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# Help in The Snow

ed, the lion's mouth was shut or you were rescued.

It was the same Christmas Eve. A night of games and Chinese food had been planned. Before we got started, my son, Matthew, got a call from his good friend, Nathan. He needed help. Nathan's daughter, Taylor, had gone off the road on the Mountain Parkway due to the snow. She was OK, just shaken up. Grabbing his coat and beanie, Matthew told us he was leaving. He was going with Nathan and would drive Taylor's car back. They would be home about midnight. Nathan arrived within minutes in a big truck with big tires.

The snow poured. Roads were covered. Driving was treacherous. Our hearts were heavy as we watched them drive away.

On the now dangerous Parkway, traffic was slow. Many drivers were not used to navigating in the snow. An hour in, as they neared Taylor, they saw a car ahead of them swerve and become stuck. Yes, they were already on a mission. Yes, they were going to collect Nathan's scared daughter. But they could still help someone on the way.

Stopping the truck, both men hopped out into the snow. As he slogged toward the vehicle, my son wished he had grabbed his boots. Finally reaching the car, Nathan knocked on the window. Tears gushed and snot dripped

from the young woman's nose. "I just want to get HOME!" she cried.

After some serious, slippery pushing, the young woman was on her way. The guys hurried back to the truck to get Taylor.

Everyone got home safely- ptL-at almost 1 a.m. I dozed on the couch, waiting for Matthew's return. I marveled as he told me they had helped someone else on their way. It was such a "Hands of Jesus" moment! Such a Good Sam story!

I don't know the tear-gushing, snot-dripping young woman's name or whole story-but have been there. I hope she remembers that God was watching over her and sent someone to her when she was in great need.

I am encouraged by the two guys in the truck: Nathan and Matthew. I don't want to be so focused on where I am going that I don't see people in need on my way. Leaving 2020 and going into a New Year, it will be a good plan for me to look outward instead of just what is going on inside my own home, with my own family.

God's Word shares many verses about helping others and doing good deeds: Galatians 6:2, Matthew 5:16, Matthew 22:39, Ephesians 2:10. None of these are greater than the voice of Jesus Himself: "My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you," John 15:12.

It was Christmas Eve. She'd been traveling for hours and had more to go. Her dog, feeling her unease, jumped from the front seat to the back. While some wished for a white Christmas, she did not. The flakes fell, increasing her tension as each mile passed.

Suddenly, she hit a slick spot. Steering feverishly she became stuck right in the middle of traffic. Cars were everywhere! Horns blowing! Was this how she was going to die? On Christmas Eve? There was nothing to do but cry. The tears gushed. Snot dripped from her nose.

And then...there was a knock on her window. Help was already there!

That's just like my Savior. It's a "Jesus Take the Wheel" moment like Carrie Underwood sang about. You're down and out, sure you are un-helpable and alone... and then there's a knock on the window, or the Red Sea has part-

## The Admonition of 2 Corinthians 13:5

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I have no idea how many times that I have referred to this passage of scripture to prove a Biblical truth. But, just recently, a close family member who was suffering from the effects of a tumor at the base of the brain, called and was in a state of despair, asking for the prayers of all those who believed in them. He stated that he wondered why the Lord was not helping him to cope with his condition more. He is one who claims to be religious and attends church meetings when he was able, but his suffering made him wonder if he was praying as he should or what what was he not doing that he should be doing differently. Sadly, I know the religious group that he has been affiliating himself with, does not teach the plan of salvation that is given in God's Holy Word. While we were talking, I remembered what it said in **John 9:31**, "but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth." So, we can clearly understand that in order to have our prayers heard and answered, we must be in the will of God."

So, then, I thought that the best thing I could tell him was what this verse is saying to all of us. When in time of crisis, when things may not be looking so good, we ought to examine ourselves whether we be in the faith; plus, prove your own selves. Know not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be rejects.

Notice what is said hence. Examine yourself. Reason is, to see if one is really in the faith of God. How can this be done? First of all, not first of all what you have done to put you into Christ Jesus. What plan were you taught. Then read in the Bi-

ble to see if the plan is fully taught therein. Notice the warning given in **Matthew 7:21**, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven." This is the only way one can prove whether or not that they are indeed in Christ Jesus.

