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giving thanks*

to God the Father
through him.

Colossians 3:17



Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners...

HEBREWS 13:3



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In thinking over the positive changes in my life over the last few months, I realize the wisdom of the statement that they began with decisions to do or stop doing something (see Quotes and Quips, page 2).

Things I started to do daily: take my vitamins, exercise, drink 8 glasses of water, read the Bible.

Things I stopped doing daily: Eating sugar (including chocolate!), snacking between meals.

Okay, I admit the lists are not very long, and they really weren't very hard, but they did make my life better and healthier. Now, it would behoove me to continue these practices, and perhaps add a few more...and maybe some harder ones...like stop complaining, stop being negative, stop criticizing, start praising God and people more, start encouraging people more. If starting and stopping some easy things can make my life so much better, just imagine what my life could be like if I worked on some of the difficult things. I'll have to try it and get back to you on that. There's plenty of time between now and New Year's. I encourage you to try it too!

— The Team at
Regeneration Fellowship

Quotes and Quips

When it comes down to it, there are two ways to approach our lives: either as the victims to our lives or the creators of our lives.

— Dr. Joe Dispenza

Don't let the negative in others kill the POSITIVE in you.

— Brad Lea

Focus on your strengths, not your weaknesses, your character, not your reputation, and your blessings, not your misfortunes.

— Roy T. Bennett

You're not a failure unless you make yourself one.

— Frank Sonnenberg

I am thankful for my struggle because without it, I wouldn't have stumbled upon my strength.

— Alexandra Elle

Opportunities multiply when they are seized; they die when neglected.

— Bruce Van Horn

Every positive change in your life begins with a clear, unequivocal decision that you are going to either do something or stop doing something.

— Deidre Wallace

In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity.

— Albert Einstein

Your past does not determine who you are. Your past prepares you for who you are to become.

— Deidre Wallace

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THEY SHALL LOOK ON HIM WHOM THEY PIERCED

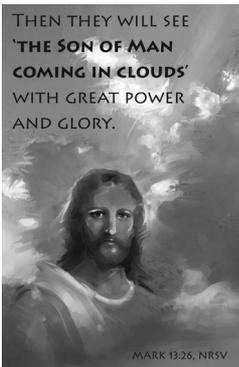
“One of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out” (John 19:34).

If a man has committed a sin deserving of death, and he is put to death, and you hang him on a tree, his body shall not remain overnight on the tree, but you shall surely bury him that day” (Deuteronomy 21:22, 23). The Jewish leaders hated Jesus even in death. They feared the results of that day’s work. Not on any account would they have had His body remain on the cross during the Sabbath. The Sabbath was now drawing on, and it would be a violation of its sanctity for the bodies to hang upon the cross. So, using this as a pretext, the leading Jews requested Pilate that the death of the victims might be hastened, and their bodies be removed before the setting of the sun.

Pilate agreed and issued the order. The Roman soldiers broke the legs of the two thieves to hasten their death, but upon reaching Jesus they discovered that He was already dead, something most unusual. Most victims of crucifixion lingered for days. Jesus had hung upon the cross for only six excruciating hours. Touched by what they had seen during His death, the soldiers refrained from breaking His limbs. They had fulfilled the law of the Passover offering that stated, “They shall leave none of it until morning, nor break one of its bones” (Numbers 9:12). The Lamb of God was not to have even one of His bones broken. “He guards all His bones; not one of them is broken” (Psalm 34:20).

Wishing confirmation that Jesus was really dead, the priests urged a soldier to thrust a spear into His side. Had Jesus been living still, the wound would have been instantly fatal. Jesus did not die of the spear thrust or the pain of the cross — He died of a broken heart. His heart was broken by mental anguish. He was slain by the sin of the world. The soldier’s action completed yet another prophecy: “And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn” (Zechariah 12:10).

Those present that day will see it all again! “Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him” (Revelation 1:7).



LIGHT FOR MY PATH

Jesus is Your Brother

For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

Matthew 12:50

For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren.

Hebrews 2:11

For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3:26

But as many as receive him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name.

John 1:12

Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God.

Ephesians 2:19

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew Him not.

I John 3:1

And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying Abba, Father.

Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

Galatians 4:6, 7

For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

Romans 8:14

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Bible Study:
THE WORLD'S MOST AMAZING BOOK

By Mark A. Finley

THE TRUTH ABOUT MIRACULOUS HEALING

Many people are perplexed about the subject of miraculous healing. They wonder why God apparently heals some people and not others. Some believe that if you are sick and not healed, it is because of a lack of faith. Others are convinced that miraculous healing was a New Testament phenomenon that launched the Christian church but that is no longer part of God's overall plan.

What's the truth about miraculous healing? Does God still heal disease today? Will He heal all who pray in faith? What is God's ultimate purpose in healing? In this month's lesson we will discover some answers.



1. What three elements are combined in Christ's ministry? Read Matthew 4:23 and 9:35.

Jesus was concerned with the total person: physically, mentally, and spiritually. In His healing ministry He combined teaching, preaching, and healing. Healing was not an isolated component, separate from the saving power of the gospel. Christ's wholistic healing ministry continues in His church today.

2. What vital spiritual truths about the healing ministry of Jesus do we discover in the story of the paralytic in Matthew 9:1-8?

In more than half of the miracles in the New Testament somebody brings somebody to Jesus. The truth is that many will never come unless we bring them. Jesus used this instance of healing to forgive the man's sins and lead multitudes to marvel and glorify God.

3. What was Christ's purpose in coming to this world? Read Mark 1:34-39. Why did Jesus leave Capernaum without healing all who desired physical healing?

Jesus had spent much of the evening healing those who came to Him. Evidently there was still more healing to do, but to everyone's surprise Jesus left town. Why? He was more than a wonder worker and miraculous healer. His prime purpose was to preach the gospel. The prime purpose of divine healing is to glorify God.

4. What was the result of the healing of the lame man at the Gate Beautiful in Peter's experience? See Acts 3:2-9.

5. Why didn't God heal Paul of his affliction? Read II Corinthians 12:7-10.

Evidently the apostle Paul had a serious problem. He pleaded with God to heal him; but God had a better plan. The issue was not Paul's faith; he was filled with faith. God deepened Paul's trust and strengthened him in his affliction. Paul was led to depend on God daily.

6. What instruction did God give the early church regarding the healing ministry of the Holy Spirit? Read James 5:13-16.

Anointing the forehead with oil indicates complete submission of the mind to the will of God. In Gethsemane Jesus prayed, "O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will" (Matthew 26:39). Christ was totally committed to doing His Father's will, knowing that God would strengthen Him to face every trial. Here is an eternal truth: God desires us to be healthy and whole. Sometimes healing is immediate, sometimes it is gradual; sometimes those who are sick have to wait until the resurrection to be totally healed. The issue is never *if* an individual will be healed, but is always *when* they will be healed.

7. When will ultimate healing take place, and sickness be gone forever? Read Isaiah 33:24; 35:5, 6; and Revelation 21:1-5.

The day is coming when suffering and sickness will be gone forever. Christ has triumphed over all the forces of evil. In His stripes, at the cross, we are healed. By faith we can receive our gift of healing, knowing that one day, when He comes again, disease will be gone forever and we will be whole. Until then, we can absolutely trust the One who loves us more than we know, with confidence that He will give us strength to cope with whatever challenges life hands us.



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GOD CARES: *The Message of Daniel*

C. Mervin Maxwell

**Daniel 9:
God Schedules the Atonement**

Introduction

Daniel 9 is one of the most Christ-centered chapters in the Old Testament. The fulfillment of its precise predictions concerning the first coming of Jesus has fascinated Christians since the early days of the church. Furthermore, insights gained over the past two hundred years have led some Bible students to believe that this chapter, when linked to Daniel 7:9-14 and 8:13, 14, dates the judgment that precedes the second coming of Christ. They are right, for Daniel 7-9 shows that we are already living in the hour of judgment.

At the close of Daniel 8, we left Daniel in distress. The vision of the little horn and of the trampled sanctuary had made him ill. He returned to his government responsibilities after spending a few days in bed; but, he says, "I was appalled by the vision and did not understand it" (Daniel 8:27).

