



## Cancer

**Brad Hurd.** Liver cancer & spreading to lungs.  
**Steven Kelly.** Friend of Lovell's. Stage 4.  
**Ken Moran.** Odell's son. Stage 4 cancer.

## Special Needs

**Ryan Kendrick.** Special needs.  
**Jaydan Patrick.** Special needs.

## Nursing Home

**Sibbie Byrd.** Health issues.  
**Sharon Teschendorf.** Dementia .



**Brandi Beavers.** Health concerns.  
**The Beavers Children.** Health concerns.  
**Jack Beavers.** Health concerns.  
**Carolyn Caricofe Tosh.** Health concerns.  
**Dixie Clifton.** Health concerns.  
**Drew Clifton.** Dixie's grandson. Need of prayer.  
**Norman W. Hill.** Health concerns.  
**Hester Hollandsworth.** Health concerns.  
**Matthew Hollandsworth.** Health concerns.  
**Rita Lawless.** Health concerns.  
**Karen Lovell.** Health concerns.

**Paul Mays.** Health concerns.  
**Caregivers.**  
**Our Country & Military.**  
**Israel, Palestine, & Ukraine.**



**Family Rachael Barnes.** Neighbors of Hester & Matthew. Rachael passed away this past Friday.

*To have someone added to the prayer list or to have information updated, please contact Matthew or Jonathan.*  
*Names will be removed after four weeks if no updates are received.*



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**Times We Meet:**  
**Sunday:**  
Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.  
Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
**Thursday:**  
Virtual Bible Study:  
12:30 p.m.



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## Then Who, What, When, Where, Why?

We are all familiar with the Five W's of writing/reporting/journalism: Who? What? When? Where? and Why? Answering these helps people to understand all the details about certain situations. I have seen some of these used in the form of a personal question to help motivate people to action. Let's use all of them in this fashion to motivate each us to be more active for the Lord.

**"If not me, then who?"** Too many times we think that someone else will do it, when we are perfectly capable. It may not get done if we do not do it. We should have the attitude of Isaiah and always proclaim to God, *"Here am I! Send me"* (Isaiah 6:8).

**"If not this, then what?"** What is it that we could be doing to better the kingdom of God? Don't wait to be asked. Look for opportunities of service. Surely there is something each of us can be doing. *"...from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love"* (Ephesians 4:16).

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**“If not now, then when?”** Let’s not put off for another day what we can do this very moment. If the opportunity arises, then let us act without delay. This occasion may never happen again. Let’s go! *“Behold, now is the accepted time...”* (2 Corinthians 6:2).

**“If not here, then where?”** Just as important as what we do is where we do it. We need to give thought to make sure that we do the right thing, the right way, and in the right place. This will help us to be effective with our time and talents. In Mark 8:27 we can read that Jesus “went out” to certain towns. We can follow His example go out to certain places and do service for the Lord.

**“If not for the glory of God, then why?”** It is good to ask ourselves why we do certain things. We should always think of honoring and glorifying God in everything we do. *“And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord”* (Colossians 3:17). —Edd Sterchi



## *No Fool like an Old Fool*



I've heard this phrase all my life – There's no fool like an old fool. This usually refers to an older man who starts behaving like a child with no sense. Sometimes such fellows had more sense as a teenager than they exhibited in the later life.

In the Bible, Solomon began life as a wise king with a heart for God and his people (1 Kings 3:28; 4:29-34).

However, as Solomon grew older, his mind and heart were distracted by many less noble things. He married 1000 women (free wives and slaves). Many of these women brought to the palace idols of false gods. These misled people of Israel into worshiping false Gods and breaking the first 4 of the Ten Commandments (1Kings 11:1-13). ***“No Fool like an Old Fool” Continued on Page 3...***



# Church News



### July Birthdays!

1ST	JAY MARTIN
17TH	BILLY LESTER
21ST	DAVE ROBERTSON
25TH	SAMMIE BEAVERS



## Pizza & Movie Night!

Our next Pizza & Movie Night  
is on August 3, 2024!  
Pizza Supper @ 5:00 p.m.  
Movie @ 5:30 p.m.




## Game Night!

Our next Game Night is on  
August 31, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.  
Please bring your favorite  
games & finger foods to  
share.



