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I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners... HEBREWS 13:3 To My Friends Incarcerated.

This is hard for me to write to you men and women made in the image of God who are found in prison and jails. Over forty years ago I found myself in a drainage ditch on the side of the road. It was raining. All the dirt and trash had washed in and the sides were very slippery. I laid there, trying figure out what to do. I was too drunk to move a muscle. No one knew I was in that ditch. It was late at night, no one had seen me fall, and the ditch was four to six feet deep. I am just relating this to you to tell you that you are not alone and you are not the only ones afflicted in this world, for at that time I was a lost sinner and did not know the Lord Jesus Christ, my Savior.

The Lord had me quit my job and go to work with Him, but I really did not know what he had in mind for me to do. It soon turned out to be ministering to inmates. Now this was not my thing, but the Lord's. The Lord opened these prisons to us, and we have done evangelistic programs, ministered to babies, their caretakers, and the families on the outside, and have had a pen-pal correspondence program. We have been printing this monthly newsletter for around 22 years and print roughly 2500 copies every month. We have had thousands of success stories through this ministry. Thank you Lord!

The Lord writes, "It is good for me that I have been afflicted; that I might learn thy statutes" (Ps119:71) and "I know, O LORD, that thy judgments are right, and that thou in faithfulness hast afflicted me" (Ps 119:75). God said He is the one who allowed this to happen to you so you would have this time to learn and know about His love for you.

My wife and I have devoted all these years to help anyone we could spiritually, but I am getting older. As of this February 11th I will be 87 years old, not knowing if or who will follow in our place.

"Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding" (Proverbs 3:5).

"In all thy ways acknowledge him, and He shall direct thy paths" (Proverbs 3:6).

I will keep you in my prayers as you pray for us, and may we meet at the banquet table with the Lord in heaven where we can fellowship and share our blessings with one another.

- Chaplain Frank

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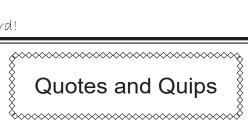
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...Put forth your branches and bear your fruit... Ezekiel 36:8



If you could kick the person in the pants responsible for most of your trouble, you wouldn't sit for a month.

- Theodore Roosevelt

Success always starts with action.

- Rick Jordan

You may not have the control to lengthen your life, but you can do much to deepen it.

- Frank Sonnenberg

Surround yourself with people who have ambitious plans, meaningful purposes, and big goals.

— Jeff Haden

Deliberately expose yourself to other points of view.

- Dawn Metcalfe

The walls we build around us to keep sadness out also keep out the joy. — Jim Rohn

Your goals should scare you a little and excite you a lot.

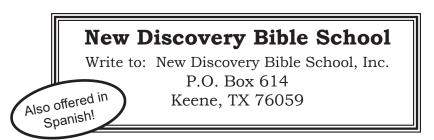
— Kim Levya

You cannot swim for new horizons until you have courage to lose sight of the shore.

- William Faulkner

It's not about how hard you hit. It's about how hard you get hit and keep moving forward.

— Unknown



JESUS Selected Studies on the Life of Christ By David Metzler

GRAVE ROBBERS

"The chief priests and Pharisees gathered together to Pilate, saying, "...Command that the tomb be made secure until the third day, lest His disciples come by night and steal Him away" (Matthew 27:62-64).

The Sabbath had become a disaster for the priests and rulers. They heard the name "Jesus" on every street corner. "Many had come from far to find Him who had healed the sick and raised the dead. On every side was heard the cry, We want Christ the Healer!...The friendly hands of Jesus of Nazareth, that never refused to touch with healing the loathsome leper, were folded on His breast. The lips that had answered his petition with the comforting words, "I will; be thou clean" (Matthew 8:3), were now silent. Many appealed to the chief priests and rulers for sympathy and relief, but in vain. Apparently they were determined to have the living Christ among them again...But they were driven from the temple courts, and soldiers were stationed at the gates to keep back the multitude that came with their sick and dying, demanding entrance. The sufferers who had come to be healed by the Saviour sank under their disappointment. The streets were filled with mourning. Where now were those who had cried, "Crucify Him, crucify Him!"?