His failure to understand the vision of Daniel 8 was in conflict with Gabriel's commission to "make this man understand the vision" (Daniel 8:16). Therefore in chapter 9 Gabriel returned to continue his interrupted explanation.

Actually thirteen active years (551-538 B.C.) elapsed between chapters 8 and 9. You will recall that *fifty* years (603-553) elapsed between chapters 2 and 7.

In the interim Belshazzar's corrupt kingship had coasted to its close, Babylon had fallen to a Medo-Persian army led by Darius the Mede (probably Gubaru, or Gobryas), and King Cyrus the Great had entered the city in triumph. Darius was now serving as vassal king of Babylon under King Cyrus and would continue a little over a year, from October 539 to his death in November 538. During this year Daniel was appointed chairman of the presidents — and was also sentenced to a night in the lions' den (Daniel 6).

Inasmuch as the events of Daniel 9 occurred during Darius's one-year reign, we can calculate that Daniel's experience with the angel who protected him from the lions occurred either shortly before or shortly after his visit from the angel Gabriel.

As you read Daniel 9, you will notice that the chapter falls into three clear divisions: (1) Daniel's "diary" reference to his study of the writings of

Jeremiah, (2) Daniel's heartfelt prayer, and (3) Gabriel's further predictions explaining Daniel 8:14.

Daniel's Diary

"In the first year of Darius," Daniel says, "I...perceived in the books the number of years which, according to the word of the Lord to Jeremiah the prophet, must pass before the end of the desolations of Jerusalem, namely, seventy years" (verses 1-3).

Daniel was concerned about Daniel 8:14 and its symbolic prediction, "for two thousand and three hundred evenings and mornings, then the sanctuary shall be restored to its rightful state." He had good reason to know that it referred to the spiritual restoration or "cleansing" associated with the annual Day of Atonement. But what about the 2300 evenings and mornings? The temple in Jerusalem was in ruins. An "evening and morning" is a *day* according to Genesis 1, and Daniel quite likely knew that his contemporary, the prophet Ezekiel, had been shown in long-time visions that a *day symbolizes a year* in prophecy (Ezekiel 4:6). Was it possible, then, he must have wondered, that the sanctuary in Jerusalem would not be restored for *2300 years*?

Daniel had known Jeremiah the prophet during his childhood in Jerusalem. He cherished a copy of the older man's writings. In these writings Jeremiah said something about the time during which Jerusalem would lie desolate. Daniel decided to look at the passages in Jeremiah again.

Unrolling the scroll, Daniel read that *after seventy years* God would "punish the king of Babylon and...the Chaldeans for their iniquity" (Jeremiah 25:11, 12). This was encouraging — for Babylon by now had been punished by the Medes and Persians, and Jerusalem had been subjugated for sixty-eight years (605-638, counted inclusively). The seventy years were almost at an end! But Jerusalem and its temple were in ruins; and nothing, apparently, was being done toward rebuilding them. Had Jeremiah, after all, been wrong? Would the sanctuary, perhaps, lie waste for 2300 years?

Daniel unrolled the scroll further and read again:

For thus says the Lord: When *seventy years* are completed for Babylon I will visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place [Jerusalem].

For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you.

You will seek Me and find Me; *when you seek me with all your heart, I will be found of you, says the Lord, and*

I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, says the Lord, and I will bring you

back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

Jeremiah 29:10-14

Such beautiful words! Such comforting promises! Such a gracious picture of God.

But the passage was also a call to prayer — earnest, solemn, penetrating prayer. “When you seek Me with all your heart, I will be found of you.”

Daniel’s Prayer

And so Daniel prayed. Most of Daniel 9 consists of his prayer. And what a prayer it is. As noted theologian and writer Norman Porteous says, “If this was indeed how men prayed in those days, then we are in a position to understand how the faithful among the Jews came through the storms and stresses” of their day.

Gabriel’s Explanation

While he was still praying, God gave a signal to Gabriel; and the great, friendly angel came once more to explain the vision. He arrived “at the time of the evening sacrifice” (Daniel 9:21). No lamb had been offered in Jerusalem for almost fifty years, but God honored the time of day when a lamb would have been offered if the sanctuary had still been standing. Gabriel arrived at a most appropriate time to explain a prophecy about the sanctuary.

