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Are You Ready???

*Elder Kilgore Teaches Us How To
Get Ready:*



The word of God gives the solution
to every problem.

Obey God and Jesus will help you
with your life's burdens.

Is your name written in the book
of life? If not it is not too late to get
it there.

The first effort towards acquiring
salvation in Jesus Christ is to repent.

Without a God-sent preacher, it will
be impossible to learn what is
required to be saved.

If you turn away from sin, God will
turn the desire to commit sin away
from you.

When you are born a Baptist,
Methodist, or Catholic, you have to
be born again to be holy.

You are only prepared for death
when you are born again.

Sunday School Review: "Christ Is The Resurrection And The Life":

Scriptures: St. John 11:25-26



"I Am The Resurrection And The Life"

Christ was sent to the earth to be a man after the seed of Abraham that He might be subject to the conditions of life that humans are subject to and eventually death. Through the obedience of Christ, He was given the key to death and hell. God has placed the power of victory over death and hell in obedience to His word.

This power over death that Christ was given can be extended to everybody to acquire victory over death if they obey the gospel of Jesus Christ. Matthew 28:18 teaches *"All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth"*.

Christ was the only qualified person to receive this power from God, so He chose to die that we might live. Christ defeated death by entering the territory of death, after being crucified as a holy sacrifice of God. Righteousness has more power than death and is able to bring death under subjection to its power.

When Lazarus, Christ's beloved friend slept the sleep of death, Christ was notified and went to raise up Lazarus. The sister of Lazarus was concerned because she thought that Christ had come too late to help Lazarus. Lazarus' sister feared that she would not see her brother again until the day of the resurrection. But Christ had to enlighten her that he was *(Continued on page 5)*

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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: 2025

2025

Ten-Day Fast & Prayer Revival:	May 9th – May 18th 8:00 pm Nightly (Sun Eve - 7:00 pm)
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Visit our website for Elder Kilgore's series of sermon books entitled "*Saved from Sin*" now available for reading and/or printing at www.thecoggopa.org

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The Good News Preacher's Message To All



Elder Alonzo F. Kilgore
Founder

The Greatest Character That Ever Lived:

Jesus is the greatest character that ever lived on the earth. Jesus died the death of a malefactor that those who accepted His teachings might live forever. Nobody else has ever done this for mankind. Everybody on earth today should be acquainted with Jesus. I am trying by means of my literature to acquaint people with Jesus. Listen to Isaiah 53:5:

Verse 5 - But he was wounded for our transgressions,
he was bruised for our iniquities:
the chastisement of our peace was upon him;
and with his stripes we are healed.

History has no records of anybody who has suffered so much for the benefit of those who deserved to suffer. We as sinners deserved the punishment that Jesus took for us. We deserved to die and to be forever separated from God.

Jesus was sent by God to bring salvation for us from that which we could not deliver ourselves. Nobody took Jesus' life; He laid it down for us, and He picked it up again so that we could live again with Him in His new kingdom. What Jesus did for us is not what people are willing to do for one another today unless they have Jesus in their lives. Man in his natural state is selfish beyond measure.

When Christ was dying for us He looked up to heaven and asked His Father to forgive them that mocked Him, and crucified Him. If there had been one speck of selfishness in Christ, the crucifixion would have brought it out in the form of vengeance. Christ was the perfect man who overcame evil with good, teaching us how to overcome evil, and not be overcome by evil.

God had His Son presented to the world in this manner with the greatest opposition, yet evil was not able to overcome Him. The great secret of life was manifested at the cross, and that was to know how to overcome evil. The only way that you can overcome evil is to forgive those who have done, or are doing evil to you with a pure heart, without any reservations. In order to acquire this victory over evil you cannot carry in your heart any resentment for what they have done to you. You must not allow any injury to your pride or feelings to grow, because that would destroy your ability to forgive, and cause you to seek revenge. Jesus realized that thoroughly, so nothing that they did to Him could change His opinion about the power of God to make Him overcome evil with good.

Jesus found extra power within Him, so He had victory over evil. Though Satan caused the people to try to destroy that power, Jesus was nevertheless victorious.

