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## Are You Ready???

Elder Kilgore Teaches Us How To Get Ready:



God promises everybody who obeys him eternal life.

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You cannot honor God unless you obey his word.

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When you are in sin, you are not free to talk to God.

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When you are in sin, you are a slave for the devil.

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A devilish preacher can break down your resistance to sin.

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When you don't have the Spirit of God, you are not saved.

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You cannot love your enemies if you don't have Christ.

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You can get religion without acquiring salvation.

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True salvation is an act of God.

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Sin will cut your life short.

**Sunday School Review: "Watch For The False Preacher"**  
**Scriptures: St. Matthew 7:15; Jeremiah 23:21-22**



## False Prophets

While the children of Israel were in bondage of the Egyptians, there were in the land of Egypt those who worked divinations. Divinations were deceitful displays of sorcery or tricks to fool the ignorant person. When a people are not familiar with the power of God, they can be very easily fooled by those who can use divinations. Many preachers today use divinations to fool people.

During Moses' demonstration of the true power of God before the Pharaoh of Egypt, sorcerers were brought forth to do the works of Satan to fool the people. If there is a God sent preacher ministering to the people during this present day, you can be sure Satan has sent false preachers to deceive, distract, and to divert the attention of the people from the true preacher sent by God.

A false preacher is an imitator of the true works of God. Such preachers are wonderful in the eyes of those whom they can deceive, but they are not so great in the eyes of a child of God. God demonstrated this to Israel using Moses to expose the tricks of Satan. Only the true works of God can expose the divinations used by ministers of Satan.

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**Schedule Of Weekly Church Services**

**Sunday Services:**

Sunday School	10:30 A.M.
Noon Day Service	12:00 P.M.
Young Peoples' Union	7:00 P.M.

**Weekday Services:**

Monday	8:00 P.M.
Tuesday (Purity Club)	8:00 P.M.
Wednesday	8:00 P.M.
Friday	8:00 P.M.

**Upcoming Events: 2023**

**2023**

<b>Ten-Day Fast &amp; Prayer Revival:</b>	<b>Aug 4<sup>th</sup> – Aug 13th 8:00 PM Nightly (Sun Eve - 7:00 PM)</b>
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**Hear Ye, Hear Ye!!**

**Visit our website for Elder Kilgore's series of sermon books entitled "Saved from Sin" now available for reading and/or printing at [www.thecogopa.org](http://www.thecogopa.org)**

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## **The Good News Preacher's Message To All**

### **If You Are Not Taught The Correct Way To Be Saved You Will Be Misled:**



Elder Alonzo F. Kilgore  
Founder

If you desire the correct procedures for being saved, you must learn and follow the scriptures carefully. The Holy Spirit must be your source of guidance by using a God sent preacher. There is only one way to obtain salvation and that is to obtain it the way that God has given it.

False religious leaders are drawing people today from the teachings of true salvation with enticements that give false joy

and carnal religious satisfactions, such as speaking in unknown tongues, and religious excitement by the use of music in churches. Such false leaders have established many systems of worship designed to answer to the convenience of the people.

When you are not properly taught the correct way to do something, you are easily misled to do it the wrong way. When the truth is not given to you the way God ordained it to be given for your salvation, you will go wrong when the devil shows you a religious way of excitement and entertainment that will satisfy your carnal desires. Today many churches are conducting worship services that offer the same excitement that a rock concert offers. This is due to the fact that the carnal nature of people is seeking such pleasures because of their ignorance of the true way of salvation.

### **More About The False Preacher:**

It may appear unusual for me to preach against preachers being that I am a preacher. I am moved by the Spirit of God to preach against the false. What I am teaching is inspired by the Spirit of God and it will not offend anyone who is true, faithful, and desires to be saved. There is more to being saved than merely going to church. If you are going to a church where the pastor is a false preacher, you have no chance of being saved.

You must be skillful in the knowledge of the word of God to be able to identify a false preacher. Only the knowledge of the word of God can help you to discern the false from the true. If a person truly desires to be saved, a true preacher sent from God will give them messages from God that will have power to turn them from their sins. Listen to Jeremiah Chapter 23, Verses 21-22: "I have not sent these prophets, yet they ran: I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied. But if they had stood in my counsel, and had caused my people to hear my words, then they should have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their doings.

