

This week in **BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY** we are on the clock as it ticks down to the exile. Zedekiah finally consults God via Jeremiah, but he is not happy with the answer, surrender or be destroyed. Zedekiah chooses not to surrender, and the siege continues. All but a few of the other Judean fortified cities remain when God sends Jeremiah to Zedekiah with a message about Zedekiah's personal future. Although he is told that he will die a natural death in Babylon, he is spared the advanced knowledge that he will lose his eyes in the process.



Zedekiah finds no comfort in these words from God. In fact, he is angered to the point of having Jeremiah placed under house arrest. It is during his own confinement that Jeremiah goes to great lengths to reassure the people of Jerusalem that, after the city's fall and an appropriate time of national penitence, both Jerusalem and all of Israel will be restored. The book of Jeremiah is not all 'doom & gloom' as the book contains a rich hopeful message of restoration.

So that all would know that the eventual return to Jerusalem & the restoration was due to God, and not a mere chance or changing political wind, God directs Jeremiah to record God's promises regarding the restoration. Jeremiah makes it clear that it will be God who purposely restores His people – and nothing else!

Throughout all of this happening around him, Jeremiah sees spiritual restoration under the coming Messiah. Jeremiah gives us some of the most powerful details & uplifting hopes about the coming Messiah, Jesus the Christ.

This past week saw a major UPGRADE to BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY as we now feature the 5 lessons to remember from each chapter. Please be patient with me as I adjust to this new format. Another UPGRADE will take place Lord willing on October 1st as we enter the New Testament.

What is the community saying about BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY. One of our faithful viewers from Paragould had this to say: "I look forward to each day of BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY as it is helping understand the BIG PICTURE. Plus, it's also fun to know we are all doing this together. Thank you for creating BIBLE STUDY MADE EASY."

Please join me next Sunday morning as I present the last and most important of the sermons from the QUESTIONS JESUS WANTS TO ASK YOU sermon series.

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!

~Michael Cox

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10:15 AM Order of Worship

Welcome.....Carl Johnson
 Song Leader.....Jonathan Bonde

R#63 - "I Will Call upon the Lord"
R#242 - "Sing Hallelujah to the Lord"

Prayer.....Luke Fader

R#349 - "Ten Thousand Angels"

COMMUNION

Scripture Reading & Prayer
 Jonathan Bonde / Luke Fader

SC- "All to Us"

Scripture Reading.....Andy Tolleson
 Sermon.....Michael Cox

"Who is the GOOD NEIGHBOR?"
Luke 10:36-37

R#945 - "Kneel at the Cross"
B#387 - "Lead Me to Some Soul Today"

Prayer.....Ed Courtney

6:00 PM Order of Worship

Welcome.....Carl Johnson
 Song Leader.....Bill Brannon

B#544 - "Redeemed"
B#37 - "Angry Words"

Prayer.....John Tolleson

B#452 - "Night, with Ebon Pinion"

COMMUNION

Scripture Reading & Prayer
 Jonathan Bonde / Luke Fader

B#456 - "No Tears in Heaven"

Scripture Reading.....Andy Tolleson
 Sermon.....Willie Bagwell

"The Reach of His Peace"
Isaiah 9:6

B#344 - "Jesus Calls Us"
B#387 - "Lead Me to Some Soul Today"

Prayer.....Ed Courtney

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

Our Record: 8/9/2025

9:00 AM Bible Class.....119
 10:15 AM Worship.....204
 PM Worship.....102
 Wednesday Bible Class.....91
 Contribution.....\$7,253.22

AUGUST ELDERS / DEACONS

ED COURTNEY
 TOM SHELTON

BAPTISMAL ASSISTANTS:
 Pam Shelton & Vicki Cole

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Welcomes You!

*Yet I will rejoice in the Lord,
 I will joy in the God of my salvation.
 The Lord God is my strength;
 He will make my feet
 like a deer's feet,
 And He will make me walk
 on my high hills.
 Habakkuk 3:18-19*

SUNDAY: BIBLE CLASS @9AM; WORSHIP @10:15AM; WORSHIP @6PM;

WEDNESDAY: BIBLE STUDY @10 AM- room 118 & @7:00 PM-in auditorium



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SPEAKERS



Rob Whitacre

Rob was born in Carbondale, Illinois. His education includes a two-year diploma from Southwest School of Bible Studies, a graduate certificate in Sacred History from Southwest School of Bible Studies, and a B.A. from Southern Christian University. He started preaching in 1997, and in 2018, he started the HTH School of Evangelism. He travels the nation and trains Christians to practice congregational evangelism.



Nicole Whitacre

Nicole attended Freed-Hardeman University and studied elementary education. She homeschooled her children. She has conducted seminars for Bible class teachers and personal evangelism in Jamaica, New Zealand, and hundreds of congregations in the United States. Nicole works full-time alongside her husband as they seek to train the saved to teach the lost.

