Feastgoers report for this issue

Feast of Tabernacles reports sent in by readers of The Journal continue below for Feast 2015.

Many, but not all, 2015 observance reports were sent in on the evening of Sept. 27 and ran through Oct. 5. See also the Feast reports in issue No. 177, dated September-October 2015. You're invited to send your Feast report to for tabernacles to info@thejournal.org or P.O. Box 1020, Big Sandy, Texas 75755, U.S.A.

FEAST OF GOD'S CHURCH

RANSON, Md.—Sept. 28 through Oct. 5, 2015, another delightful, spiritually rewarding Feast of Tabernacles and Great Last Day at the Westgate Branwood Woods Resort in Branwood, Maryland, occurred with brethren known as God’s Worldwide Church, now called simply God’s Church.

Sermons previously given by the late General Pastor Robert Rosenpies were played for services as follows:

A time of utopia

On the Feast of Tabernacles Mr. Rosenpies, in a sermon given 19 years ago, explained why the millennium period will be one of a human utopia. “The people who awaken at that time will be their brother’s keeper.” Satan and his devils had been ruling and controlling events on earth for about 1,000 years, during which time the good angels will be ruling and controlling events on earth.

Also, during that same period, spiritual Israel, Christ’s Bride company, in another series of sermons (Revelation 14:1-5), will receive teaching/training from our Father the Great God and His Son Jesus Christ. This will prepare them to care for the billions of human beings, including all ancient physical Israel, who will be made alive at the time of the second resurrection and comprise the great harvest of humanity during a time when there will be no more curse.

Imagine you are among the billions of human beings who awake in that second resurrection.

What do you know about God’s Sabbath? What do you know about any of God’s holy days? What will you learn and come to understand during that first year after that resurrection occurs?

First holy days in the Kingdom

During the Sabbath between the Feast of Tabernacles and the Great Last Day, Mr. Rosenpies explained God’s answers to those very questions in the sermon titled “First Holy Days in God’s Kingdom.”

On the Eighth Day Mr. Rosenpies, in another sermon given 19 years ago, explained how knowledge of God’s true plan allows one to see that in the Feast and the Last Day, the Eighth Day, also known as the Great Last Day, all mankind, will be saved and Satan (See READERS REPORT, page 6)

JAMAICA FAMILY FEAST 2015—Orion and Simone Brown and children Darmonique (standing) and Survivor are a “picture of joy,” remarked Jamaica pastor Ian Boyne. See the Feast reports, including Mr. Boyne’s, beginning on this page of The Journal. See more Feast photos on page 6. See reports also in issue No. 177, dated September-October 2015. (Photo courtesy Ian Boyne.)

Church-member Department of Homeland Security employee says: DHS keeps Americans safe, secure

By Dixon Cartwright

A Church member of God who works for the Department of Homeland Security, based in Washington, D.C., says the DHS and other federal law-enforcement agencies have been pretty effective in preventing terrorist attacks since Sept. 11, 2001. “Every time we intercept or prevent something, we don’t hear about it right off the bat,” he said. “It doesn’t really make the news. But there’s a lot that goes on behind the scenes.”

The church member, John Doe (not his real name), attended a Feast of Tabernacles site this year with his family.

The Does happened to make the acquaintance of a writer for The Journal at one of the four sites sponsored by the Church of God Big Sandy.

Critical questions

The Journal writer questioned Mr. Doe about his employer, including questions frequently asked by critics of the agency. For example, some critics say Homeland Security, its very existence, means Americans are less free than they were before its establishment in 2003.

The cabinet-level department began two years after the terrorist attacks of 2001 to ensure that the American homeland is safe, secure and resistant to terrorism and other hazards and to minimize the damage from attacks that do occur.

Freedom vs. safety

Is safety for less freedom a good trade-off? The Journal writer asked Mr. Doe. After all, the more provisions—that is, laws—that are enacted to protect the people less individual freedom they have.

“Depends on what you’re sacrificing,” Mr. Doe replied. “It’s what you’re talking about giving up. I don’t know how really to address that. Do you really think the people would prefer we do nothing?”

Many of the restrictions are “aimed at certain people,” he continued. “It’s not just a blanket thing to cover everything.

