

“Who Was Cain’s Wife?”

It is time to answer a few more questions the office has received over the last couple of weeks. This week's question is somewhat intricate, so the other questions will need to be answered in later articles.

Q. Who was Cain's wife?

A. In Genesis, chapters one and two, we have the creation of all things, including Adam and Eve – the first peoples. As we know, "... God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because on it He rested from all His work..." (Gen. 2:3). In chapter four, Eve gives birth to Cain and Abel. In this same chapter Cain kills Abel, the first recorded murder. Verse seventeen of Genesis four reads: "Then Cain knew his wife..." We know God created two (Adam and Eve) and rested (no more creation). So from where did Cain's wife come? As sensitive as the subject may be, it is clear that Cain's wife was a relative, and, though it may cause us to shudder, more than likely, she was his sister.

However, to be thorough, let us ask and answer some related questions. For example: was not incest forbidden by God? Yes and no. We read of its prohibition in Leviticus (18:6-18; 20:11-21); Deuteronomy (27:20). In the New Testament, we have a record that incest was practiced – at least by some – in the early church (see 1 Cor. 5:1). However, until the text of Leviticus, God said nothing on the matter, which leads to the conclusion that until that time (Lev. 18), it was a regular practice. As the population increased, marriage would be between cousins, second cousins, distant relatives, and eventually strangers. Yet, as distant as we may be from one another, we are all, to a degree, related.

When God prohibited the practice, anyone found guilty of such transgression was punished, either by God or man. Consider Lot's daughters of Genesis nineteen. After fleeing the destruction of Sodom, they stayed in the mountains. However, Lot's daughter's did not trust for God to provide them husbands. Over the course of two days, they made their father drunk and were intimate with him (Gen. 19:30-35). Both conceived and bore children. The older daughter gave birth to Moab (Moabites), and the younger gave birth to Ben-ammi (Ammon) (Gen. 19:36-38). Though God spared Lot, his wife (who turned into salt) and Lot's two daughters' because of their sin (incest), their children would always be at war with the children of Israel, the Lord's chosen people (see Jdgs. 3:29-30; 1 Kgs. 11:33).

Mike

Well Said

*You may be only one person in the world but you may be the world to one person.

*For some, prayer is as natural as breathing; for others it is like the hiccups—once in a while, and we are glad when they are gone.

Upcoming events



June 24 @ 7:00 p.m.

Movie: Overcomer



Area Wide Gospel Singing

Bedford Church of Christ

June 25 @ 6:00 p.m.



Our God is an Awesome God

June 21—7:00 p.m.

Bedford, Texas

(If you need a ride, please let Gary Gough know.)

SYS meets every Tuesday evening during the summer. This is a great event for our youth (as well as our adults) to attend.

June 28—Westhill (Brandon Watson)

July 5—Brown Trail (John O’Dell)

July 12—Bridgewood (Chris Carrillo)

July 19—Northwest (J.J. Hendrix)

July 26—Grandview (Buddy Fry)

August 2—Brown Steet (Rob Waller)



Do you have a favorite hymn?

Do you know a hymn that we haven’t sung in a while?

Here’s your chance to make a request(s). There is a sheet in the foyer where you can make your request(s).

Prayer Requests & Concerns

Sherry Rouw’s aunt, Margaret Jenkins, passed away. Her funeral was Thursday, June 16. Keep the family in your prayers. Sherry also has a cousin, Melinda Whitener, who was recently put on life support.

Belvie Jordan was taken (and admitted) to the hospital on June 15. After running tests, it was determined that she had not had a stroke or heart attack nor was she dehydrated. At this time, they are continuing to observe her inasmuch as they have not determine anything definitive. (Update: Belvie is now home.)

Otha Cole is scheduled to have both knees replacement on June 22.

Keep these folks in your prayers for healing as they await further treatment and/or procedures:

Perry Grace-knee surgery in July

Tommy Seymour—waiting to have tumor removed from kidney

Gary Gough– waiting to begin radiation. Appt. on June 20.

Also, continue in prayer for our shut ins:

Mary Busby

Tina Garza

Mary Heflin

Ursula Hargrove

Jimmie Newton

Peggy Schubert

Joyce Singleton

Weldon Smith

Bonnie Willman

Edith White



to Peggy Holveck as well as those who helped make the game night a success! Next game night is scheduled for July 8.



June 21—Peggy Schubert

Daily Bible Reading

June 19 | Kings 20:1-21:29; Acts 12:24-13:15; Psalm 137:1-9; Proverbs 17:16

June 20 | Kings 22:1-53; Acts 13:16-41; Psalm 138:1-8; Proverbs 17:17-18

June 21 | 2 Kings 1:1-2:25; Acts 13:42-14:7 Psalm 139:1-24; Proverbs 17:19-21

June 22 | 2 Kings 3:1-4:17; Acts 14:8-28; Psalm 140:1-13; Proverbs 17:22

June 23 | 2 Kings 4:18-5:27; Acts 15:1-35; Psalm 141:1-10; Proverbs 17:23

June 24 | 2 Kings 6:1-7:20; Acts 15:36-16:15; Psalm 142:1-7; Proverbs 17:24-25

June 25 | 2 Kings; 8:1-9:13; Acts 16:16-40; Psalm 143:1-12; Proverbs 17:26

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Service & Class Times


Sunday Bible Class: 9:30 AM
Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Worship: 5:00 PM
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 PM

Minister:
Mike Lane

Sunday, June 12, 2022
Sunday Attendance-AM Worship: 49
2022 Budget: \$3,252.88
Contribution: \$2,741.00

June 21—Ladies’ Bible Workers @ 9:30 a.m.
June 21—SYS in Bedford @ 7:00 p.m.
June 22 — Wednesday evening meal @ 6:00 p.m.
June 22 — Bible study @ 7:00 p.m.
June 24—Movie night, 7:00 p.m.



 Wednesday, June 22, 6:00 p.m.
Come fellowship with us!
Menu:

Welcome Guests!
We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us. You honor us with your presence. We pray you find your time with us uplifting and encouraging and that our worship will honor our God and bring you closer to Him. If you have any questions, simply ask one of our members, or speak to one of our ministers. Please take a moment to fill out one of our visitors’ cards, so we can have a record of your visit with us. Feel free to let us know what you think by writing comments on that card. You are always welcome!

Those to Serve
June 26, 2022

Welcome & Opening Prayer, and Family Matters:
Jerry Morris
Family prayer: Gary Gough
Communion Leader: Mike Lennard
Scripture Reading: Mike Lane
Closing Prayer: Dwaine Gough

Cleaning crew: Purple team (Sharon Jordan)

The Family Gram

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Order of Worship

Song Leader Perry Grace	Sermon Asking in Faith
Welcome and Opening Prayer Gary Gough	Invitation Hymn Jesus the Loving Shepherd
Hymns To God Be the Glory Faithful Love Come Thou Almighty King	Communion Hymn O Love That Will Not Let Me Go
Family Prayer Tommy Seymour	Communion Leader Mike Lane
Hymns Great is Thy Faithfulness For the Beauty of the Earth	Family Matters Gary Gough
Scripture reading Paul Grace Mark 11:23-24	Closing Hymn Give Thanks
	Closing Prayer Wren Smith

Cleaning crew: Pink team (Erica Alvarado)