fast approaching 7,800,000,000. So, could I buy your Bible?

The stipulation in the purchase would be that you would never again have a Bible—it would in no way ever influence your life again. Let me ask you ask again, how much would you sell your Bible for?

You know the beginning of Psalm 19 states that the heavens declare the glory of God, but it does not stop there. The second half of the psalm shows how, that without a Bible, there is no way anyone would ever know His will for us.

The Bible is described as being perfect, sure, right, pure, clean, desired, more valuable than the finest gold, sweeter than honey, warning about evil, giving great reward, keeping us from error, understanding error, cleansing us from secret sin and keeping us from presumptuous sin. Before answering my question, read the second half of this psalm to see what you would be losing if you sold me your Bible.

This description of the Bible found in the last half of the psalm does not end with those attributes listed above. It

also coverts our souls, brings great wisdom, causes our hearts to rejoice, enlightens our eyes in a world of darkness, teaches us about truth and righteousness, keeps sin from having dominion over us, allows us to stand innocent before God—the list seems endless. So, let me ask again, can I buy your Bible?

What would your world be like without your Bible? Change the positive attributes into negative ones. It would imperfect, no conversion, no surety, no wisdom, no knowledge of right, no joy, no enlightenment, no association with eternal truth, no understanding of righteousness, no eternal gold, no fine gold, no sweetness, no reward, no knowledge of error, dominated by sin, standing before God with all our guilt. Are you sure you will sell me your Bible?

David was a man after God's own heart. He only had access to nine books of the Bible, yet look at how he treasured it. Imagine how he would treasure it if he had the sixty-six books of the Bible you have!

One final thought. What if there were no Bible in your language? What if you were illiterate and could not read the one you have? Think of what you would never have in your life? Yet, in reality, what is the difference in not having a Bible and never reading the one you have? You can know that God exists by looking at His glorious heaven and earth, but real understanding will never come until you read the Bible you have!

What is the difference in not having a Bible and not reading the one you have



By David Sproule

21 Biblical Meditations During Communion (Part 2 of 4)

Christians are instructed to partake of the Lord's Supper every first day of the week and to remember the Lord's death, discern His body and examine themselves as they partake. The first article in this series examined the importance of doing that; this article will begin to suggest some practical and Biblical ways to fulfill that joyful experience every week.

I must keep my heart engaged while eating of the bread and drinking of the cup. With so many things to distract me, one easy way to keep my heart and mind focused the entire time is to read from the Bible. If I bring it with me to worship every Sunday, it can be my faithful resource for meditation and discernment. There are so many different aspects of Christ's crucifixion on which our minds can focus. So, perhaps we keep a list (like the following) in our Bibles and focus on a different aspect (and read the associated Bible passages) each week. This kind of list could last me for weeks.

1. Read and meditate on the pre-creation (i.e., eternal) plan of God to send Christ to die for me (1 Pet. 1:17-21; Rev. 13:8; Gal. 4:4; Eph. 1:4; 2 Tim. 1:9).

2. Read and meditate on the prophetic utterances of Isaiah, who foretold of the rejection and suffering of Christ more than 700 years before its cruel fulfillment (Isa. 53).

3. Read and meditate on the knowledge that Christ would have had (before ever leaving heaven to come to earth) of the tremendous sufferings that He would endure (Psa. 22).

4. Read and meditate on the multiple predictions that Jesus made Himself of the things He would suffer (Matt. 16:21-23; 17:22-23; 20:17-19; Mark 8:31-33; 9:31; 10:33-34; Luke 9:22, 43-44; 18:31-33; John 12:27-33).

5. Read and meditate on the selfless acts of Jesus in the upper room, including His identification of two friends who would hurt Him (Matt. 26:21-25, 31-35; Mark 14:18-21, 27-31; Luke 22:21-23, 31-34; John 13:1-30, 36-38).

6. Read and meditate on the anguish of Jesus as He instituted the Lord's Supper, when He told His friends, "This is my body" and "This is my blood" (Matt. 26:26-30; Mark 14:22-26; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-30).

7. Read and meditate on the prayer-filled sorrow, distress and heart-rending agony of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane (Matt. 26:36-46; Mark 14:32-42; Luke 22:39-46; John 18:1-2).

8. Read and meditate on the intimate betrayal by a friend and being arrested like a violent criminal (Matt. 26:14-16; 47-56; Mark 14:43-50; Luke 22:47-53; John 18:1-11).

The Bible can be my faithful resource for meditation and discernment.

