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“Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the LORD. Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart. They also do no iniquity: they walk in his ways. Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently. O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes! Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all thy commandments.”

Psalm 119:1-6

It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man. Psalm 118:8

**GOD’S HOLY DAYS
2008**

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April 19th
Lord’s Supper
(observed evening before at
Sundown)

April 20th-26th
Feast of Unleavened Bread*

June 8th
Pentecost*

September 30th
Feast of Trumpets*

October 9th
Day of Atonement*

October 14th-20th
Feast of Tabernacles*

October 21st
Last Great Day*
*begins evening before

“We will go where the Spirit of God leads, and teach the Good News of the coming Kingdom of God.”

“And God said unto Moses, **I AM THAT I AM:** and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, **I AM** hath sent me unto you. And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, **The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this is my name for ever, and this is my memorial unto all generations.**”

Exodus 3:14-15 KJV

THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD

Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work.

But the seventh day is the Sabbath to the Lord thy God; in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:

For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.

Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

Thou shalt not kill.

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Thou shalt not steal.

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor’s house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor’s wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbor’s.

Exodus 20:3-17

MINISTRIES

Kansas City Church of God Ministries

Speakers Schedule OCTOBER 2008

OCT 4th - Sabbath Service, 11 A.M.

God's Word presented by Stephen Hicks

Optimist Building

109 N. Lexington St.
Harrisonville, Mo. 64701
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OCT 9th - Sabbath Service, 3 P.M.

DAY OF ATONEMENT

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Sundown 6:47 PM

We will break the fast at a local restaurant.

OCT. 11th- Sabbath Service, 1:30 P.M.

God's Word presented by Tom Shadoin &
Stephen Hicks

Westlake Shelter in Gage Park

Take the Gage Exit off of I-70 and go south to 10th Street, the second light. Turn right, or west. Take the first park entrance on the right, (ZOO PARKWAY). You're now going north. It comes to a "T" immediately. Turn left there, or west, which keeps you on the Zoo Parkway. You stay on it as it curves and finally comes around north to a stop sign. Turn left, or west, onto REINISH PARKWAY and go over the mini train railroad tracks. Take the first right, or north, onto BLAISDELL DRIVE. The pool will be on your left. Go straight till you cross WESTLAKE DRIVE, but make no turn. Westlake Shelter will be on your immediate left.

OCT 14TH - OCT 21ST FEAST OF TABERNACLES

BEST WESTERN - BRANSON INN
& CONFERENCE CENTER
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(See Page 5 for more Feast accommodations and for Tentative Speakers Schedule.)

OCT 25th - Sabbath Service, 11 A.M.

God's Word presented by Stephen Hicks

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"OUR COMISSION"- "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Matthew 28: 19,20

Commentary by Tom Shadoin

Tithing

For some reason it seems many of the churches of God are hesitant to preach or teach on the subject of a Christian's responsibility with money. No doubt there has been much publicity over dishonest and unscrupulous preachers "fleecing the flocks," as the saying goes, but that does not relieve us from learning and FOLLOWING what God's Word teaches about our money, or should I say, His money. All we have here on earth after all, is only on LOAN to us from God. We are admonished in ALL our ways to acknowledge Him and He will direct our paths, and also that where our treasure is our heart will be also. (Proverbs 3:6, Matthew 6:21).

God, in His Word, in so many words, tells us to put our money where our mouth is, but, amazingly promises that if we do, He will reward us beyond anything we can imagine! Brethren, this nation and the world in general are entering into perilous times and an economic collapse may not be far off. So it seems it would behoove us to find the only REAL source of financial security in this world and that is in God Almighty. In Malachi 3:8-10 He tells us;

(8) Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.

(9) Ye *are* cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, *even* this whole nation.

(10) Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in my house, and prove me now herewith, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

I should interject here that this is NOT a pitch for the health and wealth doctrine put forth by so many of those preachers I've heard referred to as "joy boys" who promise you cash, Cadillac's and success. God is not a cash register and most of those I've known who've been blessed by tithing (including myself) don't necessarily have a lot in their checking and savings accounts. God blesses in MANY ways, as I'll illustrate.

