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Are You Ready???

Elder Kilgore Teaches Us How To Get Ready:



The foundation of salvation is obedience to God.

The dead cannot praise God.

A holy life is a sin-free life.

An ignorant pastor produces ignorant followers of Satan.

When folk do not accept God's love, it will not be forced upon them.

Obey God and stand on His promises.

You will have to experience the second birth to be saved.

God's church is a people who obey Him.

Spiritual things are eternal

You can be very religious without being truly saved.

Sunday School Review: "Listen To The Greatest Message That Has Ever Been Given To The World"

Scriptures St. Luke 1:26-28; St. Matthew 1:21



God sent the angel Gabriel to tell Joseph the purpose for Jesus being born of the Holy Ghost. Gabriel told Joseph not to fear to take Mary as his wife after Joseph found that Mary was with child. Matthew further taught that all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet Isaiah. Matthew stated that the purpose of Mary having this child was for Him to save His people from their sins (St. Matthew 1:21).

Matthew said this child would be God with the people of the earth by the name of Emmanuel. Jesus' purpose would be to save the people of the earth from being destroyed because of disobedience to God. Jesus would present good news to the world, better known as the gospel that would carry power from God to restore those who desired to obey the gospel. They would then be born again having their carnal minds replaced by a divine, or holy mind from God.

This knowledge was brought to Joseph by the angel Gabriel. Gabriel took on the natural appearance of an ordinary man. Though Gabriel appeared ordinary, his movements and messages were done by the power of God. The difference between angels and humans, is that what humans do is done by the power of their minds, but the things (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: 2024 -2025

2024

Watch Meeting Service **Dec 31st**
11:00 PM

2025

Ten-Day Fast & Prayer **Feb 7th – Feb 16th**
Revival: **8:00 PM Nightly**
(Sun Eve - 7:00 pm)

**Visit our website for Elder Kilgore's series of sermon books entitled
"Saved from Sin" now available for reading and/or printing at
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The Good News Preacher's Message To All



Elder Alonzo F. Kilgore
Founder

The Birth Of The Messiah

The reason that the world is having so much trouble is because the world has failed to take into their lives the lesson that God sent His Son to teach, and that is how to love one another. Love is the solution to all the problems that the world is having today. The command from God is that you love one another. When you learn to love, you have learned the will of God. Love worketh no ill to its neighbor. The love of God was demonstrated on Calvary when Jesus gave His life for His enemies rather than to go to war against them.

The principles of the kingdom of heaven are found in St. Matthew 5th chapter, teaching us about the love of God.

Jesus was sent into the world to save us from hate and wars that we might deny ungodliness and live soberly and godly in this present world. We must learn to live so that we will cause someone else to know what God has taught us. Jesus came according to the promise of God, who through the angel Gabriel, sent the message of His coming into the world to Joseph to whom the Virgin Mary was espoused, that he might not put her away because she was found with child before they married. Joseph thought that his virgin had been untrue, but it was the plan of God that He would bring a Son into the world, not by the aid of a man, but by the help of His Holy Spirit.

When Joseph found his espoused virgin with child, and knowing the law which said, if a woman has been untrue to her promise, she is to be stoned; he didn't want her stoned because Joseph loved Mary. However, he did not desire to be the husband of an untrue woman. Therefore, he sought to put her away without it being known why he did it. The scriptures teach in St. Matthew 1:20 that while Joseph thought on these things, an angel from heaven came to him after he fell asleep. Listen to verse 20:

Verse 20 - But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

The angel is explaining to Joseph that the child which is conceived in Mary is not the results of cohabitation with another man, but that the power of the Holy Spirit has conceived this child in her.

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Sis Kilgore's Purity Club Message



Sister Annette Kilgore
Co-Founder

Are You Prepared To Meet Jesus When He Returns?

With all the trouble the world is facing today, if Jesus doesn't help us we are doomed. Jesus is our only hope, and we must be aware of these troubling times. We cannot wait until the end is upon us and think that we can be saved, because no one knows when the end shall come.

We must prepare ourselves today to be ready when Jesus returns. We must repent and believe the word of God now. Today is the day of salvation. Get your house (soul) in order now, because tomorrow is not promised to us. St. Matthew 24:44 and 46 read as follows:

Verse 44 - Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.

Verse 46 - Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

We must be aware of the signs of the end of the world. St. Matthew 24:3-13 tells us what to look for when the end is near. It tells how Jesus sat upon the Mount of Olives, teaching his disciples all of the signs to look for. The disciples asked Jesus to tell them "When shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world"? Jesus went on to tell them, "*Take heed that no man deceive you*". He said, many would come saying they are Christ.

