

# A Great Case of Heartburn



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I've had heartburn since 1981. My beloved's Uncle Burgess and Aunt Deloris en-

couraged me back then to put my Pepto Bismol in the fridge. Game changer. Chilled Pepto is MUCH easier to get down!

Over the years, I've tried different remedies and modified diets to fix my problem. Though it was a nagging thorn in my side, I never really addressed it or asked a doctor about it until I thought I was having a heart attack a few years ago. Now with life changing medicine, it is under control.

There is a delicious case of heartburn in the New Testament I yearn for and don't ever want to get over. Luke 24 tells us the story. Two of Jesus' followers were disappointed as they travelled home from Jerusalem that first Easter morning. Their minds were jumbled and spirits low over the events of the Passover weekend. They

were confused about all that had transpired. It was a seven mile walk-plenty of time to review the details.

That's when Jesus showed up! The guys were obviously downcast. Jesus asked what they had been talking about. Cleopas wanted to know if He was a stranger to the area. (In these parts, he would've started with, "What the thunder?") They began to tell Jesus their version of everything that had transpired over the previous days.

As they walked, Jesus scolded them for their unbelief and then went on to explain what ALL the Scriptures had said about Him. What a walk!

I love the part where He pretended He was going farther. Walking slowly...waiting for their invitation..."Stay with us," they encouraged. (I want to

put an exclamation point at the end of that sentence for sure!)

Inside at the table, Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Suddenly their eyes were opened and they knew it was Him. I LOVE what they asked! "Weren't our hearts burning within us while He talked with us...and opened the Scriptures to us?" Shew! That's a great case of heartburn right there!

How does this story apply to today? Are you downcast because of Corona? I'll admit I have been up, down, and all around as time goes on...and on...and on.

Cleopas reported "...but we had hoped that He was the One..." Have you felt like that through quarantine? Did you have hope in Jesus? Did you think His plan was better than

this? Are you confused about how things are playing out? As Coronavirus numbers grow does it seem like the size of Jesus and His presence have diminished?

Like Cleopas and his friend, do I need to be retold some things? Do you? Jesus opened up the Scriptures to remind them-and us. Go to the Word and hear it again: Our hope is STILL in the Lord! He is STILL the God of the Bible! He is STILL good! He is STILL able! This is our Red Sea, our Goliath, our Jericho, our lion's den. He WILL deliver us!

While I'm "safe" at home, it's important for me to use the time for good. I want to have an on-going burning in my heart for talking and listening to Him and His Word now AND when quarantine is over!

# Church News

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Sundays at 9:45am

## United Methodist Facebook Message

If you are missing church, the Irvine United Methodist invites you to go to their Facebook page at 9:45 a.m.

each Sunday morning. The pastor, Bro. Aaron Batey will be sharing the word for UMC's Morning Worship.



A small child recently asked me, "Mr. Larry, I believe there is a God. And I know He's in my heart. But who made Him?"

"Nobody," I answered. "Well, when did He begin to live?" she asked politely.

"He always was," I replied.

"Well, will he ever stop living?" she wondered.

"No," I answered. "He always was, and always will be," I answered.

"But," she admitted, "I don't understand."

"Neither do I," came my confession.

We who are finite cannot ever understand the infinite.

Every rational person who is endowed with a

mind that has the capacity to reason finds questions about God - even in early childhood. This search for God, at an early age, is significant. Obviously, this question about God arising in the mind of a child seems to provide convincing evidence that there is a compassionate Creator who has planted Himself in the mind of everyone. Otherwise, why would anyone ever ask the question, "Is there a God?"

Questions about the existence of God are nothing new. God Himself put a curiosity within each of us to ask questions and seek answers. If we did not have a capacity to question things, we would not be human. Remember, it was God who said, "You will find me when you seek me with all your heart." The seeking heart will find God..

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## At midnight, there was a cry made!

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Within the 25th Chapter of Matthew, there is a story given by our Lord to describe the nature of mankind, preceding his coming to receive his bride, the church. There were ten maidens that were going forth, but five were not wise in their traveling, for they had failed to fill their lamps with adequate oil. But, on the other hand, five did act wisely and took enough oil to complete the task of waiting for the bridegroom to come and receive his bride.

Then, at midnight, there was a cry made, "Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him." There are two things worthy of note here. First, the cry was made in an hour that it was not expected; coupling this with Matthew 24:44, we see this, "Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh."

Then, some may say, "Well, 50% of them were prepared, that was not too bad!" Friends, today it may seem as though that this amount might be preparing to meet Jesus when he returns, but according to the Bible, it will not be and is not so. Jesus says in Matthew 7:13-14, "... wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: <sup>14</sup>Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."

