Wanderings from the Woods & Water

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# **Hay Field Lessons**

I'm still madly in love with my wife! I thank God, every day for sending her my way! Happy Anniversary!

hay again this week. The creeped back in. Lord is giving some les-I converted to a hay field. teach me some good les-

The field is not real big. it. Even with the weeds I could see potential. It al- start producing good fruit. ways seemed to have a start cutting it for hay.

only made six rolls of hay. I didn't fence it 'till later in and reading of the Word! the spring. The second cutthicker. A whole lot of closquare bales.

tor. I finally got a chance to bush hog this little field the other day. To get to the field **Matthew 5:16:** I pulled the corner of electhe woods to the field.

Well, instead of fixing *Father in heaven.*" the fence back I just left it

On August 8, 1998, I cows come up from the married the love of my life! bottoms and found the 19 years and 6 kids later hole in the fence. It's like they knew the fence was down. I ran them out and back to the bottoms. In a hurry, I still didn't fix fence Yes, I am writing about back and in the night they

Now for the lesson I got. sons via a hay field. I got There are people out there this field beside my house that have a lot of weeds in that used to be pasture that their life, but they have a lot of potential. We should God has used this field to encourage their potential. We need to tell them about the Man who died on a cross that can get rid It had a lot of weeds in of all those weeds. Once we get Jesus in our life we can

God gave me two lesgood stand of clover no sons about cows getting matter how hard the cows in the field. One is, if you grazed it. So, this year I have just a tiny hole in decided to fence it off and your fence, sin will creep in. Once it creeps in, it can The first time I cut, it be hard to get it out. So, keep your fences tight and It wasn't the best because maintained through prayer

The other lesson I got ting I could tell it was a lot from the cows getting in my hay field is the cows ver and mixed grasses. Not wanted in to the good a lot of weeds in the field. grass. The best grass on It ended up making 400 the entire farm is in this little field. The cows know Now, just on the other it and want the good grass. side of the fence is a little If we let our light shine half acre field that weeds bright for the world to see. are over the top of a trac- Then the world will see your light and want the light inside of them.

"In the same way, let tric fence up near a wood your light shine before othline. I cut a path through ers, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your

Until next week, get out down. Within hours the and enjoy God's creation!

#### The Plight of Jeremiah by BOB CASEY, preacher **Cornerstone Church of Christ** 70 Bond Street at Camp Avenue in West Irvine

In I Corinthians 10:11-12, Paul wrote in regard to the disobedient history of the Jewish people, saying, "all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon among them and chose to cry against it because he whom the ends of the world are come. <sup>12</sup>Wherefore let wanted to remain in favor with Almighty God. him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall."

of 14 or so, to preach a warning of impending doom upon Israel that would surely come if they continued

see? He said, "I see a rod of an almond tree," (Jeremiah 1:11) the first to bloom and bring forth early fruit. This is what the Jewish nation did in their early years the relapsing of the Jews, saying, they "shall be conin the Promised Land, but began to drift away from their service to God. I believe that our United States are presently leaving their duty to worship our Lord as they (the Jews) once did. Our churches are only partially filled on the Lord's Day, so men are ignoring God became more desperately ungrateful and were the warning from God not to do this. **Just read He**brews 10:23-27. See for yourself what God says.

an emblem that this rebellious nation was about to is much evidence all around us that sin seems to have boil over because of their sins.

Notice what God saw and said about Israel in **<u>Ier-</u>** he will bring about a permanent change. emiah 1:16, "And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, who have forsaken lical history, we are doomed to repeat it. me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and wor*shipped the works of their own hands.*" This is just what Jesus saw of them also in Matthew 7:21-23 that tells us about the Great Day of Judgment to come.

So, just what is a true preacher to do in his preaching if he has a fire in his heart to please God?

Jeremiah was a noted prophet, but he could have compromised his allegiance to God by failing to preach the message and instead could have prophesied good things and made peace with his enemies. This could save his life and he could have made great gain by doing so, with plenty of wealth and ease.

But, he would not do so! He saw the sinful activity

And God reinforces his commitment with Jeremi-Jeremiah was chosen as a young lad about the age ah, saying in 1:17, "be not dismayed at their faces." Yes, our faces usually show our position with men, whether disgust or approval. All preachers of truth will willon the same course of life that they were presently ingly bear this responsibility to preach the truth at all cost. Then, the Lord promises him (Jeremiah) that He was given the symbols, saying, what do you he would protect him from all his enemies from the greatest to the smallest.