## New Notification System!

 **Soon...** We will have a new notification system and mobile app. More information coming soon.

Please check the list in the lobby to ensure that I have the correct phone numbers and email addresses on file.

If the info isn't correct or if it is missing from beside your name, please correct it on the paper.



## Solution

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### BIBLE WORD SEARCH! *Solution*

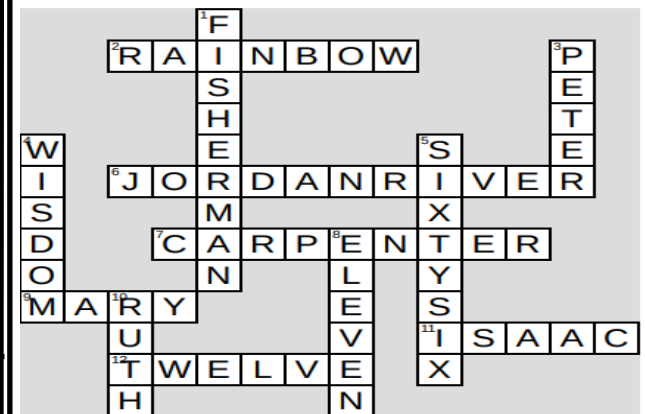
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## † CrossWORD *Solution*



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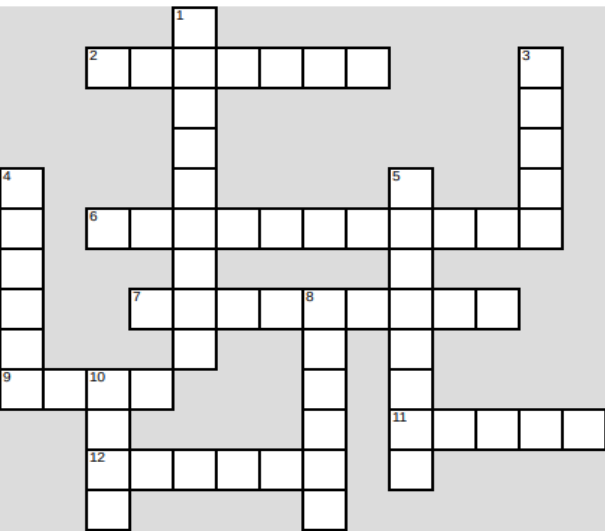
BIBLE WORD SEARCH!

Weeping Over Jerusalem (Luke 19:41-44)

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CrossWORD Bible Trivia



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Across

- 2 After the flood, what sign did God give that He would not destroy the earth with a flood again?
- 6 What river was Jesus baptized in? (HINT: Add river to the end of your answer)
- 7 What job did Jesus' earthly father, Joseph, do?
- 9 What is the name of Jesus' mother?
- 11 Who was the son of Abraham and Sarah?
- 12 How many disciples did Jesus have?

Down

- 1 What did Simon Peter do for a living?
- 3 Who denied Jesus three times?
- 4 What did King Solomon ask God to give him?
- 5 How many books are in the Bible?
- 8 How many brothers did Joseph have?
- 10 Who did Boaz marry?

***“No Fool like an Old Fool” Continued from Page 2...*** Then, as Solomon entered the sunset of life, he looked back at all he’s done and said that it was all emptiness, a vanity as if he was chasing the wind. Or, in other words, “There is no meaning in life.” A very unsettling conclusion! (see Ecclesiastes 1:2-8).

Throughout Ecclesiastes, Solomon proved (by his own life) that the old saying is true: “There is no fool like an old fool!”

However, Solomon finally came to his senses. His conclusion wasn’t so negative. What he finally understood in his old age is that anything without God is of no value whatsoever! What makes life wonderful and full is our relationship with God (Ecclesiastes 12:13).

—Larry Fitzgerald



Let’s Invest In People!

After being warned by the prophet Daniel about his sinful pride (Proverbs 6:16-17; Psalm 101:5; cf. Proverbs 16:18), the Babylonian king Nebuchadnezzar was struck with insanity. The Lord restored his mind, but only after he spent a long period of time in a field thinking he was a wild animal (Daniel 4:28-37).

