



Rev. 11:15-19



1. “The kingdom of the ___ has become the kingdom of our ___ and of his ___, and he will reign for ever and ever.”
2. How many elders were seated on their thrones before God?
3. “We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, the ___ who is and who was, because you have taken your great ___ and have begun to ___.”
4. What object was seen within the temple?
5. “And there came flashes of ___, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake and a severe ___.”

Solution: world, Lord, Messiah; twenty four; One, power, reign; ark of His covenant; lightning, hailstorm

Harmony with One Another



In some ways, being a Christian would be easier if you didn't have to deal with people. You could just study God's Word and have a personal relationship with God. But that lifestyle (isolation) isn't what being a Christian is all about. If we are truly “Christ-Like” we must interact and have relationships with other people. And those interactions and relationships often bring about disagreement and conflict.

Peter tells us how to live and get along with each other—how to be “Christ-Like.” “All of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic: love as brothers, be compassionate and humble” (1 Pet. 3:8).

Peter understood that even though brothers and sisters in Christ sometimes differ in matters of opinion, they can still get along and love each other. All it takes to live in harmony is: sympathy, brotherly love, compassion, and humility. When we employ these things in our Christian life, we become more and more “Christ-Like,” and the disagreements and conflicts grow smaller and smaller. Are you living in harmony with one another today?

—Bill Whiteman



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Sunday:

Bible Study: 10:00 a.m.
Worship: 11:00 a.m.

Thursday:

Ladies Class: 10:00 a.m.
Mid-Week Online
Bible Study: 12:30 p.m.

Office Hours:

Mon.—Thur.
9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.



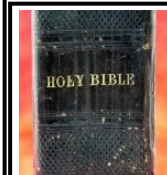
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Your Bible



A young child watched her mother reading from the Bible for a few minutes each morning. Finally one day she asked, “Aren't you ever going to get finished reading that book?” The mother replied, “No honey, we never get finished with this Book. It always has something that helps encourage, challenge, and make me into being a better person.”

What a wonderful blessing to be able to read the parable of the good Samaritan, the sermon on the mount, the resurrection story, the faithfulness of the men and women of old and many others.

Dear friend, the Bible holds great treasures. Search it, study it, cherish it and spend time with it each day. It's God's way of telling us how to get to heaven. If we don't know the way, or if we refuse to follow its directions, we simply won't get there. Make time to read your Bible. Throughout eternity you will be glad you did.

Where is your Bible? Is it on top of the TV Guide or under it?

—John K. Wills

Can Everyone Sing?



Do you believe that everyone can sing?" Does any and everyone who has a voice possess the ability to sing a song? This question is well worth investigating because it has such bearing on our worship and spiritual well-being.

The Bible says, "Speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Ephesians 5:19-20). It is a well-established fact that singing is to be a part of our worship to God. But time and time again we hear some say, "Brother, you don't want me to sing to you, I couldn't carry a tune if I put a bucket on my head!" Then others will say, "I don't sing out loud during the worship because I don't have the ability, but I do make melody in my heart." The American humorist, Charles Farrar Browne who was popular in the mid 1800's said, "I am saddest when I sing. So are those who hear me." However, we must ask, "Why would God demand we do something that everyone doesn't have the ability to do?"

The following excerpt is from the *Columbia Encyclopedia*:

"Not only is the voice the principal means of human communication, but it was undoubtedly the first musical instrument. The instrument is within the performer, and the condition of the vocal apparatus, and thus the quality of the voice, is strictly dependent on the physical and mental condition of the singer. Since the vocal impulse cannot actually be described, the teacher's task is to provide the pupil with concepts, usually systematized into a vocal "method," that will free the vocal apparatus from restrictive tensions and lead ultimately to the complete coordination of all the faculties involved."

Surprising, there is an absence of articles or explanations on why people have an inability to sing. It is true that some natural ability comes into play and some of us don't have the vocal range that others have but it would seem to reason that development of your singing voice is no different than learning to ride a bike, play tennis, or shooting a gun, it just takes practice.

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In matters pertaining to the home, God has spoken regarding:

- marriage being between man and woman (Gen. 2:18-24).
 - the roles of husband and wife (Eph. 5:22-33).
 - the responsibilities of parents to children (Eph. 6:4; Deut. 6:4-9).
 - the role of children to parents (Eph. 6:2).
 - the importance of intimacy (1 Cor. 7:1-5).
 - the eternal consequences of adultery (Heb. 13:4).
 - the permanence of marriage (Matt. 19:6).
 - acceptable and unacceptable divorce (Matt. 19:3-12).
 - the proper conduct of spouses to each other: love (1 Cor. 13), understanding and honor (1 Pet. 3:1-7), calm tempers (Prov. 15:1), and the golden rule (Matt. 7:12).
- God has said much regarding human conduct, marital relationships, and family dynamics. We are unwise if we refuse to hear and heed his words.

—Eddie Parrish



The Changing Seasons

One of the times of year I like the most is fall. The leaves begin to change colors. The weather becomes cooler. It reminds me of what the Psalmist wrote: "The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork." (Ps.19:1 KNJV).

God indirectly speaks to us through nature. When we think of nature we should be able to see God's beauty. We should be able to witness and feel God's power. Nature shows us how changes can come rapidly. Perhaps this is why Paul wrote: "For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse." (Rom. 1:20). Let us think about God and all his attributes as we see the changing seasons, but let us always remember that God never changes (Mal. 3:6; Heb. 13:8).