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Sister Annette Kilgore  
Co-Founder

## **Sis Kilgore's Purity Club Message:**

### **Your Body Is God's Temple:**

Our bodies do not belong to us. We have been purchased by Christ, and we are no longer our own. Therefore, we cannot make decisions as to what we want to do with our bodies and our lives. We were purchased by Jesus when he died upon the cross. Therefore, we are God's property. Listen to I Corinthians 6:19-20 (OKJV):

Verse 19 - What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?

Verse 20 - For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

It is important to keep the temple of God clean, and God gets the glory when we do. We cannot present our bodies as a living sacrifice when we live in sin. Also we should never do anything without saying, "If it be God's will". Listen to Romans 12:1-2:

Verse 1 - I beseech ye therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

Verse 2 - And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

My precious ones, do not try to follow worldly things, but follow and obey the word of God. Listen to these instructions in I John 2:15-16:

Verse 15 - Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

Verse 16 - For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but of the world.

May The Lord God Bless You Real Good!

## The Sick And Special Prayer List

<p><b><u>Sick List:</u></b>          Bella Roberts          Bertran Brown          Bobbie Roberson          Cheryl McCleese          Helen Smith          India Miller</p>	<p>Linda Steiner          Mary Estep          Mary Owenby          Ms. McIntyre          Nancy &amp; Cecil Owen          Nelsa-Lee Brown</p>	<p><b><u>Special Prayer List:</u></b>          Anita Gross          Billy &amp; Loretta Payton          Bonnie Warren          Cecil &amp; Leona Moore          Christy Adams          Gabrielle Lemaire &amp; Family          Heather &amp; Leigh Gray          Jakob Varesi          Jimmy Coates          Richard Gross          Richard &amp; Jeannie Richardson          Jennifer Lawson's Family          Jessica Williams &amp; Family</p>	<p>Law Enforcement Personnel          People of Ukraine &amp; Sudan          President Joe Biden &amp; Admin          Reverend James Beatty          Ray Good &amp; Family          Greg &amp; Shirley Robinson          The Dorsey Family          The Douglas Sisters          The Moore Family          Tonya Williams &amp; Family          US &amp; Allied Troops          Vance Brehon          Vicky Kingdom</p>
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### PRAYER REQUESTS

“ . . . THE EFFECTUAL FERVENT PRAYER OF A RIGHTEOUS MAN AVAILETH MUCH” (JAMES 5:16). THE CHURCH OF GOD, GOSPEL OF PEACE ASSOCIATION RECEIVES PRAYER REQUESTS ON A CONTINUOUS BASIS FROM VISITORS, FRIENDS, RELATIVES, COWORKERS, NEIGHBORS, AND OTHER CONTACTS. EACH MONTH WE WILL INCLUDE A LIST OF THOSE WHO HAVE REQUESTED PRAYER.

*If you desire prayer for yourself or someone else, please send your request (s) to:*

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### The Good News Preacher's Message To All (Continued from page 3)

#### **God Will Help You To Correct Your Way If You Are Sincere**

If you desire in your heart to learn the correct procedure for salvation the way God ordained, God will make the truth available to you to keep you from being misled. Many who follow false ways of worshiping would not follow the true way if they were taught it. When a person desires to follow the true way of salvation after they are given instructions as God has directed, they will eagerly follow the instructions. For such a person, God will make available a spiritual trail that will lead to salvation being directed by the Holy Spirit using a God sent preacher.

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**To Our Readers:** If you have enjoyed reading the gospel messages, the articles, working the puzzles, or any other features in the Gopa News, please let us hear from you. We value your comments and appreciate the time and attention that you give our publication.

**Bible Vocabulary Puzzle #143**

Book	Chapter	Verse	Word	Answer
Genesis	1	1	2	_____
II Timothy	1	11	6	_____
St. Matthew	26	59	11	_____
Nahum	3	7	5	_____
Job	34	11	17	_____
St. Luke	8	5	4	_____
Psalms	19	14	14	_____
Acts	2	22	7	_____
Philemon	1	16	26	_____
Joel	1	4	1	_____
Colossians	2	10	7	_____
Jonah	4	6	33	_____
Exodus	32	15	24	_____
Philippians	2	5	8	_____
Daniel	10	11	22	_____
Zechariah	6	10	7	_____
Hebrews	12	19	11	_____
II Corinthians	4	4	5	_____
Galatians	2	14	13	_____

***Bible Vocabulary Puzzle Answer:***

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***Found In (Book, Chapter, and Verse):***