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So does Mr. Doe think the trend in this country to legalize or at least decriminalize drugs, including marijuana, is a good idea? “I don’t think they’re going to do away with the drug laws.”

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A nique series of sermons from the journal’s WCG-history series continues on the coming pages. Mr. Bob Dick retired from the United Church of God on Nov. 1, 2015, announced an article in the UCG’s member newspaper, United News.

Mr. Dick, accompanied by his wife, Dyanne, pastored churches for the Radio/Worldwide Church of God and United Church of God in Alabama, Alaska, Florida, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Oregon and Washington.

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Mrs. McCann and her husband, Lewis, who live in England, have been members of God’s church since 1975. She is studying for an Open University degree in the arts and humanities. Her book is available from Amazon as paperback and Kindle versions.

By Kathleen McCann

BETHLEHEM, England—In 2013 I published a book called Comfort My People, Smitli your God, which I am following up with a series of 12 excerpts and points of interest from the book.

Comfort was as soothing balm to the afflicted human spirit, given within safe boundaries. While comfort doesn’t solve a problem, it gives a sense of well-being with safety, belonging, and acceptance, and hence the energy to find solutions. This fifth excerpt is the second part about family. When people grow up within the family, experiencing safety, belonging, and acceptance within established boundaries, they develop in their ability to relate to others.

Great gift

One of the greatest gifts parents can give their children is self-esteem—something that can’t be confused with defiance or rebellion. Self-esteem is a loving sense of one’s own value. When people have a sense of their own value, they may be “generative,” but depression established in childhood will tend to lead either to aggression on the one hand or lack of generativity on the other. Generativity, you may remember, develops a career and seeks out fulfilling experiences.

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Herman Hoeh and I brainstormed [the modern locations of the tribes of Israel] and came up with what most of you will recognize as the result. I should say that I was inaccurate but certainly entertaining, and I got an A in the class.

Loving in response

Let me say this about Dick Armstrong at this point: Nobody’s perfect—we are all driven by strong emotions. He was one of the most compassionate and loving in his service, and I wish I could have been more like him.

We were ordained before or after I spoke. Herbert said the ordination was averted by Ray Cole, who was in charge of the press operations at this time. We stood on the stage in the dark with no opportunity for us to offer any arguments. We were basically incensed by the whole thing. The baby, who was positive, must have antibodies to destroy it.

The world of words

I was editor of The Portfolio, the AC student newspaper. That started the year I arrived. I got along well with Basil Wolverton to create a masthead and a cartoon—this was famous for his bows and arrows. I also later asked him to draw some cartoons for the Ambassador-Spokesman Club Manual, which was the thesis for my master’s degree. I had hired my wife in the church—department—nephropathy has been described as “the running of water” and she entered AC that fall.

We scoffed at freight claims. I got involved in the press operations at this time. We had a small letterpress in the back room of the office. I set type on a “joystick” one letter at a time for the booklets, then I assembled, stapled and trimmed these by the thousands, usually with student help.

He said, “Would I you much rather

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Under Ordination order

HWA was present for the Spring Feast in 1957 in Big Sandy. I had a few days off in late May. I was thinking of a wedding tour that summer, and Audrey and I returned to Houston. We maintained our pace of work, and by 1959 the Houston congregation was 175 and Dallas and Tulsa 300.

A pillar of salt—almost

I collapsed. A doctor said I had too much salt in my system. I traced this to the water softener in use where we lived.

In addition he said that I was suffering from exhaustion and I should “rest, rest, rest.”

I was called back to HQ for a “refresher course” and given 30 days’ vacation, my first off in more than five years. This figures out to be six days a week.

Audrey and I went for a 10-day vacation, my first days off in more than five years. We spent a few days visiting relatives and friends and went to Pasadena.

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Readers report on observances in Ocho Rios and Merimbula

Continued from page 1 and demons will be thrown into the lake of fire and destroyed forever (Hebrews 2:14).

Throughout God’s entire eight-day festival period, excited brethren of God’s Church were gathered from around the country, learning and growing together in unity, were found fellowshipping, rejoicing, loving one another and talking about God’s wonderful true loving plan of salvation.

