

## Figuring Out The NFL Draft



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The NFL draft has intrigued me for years. (It's an annual event at the Reed household.) Unsure of the Corona effect,

I was elated when it was announced they would still have a draft, albeit virtually.

Everyone in football strives to be number one. Not number two, or number three or the one in last place. No player ever goes out on the field saying, "Come on boys, let's see how badly we can lose this game!" No way, Jose. The goal is to win, to be the best, to show everybody how great the team is, how great you are.

And so they work, they work out. They practice and practice. In the sun, the rain and the snow. When they're feeling it and when they are not. To be the best: Number One.

Through elementary school, high school and college, they press on, not just for today but in the future. They

dream of being chosen in the first round of the NFL draft! In the secret place in their hearts, to be the NUMBER ONE DRAFT PICK!

Don't hate me, but I don't pay much attention to college football until Heisman Trophy time (another annual event in our home). I love learning about the Heisman candidates and hearing their stories. This year I discovered a great deal about Joe Burrow, quarterback for LSU. I found out that he had started at Ohio State but then moved far away from home to join the LSU Tigers his Junior year. As a Senior, Burrow stepped up and if you watch his game clips, you will see his phenomenal talent. He won the Heisman and was a sure guess to be the number one draft pick in 2020.

Here's what really amazes me about the NFL draft: the number one pick (arguably the very best college player in the country) goes to the very worst team of all-in a sense, the biggest losers.

If you are a guy, you've probably known this since you were in kindergarten, but I only realized it a few years ago. I was stunned and still am.

How do you push yourself your whole life, through rain, sleet and snow to be number one, and then your super great prize is to go to the team in LAST PLACE?

The number one draft pick appears to be a savior, of sorts, to the team in the most desperate need. He is their hope to rise from the ashes of defeat. He is their plan for a new

and victorious future. It's a lot to ponder.

Thousands of years ago, Jesus left His home in heaven and travelled far away. He received no awards, no prestigious trophies. He pressed on through good and bad days, suffering greatly before His death.

The True Number One came to the real biggest losers-mankind-to give us hope and a victorious future. His Father said as much in a Jeremiah 29:11 press release many years before: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

The Cincinnati Bengals put their hope in Joe Burrow (plus their other players) for victory? Who are you putting your hope in?

## OBITUARIES

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Monday, April 27, 2020

### Ronnie Williams Jr., 44

Ronnie Dale "Dinkie" Williams Jr., age 44, passed away on Monday, April 27, 2020 at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington, Kentucky.

A native of Clark County, Kentucky, he was born on March 8, 1976, to Hilda Sparks Wilson and the late Ronnie Dale Williams, Sr. He was a farmer.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by three children, Ryan, Katelyn and James Williams; brother, James Wesley Williams; grandparents, Robert Bo Williams and Betty Asbury Sparks; and his fiancé, Amanda Clem.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ronnie Dale



Ronnie Williams

Williams Sr.; a brother, Marvin Sparks; and his grandparents, Clarence Sparks and Beulah Williams.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

<ScobeeFuneralHome.com>

Sunday, May 3, 2020

### Owen Woolery, 83

Owen Woolery, age 83, of Woolery Lane in Ravena, Kentucky, passed away Sunday, May 3, 2020, at the Marcum & Wallace Memorial Hospital following a long illness.

He was born January 19, 1937 in Estill County and was the son of the late Jimmy and Josie Walling Woolery. He was a retired mechanic and attended the Christian Church. He had lived in Estill County most of his life.

Mr. Woolery was preceded in death by his wife, Ruby Catherine Griffin Woolery.

He is survived by two

sons: Alvin Woolery (Virginia) and Owen Woolery Jr., both of Estill County; one grandchild, Jeremy Woolery (Andrea); and three great grandchildren: Hayden, Chase and Maddi Woolery.

Mr. Woolery was preceded in death by one grandchild, Jamey Woolery; and seven siblings: Thelma, Lillian Young, Eunice Woolery, Birble, Howard, Alton and Willard Woolery.

Private services will be conducted.

The Warren F. Toler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

<TolerFuneralHome.com>

Wednesday, April 29, 2020

### Lorene Young, 61

Lorene Young, age 61, of Broadway in Irvine, Kentucky, passed away Wednesday, April 29, 2020, at her home following a short illness.

She was born January 26, 1959 in Lee County, Kentucky, and was the daughter of the late Jim Reed and Lanora Stamper Gross. She was a homemaker and had lived in Estill County most of her life.