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**Bible Vocabulary Puzzle Rules:**

1. Find the book, chapter and verse given at the top of the first column on the puzzle page.
2. Start with the first word in that verse and count each word until you find the number given under the word column.
3. Write the word that you find on the blank line under answer.
4. Follow this same procedure for each book, chapter, verse, and word given.
5. When all words are filled in, reading from top to bottom of the answer column, you will have a Bible message. Write that message in the space provided under "Answer".
6. Next, search the scriptures to find the location of this familiar Bible message. Then write the answer on the puzzle page under "Found In", showing the book, chapter, and verse of the scripture found.
7. Complete the remaining lines, showing your full name and mailing address. Clip out the entire puzzle with answer, and send to:

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(Please return answers as soon as possible for printing in the next issue).

**Memory Verse**

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths".

(Proverbs 3:5-6)

Our thanks to **Frank and Betty King** of Columbia, MD for completing and submitting their answers to last issue's Bible Vocabulary and Word Search puzzles. May God Bless You!

**The Lord's Prayer:**

(A Prayer to Pray Each Day - St. Matthew 6:9-13)

“Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.”

**Bible Word Search:**

Search To Find Words Related To ‘Holy Conduct’, As Found In Romans, Chapter 12:

- ABHOR
- ACCEPTABLE
- BESEECH
- CLEAVE
- CONFORMED
- DILIGENCE
- DISSIMULATION
- DISTRIBUTING
- FERVENT
- HOLY
- HOSPITALITY
- OVERCOME
- PEACEABLY
- PREFERRING
- PRESENT
- PROPORTION
- REASONABLE
- RECOMPENSE
- RENEWING
- SACRIFICE
- SIMPLICITY
- SOBERLY
- TRANSFORMED

H	B	C	S	D	E	L	B	A	N	O	S	A	E	R
A	E	E	I	I	F	G	D	D	T	V	A	B	I	H
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P	C	P	I	E	T	R	I	O	R	O	F	E	B	L
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T	U	O	I	C	V	E	U	N	F	E	C	A	R	A
A	X	C	T	E	Z	F	L	O	Y	R	E	E	L	T
L	G	E	Y	B	P	E	A	C	E	A	B	L	Y	P
I	P	R	O	P	O	R	T	I	O	N	X	C	R	E
T	N	E	S	E	R	P	I	H	O	L	Y	K	S	C
Y	T	R	A	N	S	F	O	R	M	E	D	P	T	C
F	K	S	P	U	R	E	N	E	W	I	N	G	Z	A
E	L	G	N	I	T	U	B	I	R	T	S	I	D	P

**Bible Trivia Activity**

Unscramble these words and fill in the blanks in the following verse of scripture to give a message concerning John the Baptist.

aegrt eniw tsonrg dkinr oHly hotsg mherots

“For he shall be \_\_\_\_\_ in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither \_\_\_\_\_ nor \_\_\_\_\_; and he shall be filled with the \_\_\_\_\_, even from his \_\_\_\_\_ womb.”

In what book, chapter and verse is this found? \_\_\_\_\_

(See answer in next issue)

## **The Purity Club Champion of Champions**

One Purity Club activity, the Sword Drill, is a scripture-finding exercise. The participants stand in line and they are asked to find scriptures, responding to this call - "Thumbs to the backs of your Bibles, draw swords one two, find St. Matthew 5:48", for example.

In a matter of seconds, ten or less, participants attempt to find the scripture called. The first to locate it says, "I have it" stepping out of line quickly with their trigger (index) finger pointing to the verse called. The scorekeeper checks the scriptures and if found correctly, the individual gets one point. If a person announces that they have found the scripture called, and they actually have not, they lose a point. The person who successfully finds three scriptures first earns three points, and is the winner or champion of that particular round.

At the end of each month all winners of the weekly sword drill rounds compete in a Champion of Champions round. The winner of that round becomes the monthly. "Champion of Champions" and receives a prize. "Thumbs To The Backs Of Your Bibles, Draw Swords, ONE, TWO!"



**Rosa Douglas**  
**Sword Drill Champion of Champs for July 2023**

## **The Good News Preacher's Message To All (Continued from page 5)**

You cannot follow God's way with a perfunctory and careless way of worshiping, by merely picking religious styles that have no spiritual meaning. Everything that God instructs a person to do has a profound meaning. When you serve God without knowledge and understanding of the way that you are worshiping, it will be in vain. God does not teach, lead, nor deal with us in ignorance or vanity; such is the works of the devil. Whatever religious way of worshiping that is meaningful can only be given by God.