Nebuchadnezzar went from boasting, “Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for...the glory of my majesty?” (Daniel 4:30 ESV), to a humble prayer: “I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the King of heaven” (Daniel 4:37). He had repented of prideful empire building.

There should be concern about empire building in the church today. Instead of focusing on large church buildings, one Christian evangelist encourages Christians to “build into the lives of people” and leave the results to God (1 Corinthians 3:6-7).

When a congregation devotes undue energy to statistics, buildings, and programs, pride can enter in and the spiritual needs of God’s people can be forgotten (cf. Hosea 4:6).

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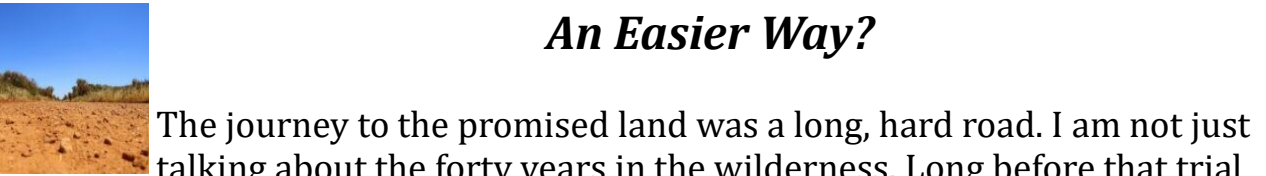


1. “ \_\_ not, that you be not judged.”
2. True or False: Jesus is condemning *hypocritical* judging, not *all* judging.
3. “And why do you look at the \_\_ in your brother’s eye, but do not consider the \_\_ in your own eye?”
4. True or False: Jesus said to work on your brother’s faults before your own.
5. “Do not give what is \_\_ to the dogs; nor cast your \_\_ before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you in pieces.”

CHECK YOUR ANSWERS ON PAGE 7!

**“Let’s Invest In People!” Continued from Page 5...** Jesus never forgot the value of people. He invested His time in 12 appointed men (Mark 3:14 ESV). Paul taught Timothy who in turn taught others (2 Timothy 1:13; 2 Timothy 2:2).

Brethren, God’s kingdom grows when we invest in people! (cf. Acts 2:37-47; Acts 4:1-4; Acts 6:7; Acts 12:24; Acts 19:20; Colossians 1:5-6). —Mike Riley



### An Easier Way?

The journey to the promised land was a long, hard road. I am not just talking about the forty years in the wilderness. Long before that trial when Abraham didn’t even have a son, God told him that his descendants would suffer many years in another country. “Know certainly that your descendants will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, and will serve them, and they will afflict them four hundred years” (Gen.15:13). That land was Egypt.

The baby nation of Israel found a warm welcome in Egypt when Joseph was alive. But as years passed things changed. People forgot about what Joseph had done for the country. Then “there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph” (Ex. 1:8). He felt threatened by the growing population of these

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Eventually that king of Egypt died.“Then the children of Israel groaned because of the bondage, and they cried out; and their cry came up to God because of the bondage. So God heard their groaning, and God remembered His covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God acknowledged them” (Ex. 2:23-25). The Lord sent Moses to deliver them out of Egypt with great signs and wonders the likes of which none of them had ever seen.

After forty years in the desert and many failures and deaths, the merciful God of heaven brought them to their home in the book of Joshua.

Why didn’t God do this earlier? He had the power to do that. Abraham was in the land of Canaan when God made the promise. Why didn’t he and his descendants just remain in Canaan? The Israelites would have been spared over four hundred years of suffering.

You have to read the verses after Genesis 15:13 and the rest of the Old Testament to begin to understand why. The Bible would be much different if God had bypassed the whole episode of Egyptian bondage. But that would have defeated His plan for all of mankind: to prepare the way to bring the Messiah into the world to die for our sins, to establish His kingdom the church, and to complete the revelation of Scripture by giving the New Testament.

If you had been an Israelite in Egypt, you would have thought the most important thing in the world was for God to relieve your pain. But there was a much bigger picture. That is true today. It’s not all about our troubles. God knows the future. He knows what He is doing for all who are involved and He knows the best way to do it. We need to be humble and trust that the God of all the earth will do right.

—Kerry Duke