> In closing, here once again, Jeremiah is writing of sumed by the sword and by the famine, until there be an end of them." (Jeremiah 44:27) And, it happened just a few years later with only a remnant surviving. Thereby, the Jews who were once highly favored of significantly punished.

What a history lesson this is! Can it happen to And the second vision was one of a seething pot, America ... and to Estill County? Yes, in deed, for there the upper hand for awhile, but when our Lord returns,

So, again, when history is ignored, especially Bib-

So, awake, Friends, and return to the Lord. He will pardon us only if we return to him.

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Sincerely, Bob Casey



The word grace in Scripture is used in many different ways. In the Old Testament it is often included with "gracewords" when the writer is speaking of God's loyalty or forgiveness, His steadfast love or lovingkindness. It is also used in association with relationships, such as the relationship of a superior to an inferior. And this is noteworthy: An inferior cannot show a superior grace. In other words, we grace and there is noth-

come from Him. In the New Testament the word for grace is charis - a word used when speaking of forgiveness. From it comes our word "charity" - giving something to someone when

they do not deserve "it" or cannot get "it" themselves. It also implies being "gracious" - that is, grace in action.

Showing God's grace is what Christians are to do after they accept God's grace. And unless we show it we might question whether or not we really have it!

For example, when we are saved by grace we are to become gracious and act differently. Cruelty is to be replaced with kindness, anger with acceptance, rejection with reconciliation and giving instead of always get-

Grace is certainly a comprehensive word. It is as wide as the world. Remember what Jesus cannot show God grace. said: "God loved the Everything flows from His world so much that He gave His only begotten ing we have that did not Son that whosoever believes on Him shall be saved."

> Our indebtedness to God for His grace is beyond us. Our indebtedness to show His grace to others is not optional. #198

# **BIBLE WORD SEARCH**

by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

**PSALM 4:1** 

Answer me when I call to you, my righteous God. Give me **relief** from my **distress**; have **mercy** on me and **hear** my **prayer**.

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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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### Saturday, August 12th @ 7:00pm

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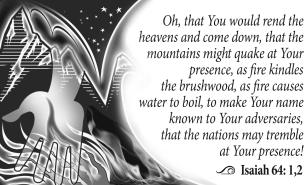
## Old Time Baptist Gospel Singing

680 Little Doe Creek Road, urday, August 12, 2017, start- joy the music.

Old Time Baptist Church, ing at 7:00 p.m.

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#### Gospel Singing at House of Prayer There will be a Gospel Rhythm Rain from Danville, Singing at House of Prayer, along with the local Praise

535 Dark Hollow Road in Ir- Singers. vine, on Saturday, August 12, Everyone is welcome to attend. There will be refresh-Featured singers will be ments afterwards.

### Sunday, August 13th @ 11:00am

### Gideons Speaker at Ivory Hill

Bro. Donnie Watson will be speaking about the work 10:00 a.m. for all ages. of the Gideons at Ivory Hill August 13, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. eryone to attend.

2017, starting at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday school begins at

Bro. Mike Hetrick, pastor, Baptist Church on Sunday, and congregation invite ev-

## Sunday, August 20th @ 11:00am

## **Calvary Baptist Homecoming**

year homecoming on Sunday, a fellowship meal. August 20, 2017, starting at 11:00 a.m.

Dr. William Means will be com>.

Calvary Baptist Church, 21 the guest speaker with special Glory Street in West Irvine, music by The Calvary Heirs will be celebrating its 96th and Glory Road, followed by

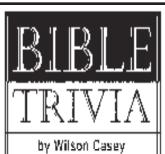
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# Peter Speaks in Solomon's Colonnade (Acts 3:22-24)

For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you. 23 And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people. 24 Yea, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days.

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

2. From Joshua 2, who hid two spies on a roof? Hosea, Ezra, Satan, Rahab

3. What was the first bird released from the Ark? Raven, Pigeon, Sparrow, Dove

4. From 2 Kings 9, what creatures ate the carcass of Jezebel? She-bears, Dogs, Frogs, Worms 5. Of these, who

worked seven years to earn a wife? Isaiah, Abraham, Jacob, Joshua

6. From Joel 3, what was the mountain of the Lord? Sinai, Zion, Nebo, Moriah

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