Ms. Young is survived by two daughters: Rita Greene (Chris) and Patricia McCoy, both from Estill County; one sister, Jewelldean Newton, Es-

till County; three brothers: Lester Reed, Jeff Gross, and Steven Gross, all of Estill County; six grandchildren: Jessiya Doan, Ethan Isaacs, Aubree Isaacs, Leslie McCoy Jr., Ella Greene and Elijah Greene; and one great grandchild, Aniya Cackling.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Kimberly Goodwin.

Private services were conducted Sunday, May 3, 2020, at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home by Bro. Chris Greene. Burial was at the Beatty Place Cemetery.

<TolerFuneralHome.com>

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.

## Does Our Lord Have a Line?

by BOB CASEY, preacher  
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In our hymnal, there is a song 'Have You Counted the Cost?' that says, 'There's a line that is drawn by rejecting our Lord, Where the call of His Spirit is lost, And you hurry along with the pleasure-mad throng. Have you counted, have you counted the cost?'

First, I will ask, 'Does the Lord have a line?' The Bible tells us, 'Yes, he does!' There are many examples within the Old Testament as well as the New, that reveal that the patience of our Lord can be exhausted. As children, we have played games that required a line drawn between opposing contestants, daring the other side to cross over it. Usually, to do so was to gain a victory, or a penalty. But today, I will not be imposing a game upon you but to say this, that life is not a game to be played; even though there will be rewards for good in this life as also there will be penalties for wrong or evil doing.

Our Lord does not play games with us concerning the rules of life. Jesus says in John 5:25-29, "Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, <sup>29</sup>And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation."

There we have it, plain and clear, the Lord will draw a final line at the Last Judgment. But the Lord has also, and perhaps still does, limit the time upon earth for many who reject, curse, slander, or disregard his warning. Remember that God drew a line on Adam and Eve! Also, he drew a line upon the antediluvian world by bringing a flood of water upon it whereby everyone except eight righteous persons died because of the sins they were continually com-

mitting. Is it possible for men to live in such a manner even today that God's patience can be exhausted, even though he is a very patient and sympathetic Lord?

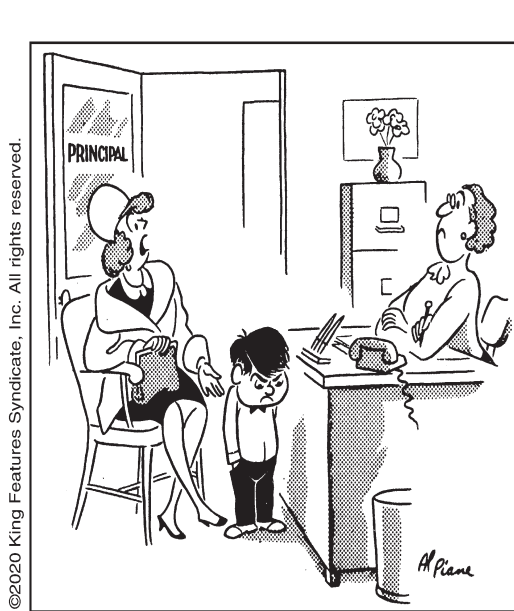
David gives us good advice in Psalms 54:22-23, "Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved. <sup>23</sup>But thou, O God, shalt bring them down into the pit of destruction: bloody and deceitful men shall not live out half their days; but I will trust in thee."

How often have we heard or seen this in real life? Many, because of failure to heed the pleas of the Lord, do just the reverse and turn to evil ways, and many die at an early age of life. One of the things I do in real time is habitually read the obituary column. Sadly, many times we read of one who may have left this life seemingly way too early because of foolish, unwise, or a reckless manner in which they choose for themselves.

In 2 Corinthians 5:10-11, it is written, "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad. <sup>11</sup>Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences."

Dear Reader, this is the reason why I attempt to preach to you. I want to go to God's Heaven one day, and I fully desire you to go also. The Lord loves you, he cared so much that he sacrificed his only Son that you might have forgiveness of your sins and to give you the promise of Everlasting Life. So, if you have not listened to him, why not so it soon. We at Cornerstone Church of Christ are in business for the Lord. We want to assist you in your Biblical obedience to the Gospel. Call, or better yet, visit with us when the virus is over. We will be delighted to have you.

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



"You're lucky, I have to put up with him AND his \_\_\_\_\_!"

## 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!

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## BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of 1 Samuel in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Whose hairs were grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws? Daniel, Matthew, Luke, Nebuchadnezzar
3. "All things are possible to him that believeth"

is from what book's 9:23? Psalms, Malachi, Mark, Ephesians

4. Jesus most-often referred to Himself as? Son of Man, Lamb of God, Bread of Life, Son of God

5. From Judges 14, who called his wife a heifer? Saul, Elijah, Samson, Peter

6. What was the Hebrew name of Paul? Simon Peter, Andrew, Haggai, Saul

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.