This is an alarming passage of scripture, because most, are said of Jesus, that many would go to destruction. There is another alarming passage found in Luke 13:23-24. Jesus was asked, "Lord, are there few that be saved? And he responded, <sup>24</sup>Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able." Then, here in this passage as well as Matthew 7:21-24, we have our answer as to why so many may be seekers, yet fail to enter into Heaven. In both scriptures, our Lord calls those rejected as being "workers of iniquity," meaning 'you who did not follow my law.' Then, he adds,

only "he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven" will enter in.

Now, Dear Readers, notice that he is speaking to people who claim to be in a right relationship with him, but he says they were not! Any time you want to hear this being done, turn on your TV set to any of the worldwide preachers and note what they tell listeners to do to be saved. 'Pray this prayer with me, Lord Jesus, come into my heart and save me, I repent of all my sins, from this day forward, I will serve thee.' Then they add, 'If you have prayed this little prayer with me, we believe that you have been born again.'

Now, Friends, in most Bibles there are usually about 1450 pages in the Old Testament and 1595 pages in the New Testament, which made up 66 books in all. But, if you can find this plan in any of them, I wish you would call me and let me know for I will have been totally confused.

Now, back to our lesson title. Even with the many distresses that our nation has gone through in the past, only in World War II did our attendance increase, for about five years; then began to fall off. Then came the war in Korea. Again, church attendance increased to some degree but not so much as in 1944. Along came Vietnam for over ten years to which I served during that time. Again, a small increase, but, now, even after the 9-11 bombing and over 15 years of struggle in Asia, church attendance is at an all-time low. It would be interesting to know that if we were permitted by state and Federal law from attending our worship days if the attendance would grow, but I doubt it. We have become so hard of heart that nothing but the cry, 'the Lord is coming again,' will wake people up. And they will! But many will be repenting, praying, kneeling, confessing, running to hide, but all to no avail because of what Hebrews 9:28 says, "So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation." All who that are found not looking for him shall perish.

You do not have to be among those that will perish. Obey all the Lord has said for you to do, before it is too late.

Sincerely, Bob Casey, (1-859-369-4165), local

Bro. Warren Rogers invites everyone to Ivory Hill Baptist Church's drive-up service each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Park 6-feet apart, facing the front of the church at 8430 Winchester Road, Irvine, and turn your radio to FM 90.1. You may also listen at home if you live nearby the church.

## BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Joshua in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. What's the collective name of the first five books of the Bible? Pentimento, Pentateuch, Pensione, Pequod

3. From Genesis 3:24, who/what guards the Garden of Eden? Roaring lions,

Armed angels, Golden rams, God Himself

4. What animal did God provide Abraham to sacrifice in place of Isaac? Dove, Calf, Ram, Camel

5. From Joshua 14, to whom did Joshua give a blessing? Jacob, Caleb, Esau, Himself

6. In the Bible, how many men are named "Dodo"? 1, 2, 3, 4

Answers on bottom of Page 12

"Test Your Bible Knowledge," with 1,206 multiple-choice questions by columnist Wilson Casey, is available in bookstores and online.

## BIBLE WORD SEARCH

by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

COLOSSIANS 3:15

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Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

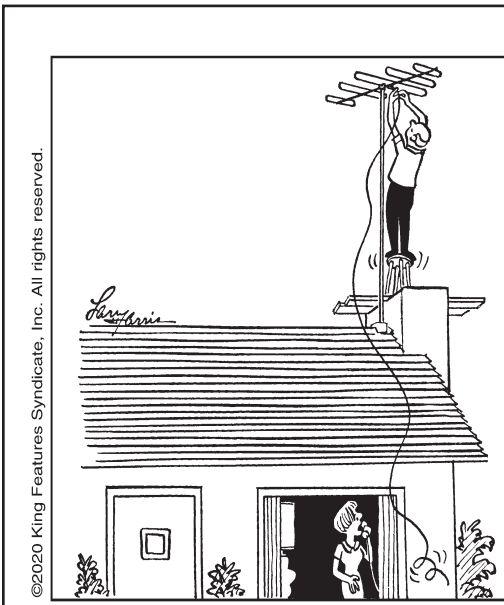
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So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

MATTHEW 6:28,29



"No, I don't need you right now, Doctor, I just wanted to see if your were

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## SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Shine

LARGE

Sheet

BOLTAID

Bandanas

CRAVSS

Cry

TABLE

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