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Sister Annette Kilgore
Co-Founder

Sis Kilgore's Purity Club Message

The New Life In Christ:

If you have experienced the new life in Christ, you have truly been born again. The new life in Christ is a life filled with the fruit of the Holy Spirit of God. You will know if you have truly been born again because these spiritual qualities will be a part of your life everyday. In Galatians 5:22-23, the Bible tells us how to identify these qualities:

Verse 22 - But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

The new life in Christ causes you to walk in the Spirit of Christ; therefore, you will have no desire to want to satisfy the flesh. You must kill self on a daily basis. You must work hard to deny yourself of the things that are undesirable to God. If you still have a mind to participate in sinful habits, then you have not been born again. The Bible teaches that no one involved in such things shall inherit the kingdom of God. Galatians 5:19 -21 teaches us:

Verse 19 - Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

Verse 20 - Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

Verse 21 - Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

Dear ones, it pays to examine yourself everyday to see if you have truly experienced the new life in Christ. If you find that you have not been born again, then today is the day for you to seek God to save you.

May The Lord Bless You Real Good!

The Sick And Special Prayer List

Sick List:

Bella Roberts
Bertran Brown
Bobbie Roberson
Helen Smith
India Miller
Kathy Parks
Leona Galloway

Linda Steiner
Mary Owenby
Miss Bert
Ms. McIntyre
Nelsa-Lee Brown
Olivia McCleese
Sandy
Vida Greene

Special Prayer List:

Anita Gross
Billy & Loretta Payton
Bob Kenlaw
Bonnie Warren
Christy Adams
Cindy Miller
David William
Derek Klein & Family
Greg & Shirley Robinson
Heather & Leigh Gray
Jessica Williams & Family
Kimberly Cooper & Family
Law Enforcement Personnel
Mack Holloway

People of Gaza,
People of Ukraine & Sudan
President Donald Trump & Admin
Ray Good & Family
Richard & Jeannie Richardson
Rita Covington
Sandra Crane
Sharon Covington
The Dorsey Family
The Douglas Sisters
Tonya Williams & Family
US & Allied Troops
Vicky Kingdom

Sunday School Review (continued from page 1):

the resurrection, and that he had power to release Lazarus from the power of death at any time rather than to wait for the day of the resurrection. Listen to St. John 11:25-26:

Verse 25 - Jesus said unto her, *I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:*

Verse 26 - *And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?*

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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Bible Vocabulary Puzzle #152

Book	Chapter	Verse	Word	Answer
Judges	9	13	17, 18	_____
Revelation	3	11	4	_____
Amos	4	13	8	_____
Daniel	2	7	9, 10	_____
St. John	16	17	6	_____
Obadiah	1	20	14	_____
Genesis	20	5	16, 17	_____
Ruth	2	15	5	_____
Mark	6	14	22, 23	_____
Exodus	21	34	20	_____
Proverbs	1	3	10	_____
Ezra	9	15	19	_____
Daniel	4	29	7	_____
Job	7	9	12	_____
Romans	3	19	33	_____
Numbers	14	25	17, 18	_____
Isaiah	9	1	45	_____
II Timothy	2	20	6	_____
Malachi	1	11	18	_____
Song of Solomon	6	13	15, 16	_____
Luke	1	11	5	_____
Acts	27	24	12	_____
Philippians	2	20	2, 3	_____
I Thessalonians	3	4	9, 10	_____

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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printing in the next issue).

Puzzle Answer:

Found In:**Memory Verse:**

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life".

(St. John 3:16)

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 "The Greatest Character That Ever Lived", As Found In St. Luke Chapter 23:32-47:

CALVARY
CHRIST
COMMEND
CONDEMNATION
CRUCIFIED
DEATH
FATHER
FORGIVE
GLORIFIED
GOD
JEWS
KING
KINGDOM
MALEFACTOR
MOCKED
PARADISE
RAILED
RAIMENT
REBUKED
RIGHTEOUS
SOLDIERS
SPIRIT
VINEGAR

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

Bible Trivia Activity

Unscramble the underlined, highlighted letters in this verse of scripture to give an Easter message:

"And Jesus said, I am: and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven".

_____.

(Answer will appear in next issue on page 9)

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!"



