

This week in **BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY**, the focus is on the demise of Solomon's reign through the idolatry brought on by his many wives. Paul's writing in I Corinthians 10:12 ("Therefore let him who THINKS he stands take heed lest he fall") is an appropriate warning for BOTH men and nations. The wisest man of the age (Solomon) who thought he stood firm fell mightily. As so often in history, men do fall who trust only in their own abilities and fail to place their trust in God. Solomon, who had so much potential at the beginning of his reign, fell from such a lofty height and the fall was lamentable. Ignoring the history of earlier Israelites, Solomon entered forbidden marriages with women of foreign extract (often to secure treaties and/or land & power from their families) and is soon influenced to worship their foreign gods. Solomon's fall stands as a powerful reminder of how easy it is to turn from adoration/worship to idolatry.



Despite his great sin (or perhaps because of it), Solomon may ultimately have gained the most valuable lesson of all: a full appreciation of the EMPTINESS of all that he had (even his own great wisdom) when compared to things eternal. The book Ecclesiastes is most often attributed to Solomon. Solomon appears as the TEACHER and his observations about life are the basis of the book. The central frame of reference indicates that the author has experienced the consequences of great sin and all his feeble attempts to achieve happiness and fulfillment of life in man-made enterprises ultimately fail. "Vanity of vanities, all is vanity."

As you picked up your daily BSME lessons, don't forget to look at the GREEN TRAY because it always has BONUS information that will make your BSME study better. Don't overlook this valuable resource. The GREEN TRAY has NEW bonus materials and the black tray immediately behind the GREEN TRAY has last week's bonus materials.

How important is **BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY**? Here's what one 70 West member said about BSME: "Count me as an early skeptic. I started **BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY** reluctantly and have come to really enjoy it. I'm now amazed at what I am learning. I sometimes get a few days behind but I can usually catch up on Saturday. The tough to understand passages in the Old Testament are easier to understand now. I also like the fact that we are doing this as a church family."

If you prefer, the study guides can be received every Monday by email. Just let me know and I will have your email address added to the email group list.

If you don't have a daily Bible reading program, you need **BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY**. There are so many options on how to use BSME, from 7-minutes per day and on up. **What amount of your time will you give God this week?**

Now, as I close out all my online Bible classes, it is our hope, it is our wish, it is our prayer that we all live for Jesus 24/7...may God bless YOU!

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10:15 AM Order of Worship

Welcome.....Tim Wiemer
Song Leader.....Clayton Wells

R#852 - "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder"
R#807 - "Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

Prayer.....Luke Fader

R#548 - "The Lily of the Valley"
R#335 - "In Memory of the Savior's Love"

COMMUNION

Scripture Reading & Prayer
Danny Griffith / Nathan Bonde

R#416 - "Footsteps of Jesus"

Scripture Reading.....Michael Cox
Sermon.....Josh Romo

R#429 - "Oh, to Be Like Thee"
B#387 - "Lead Me to Some Soul Today"

Prayer.....Festus Ugbade

6:00 PM Order of Worship

Welcome.....Tim Wiemer
Song Leader.....Clayton Wells

R#610 - "I Love My Savior, Too"
R#878 - "Sweet By and By"

Prayer.....Tom Shelton

R#896 - "Ivory Palaces"

COMMUNION

Scripture Reading & Prayer
Danny Griffith / Nathan Bonde

R#915 - "Trust and Obey"

Scripture Reading.....Michael Cox
Sermon.....Josh Romo

R#922 - "Jesus Paid It All"
B#387 - "Lead Me to Some Soul Today"

Prayer.....Festus Ugbade

9AM Adult Bible Classes:

- Auditorium
Michael Cox
- Room#118
Old Testament History
-Andy McCormick
- Room#112/Library
First Principles
-Danny Griffith
- MPB-1st floor
Young Professionals
- Tim Togami

Children's 9AM BIBLE CLASSES:

- MPB-2nd floor:
9th - 12th
Josh Romo
- Room#113: 5th -8th
Will Livingston
- Room#114: 1st -4th
Stephanie Johnson
- Room#108: 4yrs -K
Martha Dean
- Room#107: 3yrs
April Bonde/Keri Powell
- Room#104: 1-2 yrs
Kerry McCormick
Hannah Landrum
- Room#106: 3-18 mo.
Cradle Roll
Angela Livingston



July 5-11

August 2-8

Our Record: 6/14/2025	JUNE ELDERS / DEACONS
9:00 AM Bible Class.....109	FESTUS UGBADE
10:15 AM Worship.....227	CHRIS NICKOLSON
PM Worship.....103	BAPTISMAL ASSISTANTS:
Wednesday Bible Class.....83	Angie Drennon
Contribution.....\$10,883.06	Kim Nickolson

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Welcomes You!



**And he went out to meet Asa, and said to him:
"Hear me, Asa, and all Judah and Benjamin.
The Lord is with you while you are with Him.
If you seek Him, He will be found by you;
but if you forsake Him, He will forsake you.
1) Chronicles 15:2 NKJV**



Shortly after the Civil War had ended, General William T. Sherman's victorious army was scheduled to march in a triumphal parade in a large city. On the night before, Sherman called General Oliver O. Howard to his room and said, "General, you were at the head of one of the divisions that marched with me through Georgia, and you ought rightfully to ride at the head of your division in the parade tomorrow. But I have been asked to let the General who preceded you in command to represent the division. I don't know what to do."

