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## IMPORTANT INFO

- The First Annual Preacher's Files Lectureship is coming up here at Berryville, July 28th-30th! Make your plans to be with us!
- We are thankful to God for this new Lord's Day. It is the day we honor His Son and the Love that He has shown us through Him. Let us worship in spirit and in truth!
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## Obeying God

**M**y wife and I WALKED different places together today. Now, you may be saying, "What? Different places, but together?!" Of course that doesn't make sense and if such depicted our life, my wife and I would not have much of a relationship. It takes a willingness to agree upon and move the same direction for a relationship to thrive and survive.

The nation of Israel was exhorted to WALK in God's statutes and observe His commands. If this was done God would continue to bring blessings to them. (Leviticus 26:3ff) However, if the nation WALKED "contrary" to Him, then He would be against them. (Leviticus 26:21) The Hebrew translated "contrary" carries the idea of "opposition, contrariness, encounter, contrary or hostile encounter" (Strong's Concordance), so it only stands to reason if one WALKS in opposition to God, God would stand in opposition against them. To refuse to WALK with God is to place oneself in a hostile relationship with Him. Even Jesus clearly implied there is no middle of the road in the relationship with Him. (note Matthew 12:30)

In Amos we read.

"Do two walk together, unless they have AGREED TO MEET?" (Amos 3:3 ESV)

The New Living Translation reads. "Can two people walk together WITHOUT AGREEING ON THE DIRECTION?" [NLT, © 1997, Tynedale House]



Regardless of our claims, unless we are WALKING the direction God is going we are not WALKING with Him. Obeying God is to WALK with Him and whenever we see we are not WALKING together, it is never God Who needs to change direction, but rather us! God has set the course and we need to "agree" with Him to WALK in it. To do anything else is to be found WALKING in opposition or hostility to Him. Unless we WALK with God we will find ourselves involved in a hostile

encounter with Him. Why place ourselves in the wrath from which Jesus provided the means to deliver us? (Romans 5:9)

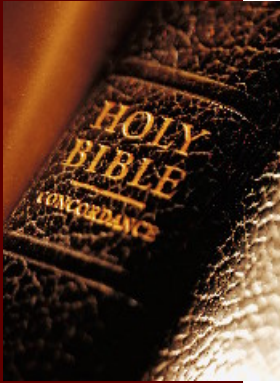
We don't know a lot about Enoch except that he WALKED with God and God took Him. (Genesis 5:24) May that be descriptive of our life as well so that we can be assured of God's eventual taking us home. Let us be mindful of continuing to WALK with God in the direction He has set. Such a WALK will be found to be one of sweet communion.

Have a great day AGREEING WITH GOD BY WALKING HIS DIRECTION!

Carl Hanson  
via teEn-MAIL

"And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him."  
(Genesis 5:24)

# Bible Studies for the Week of July 9th, 2006



AM Sermon..... Loving Our Brethren  
 Scripture Reading ..... 1 John 3:14-19  
 PM Sermon ..... Does It Matter What We Believe?  
 Scripture Reading ..... Hebrews 11:1-10  
 Sunday Class ..... The Book of Matthew  
 Wednesday Class ..... Minor Prophets: Malachi  
 Ladies Bible Class ..... Adjourned for Summer  
 Nursing Home Bible Study ..... The Book of John

*“...Try to look beyond the "show time" drama, strip away the obvious, and ask better, deeper questions of what they do.”*



## Looking Beneath the Surface

Just a few more words to our graduates. When you go to another city and start college, or a new career, you will (I hope) look up a nearby congregation with which to worship and serve. You may or may not find it to be similar to your congregation.

Some churches will be bigger than yours, with thousands of worshipers, a "big name" preacher, and knock-your-socks-off technology. Look beyond the outward exhibition of emotion (clapping? eyes closed in apparent ecstasy? powerful praise team?) and ask yourself if this is a time dedicated to exalting God or exalting ourselves. This is a danger warned of by Jesus himself ( Matthew 6:1-18).

Do two things for me, please: first, try to look

beyond the "show time" drama, strip away the obvious, and ask better, deeper questions of what they do. Just because it is new and different doesn't make it wrong, of course, so ask a second question, the Berean question:

"Now these were more noble minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so" ( Acts 17:11, NASV).

"But," someone objects, "I want the church I attend to be enthusiastic, sincere, eager to praise God!"

Good! What could be more enthusiastic than a church that listened to preaching with "great eagerness," more sincere than Christians who "searched the scriptures daily"? You

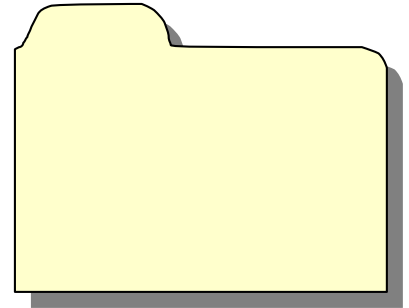
can't read a heart, 'tis true, but you can read your Bible!