The Message of Daniel 9

I. A Prayer That God Could Answer

Daniel must have been pleased to see Gabriel arrive while he was still praying.

We all want to have our prayers answered; so, before looking at what Gabriel told Daniel, let us see what we can learn about this prayer that God answered so remarkably. No doubt Heaven preserved it for us so we would study it with this in mind.

We have already learned a lot about Daniel’s prayer life. In this present prayer Daniel did at least six things that deserve our attention:

1. He prayed very much in earnest.
2. He depended on God’s righteousness, not his own.
3. He used the Bible.
4. He confessed his own sins *and* the sins of his group.
5. He sought the glory of God and of His sanctuary.
6. He claimed God’s promises.

Like all human communication, effective prayer involves both words and attitude. “Take with you words and return to the Lord,” says Hosea 14:2. “Seek me with all your heart,” adds Jeremiah 29:13.

In harmony with the customs of his day, Daniel emphasized the deep longing of his soul not only with the choice of appropriate words but also with “fasting” and the use of “sackcloth and ashes” (Daniel 9:3). Sackcloth was a coarse fabric of goat or camel hair. It was worn in times of great sorrow or deep spiritual agitation (see, for example, II Samuel 3:31 and II Kings 19:1, 2). Drab and unattractive, sackcloth expressed a person’s heartfelt humility. Dirtying one’s face with ashes intensified the sense of self-abasement.

Daniel’s fasting suggests that his prayer, as we have it in Daniel 9, may be a summary of prayers offered over an extensive period. Daniel 10:2, 3 describes another fast that Daniel observed about two years later and that lasted for three weeks.

Nothing indicates that Daniel felt that his fasting, sackcloth, and ashes could earn merit points. They helped express his earnestness and no doubt actually deepened it. But he didn’t call God’s attention to them. He said, “We do not present our supplications before thee on the ground of our righteousness, but on the ground of thy great mercy” (Daniel 9:18).

James 5:16 says that “the prayer of a righteous man has great power in its effects”; but Paul reminds us, “None is righteous, no, not one” (Romans 3:10). So what are we to do? Do what Daniel did! Come before God in our sinfulness. It is the only way we *can* come. Confess that we are sinners, and ask God to hear us on the grounds of His mercy and righteousness. Jesus invites us to come in *His* name (John 14:13, 14).

Daniel used the Bible in his prayer. His words show that he must have been reading three passages written especially for exiles: (1) Moses’ counsel to future exiles (Leviticus 26); (2) Solomon’s prayer for future exiles, offered during the dedication of the same temple that now lay in ruins (I Kings 8:46-53); (3) Jeremiah’s letter to contemporary Babylonian exiles (Jeremiah 29:15-20).

Each of these passages indicates that the cause of exile is sin. God wanted the Israelites to enjoy the Land of Palestine, and He promised it to them in perpetuity. If the Israelites persisted in sinning God would allow them to be carried into exile; but if they confessed their sins in the foreign land, He would forgive them and bring them home. Leviticus 26 specified that the exiles must confess the sins of their ancestors: “But if they [the exiles] confess their iniquity *and the iniquity of their fathers* in their treachery which they committed against me, and also in walking contrary to me . . . and they make amends for their iniquity; then I will remember my covenant with Jacob . . . and I will remember the land” (verses 40-42).

Responding to this instruction, Daniel prayed, “We have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from thy commandments and ordinances; we have not listened to thy servants the prophets . . . *All Israel* has transgressed thy law and turned aside, refusing to obey thy voice” (Daniel 9:5-11).

It is absolutely astonishing that Daniel offered a prayer like this. Even his enemies, when they set themselves to find a reason for killing him, could find nothing improper in his conduct (Daniel 6:4). Yet Daniel said, "We have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled."

Daniel was not lying. He was not playing games. He was identifying himself with his group, with the social unit of which he was a member. As a whole the group was in exile because as a whole the group had sinned.

It is fashionable in some quarters today to say that our church — or our nation, or our school, or whatever — doesn't accomplish what it might because our bishops, or our congressmen, or our administrators have been corrupt and lazy. In this way we blame our leaders instead of ourselves. Daniel, however, said, "To us, O Lord, belongs confusion of face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against thee" (Daniel 9:8).