There was a peaceful time of rejoicing by all! John Gordon, 24 Gilman St., Northfield, N.H. 03860, U.S.A. (pun1448@gmail.com)

13 BAPTISMS AS 333 ATTEND CGI JAMAICA’S SITE

OCHO RIOS, Jamaica—There was much anticipation for this the 40th anniversary of the celebration of the Feast of Tabernacles in Jamaica, and expectations were exceeded as 333 brethren met at the Ocho Rios site of the Church of God International CGI.

Turning off this spectacular Feast, 13 persons were baptized on the Last Great Day.

Two others stated for baptism had emergencies and had to leave the site but were baptized the following week, bringing the grand total to 15 baptisms.

Rousing praise and worship

Opening from right when a rousing praise-and-worship session was led by Deacon Christopher Hendricks, to the Last Great Day, when our Maroon Town congregation led praise and worship in the morning service, the exuberant band of worshippers sung their hearts out and clapped enthusiastically in praise to their God.

CGI Kingston, Jamaica, where the Church of God has experienced significant growth, played host to the largest Feast site of all the Churches of God in the Caribbean.

The schedule was chock-full of activities. Starting from early-morning Bible study and church to morning and sometimes afternoon activities, all activities were focused on deepening our vision of the coming world tomorrow.

Jamaica Feast

On the second day of the Feast we had a thrilling bonfire party, followed by a dinner, concert and party the next evening. Jamaica Night (coordinated by Meleise Haynes), which had full attendance.

The church invited one of the country’s leading secular vocal artists, Lloyd Lovinfeast, to perform, to the delight of members.

There was also a well-attended sports day and an unforgettable picnic to Water Land Waterpark.

WCG Feast 40 years ago

In addition there was another picnic at Jewels Hotel’s Water Park in Runaway Bay, the site of the Worldwide Church of God’s first Feast site in Jamaica, 40 years ago, which I attended.

There was the staple Family Fun show ably coordinated by Kadeen Bell Wright, which featured some of our finest talents.

Our usual speaking competition had addressed the controversial matter of divorce and remarriage.

This year was unusual as it became a real debate with one of the participants who disagrees with the church’s position gives the opportunity to make a full presentation to show why the church is wrong.

However, our arguments could not present in which he debunked the view that there were no grounds for remarriage. Mr. Scale looked at the best arguments for the no-remarriage view, drawing on scholarly sources, and refuted all of them.

Then there was a round-table discussion between the three participants moderated by me during which questions were taken and, answered, from the quiet audience.

Endeavor to the end

This year we had the pleasure again of having our regional director, Bill Watson, as our special guest. He spoke about enduring to the end.

I delivered three sermons, two of which I delivered God’s temple through the ages, coming down to the church.

The other one drew lessons from the life of the apostle Paul.

Other sermons were given by Dr. John O. Hendricks, Derek Allworth, Fentony Tracey, Mr. Scale and Ray Williams.

Sermonettes were presented by Jordan and Dwayne McKenzie, and Glen Grillohn, who spoke on Youth Day. We enjoyed a rich diet.

Since coming back from the Feast I have received an invitation from a group of Church of God 7th Day churches to make a presentation on the Feast days in December.

The church has become convinced about the necessity of keeping the holy days and now wants the CGI to expound on them. I feel that the entire membership of the CGI group can start keeping the Feast days.

Another Church of God 7th Day group, led by Bishop Samuel Chambers, began keeping the feast days for the first time this year and met in Kingston to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles.

They began observing the Feast in February. I gave a presentation I made to them in February.

Leaves groups

God has been doing a major work through CGI Kingston in leading independent Sabbath groups to God’s true flock. The CGI in Jamaica has congregations in Kingston, Spanish Town, May Pen, Ocho Rios and Maroon Town.

In 2016 there will be an even more accelerated thrust. This time we have the Jamaican church fulfills its part of the Great Commission, and the Church of God)

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Prayer requests

Prayer request for Dan Cafaro of Shing-
bert, Calif. He has served as a mini-
ister in the Church of God for over 40
years and recently learned he has
advanced cancer. It’s very serious. He
has chosen to forgo treatment and trust
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This is why the 9/11 terrorist attack was allowed to happen. This prophecy has had recurring fulfillment throughout history as the beginning of the first of a series of steps that are used by a loving God to encourage His chosen nations to realize they are drifting away from keeping His laws and so can avoid suffering further national consequences.