To retain the people's favor, the priests had killed Christ. Now they had lost their goal by the very action they thought would secure it. They found themselves forced to believe they had put the Messiah to death, and the thought drove them insane. The priests now feared Jesus' prophecies, for "He had said that He would rise again the third day, and who could say that this also would not come to pass? They longed to shut out these thoughts, but they could not." Going to Pilate, they asked him to guard the tomb. Pilate was as unwilling as were the Jews that Jesus should rise with power to punish the guilt of those who had destroyed Him, and he placed a band of Roman soldiers at the command of the priests. Said he, "Ye have a watch: go your way, make it as sure as ye can. So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch" (Matthew 27:65, 66). A guard of one hundred soldiers was then stationed around the sepulcher to prevent it from being tampered with. The priests did all they could to keep Christ's body where it had been laid. He was sealed as securely in His tomb as if He were to remain there through all time. The very efforts made to prevent Christ's resurrection are the most convincing arguments in its proof.

LIGHT FOR MY PATH

Jesus is Your Sufficiency

And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every aood work.

II Corinthians 9:8

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:19

Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God.

II Corinthians 3:5

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. Philippians 4:13

And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for My strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

II Corinthians 12:9

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.

Romans 8:37

And what is the exceeding greatness of His power to usward who believe, according to the working of His mighty power. Ephesians 1:19

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Bible Study: THE WORLD'S MOST AMAZING BOOK

By Mark A. Finley

CAN WE TRUST OUR CONSCIENCE?

I was recently talking to a young man about the importance of making right decisions. I was fascinated with his response. He confidently said, "I know right from wrong; my conscience always tells me."

In a society of everchanging moral standards, we are often told that the way to get through this swamp of confusion is to rely on the compass of our individual conscience. Is our conscience always reliable? Can we



trust our conscience in all circumstances? Can our conscience ever lead us in the wrong direction? In this month's Bible study we will discover the value of a "sanctified" conscience, and the danger of trusting in a conscience that is not under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

1. How does the Bible describe human nature? What is the state of our condition before God? Read Jeremiah 17:9, 10 and Isaiah 53:6.

God created Adam and Eve in a state of perfection. Once they sinned, their natures changed. Each one of us is born with a fallen nature, making it easier to do wrong than to do right.

2. What expression did the apostle Paul use to describe the state of mind of those who have not surrendered their lives to Christ? Compare Romans 8:7 with Ephesians 2:1-3.

3. Since our natures are fallen, and without Christ wwe have carnal minds," is a conscience unaided by the Holy Spirit a safe guide? Read and summarize the following texts: Hebrews 3:13; I Timothy 4:2; Proverbs 14:12.

Unaided by the Holy Spirit, we are strongly influenced by our own desires, the environment around us, and peer pressure.

4. Since our natures are fallen, and we have at times hardened our hearts through poor choices, has God left us alone to determine what is right and wrong? Look at the hopeful message of Ecclesiastes 3:11 and John 1:9.

God meets us in our fallen condition. From the days we were born His Holy Spirit began to gently guide us to understand His truth and His plan for our lives. If we positively respond to the promptings of His Spirit, we will have a clear sense of His guidance.

5. What role does the Holy Spirit play in sharpening our conscience? Read John 14:16-18; 16:7, 13-15.

The Holy Spirit, the third person of the Godhead, is Jesus' divinely appointed representative to guide us into all truth. If we desire to do God's will and are committed to pleasing Him in all our actions, the Holy Spirit will guide us in our decision-making process.

6. How does the Bible affect our consciences in the process of making right decisions? Compare Psalm 119:105, 130, 133, 140, 160.