You will hear of wars and rumours of wars, and nation will rise against nation. Anyone who speaks the truth will be hated for Christ's sake. He said many would be offended (even church folk), and shall betray and hate one another. Jesus spoke of how false prophets are going to deceive many people, and how iniquity shall cause the love of many to be cold.

But the Bible teaches us that he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved. **Dear ones, make sure that you are truly saved and filled with God's Holy Spirit**, for this is the only way you can be ready to meet Jesus when he returns.

*May God Bless You Real Good!
Have A Very Merry & Blessed Christmas*



The Sick And Special Prayer List

Sick List:

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

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

Special Prayer List:

Anita Gross
 Billy & Loretta Payton
 Bob Kenlaw
 Bonnie Warren
 Brenonda Jackson
 Christy Adams
 Cindy Miller
 David William
 Derek Klein & Family
 Greg & Shirley Robinson
 Heather & Leigh Gray
 Helen Arnette
 Jessica Williams & Family

Law Enforcement Personnel
 Mr. Poor
 People of Gaza,
 People of Ukraine & Sudan
 President Joe Biden & Admin
 Ray Good & Family
 Richard & Jeannie Richardson
 Rita Covington
 Sandra Crane
 The Dorsey Family
 The Douglas Sisters
 Tonya Williams & Family
 US & Allied Troops
 Vicky Kingdom

Sunday School Review (Continued from page 1):

that angels do are done by the power and presence of God wherever they go. So now we have Gabriel standing in the presence of the virgin after he had left Joseph to whom she was espoused. Listen to the greatest and most important message that has ever been given to a person. St. Luke 1:28 reads as follows: "And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women".

Gabriel is telling Mary that God is saying to you that you are the most blessed woman on the face of the earth. He is saying that of all the women on the earth God has found so much favor in you that He is going to give you the privilege to allow His only begotten Son, who is to be the Savior of the world to be born in your body.

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 #150

Book	Chapter	Verse	Word	Answer
Genesis	9	10	1	_____
Proverbs	3	15	1	_____
St. John	16	25	26	_____
Leviticus	5	11	8	_____
Revelation	12	13	19	_____
II Kings	11	4	32	_____
Jeremiah	38	1	4	_____
St. Matthew	8	24	1	_____
III John	1	5	2	_____
Deuteronomy	21	12	3	_____
James	5	14	8	_____
St. Luke	23	11	4	_____
I Chronicles	4	41	5	_____
St. Luke	7	9	2	_____
Genesis	2	9	22	_____
Exodus	40	20	2	_____
Joshua	6	4	4	_____
I Peter	3	21	10	_____
I Corinthians	14	25	7	_____
Jude	1	5	20	_____
Acts	26	18	9	_____
Ezra	6	22	32	_____
Psalm	69	5	9	_____

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).

Puzzle Answer:

Found In:

Memory Verses:

“In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you”

(I Thessalonians 5:18)

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 Holy Birth, As Found In St. Matthew 1:18-25:

ANGEL
APPEARED
BEHOLD
BIRTH
CONCEIVED
EMMANUEL
ESPOUSED
EXAMPLE
FIRSTBORN
GOD
HOLY GHOST
JESUS
JOSEPH
LORD
MARY
MOTHER
PRIVILY
PUBLIC
SAVE
SINS
SON
VIRGIN
WILLING

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

Bible Trivia Activity

In the books of St. Matthew and St. Luke, Chapters 1- 2, find the following events and put them in number order according to their occurrence:

- ___ King Herod sent the wise men to Bethlehem to search for the young child (Jesus).
- ___ Mary brought forth her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger.
- ___ God sent the angel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary announcing Jesus’ birth.
- ___ An angel appeared unto Joseph in a dream telling him fear not to take Mary thy wife for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

(See answer 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!"