Our nation was not called parliament is laid out in Leviticus 26:19: “I will break the pride of your power; I will make your heavens like bronze, and your earth like iron and your earth like bronze.”

Jewish scholars have always held that the outbreak of World War II is a fulfillment of this prophecy of national doom. The prophet Joel (3:9) spoke of the coming of the Great Tribulation as the fulfillment of this prophecy of national doom. The prophet Joel (3:9) spoke of the coming of the Great Tribulation as the national doom of all nations, including the United States, Britain, Canada and Australia.

The Roaring Twenties

After the devastating drought of the Dust Bowl era, the Pearl Harbor attack, in 1941, caused fears of a U.S. West Coast invasion. This began U.S. involvement in World War II, during which the British, American and French peoples did call on God to deliver them from this imminent doom. This was before the split in history (Isaiah 10:5-6). This conspiracy was the beginning to repeat itself one last time!
The Ezekiel WATCHMAN

God’s Warning Message

“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful Day of the LORD (Malachi 4:5; Matthew 17:10-11).

“God’s Warning Message to Israel and the Church of God!”

Alton B. (Don) Billingsley

The False Prophet—The duplicitous pope preached about the ‘end times,’ encouraging his hearers to be vigilant and ready at any moment to meet God face to face . . . The Pope invited the ten thousand pilgrims gathered in Saint Peter’s Square to think about their death, the day they will meet God and give an accounting for their life . . . The most important thing is not knowing when the end will come, but being ready for it when it does, he said.”

Natural News “With Open Gates”—To prevent you from learning the truth about what’s really happening with the wave of refugees and ISIS terrorists in Europe, YouTube has been desperately and rapidly censoring every instance of a must-see video entitled “With Open Gates—The Forced Collective Suicide of European Nations.”

Shocking Video—This shocking, eye-opening video is an absolute MUST SEE for every citizen on our planet. It unveils the shocking, horrifying truth of how European nations are now being overrun by an invasion of refugees who intend to overrun western civilization and destroy Europe as we know it today.

America—“Much the same is happening in America . . . Because of America’s open borders policy enforced by Democrats, ISIS attacks will soon take place in America. The enemy is already inside the gates. And they are determined to destroy western culture by any means necessary.”

Dancing With the Devil, Thursday, November 19, 2015, Charles Gardner—“Even before I learnt that the main target of the Paris massacre was a theatre . . . I had been wondering whether we Westerners were reaping the consequences of ‘dancing with the devil.’” That so many civilians enjoying an evening out should suddenly find themselves face to face with a virtual firing squad almost defies the imagination. But there was evidently an elephant in the room, a great unmentionable that dare not speak its name . . . But what commentators seem deliberately to have missed . . . was the link between such evil extremism and the dark nature of the concert that claimed most of the lives last Friday night.

A Death Kiss—The Eagles of Death Metal band had apparently just started a song called Kiss the Devil when the gunman opened fire and the auditorium morphed into the devil’s domain. Fantasy became reality, with one witness describing it as “hell” . . . Obsession—We seem obsessed with dark and lurid fantasy, and with images of violence in our living rooms. We congratulate ourselves on our culture of ‘freedom,’ bought at a great price in two world wars and, before that, with the blood of Christian martyrs who went to the stake for the cause of publishing God’s Word, now discarded and thrown to the winds, only to be replaced by moral relativism where there are virtually no rules for living; where we promote death (through abortion and euthanasia, for example) and set about ‘redefining’ marriage, family and society as a whole.

Moral Defenses—“Tragically, however, our moral defenses are down, our walls have been breached, and the foundations of our Judeo-Christian civilization have been undermined. That is why we are wobbling as a society in grave danger of collapse . . .” (emphasis throughout mine).

All Are Sleeping—There is no question but that we have entered the DAWNING of the end. For 52 years Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong warned this time would come! And with it the Great Tribulation. Sadly, many thousands of former members and their ministers have rejected, not only the prophecies and teachings, but the Elijah himself, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong; and because of it, unless repentance comes, they will find themselves experiencing the horrors of it.