The Bible is a "lamp to [our] feet." It is a "light to [our] path." The "entrance of [His] words gives light." Our "steps" are directed by God's Word. We cannot trust an unenlightened conscience, but we can trust the guidance of the Holy Spirit through a conscience that has been informed, directed, and educated by God's Word. The Scriptures are the basis for all right decisions. Any inclinations, desires, or tendencies that are not in harmony with the Word of God are not the product of a "sanctified conscience."

7. What actions can we take to ensure that we will always have an enlightened conscience guided by the Holy Spirit and informed by the Word of God? Read John 12:35, 36.

If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me ...



As we faithfully walk in the light that God gives us and make positive choices in harmony with His will, His Holy Spirit will guide us in making right decisions. We can have absolute confidence that God will never disappoint us. He will never leave us to the folly of our own wavs if we desire to serve Him. He wants to guide us into making right decisions and prompt us through our consciences. The question is always and only this: "Are we willing to surrender our way to His and let Him quide us?"

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Daniel 9: God Schedules the Atonement The Message of Daniel 9 (Continued)

Jesus Christ as the Messiah Prince

We have taken for granted that the Messiah Prince was Jesus Christ. The time has come to show that He really was.

A "prince" in the Bible is a prominent leader. Jesus is "God" and "Son of God"; hence He is a prince supreme. Prince Jesus technically became the Messiah *on the occasion of His baptism*. The Hebrew word "messiah" means "an anointed person." The Greek word "christ" also means "an anointed person." It was customary in Bible times for individuals who were selected for prominent leadership to be ordained to their roles by being anointed with oil. For example, David was anointed by Samuel to be a *king* (I Samuel 16:1, 13). Aaron ws anointed by Moses to be a *priest* (Exodus 30:30), and Elisha was anointed by Elijah to be a *prophet* (I Kings19:16).

Jesus, who was both a king, a priest, and a prophet, was anointed by God at His baptism in the River Jordan when the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in the shape of a dove (Luke 3:21, 22; Acts 10:37, 38). Andrew, one of John the Baptist's disciples, soon searched out his brother Peter and announced with conviction, "We have found the Messiah" (John 1:41, 42). A little later when preaching on Sabbath in the Nazareth synagogue, Jesus applied to Himself the Messianic prophecy of Isaiah 61:1, 2):

The *Spirit of the Lord* is upon me because He has *anointed* me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord (Luke 4:18, 19).

Inasmuch as God anointed Jesus to proclaim liberty, to restore sight, and to preach the good news of forgiveness and a fresh start, it is no wonder that Hebrews 1:9 says that God anointed Him with the "oil of gladness." Joy is a "fruit of the Spirit" (Galatians 5:22), and Jesus was "full of the Holy Spirit" (Luke 4:1). Wherever Jesus went, He brought joy.

Everyone suffering from disease or a handicap rejoiced at His touch. Mourners rejoiced when He resurrected their dead. Guilt-plagued people breathed sighs of relief. Everywhere Jesus made people happy. He was anointed with the oil of gladness. He was the Messiah of happiness!

When the woman at Jacob's well said, "I know that Messiah is coming," Jesus responded, "I who speak to you am He" (John 4:25, 26).

So we have His word for it. Jesus was the Messiah promised in the Old Testament. And because the name "Christ" means the same as "Messiah," every time we call Him, "Jesus *Christ*" we acknowledge the fact that He is the Messiah.

Jesus as the Terminator of Sacrifices

We have seen that in Daniel 9:24-27 Gabriel predicted that the Messiah would "put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering"; in other words, that He would "cause sacrifice and offering to cease."

You may wonder how this prophecy can have been fulfilled by Jesus in view of the fact that Jewish priests continued to burn sacrifices and to make other types of offerings until the Romans destroyed their temple in A.D. 70, almost forty years after the crucifixion.