And for those who may wonder if this subject is mentioned in the New Testament, take a look at Luke 11:42. True enough the subject is not mentioned very many times in the New Testament, but, just like Sabbath keeping, which also is not mentioned many times there, it was an issue known by all and that therefore did not need much discussion.

I've been surprised over the years to learn that many people do not actually KNOW what the word TITHE means, and assume any voluntary contribution is a tithe. It isn't. By DEFINITION, a tithe is 10% and only 10%. The promise of blessings given above in Malachi are not promised for giving 5% or 6% or even 9%, only the full tithe, that is a 10%. It is it seems to me, a question of faith, without which it is impossible to please God. (Hebrews 11:6).

When we tithe, we are not giving to God because he needs it. Rather it is an OPPORTUNITY for us. God tells us in Psalms 50:10-12:

(10) For every beast of the field is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills.

(11) I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field are mine.

(12) If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world is mine, and the fulness thereof.

Years ago, as a new Christian, I could not understand how I could GIVE 10% of my income to God, and yet be blessed by God much more than if I'd kept it. But then I read in Deuteronomy 8:4, how the Israelites' clothes, when they were trudging around in the Sinai those many years, did not wear out. And the better translation of that verse says too that their sandals did not wear out either. And let's not forget the manna provided daily from heaven and later quail too.

Or how about the multiplying of the fish and the loaves to feed THOUSANDS of hungry people, not once but twice! (Matthew 16:8-10). And also in 1 Kings 17, where God told Elijah to hide out by a brook and wait for Him. Let's pick up that story in verse 4:

(4) And it shall be, that thou shalt drink of the brook: and I have commanded the ravens (Continued on Page 9)



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*As for
me
and
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house,
we will
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the
Lord.*

HISTORY OF THE JEWS, PART 6 (From Holocaust to Present)

Many of us have heard bits and pieces of Jewish history, but often times there are gaps in what we have come to understand. As I began to study on this subject I found that there were gaps in my understanding of the Holocaust and what events have brought the Jews to where they are today and what has kept them in a constant state of alert. Even today, the state of Israel remains on alert, wondering when things will explode again, launching them into another battle for the Promised Land.

If you missed Parts 1 through 5, and would like to read them, you can read it online at: www.kansascitychurchofgod.org or you can order a copy by calling me at 816-380-7821. You can also write to us at: K.C. Church of God Ministries, P. O. Box 909, Harrisonville, MO. 64701-0909.

Jewish uprising and resistance did exist in the ghettos. The Warsaw Ghetto uprising is remembered as one of the largest. It began in late April of 1943 and lasted until early May. That uprising was led by a Jewish resistance organization known as the Zydowska Organizacja Bojowa (Jewish Fighting Organization) or ZOB.

During this uprising, as the German forces begin entering the ghetto to gather the Jews for deportation to Treblinka, the ZOB ambushed the Germans with Molotov cocktails and hand grenades, which had been smuggled into the ghetto. Although the Jews possessed very few other weapons, they still put up a fight and resisted an overwhelming and massive military response from the embarrassed Germans. They

held out for twenty seven days. This was longer than the entire Polish nation resisted in 1939) and didn't give in. All of those who resisted were eventually captured and executed. Other revolts took place in the ghettos of Vilna and Bialystok. After these German embarrassments, it became impossible to resist in the ghettos.

There were a few Jews that managed to escape the ghettos and the roundups and many joined local resistance groups within those countries. In some areas Jews were not allowed to join the resistance.

There were very few uprisings in the death camps themselves, but at Sobibor and Treblinka, prisoners attacked their guards with weapons they had stolen. Most of the resistors were killed, but several dozen escaped. At Auschwitz, a number of the inmates blew up one of the crematoriums. Every participant was rounded up and shot.