A Time Like No Other: “For behold, the day is coming burning like an oven, and all the proud, yes, and all who do wickedly shall be stubble. And the day which is coming shall burn them up,” says the LORD of hosts (Malachi 4:1).

The Philadelphia Era of God’s Church—Please know from Scripture it will only be God’s true and faithful little flock, the remnant of the Philadelphia Era of God’s Church, that will escape the worst of the coming terrible times due to their faithfulness and endurance (Revelation 3:7-13).

Mystery of the Ages—To be so blessed, please seriously study the last book Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong wrote: the unedited MYSTERY OF THE AGES, ISBN 0-156-08773-6. In reading, and acting on it you could save your life from this coming and dreadful time. Remember—Mr. Armstrong was the man God used to teach all of us His truth (II Timothy 3:14-15).

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Vet Crisis Line

The presence of the following [warning] signs requires immediate attention:

Thinking about hurting or killing yourself.

Looking for ways to kill yourself.

Talking about death, dying, or suicide.

Self-destructive behavior.

It’s hard to explain.

Even if there is no immediate danger, the Vet Crisis Line is here for you. Crisis feelers can provide support, day or night.”

[The US rich want the US military to lose as few soldiers as possible, a thing that elite, but leave the military valuable to all kinds of bad effects they have to come with later, without harming their own way of life. Despite the military praised publicly, suicides and homelessness have increased. The Walter Reed Hospital scandal caused 18 vets to die, some of them with suicides and homelessness increase. The Wal-

Army losses, those of the enemy are enormous. [If

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You ministers STOP preaching that God will overlook your Denomination’s errors (Excommunication). Because in Luke 12:48 God “states” that even he who did “not” know “WILL” be BEATEN and verse 47 “STATES”: “ANY” stripes = “39” lashes of the WHIP OF GOD - Ministers who have read the Journal the past 7 ISSUES, and refuse and CONTINUE to neglect and refuse to follow God’s Bible words -LASHED FOR YOUR CONTINUING to sin “WILLFULLY” AND WORSE than that: YOU ministers WILL be locked out of God’s Kingdom! Hebrews 10:26.

FOR “WILLFUL” DISOBEDIENCE TO CLEAR SCRIPTURES.

For your being only 1/2 full of all 1/2 jubilee “command” you ministers to be locked out “from” God’s Kingdom. Matthew 25:10, 11, 12 . . . the door was shut. 10. . . . the virgins also said, “Lord, Lord, they said, “the door is open here.” 12 “But he said, truly, I tell you, I don’t know you [Because “you did not prepare seriously, nor properly, to live by every word of God.” Matthew 4:4.]

This is so SERIOUS, but your ministers just go on ignoring . . .

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YOU WILL BE BEATEN AND LOCKED OUT OF THE KINGDOM BECAUSE “YOU” IGNORE “God’s” SCRIPTURES that are pointed out to you!

GOD CAN’T HAVE “DIS”OBEYED BRATS LIKE YOU COG MINISTERS RUNNING AROUND IN HIS KINGDOM-

Today’s obedient Satan in Genesis 4:6:37 Kingdom was “too” many.

But God put all the scribes who did not have enough obedience Holy Spirit Acts 5:32 Yes they were virgins alike, but FOOLISH.

Then the room of heaven will be like 10 virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the groom.

For your ministers are not ministers but “foolish” and “heartless” and “enemies of God’s Kingdom.”

They went out from us, but they were not ministers!

Love them, even those who are ministers.

What are the characteristics of the anti-Christ? You identify the anti-Christ by his attributes. What is an Anti-Christ? The word “antil” means to oppose to, or in opposition to. The word would be “anti-Christ” but this is proven to the contrary.

CONCLUSION OF THE MATTER

You Ministers have Refused to REPENT “You” 2 Corinthians 7:9-10 “YOU!” Refuse to REPENT and follow Scriptures “YOU have a BAD ATTITUDE” “ATTITUDE” “YOU” Ministers are CONDEMNED.

Solution: So you ministers—1) STOP being Anti-Christ against God’s 7 above “commands”/“scriptural”/“scriptures”/“words”/“words”/“taught”/“taught” and “pleaded.”

And 2) Pray for a NEW heart that you will repent.