(more next week)



By Josh Blackmer

Before the Election (Part 1)

There is a lot of debate about what should be happening right now. People are talking about how we should vote. Many in our nation, on both sides, are planning violent actions if the vote doesn't go the way they think it should. With all of the heightened emotions and stress there are some things that we should remember. We are blessed by the country we live in, no matter your opinion of current events. It isn't perfect, but it could be worse. Throughout time and even in the present there are worse places to be living. Before the election, we need to remember that God is ultimately in control.

Daniel wrote, "It is He who changes the times and the epochs; He removes kings and establishes kings; He gives wisdom to wise men And knowledge to men of understanding" (Dan. 2:21). Daniel would've had reason to be upset with the state of his political climate. Another that might have had reason to be concerned about politics was Paul. He wrote, "Every person is to be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God" (Rom. 13:1). Jesus has been given authority (Matt. 28:18). He is head over all things (Eph. 1:20-22; 1 Pet. 3:22). He is King of kings and Lord of lords (1 Tim. 6:15). He is ruler over the kings of the earth (Rev. 1:5).

Trust God

The question now becomes, do we trust God and His sovereignty? No matter who wins on election day, will you be able to stand with confidence and say in your heart, "I trust God and know that He is in control"? If we can't do that without reservation, then we have lost perspective.

How many times did you plan something and it not work out the way you planned it? How many times did it work out better than how you planned it? Do we still believe "that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God" (Rom. 8:28)? Do we remember that if God is for us, who can stand against us (Rom. 8:31-34)? Have we forgotten that nothing will separate us from the love of Christ (Rom. 8:35-39)? No matter what rulers may do, for good or ill, we are in God's hands! Why would we fret and worry about something which we have very little control over?

What do we do? Cast your vote. That is your civic duty. However, something more powerful than voting is praying. It may or may not turn out the way we want it. Who are we to tell God how things should go? Daniel and Paul both had reason to be upset and out of sorts due to the politics, but that is not what we see. We see individuals deeply trusting in the sovereignty of God. Before the election I will commit to trust in God no matter what happens. I will pray and, so far as it depends on me, I will live at peace with all men (Rom. 12:18).

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

When Satan tests you, God will toughen you!

The Christians to whom Peter wrote his first letter were suffering terrible persecution because of the name which they wore (1 Pet. 4:16). Their "adversary, the devil" was truly prowling around, "seeking someone to devour" (5:8). These Christians were urged to "resist" him and remain "firm in your faith" (5:9). But, WHERE IS GOD? Sometimes when the devil is testing us, we want to know what God is doing? "Why isn't He helping me?!"

Read the next verse. "After you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace" (thank God for His grace!) "will Himself" (not by proxy of someone else) do FOUR things for you (5:10). (1) He will "perfect" you—mending you and making you whole like a fisherman does his nets. (2) He will "establish" or "confirm" you—making you secure in your footing for Him. (3) He will "strengthen" you—emboldening you with greater might to resist Satan's attacks. (4) He will "settle" you—grounding you firmly on the foundation of His love and power.

Where is God? He is working to bring you out stronger than you went in! – DS



Who's rebuking who?

The Lord Jesus was teaching some things "openly" with which Peter was not comfortable (namely, about His suffering, rejection, death and resurrection), and so "Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him" (Mark 8:31-32). Can you imagine? Rebuking the Lord because of what He was teaching publicly?

"But when [Jesus] had turned around and looked at His disciples" (no doubt to consider what they needed and the truths they needed to understand), "He rebuked Peter" (8:33). Peter's actions were not acceptable! Jesus told him, "Get behind Me, Satan! For you are not mindful of the things of God, but the things of men" (8:33). Peter THOUGHT that he was being mindful of the things of God, but Jesus told him it was just the opposite.

Is it possible that you or I might not be comfortable with some of the truths of Jesus? Are we especially uncomfortable if they are taught "openly"? If that is the case, the message of Jesus to us is that we are "not mindful of the things of God, but the things of men." Think about it. – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Adrienne Banks	medications being adjusted, not feeling well
Chuck Clark	having outpatient sinus surgery on Friday
Mary Coombs	cataract surgery on September 30 & October 7
Glen Dawson	Jupiter Medical Center with pneumonia
Patricia Hackshaw	now at home, undergoing therapy
Trudie Holland	having eye problems
Dan Johnson	recovering at home
John Loftis	still dealing with severe back pain and weakness
Tom Martens	Select Specialty Hospital
Sallie Moses	recovering from partial leg amputation surgery
Linda Studer	undergoing radiation treatments for cancer in her brain



Mary A. Jackson, upon the passing of her brother, Charles Milton, on September 13 in Georgia.