The book of Hebrews gives the answer. It describes Jesus as truly the terminator of sacrifices. It says that through His incarnation and death He "abolishes" the old sacrifices. Other versions say He "does away with" them, He "annuls" them. Hebrews 10:4-9 leaves no doubt about this:

"For it is impossible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sins. Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings thou has not desired, in burnt offerings and sin offerings thou hast taken no pleasure. Then I said, 'Lo, I have come to do thy will, O God,' as it is written of me in the roll of the book." When he said above, "Thou hast neither desired, nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings: (these are offered according to the law), then he added, "Lo, I have come to do Thy will," *He abolishes the first in order to establish the second.*

The author of the book of Hebrews says here that Jesus Christ "abolishes the first [ritual] in order to establish the second."

But didn't he know that sacrifices continued to be offered in Jerusalem for many years after Jesus died?

Of course he did! As a matter of fact, he wrote Hebrews while the temple was still very much in use. In the passage we just read he said that the sacrifices and the offerings "*are* offered [present tense] according to the law" (Hebrews 10:8). In Hebrews 10:11 he said that "every priest *stands* daily [present tense] at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices."

Certainly, yes, the priests did continue to repeat the age-old ritual, and the author of Hebrews was well aware of the fact. But he was also well aware, as an inspired spokesman for God, that their sacrifices *no longer mattered*. They provided religious drama, devoid of saving spiritual significance.

Not to press the matter unduly, we may remind ourselves that various non-Christian religions have continued to offer animal sacrifices until

the present day. By His death Jesus did not make the offering of sacrifices impossible. God does not compel anyone to stop the religious burning of animals. But in the sight of heaven Christ's cross was the Sacrifice to end all sacrifices. With the death of Jesus no ritual sacrifice, Jewish or otherwise, has significance anymore for salvation.

A startling miracle should have taught this lesson to the Jewish priests even though the teachings of the prophets failed to do so. At the very moment when Jesus had "breathed His last," "the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom"! (Mark 15:38).

Until that precise instant, entrance into the most holy place had been restricted to the high priest once a year. Now, theoretically, it was open to everyone at any time.

With such dramatic symbolism as this, Heaven said to all the world, "You do not need the Jewish priesthood anymore. Helpful in countless ways as rabbis and Christian priests and ministers may be, you do not *need* them either in order to enter the presence of God. There is only one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus" (see Hebrews 9:15 and I Timothy 2:5).

During the seventieth week of Daniel 9 Jesus Christ amply fulfilled the prophecy, "He shall cause the sacrifice and offering to cease."

What we are studying sheds light on the possible future course of Jewish sacrifices. Many people are wondering whether it is likely that during a short period just prior to Christ's second coming, God will ask the Jews, in memory of the cross, to restore their animal sacrifices.

The answer from our study of Daniel 9:24-27 is that He most certainly will not. Jesus has done away with animal sacrifices. He has annulled them. He has abolished them. He has "caused sacrifices and offerings to *cease*."

The Date of Christ's Baptism Foretold

One of the most intriguing aspects of the seventy-week prophecy is its timely fulfillment. According to our chart [see December 2020 issue],

the Messiah was to arrive in the year A.D. 27 and was to cause sacrifice and offering to cease three and a half years later, in the year A.D. 31. So we want to know whether Jesus really was baptized/anointed in A.D. 27 and whether His crucifixion did occur in A.D. 31.

We should notice, incidentally, that Gabriel foretold no specific event to mark the close of the seventy weeks in A.D. 34. We'll discuss A.D. 34 in our next section, "Jesus Kept His Promise."



As soon as we look into the dates 27 and 31, we are struck with something quite remarkable among Bible students. We find a vigorous dispute about the precise dates involved, but a solidly reassuring consensus in respect to the very short period within which all suggested dates are found to fall. Scholars have no choice except to place the crucifixion into this short period because, indisputably, Jesus was crucified under Pontius Pilate. Even the second-century pagan historian Tacitus says in his *Annals of the Roman Empire* that Jesus was "executed in Tiberius's reign by the governor of Judaea, Pontius Pilate." The Bible, of course, indicates the same (Luke 3:1; 23:24).