Seeing a drunk staggering along, a famous evangelist is reputed to have said, "There, but for the grace of God, go I." When in prayer we admit that we have sinned, we acknowledge that we are made of the same stuff as our leaders, and that if we were in their shoes, we would likely make the same mistakes or worse. Indeed in our families and among our acquaintances we do make similar mistakes. "You have no excuse, O man, whoever you are, when you judge another," warns Romans 2:1, "because you, the judge, are doing the very same things."

If we had lived five hundred years ago or a thousand, who is to say we would have done any better than our ancestors?

"O God, forgive my family. We quarrel so much. We have so much time for TV trivia and so little time for things that matter."

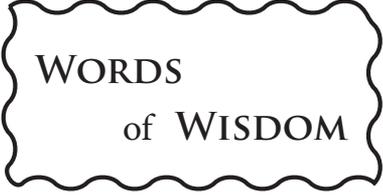
"O God, forgive my nation. We are so materialistic, so racially separate."

"O God, forgive my church, the Christian church. Through the ages we have persecuted one another, we have compelled people to believe as we do, we have disregarded Your prophets and trampled on Your commandments. As Christians we have failed to let You give us victory over pride, greed, and lust."

"O God, bring in a new day. Bring it soon. Let Your church be changed into Your likeness. Make us clean, generous, kind. Take away our adultery, racism, and Sabbath breaking."

Daniel sought God's glory and the glory of His sanctuary. If every Christian — if one billion Christians of all denominations — were pleading with God today like Daniel, asking Him to forgive our collective sins and to make His church a true credit to His name, how God could bless us! How impressed the non-Christians would be! ■

CONTINUED IN THE NEXT ISSUE



WORDS
of WISDOM

Unimaginable Impact

You don't know how many people have been strengthened because you asked God to encourage them; how many people have been healed because you prayed for their bodies; how many spiritual runaways have come home because you prayed for their souls. None of us may ever know the true effects of our prayers this side of heaven. But we do know this: History belongs to the intercessors.

John Ortberg, *The Life You've Always Wanted*

“Jesus No Cry, Jesus Be Happy”

Author Marlo Schalesky recalls her 2-year-old's first table prayer: “Jesus no cry. Jesus be happy. Amen.” Her 5-year-old sister was not impressed, calling it “a funny prayer.” But Mom affirmed it as fine, later blogging: “I saw how woefully self-centered my own prayers had become...”

So Schalesky made some intentional changes. “Instead of only asking for God's blessing, I'm focusing more on asking God to help me to be pleasing to Him... When I ask for wisdom, I also ask Him to help me honor Him in all I do and think. And instead of focusing on my desire for all to go well, I ask Him what I can do to bring Him joy... I am learning to pray with childlike faith. I'm learning to pray, ‘Jesus no cry. Jesus be happy.’”

Learning to Give Thanks

Last December I had my second knee replacement. Expecting this recovery to mimic the first, I went home to heal quickly. Instead, ten days later one normal step led to the vertical splitting of my femur, an ambulance ride, and surgery to insert screws and a long metal plate. I spent Christmas in the hospital and New Year's in the rehab unit, feeling anything but thankful. Nearly a year later, the slow recovery continues.

Yet I see much to be thankful for: my caregiver cousin, who lengthened her stay considerably; my family; church friends who provided meals, prayers, and love; and doctors and therapists, who put me back together and continue to encourage me. I continue to work on patience but am learning — with God's help — to “give thanks in all circumstances” (1 Thessalonians 5:18).

— Sandy Hyland

YOUR BIBLE QUESTIONS . . . ANSWERED

When do you receive the Holy Spirit — before, during, or after baptism?

“When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting... And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit” (Acts 2:1-4).

It is possible to receive the Holy Spirit before, during, and after baptism. The Bible has examples of all three. At Jesus’ baptism, He received a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit. The Scripture says, “immediately, coming up from the water, He saw the heavens parting and the Spirit descending upon Him like a dove” (Mark 1:10).