Many of the Jews chose to hold to their religious beliefs and resist by carrying themselves with all the dignity they could muster, trying to ignore the sub-human conditions they were in and would spend their time looking after one another. Many continued praying and observing the Jewish holidays under the most despairing of circumstances. In fact, there is evidence that many Jews chose to abstain from food and water during Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement), despite the danger of starvation. This was to demonstrate their continued commitment to their beliefs.

By not surrendering their hope, these Jews confirmed life and did so under the most horrific conditions. This was their ultimate act of resistance.

When the camps were finally liberated, very few of the inmates were found alive. The Germans while making their retreat from the advancing Russians would force the prisoners on what came to be known as death marches. Any prisoners that were unable to keep up were shot as they dropped.

Despite the Germans' attempt to cover up their crimes, the American and Soviet troops who liberated the camps found overwhelming amounts of evidence that mass murders had been conducted at the sites. For example, at Majdanek, the first death camp to be liberated, the Soviets found the crematorium had been destroyed, but the gas chambers were still standing. After reaching Belzec, Sobibor, and Treblinka, the Soviets liberated Auschwitz in January 1945, and found several thousand emaciated prisoners barely alive.

Buchenwald was the first concentration camp liberated by the U.S. forces on April 11, 1945. The American troops were overwhelmed when they found over 20,000 prisoners looking (Continued on Page 6)

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Tuesday, October 14th

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Sermon - Stephen Hicks

Wednesday, October 15th

Sermonette - TBA
Sermon - Cosden Foland

Thursday, October 16th

Sermonette - TBA
Sermon - Mike Gladden

Friday, October 17th

Sermonette - TBA
Sermon - Mike Gladden

Sabbath, October 18th

Sermonette - TBA
Sermon - Ian Hufton

Sunday, October 19th

Sermonette - TBA
Sermon - Ian Hufton

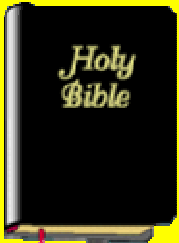
Monday, October 20th

Sermonette - TBA
Sermon - Stephen Hicks

Tuesday, October 21st

Offering - TBA
Sermon - Dale Murphy

*TBA - To Be Announced



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Everyone's Welcome.

*“But go rather to the lost sheep of Israel.
And as ye go, preach, saying,
The kingdom of heaven is at hand.
Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the
dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received,
freely give. Provide neither gold, nor silver,
nor brass in your purses, nor scrip for your
journey, neither two coats, neither shoes,
nor yet staves: for the workman is worthy of
his meat.” Matthew 10:6-10 KJV*

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Church of God Ministries Heber Springs, AR

Local Services

Saturday, October 4th, 11 A.M.

Day of Atonement

Thursday, October 9th, 3 P.M.

Saturday, Oct. 11th, 11 A.M.

Feast of Tabernacles 14th-21st

Saturday, Oct. 25th, 11A.M.



**Hosts: Don & Charlene Mayfield
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(HISTORY, Continued from Page 4.) like nothing more than skin and bones.

One of the first hurdles all of these prisoners had to overcome was not succumbing to illness. One example of this was when the British entered Bergen-Belsen in April 1945. Of the 60,000 prisoners they found still alive, 10,000 soon died from disease or malnutrition.

Those that managed to stay alive and be restored to some semblance of health had to face the same problem that Jews faced in 1939, and that was—where to go?

It is understandable that most of the survivors rejected any idea of returning to their previous homes, considering all of the hatred and violence they had previously seen from their fellow countrymen.

Some of the Jews that returned to their Polish residences in Kielce were attacked by the Polish residents there and over forty-two Holocaust survivors were killed.

Many Jews had no homes to return to because the Nazis had destroyed them. Many could not bear to return home without their relatives who had died in the camps. As a result of this, many survivors were sent to displaced persons camps. Many of these DP camps were the same concentration camps these Jews had been liberated from, such as Belgen-Belsen. The DP camps were administered by the U.S. army, and Jewish groups such as the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee provided additional food and clothing.