Pilate served as administrator (sometimes called "procurator") of Judaea between the years 26 and 36, and this is the obvious reason that scholars agree on the general period for Christ's death.

Now, the year 31 falls right in the middle of Pilate's term as procurator. If we knew nothing more about the date of the cross than simply that it came near the middle of Pilate's incumbency, we would say that Gabriel's prediction, made from a distance of more than 500 years, was very, very close.

But we do know more than this. Before finalizing on a date for the cross, however, let us look closely at the date of Christ's baptism/anointing.

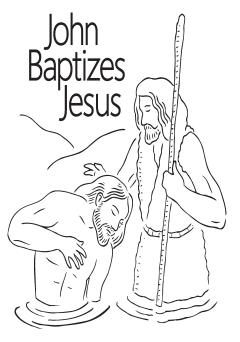
Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist; and, according to Luke 3:1, John the Baptist commenced his brilliant but very brief ministry in "the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar."

Tiberius Caesar succeeded the famous Roman emperor Augustus, who died on August 19, A.D. 14. (The month of August was named for Augustus.) Even without a masters degree in historical chronology, a person can calculate

that the fifteenth year of Tiberius, the year when John the Baptist commenced his ministry, must have begun no later than A.D. 28. And A.D. 28 is very close to A.D. 27, the year we proposed a while ago for Christ's baptism/anointing.

But people who specialize in historical chronology tell us that there is good reason to conclude that the fifteenth year of Tiberius began in A.D. 27. The reigns of kings were usually counted differently in ancient times from the way they are in our own, and that different countries used different seasons (either spring or fall) for beginning each of the years of a reign.

As for the Jews, even though they began their *religious*



year from the first day of the month Nisan in the spring (sometime in March or April), in the era we are talking aobut they began the reigns of non-Jewish kings on the Jewish *civil* New Year's Day (Tishri 1, Rosh Hashanah) in the autumn, following the new moon of either September or October. They had also adopted the custom of considering a king's "first year" as the interval between the day he began to reign and the arrival of the following autumn New Year's Day. Jewish clerks, like the clerks in several other eastern Mediterranean lands, began to date documents by a new emperor's "first year" as soon as they heard the news that he had begun to rule.

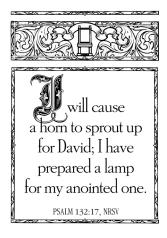
Tiberius began to rule upon the death of Augustus, which occurred on August 19, A.D. 14. The next Jewish New Year's Day came somewhere between mid-September and mid-October. There was plenty of time for news about the installation of the new emperor to reach Palestine and for the "first year" of his rule to commence there before Jewish New Year's. So it was, according to a custom recorded in the Jewish Mishnah, that the "*second year*" of Tiberius must have begun in Palestine on New Year's Day in September or October A.D. 14 even though by then Tiberius had been in power for no more than about two months!

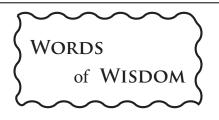
Fantastic as such a phenomenon may appear to be to Western minds, it is a custom in some Oriental countries even today for children to be considered a year old in the year of their birth and to be *two* years old on the subsequent New Year's Day. This custom is followed, even if New Year's comes only a day or two after a child is born. Western tourists are puzzled to learn that children who appear to be only six years old, for example, claim to be 8.

On this basis, the "*fifteenth* year...of Tiberius" (Luke 3:1) did not begin in August A.D. 28 as we might suppose on the basis of modern Western calculations. Reckoned "Jewish fashion," as the *Interpreter's Dictionary*

of the Bible describes the process we have followed here, Tiberius's fifteenth year began in September or October of A.D. 27.

Inasmuch as Jesus was baptized shortly after John began to preach and inasmuch as between His baptism and His first Passover (in the following spring) He spent six weeks in the wilderness of temptation, gathered disciples here and there, and attended the Cana wedding feast, it is perfectly safe to conclude that He was baptized within the year 27. Gabriel's prediction about 69 weeks to the anointing of the Messiah at His baptism in A.D. 27 was fulfilled with astonishing precision.