SATURDAY

6:30 PM Let's Get Motivated
This session will relay several personal accounts of conversions. It has worked and is still working.

7:30 PM Let's Stay with the Message
This session focuses on the power of the Word. We must put the Bible back into personal Bible studies!

SUNDAY

9:00 AM Let's Not Argue About the Method
It's time to introduce *Back to the Bible* and demonstrate how to use it.

10:15 AM Let's Talk About the Manner
How do you get into a Bible study? We will look at Jesus and how our Master Evangelist was able to develop such a large following. (Worship Service)

1:00 PM Let's Apply the Model
We will discuss difficult situations and take your questions. How does this work in my world?

2:00 PM (split session)
All Men: Let's Make the Application
We provide the men a ten-point congregational plan to develop an evangelistic body.

2:00 PM (split session)
All Women: Recipes for Evangelism
In this special ladies' session, Nicole will provide practical suggestions on how to apply what you have learned.

3:00 PM Let's Get Started (Leadership Only)
Rob will meet with the leadership and discuss how to start the evangelism plan.



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—Allen Webster

TRAINING THE SAVED TO REACH THE LOST

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18

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

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

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

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

- ♦ CONGREGATIONAL WORK DAY • 9AM-2PM • Bring work gloves, rakes & shovels

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25

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

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26

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

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

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

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

- ♦ CONGREGATIONAL EVANGELISM SEMINAR • 6:30-8:30PM • Auditorium
~6:30PM "Let's Get Motivated"
~7:30PM "Let's Stay with the Message"

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

- ♦ CONGREGATIONAL EVANGELISM SEMINAR • 9AM-11:30 • Auditorium ~
~9AM "Let's Not Argue About the Method"
~10:15PM "Let's Talk About the Manner"
- ♦ FELLOWSHIP POT-LUCK LUNCH • 11:30AM • MPB • Please bring Soups, Salads, & Sandwiches, Desserts & Drinks
- ♦ CONGREGATIONAL EVANGELISM SEMINAR • 1-3PM • Auditorium/MPB
~1PM "Let's Apply the Model"
~2PM (split session) All Men: "Let's Make the Application"
~2PM (split session) All Women: "Recipes for Evangelism"
~3PM (Leadership Only) "Let's Get Started"

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

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



Rejoice! We have a new brother in Christ!
Quentford Mansfield was Baptized on Saturday, August 8th
for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38)
& added to the body of Christ (I Corinthians 12:12)

Prayer Requests

SYMPATHIES EXTENDED TO

- ⇒ Doris Barlow, her niece Kay Nelson passed away Monday, August 3
- ⇒ Art Frenzel, his wife Debbie Frenzel passed away on Sunday, August 2. Services were held here on Friday, August 7

MEMBERS

- Phyllis Allen • Tyler Baker • Bill Cooley
Nancy Dunn • Bob Garner • Calvin Gordon
Jean Kazimier • Walton/Elaine Kyle
Scott/Carla March • Ricky/Zandra Mendenhall
Glenda Pannell • Karen Pate • Leslie Pate
Stuart Reeves • Freddie Sharpe
Patty Sudmeyer • Neva Tharp
Festus Ugbade • Ann White
- ♦ Brooks, Steve – Prayers for Steve & his family
 - ♦ Burns, Wendell & Charlie – Traveling to TN 8/18 to visit Wendell's daughter, Jennifer in final stages of cancer
 - ♦ Cormier, Pris – Hypertension, follow up w/Dr. on Friday, 8/14
 - ♦ Hannah, Maxine – Health
 - ♦ Honeycutt, Louise – Taken to ER 8/12
 - ♦ Wedsted, Ken – PET scan on 8/11

SHUT-INS

- Craig Archer • Mike/Shirley Baka • Henry Cook
Pauline Crenshaw • LaVonne Depew
Ola Freibolt • Billie Gregory • Lorene Mount
Charles/Virginia Parker • David Pendleberry
Wes Poole • Barbara Reding • Judy Walters
Linda Woeppel
- ♦ Parker, Virginia – Home now
 - ♦ Gregory, Billie – Health

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Charlee Gordon • Avery Pozarek
John/Marsha Pruett • Don Rutherford
Wanda Smith • Bob Troutman
Harrel Walters • Kay Ward

- ♦ Lamb, Margaret (D. Myer's SIL) - Home feeling better. Will follow with radiation & PET scan
- ♦ Miller, Gloria (D. Wiemer's mother) Stomach pain, in hospital/tests

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

BATTLING CANCER

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

MISSIONS (Matthew 28:18-20)

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

••• **ELDERS:** Bob Cole; Ed Courtney; Danny Griffith; Donnie Pogue, Jr; Tim Togami; Festus Ugbade ••• **DEACONS:** Jonathan Bonde; Lessel Collier; Derek Landrum; Chris Nickolson; Rick Palmer; Tom Shelton •••