Jeremy Douglas
Honorary Sword Drill Champion of Champs for November 2024

The Good News Preacher's Message (Continued from page 3):

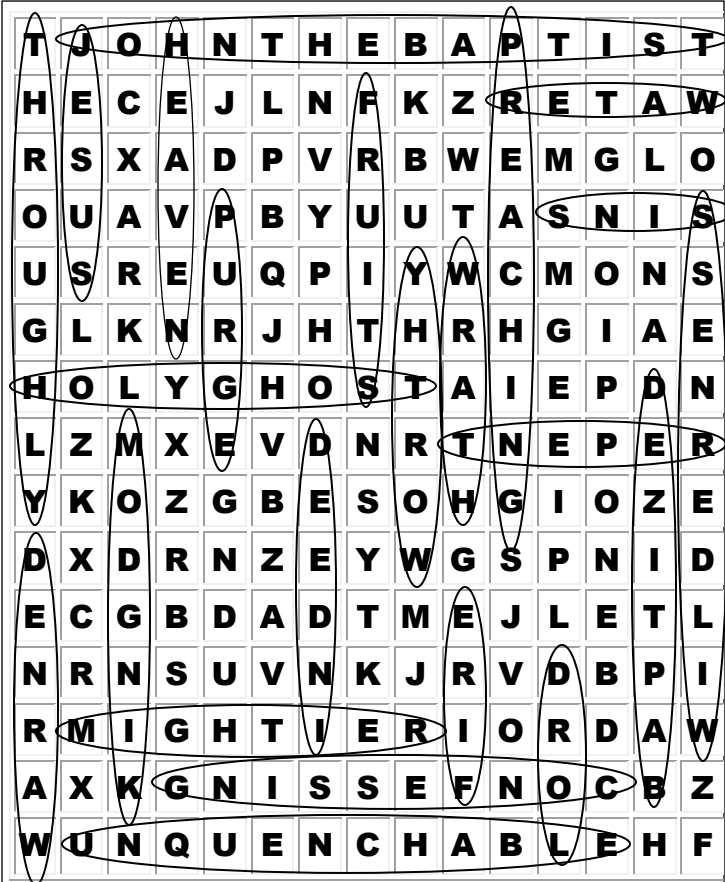
Verse 21- And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

The angel is explaining further to Joseph that Mary is carrying the Messiah in her womb. This is the promise of God being presented to the world by the Holy Spirit. God is going to fulfill His promise and deliver His people from their sins. The Messiah will be a deliverer to save the people from sin rather than the rulership of the Roman Empire.

The manner in which the Messiah will be conceived and born into the world by the Holy Spirit will be the same manner in which those who are saved will be delivered from sin. Just as the Holy Spirit conceived the Messiah in the womb of the Virgin Mary, it will also conceive a new mind in those who will receive His gospel. They would have been born again of the Holy Spirit just as Jesus was born of a virgin by the Holy Spirit.

May God Bless You

Answers To Last Issues Bible Word Search



BAPTIZED	JOHN THE BAPTIST	
CONFESSING	KINGDOM	THROUGHLY
FIRE	LORD	UNQUENCHABLE
FRUITS	MIGHTIER	WARNED
HEAVEN	PREACHING	WATER
HOLY GHOST	PURGE	WILDERNESS
INDEED	REPENT	WORTHY
JESUS	SINS	WRATH

Answer To Last Issue's Bible Trivia Activity:

“Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”
(St. Matthew 3:2)

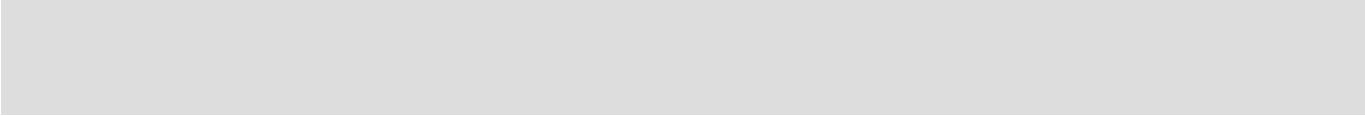
Answers To Last Issue's Bible Vocabulary Puzzle

<i>Book</i>	<i>Chap</i>	<i>Verse</i>	<i>Word</i>	<i>Answer</i>
Philippians	1	8	1	For
Malachi	3	10	27	If
Ephesians	4	13	2	We
Haggai	1	6	13	Have
Acts	4	16	16	Been
St. Mark	12	1	13	Planted
Genesis	25	22	5	Together
Titus	3	15	13	In
I Peter	1	25	2	The
Psalms	17	15	20	Likeness
Song of Solomon	8	14	20	Of
Luke	5	30	8	His
Leviticus	20	27	21	Death
Numbers	17	13	15	We
Galatians	6	5	4	Shall
II Timothy	4	22	5	Be
I Thessalonians	2	13	4	Also
James	1	8	7	In
Galatians	3	21	6	The
Ezekiel	10	22	3	Likeness
St. John	4	46	7	Of
Hebrews	10	20	20	His
Matthew	27	53	9	Resurrection

Answer To Last Issue's Puzzle:

“For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection.”
(Romans 6:5)

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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