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WITH WILLSING after receiving knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a terrifying expectation of judgment and THE FURY OF A FIRE WHICH WILL CONSUME THE ADVERSARIES” (Hebrews 10:26:27).

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Further, the owner hires an architect and pays sets of eyes looking to see that corners are not cut. Being that, if a door has to support 1000 pounds of people and stuff, it has to be designed and built to withstand the heat released in the event of a plane crash, train wreck, earthquake, you name it. If a death is involved, we are concerned first and foremost with our welfare, being with our time, with our resources and wealth. The other person who has to follow us is the one who engineered the car, and the people who built it, and added fasteners to meet that safety standard.

Most of the time we all cut some corners. “I don’t have time to...” “It’s too expensive for me...” We do this because we are human—meaning we are selfish, ego-driven, lazy beings. We are concerned first and foremost with our welfare, being with our time, with our resources and wealth. The other person who has to follow us is the owner of the car, and the people who built it, and added fasteners to meet that safety standard.

And we justify our actions with phrases like, “A couple of bolts left out? Hey, what the next owner doesn’t own know won’t hurt him.”

It definitely will harm him because the other person thinks they are getting X, Y or Z. We have either allowed them to think this when it’s not true, or we have actively told them that X, Y or Z is what they are getting when we aren’t.

What’s the practical implication of this? Well, as a Christian we should always be fully honest. Computers use software to operate. Software is a set of instructions telling the computer what to do and when to do it. The more complex the task, the more time and effort go into putting all those instructions into a software program. So far only humans can do this totally, and humans need to eat, so they need to be paid to write these instructions commonly known as ‘software.’

The computer operating system is one of those instruction sets. Therefore it usually costs plenty of money on it. So my trade was a quid pro quo for something I had no right to receive.

The first time I invested was less than the software would have cost. We both were ‘cutting corners’, he was getting a deck permit without paying an architect to design it, and I was getting a new and better operating system for less than it legitimately cost.

The software worked fine, for complex instruction sets. The computer would still run, but it was getting flaky, and I couldn’t get the updates to download. I spent a good four days’ time on this before I figured out what had happened. That’s almost a week’s worth of pay. Now, I’m not paid a lot, but four days’ pay is more than the software would have cost me. This is a consistent result I see in many people’s lives. Cutting corners ends up costing them more than just doing the right thing in the first place. Yes, the right thing always takes longer or costs more. But how often have you been sorry you bought that cheap tool? Or didn’t take the time to proofread your email or letter before sending it? Yes, the cost of cutting corners in this life can be high. However, the end-of-the-line cost can be a lot higher.

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King Solomon, A Good Bad Example

The Bible says King Solomon loved many foreign women. That is an understatement. Solomon married some Israelite women, but a majority were Egyptian, Moabite, Ammonite, Edomite, Zidonie and Hittite from nations The Lord God had said: “You shall not go in to them, neither shall they come in to you, because they surely will turn away your heart after their gods” (1 Kings 11:2).

Obviously, Solomon ignored God’s plain statement. The world remembers King Solomon mostly for the prodigious assortment of female companionship he amassed as king of ancient Israel. Solomon ‘collected’ 700 wives, plus 300 extra women as sexual partners. The Bible says Solomon “clav to them in love.” (How he managed that is not explained.)

Solomon was on the throne of Israel 40 years. The record of his rule indicates during later years he began bowing to Ashtoreth, the goddess of the Zidonians. He took an interest in Milcom, the abomination of the Ammonites. He built a ‘high place’ upon a hill overlooking the city where all citizens of Jerusalem could view Chemosh, the abomination of Moab.

And Solomon did similarly for all his foreign wives. He also allowed burning incense and making sacrifices by his wives to their pagan deities (some of which required a human sacrifice).

Eventually, a majority of Jerusalem citizenry became involved in pagan activities. Their leader was corrupt. So, too, they became. That Solomon’s activities tainted the minds of the Israelites is a lesson emphasized in 1 Corinthians 15:33: “Be not deceived. Evil communications corrupt good manners.”

Solomon’s wives must take much of the blame for turning his heart away from The Lord God. The Bible says as much. Truly Solomon’s activities instigated and catalysts. But they did not have Solomon in a hammerlock dragging him kicking and screaming to their pagan festivities. He could have said, ‘No.’ He was the king. One word and everyone could have died! But the word never came.