Leslie Williams, upon the passing of her brother, Jason Hamalainen, on Saturday, September 19.

Ongoing Health Issues

Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Inell Ingram	Courtyard Gardens (Jupiter)
Joel Ramirez	dialysis treatments
Linda Studer	radiation treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Daniel Johnson
Josie Dawson	Don & Betty Matter
Annie Faison	Deidra Miley
Dianne Frye	Leigh Puckett
Margie Hardin	Les Sawyer
Loretta Holaday	Ricky Smedley
Joe Holland	Patricia Ventress

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Rena DeV Vaughn	Adrienne Banks' sister, undergoing cancer treatments
Ron Fernander	Turkessa Fernander's father, Lakeside Health Center
Don Fields	Trish Clark's father, melanoma cancer on his head again
Adrienne Gatlin	Pat Patterson's daughter, undergoing cancer treatments
Mike Hayes	Dion Hayes' brother, Jup Med Ctr, blood clots in lungs
Perrethia King	Bettye King's sister, under Hospice Care
Scott Macdonald	Janet Macdonald's husband, now at home
Tommy Mann	Terry Mann's brother, hospitalized with lung cancer
Clara Medina	Carolina Medina's sister, dealing with health issues
Terry West	Amy West's father, recovering from surgery

Remember Our Mission Works

Pacific Islands

Robert & Mary Martin
Wayne & Kristi Parker
Joey & Tammy Treat

Africa

Tamuka Arunashe
Nnanna Aforji

Montgomery, Alabama

Apologetics Press

Coral Springs, Florida

Mauricio Yegros

Bahamas

Tavaro & Shameika Hanna



Church Family Calendar of Events

All Events Are Subject to Change.

Sunday, September 27

- ♦ **Bible Study for ALL members** at 9:00 a.m. All adults will continue meeting in the Auditorium.
- ♦ **Morning Worship for ALL members** at 10:00 a.m.
- ♦ **Evening Worship for ALL members** at 6:00 p.m.

Monday, September 28

- ♦ **Monday Night Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room with social distancing being practiced.

Tuesday, September 29

- ♦ **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Room with social distancing being practiced.

Wednesday, September 30

- ♦ **Midweek Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. See page 7 for children's classroom locations.

Thursday, October 1

- ♦ **Family Group 1 Online Zoom Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. Members of Group 1 will receive an email with a link to click to join the Bible Study.

Sunday, October 4

- ♦ **PBL Family Photos Updated.** If you've never had your photo taken in the Family Room, if your photo needs to be updated, or if you have been personally contacted, please have your photo taken **after morning services or before evening services** by Mike Erickson in the Family Room.
- ♦ **EDP Bible Study & Fellowship** at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Room.
- ♦ **House-to-House/Heart-to-Heart Labeling** after evening worship in the Family Room. Everyone is encouraged to stay and help out.

Monday, October 5

- ♦ **Men Meet Monday Night** at 7:00 p.m. at the pavilion on the church property. All PBL men in Grades 9 and up are invited. Bring your Bible, a chair, some meat to grill, a drink and your own plate/utensils. This is a great opportunity for men of all generations to fellowship.

Thursday, October 8

- ♦ **Family Group 2 Online Zoom Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m.

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ Young Adults

Friday, October 2

- ♦ **Sr. High & YA Ladies' Hangout** at 7:00 p.m. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Michelle Franck for more details.

Saturday, October 3

- ♦ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Nicole Freseman. See Ivan Villard for more details.

Monday, October 5

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Tuesday, October 6

- ♦ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller.

Monday, November 2

- ♦ **Men Meet Monday Night** at 7:00 p.m.



Palm Beach Lakes Youth

Friday, October 2

- ♦ **Sr. High & YA Ladies' Hangout** at 7:00 p.m. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Michelle Franck for more details.

Monday, October 5

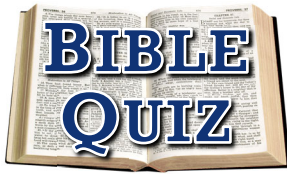
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Sunday, October 11

- ♦ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

Saturday, October 17

- ♦ **Trunk-or-Treat for Grades 5 & Under** hosted by the Jr. High Youth. See Ivan Villard for details.