General Howard replied, "I think I am entitled to represent my division since I led them to victory." "Yes, you are," said Sherman. "But I believe you are a good man, and I was wondering if you might yield your rights for the sake of peace."

"Oh," said Howard, "in that case, I will yield." "All right," said General Sherman. "I will so arrange it, and you will please report to me in the morning at nine. You will be riding with me at the head of the army." General Howard's willingness to submit to his commander and deny himself his rightful place led to the position of greater honor.

Getting our own way serves only to get in the way of our service. The ability to walk humbly is an attribute taught by our Lord and should serve as an example for us.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

(As a courtesy for hosts please RSVP on LightPost Calendar)

TUESDAY, JUNE 23

- ◆ TUESDAY LADIES' VISITATION • 11:30AM • Bring your lunch!

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24

- ◆ BSME (BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY) • 10AM • Room #118

THURSDAY, JUNE 25

- ◆ SENIOR MOMENTS –FELLOWSHIP GAME DAY! • 1-5PM • MPB • Bring Favorite Games & Snacks to Share!

SATURDAY, JUNE 27

- ◆ ALL LADIES & GIRLS: "BEAUTY FROM THE INSIDE OUT! -COME LEARN ABOUT SKINCARE, FOUNDATION, & COLOR THAT'S RIGHT FOR YOU! ~HOSTED BY CHRISTIE LANDRUM • 10:30AM • in MPB • Fellowship/Pastries & Coffee!

TUESDAY, JUNE 30

- ◆ TUESDAY LADIES' VISITATION • 11:30AM • Bring your lunch!

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

- ◆ BSME (BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY) • 10AM • Room #118

SUNDAY, JULY 5 -SATURDAY, JULY 11

- ◆ HAPPY HOLLOW CHRISTIAN CAMP, SESSION 8

TUESDAY, JULY 7

- ◆ TUESDAY LADIES' BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON • 11:30AM • TBD

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

- ◆ BSME (BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY) • 10AM • Room #118

THURSDAY, JULY 9

- ◆ SENIOR MOMENTS –FELLOWSHIP GAME DAY! • 1-5PM • MPB • Bring Favorite Games & Snacks to Share!

SUNDAY, JULY 12

- ◆ FELLOWSHIP POT-LUCK / PICNIC FOODS! • 11:30AM • MPB • Bring Fried Chicken, Pulled Pork, Meat Loaf, Mac-n-Cheese, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Desserts & Drinks

Prayer Requests

MEMBERS

Phyllis Allen • Tyler Baker • Bill Cooley
Bob Garner • Calvin Gordon • Jean Kazimier
Walton/Elaine Kyle • Carla March
Ricky/Zandra Mendenhall • Glenda Pannell
Karen Pate • Leslie Pate • Sharion Pipkins
Stuart Reeves • Freddie Sharpe • Neva Tharp
Ann White • Denise Wiemer

- ◆ Dunn, Nancy – First round of radiation 6/11 & will have 4 more. Hip replacement surgery pending
- ◆ March, Scott – Doing better, follow up w/ Dr. soon
- ◆ Rutherford, Roger – Torn rotator cuff

SHUT-INS

Craig Archer • Mike/Shirley Baka • Henry Cook
Pauline Crenshaw • LaVonne Depew
Ola Freibolt • Debbie Frenzel • Marcelle Green
Billie Gregory • Lorene Mount
Charles/Virginia Parker • David Pendleberry
Wes Poole • Barbara Reding • Judy Walters
Linda Woeppel

- ◆ Cook, Henry – Pneumonia & heart issues
- ◆ Frenzel, Debbie – Complete hip replacement 6/12

BATTLING CANCER

Jennifer Baker • JL Bice • Jim Blagg
Allen Constant • Jack Haywood • Jerry Harris
Terry Horne • Kirsten James • Jeff Janus
Sandy Land • Brenda Lavender
Deborah Long • Daryl Macon
Delorious Tolleson • Bettie Lou White
Frankie White

ALL MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

- * Edwards, Eric (Navy) aboard USS New Orleans, Bahrain, Iran
- * Schuler, Tommy (Army) Fort Johnson, LA
- * Schuler, Tracy (Navy) Lemoore Naval Air Station, Lemoore, CA
- * Spellings, Randy (Army Nat'l Guard) Jackson, TN
- * Tombs, Levi (AF) Home now
- * Vincent, Tyler (VF) Garland County
- * Wethington, "A.J." Anthony (AF) Whitman AFB, MO
- * Wells, Andrew & Madison-GCPD/HSPD

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Jim Haught • Gloria Miller • Avery Pozarek
Don Rutherford • Bob Troutman
Harrel Walters • Kay Ward

- ◆ Gordon, Charlee (Calvin/LaDona's 14 yr old granddaughter) Another surgery scheduled to complete the knee repair
- ◆ Klingshirn, Wayne (Cooley's friend's dad) Brain abscess, Cleveland, OH
- ◆ Pruet, John/Marsha – (C.Brannon's brother; P.Rutherford's cousin) Serious heart issues; PET scan & biopsy soon
- ◆ Smith, Wanda (Michael Cox's 91yr. old sister) In hospital w/pneumonia caused by an aneurysm in her spinal column. Eventually they will do surgery
- ◆ Troutman, Robert (Bobby Pate's step-dad) 95yrs old received pacemaker 5/28, cardioversion 6/4

MISSIONS (Matthew 28:18-20)

- ❖ Kakinada, India-Ronnie Gootam
- ❖ Nigeria -Chad Wagner
- ❖ Pacific Islands -Randy English