Then, he says, know not your own selves. What is the Apostle saying? Don't measure yourself by what you have done or heard someone else say. See what the Bible says. This is the only safe guide. Paul strongly suggests in 2 Corinthians 10:12-15, not to use the measure rule of some man, but according to the rule of God which he distributed. Doing otherwise is fool hardy. He asked how that Jesus Christ is in you. Sadly, my family member does not attend a group that puts no value upon baptism except sprinkling when the Word plainly teaches that it is for the remission of sins. Paul clearly teaches in Romans 6:1-7 that in baptism we contact the blood of Jesus, so there is no other way to benefit from a baptism that is for a wrong reason. Also, verses 17-18 tells us "but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. <sup>18</sup>Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness."

This much I truly know, that when a person may truly be thinking this ailment may cause my soon death, a saved one will be examining his/her life to see where they stand with the Lord. Because dying is a serious undertaking. So, today, when things are more dangerous than ever, what better time to take stock of one's life to see if it is in line with God's Word. Because we are going to be judged according to what is written therein. Make no mistake about it for Revelation 20:11-15 says so!

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*Sincerely, Bob Casey*

## BIBLE WORD SEARCH

by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

Psalm 72:15B, 17, 19

**May people** ever **pray** for **him** and **bless** him **all day** long. May his **name endure** forever; may it **continue** as **long** as the **sun**. **Praise** be to his **glorious** name **forever**; may the **whole earth** be **filled** with his **glory**. Amen and **Amen**

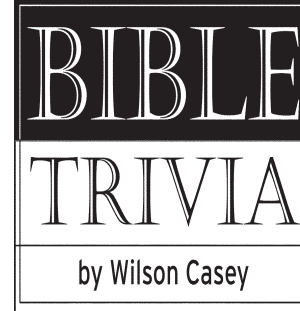
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Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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## Bible Word Search Answer on Page 12



1. Is the book of Ruth in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From 2 Kings 13, what prophet ordered a king to shoot arrows out of a window? Paul, Job, Elisha, David
3. How many books of the Bible (KJV) are three letters long when

spelled? 0, 1, 2, 3  
4. What prophet saw "the tents of Cushan in affliction"? Japheth, Noah, Hezekiah, Habakkuk

5. Who said unto the Lord, "Increase our faith"? Jonah, Apostles, Moses, Thieves  
6. From Joel 2:6, what shall all faces gather? Sunlight, Blackness, Fear, Warmth

**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.**



"On the first day of each month I carefully walk through every room in my home to make certain that there is nothing that would embarrass Jesus if He were to visit our family," said my friend. "If there is anything anywhere that is not appropriate for His eyes, it certainly is wrong for me to gaze upon it. If there are magazines or books or newspapers that have vile or unclean photos or stories I throw them away immediately. And because of the influence of television - even the news or children's stories or cartoons, we got rid of our television. And many would think we were wise. But when I talk to "them" about Jesus, many of them think I'm weird even without having that 'stuff' corrupt

my mind and the minds of my children."

His statements brought back childhood memories of my home in Lorain, Ohio. His attitude was the same as my mother's. I can hear an echo of her voice today: "We're not going to allow Satan to live in this house," she said often. In every room there was an open Bible - readily visible for anyone to see. The walls had pictures of Bible stories and scenes of the way people lived in the days of Jesus. Whenever guests looked, they were reminded of something that had to do with the story of salvation. Of course, we also had family photos. But they were pictures of activities that were related to church events or pictures of us "kids" standing next to missionaries or evangelists.

"Home is where the heart is," someone once said. And if the "heart" belongs to Jesus He will be very visible.

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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!

Waver      
**L A F T E R** \_\_\_\_\_  
Help      
**V E R S E** \_\_\_\_\_  
Thick      
**N E E D S** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**L E P E R** \_\_\_\_\_

**TODAY'S WORD**

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"I don't think so. I have to be home by \_\_\_\_\_."

## Stickeler's Puzzle



Match the "drome" word on the left with its definition on the right.

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|---------------|---|
| 1) catadrome  | a. A warning symptom that appears before an infection or disease. |
| 2) hippodrome | b. A line crossing all meridians of longitude at the same angle.  |
| 3) loxodrome  | c. An indoor banked track for cycling races.                      |
| 4) prodrome   | d. A machine used to lift heavy weights.                          |
| 5) velodrome  | e. An oval stadium for equestrian races and events.               |

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