You can use the name of Jesus in your worship services, but unless the Holy Spirit puts it in proper order, it will have no meaning. I am trying to show you that everyone who does not worship God and live a righteous life according to the teaching of God's word would be worshiping in a spirit that would be rejecting the counsel of God, and have chosen to worship in the counsel of false leaders. However, if you love God and desire to be truly saved, it is possible for you to correct the matter and restore yourself in the favor of God.



**Answers To Last Issues Bible Word Search**

**Answers To Last Issue's Bible Vocabulary Puzzle**

P	J	E	S	U	S	C	H	R	I	S	T	B	M	J
R	D	K	M	W	I	S	D	O	M	P	G	L	Y	P
I	G	O	D	A	S	C	G	I	E	D	F	S	N	
N	Z	Y	X	R	W	E	V	N	L	E	E	R	T	O
C	P	E	E	D	S	N	L	I	O	C	L	T	E	I
E	B	F	J	S	P	K	M	C	R	H	A	D	R	T
S	E	A	G	F	N	A	Q	I	D	U	E	E	Y	A
G	N	I	L	B	M	E	R	T	Z	X	V	N	W	R
O	Y	T	B	G	H	W	K	N	P	J	E	I	B	T
C	G	H	T	R	N	H	T	E	H	C	R	A	E	S
F	E	A	R	A	Y	G	L	O	R	Y	S	D	L	N
V	N	I	S	P	I	R	I	T	A	O	C	R	U	O
I	Y	T	C	R	U	C	I	F	I	E	D	O	N	M
P	T	L	A	K	R	E	W	O	P	T	P	R	A	E
J	E	X	C	E	L	L	E	N	C	Y	K	C	I	D

CRUCIFIED  
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DEMONSTRATION  
ENTICING  
EXCELLENCY  
FAITH  
FEAR  
GLORY

GOD  
JESUS CHRIST  
LORD  
MYSTERY  
ORDAINED  
POWER  
PRINCES  
REVEALED

SEARCHETH  
SPEECH  
SPIRIT  
TREMBLING  
WEAKNESS  
WISDOM  
WORDS

**Answer To Last Issue's Bible Trivia Activity:**

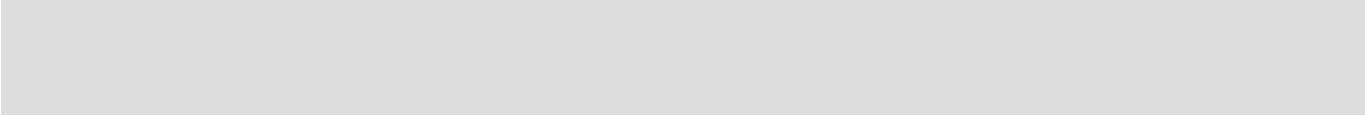
Two Words Unscrambled:  
1. good    2. evil

Scripture found in St. Matthew 12:35

**Answer To Last Issue's Bible Vocabulary Puzzle:**

“But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction”. (II Peter 2:1)

<i>Book</i>	<i>Chap</i>	<i>Verse</i>	<i>Word</i>	<i>Answer</i>
Lamentations	1	19	6	But
Haggai	2	16	14	There
Jonah	2	5	18	Were
Exodus	20	16	5	False
St. Mark	8	28	16	Prophets
Psalm	106	27	5, 6	Also Among
Habakkuk	2	13	11, 12	The People
James	3	9	5	Even
Zechariah	1	4	4	As
Nahum	1	11	1	There
Joel	2	6	6, 7	Shall Be
Galatians	2	4	5	False
Proverbs	5	13	9	Teachers
James	5	13	3	Among
Colossians	4	7	8, 9	You Who
Judges	9	31	7	Privily
Revelation	21	26	3,4	Shall Bring
Philemon	1	8	8	In
II Peter	2	1	24	Damnable
I Corinthians	11	19	6	Heresies
Acts	5	39	16	Even
Jude	1	4	29, 30	Denying The
Philippians	2	24	6, 7	Lord That
Ezekiel	20	10	15, 16	Bought Them
St. Luke	1	31	9, 10	And Bring
I Timothy	4	15	2	Upon
Genesis	21	28	11	Themselves
Job	9	26	7	Swift
Deuteronomy	32	24	15	Destruction



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