Likewise, during apostle Peter’s great sermon in Acts 2, he told his listeners, “Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit” (Acts 2:38). You also find an example in Acts 19 where some Ephesian believers were re-baptized by the apostle Paul, and at the point of baptism they received the Spirit (verse 6).

Some received the Holy Spirit before they were baptized in water. For example, while Cornelius the centurion and his family listened to Peter’s preaching, “the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word” (Acts 10:44). Afterward, they were baptized.

Of course, the apostles and others were baptized in water by John the Baptist, but they didn’t receive the full filling of the Spirit until Pentecost. Then the Holy Spirit came in a mighty way and empowered them to preach. After that, the tide must have gone out a little but eventually came again at a later time.

The Holy Spirit is received in different “degrees” in a person’s life. It’s the Spirit coming into our lives that inspires us to surrender, be baptized, and experience conversion. The Spirit is given in cycles according to the need to prepare us for the work God has for us to do.

— D.B.

**THEY SAW WHAT
SEEMED TO BE
TONGUES
OF FIRE
THAT SEPARATED
AND CAME TO REST
ON EACH OF THEM.**



ACTS 2:3, NIV

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**AM I DREAMING?**

1. When Joseph went to Dothan to find his brothers, what did they do to him when he first arrived?
 - A) They sold him.
 - B) They put him in a pit.
 - C) They fed him.

2. Who prevented Joseph from being killed by his brothers?
 - A) Reuben
 - B) Judah
 - C) Levi

3. Who was governor of Egypt and in charge of food storage during a great famine?
 - A) Pharaoh
 - B) Potiphar
 - C) Joseph

4. What was the Egyptian name that Pharaoh gave to Joseph?
 - A) Beth-togarmah
 - B) Ataroth-addar
 - C) Zaphenath-paneah

5. Who was the woman Pharaoh gave to Joseph to be his wife?
 - A) Asenath
 - B) Athaliah
 - C) Asarel

Answers to questions can be found on Page 17

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YOUR TURN



Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness of Thy loving heart.
Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee, and Thy beauty fills my soul
For by Thy transforming power Thou hast made me whole.
O, how great Thy lovingkindness, vaster, broader than the sea!
O, how marvelous Thy goodness, lavished all on me!
Yes, I rest in Thee, Beloved, know what wealth of grace is Thine,
Know Thy certainty of promise, and have made it mine.
Simply trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, I behold Thee as Thou art
And Thy love, so pure, so changeless, satisfies my heart.
Satisfies its deepest longings, meets, supplies its every need

Compasseth me round with blessings:
Thine is love indeed.
Ever lift Thy face upon me as I work and
wait for Thee
Resting 'neath Thy smile, Lord Jesus,
earth's dark shadows flee
Brightness of my Father's glory,
sunshine of my Father's face
Keep me ever trusting, resting, fill me
with Thy grace.
Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of
what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness of Thy
loving heart.
Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee, and
thy beauty fills my soul
For by Thy transforming power, Thou
has made me whole!



— Ramon Garcia Gutierrez

— Scott Rush

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**Bible Trivia
Answers**

1. B. They put him in a pit (Genesis 37:23-24). Dothan means "two wells" and is a plain on the caravan route from Syria to Egypt.
2. A. Reuben (Genesis 37:21-22). Although he was spared from death, Joseph's brothers sold him into slavery in Reuben's absence.
3. C. Joseph (Genesis 42:6). Only Pharaoh had more power than Joseph.
4. C. Zaphenath-paneah (Genesis 41:45). This name means "the god has said, he will live." Some scholars believe this name means "a revealer of secrets."
5. A. Asenath (Genesis 41:45). This marriage united Joseph with a noble Egyptian family.

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16-FIRST DAY OF WEEK	1FD	Mark 16:9
17-CHANGE OF SABBATH	1CS	Ex. 20:8-11
18-GREAT DAY OF JUDGMENT	1JD	Acts 17:31
19-THE PRESENT TRUTH	1PT	2 Pet. 1:12
20-SEVEN LAST PLAGUES	1SP	Rev. 15:1
21-SEAL OF THE LIVING GOD	1SG	Rev. 7:1-3
22-MARK OF THE BEAST	1MB	Rev. 14:9-11.14
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