As for the women not being solely the fault, it is because the record indicates a lot more had been going on in the background, a lot more shenanigans not apparent from the first part of this verse: “When Solomon was old, his wives turned away his heart after other gods . . .” (1 Kings 11:4), because the last part of the verse continues “. . . and his heart was not perfect with The Lord his God.” His heart.

There is a difference between a catalyst and a responsible party. Everything leading up to Solomon’s apostasy from The Lord had been in Solomon’s control. He was the one responsible for allowing women in his harem to practice their witchcraft. We can be sure of this because when God decided to administer punishment, Solomon was the one The Lord came looking for, not the women.

The biblical book of Ecclesiastes is an interesting writing. It contains philosophical comment. It expounds wisdom and understanding. But when one reads Ecclesiastes closely it exposes how the author approached life. It shows that the author equated acquiring riches with good and wisdom. The author even expresses the idea God placed ‘evil people’ on the earth to provide ‘good people’ with what they need and want. Ecclesiastes 2:26 (from Revised Standard Version): “To the man who pleases Him, God gives wisdom and knowledge and joy. But to the sinner, He gives the work of gathering and heaping only to give to one who pleases God.”

The Bible record indicates God contacted Solomon four times. The first two were by night vision and ‘friendly.’ The third contact contained a caution about things that were going on. The fourth contact was through a prophet telling Solomon the kingdom would be taken away from him.

As a young man, Solomon had asked God for wisdom so he could justly rule the people (1 Kings 3:9). But after a while Solomon began using his wisdom as a weapon. To call Solomon’s lifestyle opulent doesn’t tell the half of it.

His throne was custom designed of ivory and overlaid with the best gold (1 Kings 10:18). All drinking vessels were fashioned from pure gold. Nothing personal was fashioned from silver save some minor trim attached to his personal, golden chariot (1 Kings 10:21 / Song of Solomon 3:8-10). By the 20th year of reign, Solomon could only have the most expensive of items (1 Kings 10:10-29). It was around this time God’s third contact was made.

There is nothing wrong with acquiring or having wealth. God told Satan that Job was righteous, and Job was very wealthy. Abraham had much. The robe Jesus wore at the time of his crucifixion was woven in one piece. The Roman soldiers refused to tear it apart because of its value and drew lots for it.

Solomon began his reign wealthy having inherited much from his father, David. But it seems he always wanted more, and heavily taxed the people to get it and satisfy his personal pleasures and lusts. So, having wealth is not a problem. The manner in which it is acquired can be. One needs to remember that coveting and lusting both are mentioned in the Commandments.

You can read more about Solomon’s triumphs and failures, his contacts from God, the executions of Shimei a relative of former King Saul and Joab former captain of David’s armies, the Queen of Sheba’s visit to Jerusalem, Solomon’s ties with King Hiram of Tyre and shipbuilding enterprise, as well as results from some modern archaeology digs in cities Solomon built. Request the free booklet: King Solomon, the man who had everything.
The bonds of attachment are the glue that binds the family

The most important tool parents have in rearing their children is the child's own desire, innate and God-given, to please its parents.

I may not know how God will bring changes, but I trust He will

It makes no more sense to hide my needs and shortcomings in prayer that it would deny health problems as I consult with a physician.

Jesus Christ came as High Priest with the perfect tabernacle

The family is the primary human group. The great purpose and benefit of this group is to provide a family setting in which members relate to each other, the fact that emotions can be developed and contained within safe boundaries.

One of the most serious threats to human relationships comes when relationships are not contained within families. When we cast down boundaries, we are freer to have a higher price in terms of safety, belonging, and containment.

Our emotions give us life as humans. Without them we are only half living.

However, those feelings need to develop and be managed in a caring, accepting environment.

For children, the emotional containment their mothers give them is of great importance while they learn to cope with and direct those feelings both internally and externally.

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Learning to trust

Over time, I have learned to trust God with my needs and shortcomings in prayer that it would deny health problems as I consult with a physician.

I am trusting that I am in good hands. I may not fully understand how the process of surgery or healing may work, but I am trusting that the surgeons know what they are doing and that the steps taken will be for my benefit.