Rock of Ages

On walks, I enjoy searching for heart-shaped rocks. One day in 2020, I spotted a broken heart, which seemed fitting as illness and suffering dominated the headlines. I thought of Psalm 34:18 (NIV): "The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."

Humans can be hard-hearted — pointing fingers, assuming the worst and failing to extend compassion. We often reject people who look, think, or act differently from us. All these things break hearts, including God's. Only with His help can we rise above hatred, learn to listen more than we speak, and express kindness, empathy and a willingness to learn.

Jesus, be our rock as we face life's brokenness. Stay near and start the healing. Amen.

Why All Life Is Sacred

Scripture does not know of any human life which is so commonplace that it is not valuable enough to become eternal, and this is its high optimism. Nothing is too much for Scripture. Since every person is known by God by name, and since every person exists in time in the presence of the God who is judgment and salvation, every person is a person of eternity, and not just the noble spirits of history.

- Karl Rahner

Live in the Light

Often we want to be able to see into the future. We say, "How will next year be for me? Where will I be five or 10 years from now?" There are no answers to these questions. Mostly we have just enough light to see the next step — what we have to do in the coming hour or the following day.

The art of living is to enjoy what we can see and not complain about what remains in the dark. When we are able to take the next step with the trust that we will have enough light for the step that follows, we can walk through life with joy and be surprised at how far we go. Let's rejoice in the little light we carry and not ask for the great beam that would take all our shadows away.

- Henri Nouwen, Bread for the Journey

YOUR BIBLE QUESTIONS ... ANSWERED

How am I supposed to "put on the armor of God"? (Part 3)

"Take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand" (Ephesians 6:13).

Your body has seven openings from the neck up: two nostrils, two ears, two eyes, and one mouth. Pivotal to each person's salvation are their choices concerning what they allow to enter their minds through these senses. Jesus said, "The lamp of the body is the eye" (Luke 11:34). Also, we read, "Apply your heart to instruction, and your ears to words of knowledge" (Proverbs 23:12) and, "Put away from you a deceitful mouth, and put perverse lips far from you" (Proverbs 4:24).

We need to be careful what we watch, what we listen to, what we say, and what we eat and drink. These things affect who we are. Ask God for that helmet of salvation. Think of it as a space helmet, where you've got a heavenly atmosphere to breathe. It's protecting you from harmful influences. We need to firmly strap the helmet of salvation in place and guard these avenues to the soul.

When the Bible talks about the sword, it means you need to get to know your Bible. The other weapons in God's arsenal are defensive in nature, but the sword is primarily and offensive weapon. When Jesus fought the devil, He quoted Scripture. "Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin" (Psalm 119:11).

The last of the weapons is really an attitude. Any general knows that victory almost always depends on which army

has the element of surprise. The Scripture says, "Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation" (Matthew 26:41). We should "pray without ceasing" (I Thessalonians 5:17). This does not mean we go about on our knees all day; rather, we must be constantly aware of God's presence and that there is an enemy stalking us.

How can we stand? How can we fight? Paul gives us the answer: "Be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might" (Ephesians 6:10). Jesus said, "Without Me you can do nothing" (John 15:5).



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PLAGUED BY PLAGUES (Part 2)

- 1. What was the eighth plague?
- A) Locusts
- B) Gnats
- C) Darkness
- 2. What brought the locusts of the eighth plague?
- A) A north wind
- B) A west wind
- C) An east wind
- 3. What was the ninth plague?
- A) A severe pestilence
- B) Darkness
- C) Hail
- 4. How long did the darkness last?
- A) 3 days
- B) 7 days
- C) 1 day
- 5. What was the tenth plague?
- A) Death of the animals
- B) Death of all children
- C) Death of the firstborn

Answers to questions can be found on Page 17

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Looking forward to the year 2021 Knowing Jesus is the answer and only One To make Covid-19 over and done Bring back laughter and God's only Son To live life at a normal pace Put God back in the human race To not have to wear a mask Where life is not a daily task Not so many hardships and trials To look upon the beautiful smiles When we can shake hands and hug again Not be concerned about where we've been Fill our church's pews and sing What a wonderful thought that brings God welcomed back in our beautiful land Make America great again Repent for leaving God out in the dust And return to "in God we trust."