Resettlement of the Jews was not an (Continued on Page 10)

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTHS PUZZLE

1. Fishers of men (Matthew 4:19)
2. Peter (Matthew 10:2)
3. James (James 3:7)
4. Ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:17)
5. The serpent to Eve: "Ye shall not surely die (Genesis 3:4)
6. Elijah (2 Kings 1:8)
7. Jesus (John 19:23)
8. Three (Acts 9:8,9)
9. Ananias and Sapphira (Acts 5:1-10)
10. Zacharias (Luke 1:13,18,20)
11. Potiphar's Wife (Genesis 39:1,7)
12. King Solomon (1 Kings 10:21)
13. The Priests of Israel (Ezekiel 44:15-18)
14. Melita (Acts 27:41-44; 28:1)
15. Deborah, and she was the first women judge of Israel. (Judges 4:4,5)
16. Judas Iscariot (Matthew 27:3-5)
17. Tertius (Romans 16:22)
18. B. /half-hour (Revelation 8:1)
19. Eutychus (Acts

JUST FOR FUN!

The following trivia questions will be a mix of easy, fairly easy, hard, which may or may not be challenging. Please don't be discouraged if you don't know some of the answers, just challenge yourself to learn. All answers will be published in the next month's newsletter.

1. "A soft answer turneth away _____?"
2. "If God be for us, _____?"
3. How many books are in the New Testament? A. 23 B. 25 C. 27 D. 29
4. How many books are in the Old Testament? A. 33 B. 35 C. 37 D. 39
5. "I am the _____ of the _____."
6. What was the name of the high priest's servant who had his ear cut off by the Apostle Peter?
7. In what book of the Bible do you find the words, "Of making many books there is no end"?
8. How many times did Samuel go to Eli the priest, thinking that Eli had called him?
9. How many years did God give Noah to build the Ark?
10. What was the name of the woman who was called "The Seller of Purple"?
11. What was the name of the city where King Ahasuerus lived?
12. How many years were the Israelites in bondage as slaves?
13. What was the name of the Bible character who preached in a valley full of dead men's bones?
14. In order to win the battle with Amalek, Aaron and Hur helped Moses by, _____.
15. What was Nebuchadnezzar's other name?
16. In a contest for good looking men, four men won because they were vegetarians and God blessed them. Who were these men?
17. Elad and Medad are famous because of A. their victory in battle B. their prophecy C. Their rebellion against Moses D. Not in the Bible
18. Who was the person called Candace?
19. What was the name of the Blind Bartimaeus's father?

Remembering a Brother in Christ.

LOVING HUSBAND



LOVING DAD

Leland R. Strommen
Aug. 23, 1924 - Sept. 16, 2008
GOOD FRIEND

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

We will list all requests for one month unless we are notified to keep them on longer. Please write down the prayer requests each month, or cut this page out to use as a reference. If we have removed someone's name by mistake, please let us know and we will put them back on the list.

1. Pray that God will continue to bless His flocks.
2. Pray for all of God's ministers.
3. Dale Murphy. He's going through chemo therapy right now and it leaves him feeling weak.
4. Deanna White. Pray that whatever is causing her to loose sleep will cease.
5. David Easton. Is still recovering from a stroke and struggling with his business. He was just informed that he is in stage four of four stages of pancreatic cancer and is about to start chemo-therapy.
6. Marlene Brown. Still having back problems, but therapy seems to be helping some.
7. Alan & Cathy Perry & family. Need prayer for several health issues & family difficulties.
8. Chris Riat. Has breast cancer. She is going through treatments but the cancer seems to be in remission.
9. Teresa Hicks. Sprint is saying they will have more layoffs between now and the end of the year.
10. Alice Strommen. Pray for healing and comfort after losing her husband Leland to cancer.
11. Jeana Booth. Having lots of back pain.
12. John Booth. Pray that God will help him find work.
13. Jerome Ortballs, Teresa's dad just had a pacemaker put in and He is in early stages of Alzheimer's and needs our prayers.
14. Tom Shadoin suffers from allergies to ragweed, pray that God will protect him from it.
15. Sharon Lynam. Is having troubles with her diabetes.

"Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16
"Thank You for Your Prayers!"

Praises to God.

If God has answered your prayers, let us know so we can give God praise.

1. Let us always praise God for the breath of life that He gives each of us, and for the many blessings that He gives us also, those that are seen and the ones that we don't see.



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(Commentary, continued from Page 3) to feed thee there.

(5) So he went and did according to the word of the Lord: for he went and dwelt by the brook Cherith, that is before Jordan.

(6) And the ravens brought him bread and flesh in the morning, and bread and flesh in the evening; and he drank of the brook.

Brethren do you know what is, you might say, DOUBLY amazing about God sending ravens to feed Elijah? Ravens are quite predatory when it comes to food. That's where we get the word ravenous. They've even been known to take the food out of the mouths of their YOUNG to feed themselves! And yet here we have God using them to carry food to Elijah. Do we serve an awesome God or what!

If God can do all this, can He not take care of us too? And all He asks for us to do is show our faith by putting 10% of our income forward to be used in His work so that others might be blessed with the lifesaving knowledge we are privileged to know.

As I said earlier, we are now entering dangerous times. We are told of a time coming when gold and silver will be thrown into the streets because it is no longer worth anything. You can't after all eat it! Ezekiel 7:19. Lastly brethren, let's not forget back in Malachi 3 that God tells us to PROVE Him now herewith and SEE if He will not bless us for our faith in giving to Him as He instructs.

I will close with a story I heard one year at the feast related by a minister who had once pastored in the Philippines. He had just finished preaching on this subject, and afterwards, a poor Filipino farmer came up to him. He told the pastor that if he tithed from his few farm animals, and God did not bless him, his family would starve.

You tithe, the minister told him, and if God doesn't take care of you and your family, I will. And, said the pastor, BOY was I glad that God took care of him!

Try it, brethren. Prove our Great God as He challenges you to. He will never let you down.

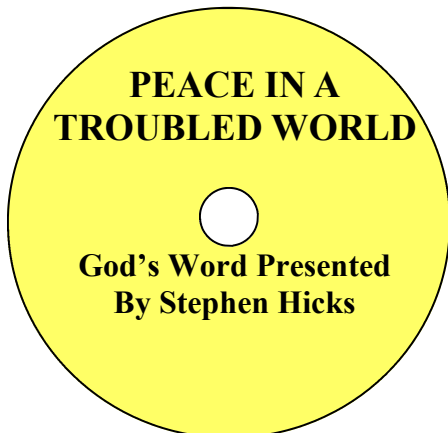
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(History of the Jews, continued from Page 6) an easy task. Most countries refused to allow Jewish survivors to enter. The United States still maintained its strict immigration quotas, but did finally admit 80,000 Jewish refugees between 1945 and 1952. Britain continued its restriction on the immigration to Palestine, perhaps to keep from offending the Arab nations, but the Jews living in Palestine undertook the illegal immigration of 250,000 Jews.

Most of the ships carrying these immigrants to Palestine were intercepted by the British, and the survivors of the Holocaust found themselves prisoners in detention camps located on Cyprus, once again behind barbed wire, but where they could see the coastline of the Promised land before them.

I was unable to find out whether any of these Jews every got to see the Promised land, or if they spent the rest of their lives as prisoners on Cyprus.

Before the war there was an estimated 9.2 million Jews living in Europe. By the end of the war in 1945, 3.1 million Jews survived. More than 6 million Jews were killed by the Nazis and their collaberators. Of these victims, 1 million were children.

Next month we will begin from where the war ends and take a look at the State of Israel after the war and we will see the struggles they have gone through to become what you and I see today.

To be Continued Next Month.

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