“Thirty” Bible Questions (sort of)

1. Which Old Testament character lived to be nine hundred and THIRTY years old (Genesis 5:5)? _____
2. What was built to be THIRTY cubits high (Genesis 6:15)? _____
3. What else was built to be THIRTY cubits high, the same height as #1 (1 Kings 6:2)? _____
4. What did Joseph do when he was THIRTY years old (Genesis 41:46)? _____
5. Where did the children of Israel “sojourn” for four hundred and THIRTY years (Exodus 12:40-41)? _____
6. What part of the tabernacle was to be THIRTY cubits long (Exodus 26:8; 36:15)? _____
7. What group of Israelites were numbered from the age of THIRTY years and above (1 Chron. 23:3)? _____
8. For whom did Israel mourn THIRTY days (Numbers 20:29; Deuteronomy 34:8)? _____
9. Against what city did Joshua choose THIRTY thousand men to lie in ambush (Joshua 8:3-8)? _____
10. Which judge of Israel had THIRTY sons who road on THIRTY donkeys (Judges 10:4)? _____
11. Which judge of Israel gave away THIRTY daughters in marriage (Judges 12:9)? _____
12. Which judge of Israel killed THIRTY men of Ashkelon (Judges 14:19)? _____
13. What did the Philistines capture when THIRTY thousand Israelites fell (1 Samuel 4:10-11)? _____
14. Which king of Israel began to reign when he was THIRTY years old (2 Samuel 5:4)? _____
15. Of what did Solomon cast the massive basin that was THIRTY cubits in circumference (1 Kings 7:23)? _____
16. Where did Esther say that she had not been for THIRTY days (Esther 4:11)? _____
17. To whom did King Zedekiah give THIRTY men to pull Jeremiah from the mire (Jeremiah 38:10)? _____
18. Where was it prophesied that THIRTY pieces of silver would be thrown (Zechariah 11:13)? _____
19. Who began his ministry when at about THIRTY years of age (Luke 3:23)? _____
20. What contained twenty or THIRTY gallons apiece (John 2:6)? _____

"...always abounding in the work of the Lord..." (1 Cor. 15:58)



Thank You
for worshiping with us

Sunday,
September 20

LOCAL VISITORS: Miss Linda Allen; Mrs. Tracy Durandisse; Miss Carmen Dussard; Mr. Damon Farrell; Ms. Sylvia Goldie; Mr. Sean Macdonald; and Mr. Terry West.

OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS: Mr. Ron Brackett, Eustis, FL; Mr. Shane Studer, Nashville, TN; Mr. Scotty Studer, Old Hickory, TN; and Mr. & Mrs. Guy & Vickie Wood, Prattville, AL.

Birthdays & Anniversaries *This Week*

Monday (September 28th)
Graysen Hayes

Friday (October 2nd)
Joel Ramirez

Tuesday (September 29th)
Angelica Fernandez

Saturday (October 3rd)
Chuck Clark
Kathy Nelson

Thursday (October 1st)
Louise Phillips
Robin Stone

Thank You  notes

News & Notes

We are going to miss **Lawrence and Kay Richardson**. They are moving to Texas within the next couple weeks. Thus, Lawrence is resigning as one of PBL's deacons. Lawrence, we appreciate all that you have done in serving this congregation! The church in Texas will be blessed when Lawrence and Kay arrive.



Directory Changes

Michelle Castonguay moved to Fort Myers.

Errol & Jessie Gower-Winter no longer have a home phone number.

Thank you for the flowers and support from each of you after the passing of my brother. I truly appreciate David & Traci Sproule for their selfless dedication to the members of the church, in God's service.

Patricia Patterson

Sunday Worship Services

All Bible classes and worship services will be at the church building this week and will be webcast live from our website.

Worship Services for Sunday, September 27

9:00 a.m. Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship for ALL
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship for ALL

Bible Class for Wednesday, September 30

7:00 pm. Meet in the Auditorium

Leading Singing Harrison Crotts
Invitation Josh Blackmer
Family Prayer Phil Porter

(We will have a devotional, the Family Prayer, then be dismissed to classes)

Our Record

Attendance	Sep. 20	Aug. Avg
Sun. Bible Study	150	109
Sun. AM Worship	200	179
Sun. PM Worship	102	101
Wed. Bible Study	NA	108
Contribution	\$17,307	\$15,110

2020 Weekly Budget: \$14,944

Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$17,783

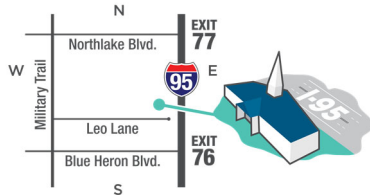
Please observe good distancing inside the building and sit only in the designated pews.



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*Speaking where the **Bible** speaks, Silent where the **Bible** is silent.*



Service Schedule

Sunday:

Bible Classes..... 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible classes 7:00 p.m.



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