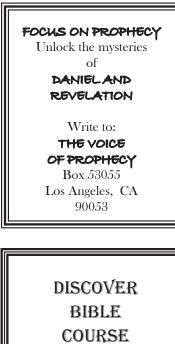
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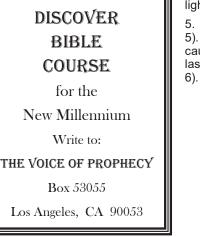
- David Durden

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Bible Trivia Answers

1. A. Locusts (Exodus 10:13-14). The hail had broken down the plants of the earth, and the locusts could devour them, leaving nothing behind.

2. C. An east wind (Exodus 10:13). Locusts were abundant in that part of the world, and God used an east wind to bring them to an appointed place at an appointed time.

3. B. Darkness (Exodus 10:22). Their "sungod," Ra, was powerless in the midst of this thick darkness that could actually be felt.

4. A. 3 days (Exodus 10:22). In spite of this darkness over all of Egypt, the Israelites had light (Exodus 10:23).

5. C. Death of the firstborn (Exodus 11:4-5). It took the death of Pharaoh's own son to cause him to soften his heart, and that only lasted a short time (Exodus 12:29-32; 14:5-6).

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DISCOVERING THE TRUTH ABOUT:		
SUBJECT	LABEL	FIRST VERSE
1-ANGELS	1A	Heb. 1:13, 14
2GOD'S PURPOSE FOR WORLD	1P	Eccl. 1:4
3-THE WAY OF SALVATION	1WS	Matt. 19:16
4-NEARNESS OF CHRIST'S RETURN	1NR	Matt. 24:3
5-SECOND COMING OF CHRIST	1SC	Heb. 9:28
6-BIBLE TEMPERANCE	1BT	1 Cor. 10:31
7-MILLENNIUM	1M	Rev. 20:5
8-MOST WONDERFUL PROPHECY IN BIBLE	1WP	Dan. 8:3-14
9-MEANING OF HELL	1MH	1 Cor. 15:55
10-WHERE ARE THE DEAD?	1WD	Eccl. 12:7
11-PUNISHMENT OF THE WICKED	1PW	2 Pet. 2:9
12-HEAVEN	1H	2 Cor. 12:2
13-CHRISTIAN'S RULE OF LIFE	1CR	Jam. 2:8-12
14-JESUS, OUR HIGH PRIEST	1HP	Dan. 8:14
15-LORD'S DAY	1LD	Rev. 1:10
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
23-HOW TO KEEP SABBATH	1KS	Ex. 20:8
24-CHRISTIANS IN DRESS	1CD	1 Cor. 10:31
25-BAPTISM	1B	Mark 16:16
26-THE TRUE CHURCH	1TC	Rev. 12:1
27-BIBLE PLAN TO SUPPORT GOD'S WORK	1SW	Deut. 8:16
28-GOD'S GATHERING CALL	1GC	Rev. 17:3, 4

No. 27 BIBLE PLAN FOR SUPPORT OF GOD'S WORK: 1SW: Deuteronomy 8:18; 2SW: Leviticus 27:30, 32; 3SW: Psalm 24:1; 4SW: Numbers 18:20, 21; 5SW: I Corinthians 9:13, 14; 6SW: Matthew 23:23; 7SW: Deuteronomy 16:17; 8SW: Proverbs 3:9, 10; 9SW: Malachi 3:8; 10SW: Malachi 3:9, 10; 11SW: Genesis 28:20, 22; 12SW: Luke 16:10-12.