Not witholding

Similarly, I may not fully understand how God will bring about the changes, but He will always act for my good.

When I bring things to God in prayer, I am acknowledging that I need His help.

It makes no more sense to hide my needs and shortcomings in prayer that it would deny health problems as I consult with a physician.

Spiritual change is often a complex process and one that will last a lifetime. We may be open to it at one time, if we are open to it. We may need to keep coming to God with the same concerns. In doing so, we build increasing trust, which allows us to see our own needs and feelings more clearly.

Gaining a clearer focus

Have you ever experienced praying about something that resulted in seeing that event at every turn? I have.

It is uncommon how I may run into others who annoy me and make me aware of my impatience at other times. I find myself faced with situations where I find it hard to set good boundaries.

God is allowing me to become aware of that problem or sin in my life.

That can be a painful process, but, as I work through it, I am also aware that God is working with me to help me overcome them. Then I can keep turning to God and asking for His help.

Ideally, we can reach a point where we trust God more and more readily with every aspect of our lives. Maybe we can one day truly pray only for His will.

I believe that in the meantime God values the act of our sharing specific needs with Him, not because He does not already know our needs.

Rather, He values this habit because it brings us closer to Him, builds our trust in Him and gives us the courage to examine ourselves further so we can continue to be open to healing and growth.

Accessing our heart

There is a movie about C.S. Lewis that I love very much.

In one scene, there is an interesting interchange between Lewis and an Oxford colleague. The colleague is mocking Lewis for his faith and asking if he really believes his prayer will change God.

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main point of the things we are saying: We have such a High Priest, who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens, a minister of the true tabernacle which the Lord erected, and not man.

Not that any of the scriptures about the tabernacle:

Hebrews 9:1-7: "But into the second part the high priest went alone once a year, not without blood offered for himself and for the people's sins committed in ignorance.

Verse 11: "But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, of this world;" 12-14: "For if the law had been able to give life and salvation through the flesh, then it would not have been necessary for people to look to another tabernacle;" 15: "But Christ is the mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of eternal inheritance;" 16: "For where there is blood, there is a sacrifice; 17: "And where regulations can be developed and contained within safe boundaries.

One of the most serious threats to human relationships comes when relationships are not contained within families. When we cast down boundaries, we are freer to have a higher price in terms of safety, belonging, and containment.

Our emotions give us life as humans. Without them we are only half living.

However, those feelings need to develop and be managed in a caring, accepting environment.

For children, the emotional containment their mothers give them is of great importance while they learn to cope with and direct those feelings both internally and externally.

Boys must grow up with emotional stability and the ability to express feelings otherwise they are not in a position as fathers to provide the warm stable loving environment their wives and children. This emotional containment will be explored further another time.

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What it means

What is the greatest value of re- hearing the lessons of the priesthood and tabernacle in Hebrews? There are two important lessons the tabernacle should influence a disciple.

1. Hebrews 10:19-25: "Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His body, and having a High Priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bod- ies washed with pure water; "Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.

2. Hebrews 12:1-2: "Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God." Hebrews 12:12-16: "Therefore the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees, and make strength firm; because our laurel is what it is not, in order to be dislocated, but that we should be healed. Pursue peace with all people, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord:looking between people, we pay a half of the grace of God; lest any root of bitter- ness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled; lest there be any fornicator or profane person, or covetous man, receive one morsel of food sold his birthright;" Hebrews 13:15: "Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name;"
Notes and quotes

What’s happening at BibleStudy.org?

PARKINGTON HILLS, Mich.—Alan Ruth reports on what’s been happening at BibleStudy.org, his Bible study ministry’s website:

“...the site has just completed an eight-part map series on New Testament churches,” Mr. Ruth reports on what’s been happening at BibleStudy.org, his Bible study ministry’s website:

The series, at biblestudy.org/maps/new-testament-churches/ introduction.html, gives brief information on 39 cities where fellowships are believed to have existed in the 1st century.

“...The maps used in the series were created by the site,” he said.

The site also recently added several articles that, like the rest of the site’s materials, are all totally free and do not require any log-in or password to access:

- “What Did Ancient Romans Know about Jesus?”
- “Is Dancing a Sin?”
- “What is the Nazarene Vow? In its own words...”

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