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(Editor's note: We live in a society that seeks to be entertained in "worship." Herod sought entertainment from Jesus, but was not indulged (Luke 23:8-11). We ought to ask ourselves why we go to worship. Is it to glorify some aspect of self? Or is it to honor and praise the God of creation? If the latter, then we will worship God as He desires and not as we desire. Performance based worship may be popular, but we need to ask, who is the real audience of our worship? People? Or God? - KC)

## For The Files: July 2nd, 2006

Sunday Bible Class.....	61
Sunday AM Worship .....	83
Sunday PM Worship .....	75
Wednesday Night Study .....	49
Contribution.....	\$1446.02
Budget.....	\$1743.39



### Kevin's Korner

I think it is safe to say that our garage is no longer a garage! This past week we got quite a bit of work accomplished on the remodeling job. The sheetrock went up about a month ago and then the "mud" was put in to finish the sheetrock a couple of weeks ago. This past week the tile layer came in and put in tile in the bathroom and in the entry area to the bedroom. We also had several over Thursday morning to paint and we got a lot of painting done. (Thanks to Lucille Fort and Glenn and Pat Quigley!) Then, Saturday, after men's breakfast, Bruce and Brandon came over and trimmed out the doors and the closet. It really is starting to look like a bedroom now. All we got left to do is bathroom fixtures and carpet and we'll be good to move in, I believe. Anyway, I just wanted to offer a special word of thanks to everyone who has been working on the project, especially to Bruce for coordinating it and moving the work along.

We had a great fourth of July

celebration last Sunday at the Williams house. I believe there were more people there this year than last year. As always, Glenn did a great job hosting the event. The food was good, as always, and the ice cream, well, 'nuf said! Thank you Glenn for putting on the show and hosting the event!

Friday, July 28th, is the start date for the lectureship that we are hosting this year. We have an opportunity here to serve our brothers and sisters in Christ not only in this community, but from other places as well. If you have looked at the schedule, then you will know that there are several times that we will be responsible for providing some food. On Saturday morning, we will have doughnuts and coffee and everyone is invited to come for that. At lunch, we need everyone to bring some sandwiches of some kind along with chips, drinks, and some cookies. Then, Sunday will be our monthly potluck instead of the usual 3rd Sunday of the month. It is going to be an exciting weekend for all and

I hope that you are making your plans to be here that weekend, for a spiritual feast!

Our trip to Brazil is rapidly approaching. Mary Lynn and I are preparing for that trip by getting all of our documents in order. We've sent off for our Visa from the Brazilian Consulate in Houston and hopefully we'll get those back shortly. Our trip is going to begin on Monday the 7th of August. We are going to take the kids down to Austin, Texas and let them stay with their grandparents there for the two weeks or so that we will be gone and so we're going to fly out of Austin for the trip. The cheapest tickets I could find this year were on Continental, so we'll be flying out of Houston, Texas to Sao Paulo. We will arrive on the morning of the 8th. The flight is an overnight flight. We'll then fly out of Brazil on the 16th to be back in Texas on the 17th and return to Berryville on the 18th. We would certainly appreciate everyone's prayers as we work for the Lord in this foreign country.

***“To catch the reader's attention, place an interesting sentence or quote from the story here.”***



## Announcements

- Please remember in prayer: Brent Foster, Opal Hull, Drew Moreland, Florene Neal, Reck Wallace.
- Our monthly elders and deacons meeting will be held tonight after services. If you have an item of discussion for one of these men, please bring it to their attention.
- House to house will be put together tonight after services. Please come downstairs after the evening service to help.
- The children's home truck will be here on July 24th to pick up the food from the pantry. Please get your items in before that day!
- A special note of thanks to all of our volunteers who came to the house to paint this past Thursday! Thank you!!! You are special.
- We have some lectureship flyers in the foyer. Please get one of these for your business or for friends. Please also get one for yourself so you will know the schedule of events and prepare accordingly.
- There will be no potluck next Sunday in lieu of the end of month events.
- Our pantry item is: Poptarts.

## God's Salvation Plan

1. **Hear** the Gospel—Romans 10:17
2. **Believe** on the Lord & His Word—Mark 16:16; John 8:24
3. **Repent** of your sins—Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30
4. **Confess** Christ—Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9
5. **Be Baptized** for the remission of sins—Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27
6. Live a **faithful**, dedicated life—Revelation 2:10; 2 Peter 1:5-10

# Welcome!

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## Times for Worship and Study

Sunday Morning Bible Class: .....	9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship:.....	10:20 AM
Sunday Evening Worship: .....	6:00 PM
Wed. Ladies Bible Class: .....	10:30 AM
Wed. Evening Bible Class: .....	7:00 PM

## Serving Each Other

	<i>July 9th, 2006</i>	<i>July 16th, 2006</i>
<b>Sunday Morning</b>		
<b>Songs:</b>	Bill Fort	Ken Smith
<b>Preaching:</b>	Kevin Cauley	Kevin Cauley
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Clay Bozarth	Bill Fort
<b>Scripture Reading:</b>	Leon Duncan	Matt Morrell
<b>Lord's Table</b>	Bruce Foster	Clay Bozarth
	Dan Hand	Rusty Windle
(assist)	Michael Morrell	Bruce Foster
	Ray Duncan	Benjamin Windle
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	George Eddings	Rusty Windle
<b>Sunday Evening</b>		
<b>Songs:</b>	Glenn Williams	Rusty Windle
<b>Preaching:</b>	Kevin Cauley	Kevin Cauley
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Dale Pinkley	Leon Duncan
<b>Scripture Reading:</b>	Dan Hand	Brandon Foster
<b>Lord's Table</b>	John Gass	Bruce Foster
	Brandon Foster	Dale Pinkley
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Ray Duncan	Jack Gentry
<b>Wednesday</b>		
<b>Songs:</b>	Glenn Quigley	Rusty Windle
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Kevin Cauley	Michael Morrell
<b>Invitation:</b>	Rusty Windle	Bruce Foster
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Leon Duncan	Dale Pinkley

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