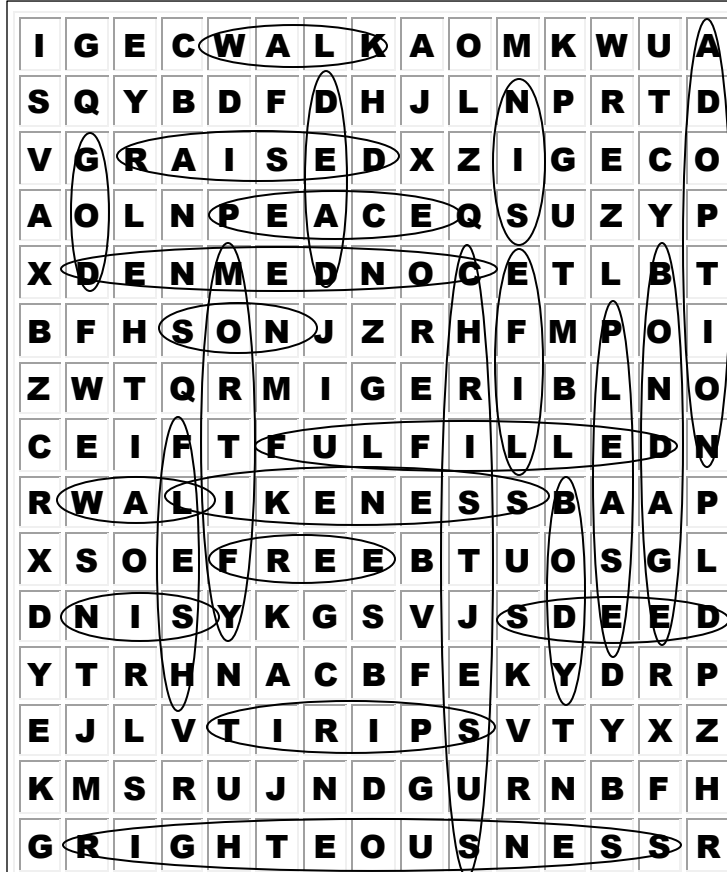
***Eva Gray
Sword Drill Champion of Champs for March 2025***

"The Good News Preacher's Message To All (continued from page 3):

When He was reviled, He reviled not again. When He was threatened, He threatened not again. When they judged Him wrongfully, He stood and took the judgment, knowing that God in heaven judged righteously, and would not let Him be hurt by the evil judgments of men.

Righteousness is like a good seed planted in rich soil. It will come forth. It will bud and bloom. Nobody has the power to bury righteousness. They tried it on Jesus and in three days, He came forth. Today Jesus will be resurrected in the life of anybody who will receive Him with the mind to obey His gospel.

Answers To Last Issues Bible Word Search



ADOPTION
BODY
BONDAGE
CHRIST JESUS
CONDEMNED
DEAD
DEEDS
FLESH
FREE

FULFILLED
GOD
LAW
LIFE
LIKENESS
MORTIFY
PEACE
PLEASE
RAISED

RIGHTEOUSNESS
SIN
SON
SPIRIT
WALK

Answers To Last Issue's Bible Vocabulary Puzzle

<i>Book</i>	<i>Chap</i>	<i>Verse</i>	<i>Word</i>	<i>Answer</i>
I Chronicles	19	18	1	But
St. Matthew	8	6	11	The
Jeremiah	2	7	12	Fruit
St. Matthew	1	20	11	Of
Genesis	1	4	13	The
Romans	1	9	11	Spirit
I Samuel	2	24	6	Is
Deuteronomy	30	20	4	Love
I Samuel	18	6	39	Joy
Isaiah	62	6	15	Peace
Psalms	86	15	13	Longsuffering
II Samuel	22	36	13	Gentleness
Exodus	33	19	9	Goodness
Habakkuk	2	4	20	Faith
Zephaniah	2	3	19	Meekness
II Peter	1	6	4	Temperance
Proverbs	24	15	7	Against
Revelation	20	6	14	Such
Ecclesiastes	9	14	1	There
Numbers	14	18	3	Is
Romans	5	13	18	No
St. John	8	5	5	Law

Answer:

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.”
(Galatians 5:22-23)

Answer To Last Issue's Bible Trivia Activity:

love joy peace longsuffering
gentleness goodness faith meekness
temperance

(Galatians 5:22-23)

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.



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