—Bill Brandstatter

“Sing” Continued from Page 3... Can everyone sing? Yes, if you have the ability of speech, you also have the ability of song. Isn't that exciting? Isn't it a comfort to know that God hasn't placed a command upon us that we all can't comply with? I want to encourage you to sing in our worship together. You'll receive such a blessing while actively participating in the worship of our Heavenly Father. You can now comply with the Psalmist when he said, "I will declare Your name to my brethren, in the midst of the assembly I will sing praise to You" (Psalm 22:22; Hebrews 2:12).

—Jay Launius

The Last Best Hope of Earth



One month before signing the Emancipation Proclamation, Abraham Lincoln wrote a letter to Congress in which he addressed freeing the country's slaves. In it, Lincoln stressed the importance of doing the right thing to "save our country," which he described as "the last best hope of earth."

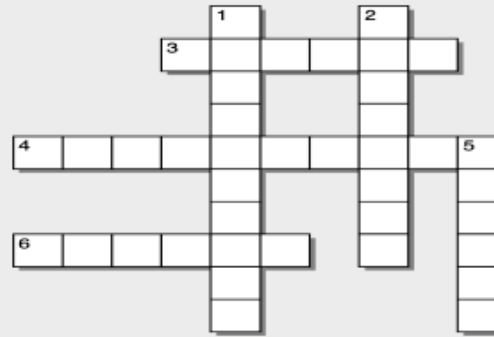
I want to borrow and amend Lincoln's words. The family unit in American culture is under attack from many sides: radical feminism, which denies the value of husbands and fathers; gay rights advocates who push for the endorsement of same-sex marriages; divorce and remarriage for any reason; people living together outside the bond of marriage – just to name a few.

Yet, God says, "Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it" (Psa. 127:1). When it comes to modeling for our world what the home should look like, the church of Jesus Christ is "the last best hope of earth."

When we admit that God both knows and wants what is best for us (Psa. 147:5; 1 Pet. 5:7), it should be easier to trust and obey him in everything (Prov. 3:5-8). God wants your family to succeed. He wants your home to be happy and stable. He wants your marriage to be a small taste of heaven on earth. He wants your relationship with your spouse and kids to be healthy and happy. But the key to experiencing all of those things is to build our homes according to his design.

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CrossWORD



Law of Firstborn

Exodus 13

Across

- 3. One of these would be redeemed with a lamb.
- 4. God took them this way.
- 6. Of cloud and of fire.

Down

- 1. "___ to Me all the firstborn..."
- 2. Off limits bread.
- 5. The Lord brought them out with a ___ hand.

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Word SCRAMBLE

Unscramble the letters to form a Bible word!

K H I Z E E A H

Clue: 25-yr-old King (2 Chron. 29:1)

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WORDSEARCH

Baptism of Jesus (Matthew 3:13-17)

J O I F V G F Y F F M R D W
 J O D J Z G I D O I T I O H
 S H R J G T Y Q X T W G M K
 G A S D W L C M X T T H B K
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 J I O S B Y E D E M T N I S
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PERMIT
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 FITTING
 SPIRIT

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 HEAVEN
 PREVENT

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CHECK YOUR ANSWERS ON PAGE 5!



Cancer

Jesse Draper. Carolyn Roop's Son.

Barbara Kendrick. Lisa's mom.

Virgil Thompson. Cancer & Parkinson's Disease.



Anita Hopper. Health concerns.

Elaine Smith. Dementia.

Sharon Teschendorf. Dementia



Eli Clark. Special needs. Friend of the Patrick's

Ryan Kendrick. Special needs.

Shep Knight. Special needs.

Jaydan Patrick. Special needs.



Mark Clifton. Gilmer & Dixie's son.

Ronald & Laura Goupil. Covid-19

Deana Ligon. James' sister.

Jay & Sheila Martin. Recovering.

David & Lori Palmer. Recovering.

James, Donna, Jordyn & Jaydan Patrick. Recovering.

Burt & Donna Underwood. Recovering.



Mark Barber. Down with his back.

Tish Clarke. Wife of B.J. Clarke.

Drew Clifton. Gilmer & Dixie's grandson.

Earl Elwood. Brother of Karen Lovell.

Norman Hill. Health Concerns.

Nadine Knight. R-way member. Health concerns.

Rita Lawless. Health concerns.

Karen Lovell. Scheduled for new treatment for chronic back & neck pain.

Rachel Palmer. David's mom. Pacemaker.

Kirk Sams. Recovering from a major car accident.

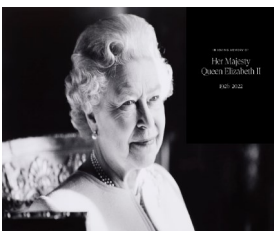
Jacqueline Stone. Recovering from a fall.

David Teschendorf. Recovering from a fall.

Prayers for those with long-term health issues.

Prayers for our Country.

Prayers for the Ukraine.



Queen Elizabeth II:

We extend our sympathy to the family and to the countries of Queen Elizabeth II. Please keep all in your prayers.



SEPT. 13TH

DAVID PALMER

SEPT. 15TH

NANCY BEAVERS

SEPT. 22ND

GARY HOLLANDSWORTH

SEPT. 27TH

RITA LAWLESS

SEPT. 30TH

JUSTIN COOLEY



SEPT. 14TH

JAY & SHELIA MARTIN

SEPT. 18TH

LONNIE & SHANNON THOMPSON



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Solution: Baptism of Jesus



CrossWORD Solution:



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Solution: Hezekiah