

The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST Oct. 7, 2018



When I was a boy growing up, my mom and dad taught me not to fight. For the most part, I lived in harmony with those instructions. However, I had a neighbor who was always doing “mean” things to me. Yet, because of what my parents taught me, I endured his behavior.

Well, one day, my mom happened to be looking out the window when this boy was tormenting me, and she called me in the house and revised the instruction she

This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you... (1 John 1:5).

**VISITORS,
WELCOME!**

Sunday:

9:30 a.m. Bible Class

10:30 a.m. WORSHIP

1:00 p.m. WORSHIP

Wednesday:

7:00 p.m. Bible Class

We have Bible classes
for all ages & fellowship
for lunch every Sunday!

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gave me about fighting. She told me that while I was not to “pick fights” with other boys, I did need to stand up for myself. Well, that’s all the encouragement I needed to hear. I promptly went back outside and “beat up” my neighbor.

Looking back, I don’t think I understood exactly what my mom was telling me. Defending myself was one thing, going off, looking for a fight was quite another.

In a similar vein, did you know that God authorizes us to “fight” (1 Timothy 6:12), “wage war” (1 Timothy 1:18), “contend” (Jude 3), and “wrestle” (Ephesians 6:12) for truth’s sake? However, just like the instruction from my mom, God’s instruction is not to be understood as permission to pick a fight and quarrel with others (2 Timothy 2:23-24. Romans 12:18).

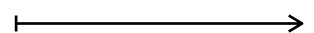
The next time you’re tempted to get into a spat with someone, ask yourself if you’re defending the faith or picking a fight. Are you really seeking the good of the kingdom, or seeking an opportunity to “bop” someone? There’s a difference. One is honorable, the other is shameful. Give it some thought.

“It is honorable for a man to stop striving since any fool can start a quarrel” (Proverbs 20:3).

What's Your Bible IQ?

by Steve Higginbotham

How well can you do on this brief, five-question quiz?



- Who was rebuked by Jesus for caring more about temporal things than eternal things?
- To whom did Jesus offer "living water" that would cause one to never again thirst?
- Which disciple was given a second chance to follow Jesus after denying him?
- Who postponed obedience to Christ by procrastinating for a "more convenient season?"
- Who was the captive who gained his freedom in exchange for Jesus' death?

If your answers were (Martha, the Samaritan woman, Peter, Felix, and Barabbas), give yourself partial credit. But none of those answers are what I was looking for. However, if you answered each question with your own name, then give yourself full credit!

Okay, so the quiz is a "trick," but if you go back and re-read all the questions, you'll see that your name is a perfect answer to every question. The purpose of this little quiz is just to remind you to internalize the Scriptures. The Bible is a great book, but if we don't make personal application of its truths, it will do us no good. Give it some thought.

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MercEmail Weekly Devotional, August 19, 2016

UPCOMING EVENTS in the AREA

October 7 - 11	Looxahoma Gospel Meeting, Jerry Martin
October 19 - 20	MSOP World Evangelism Seminar
October 21 - 24	Spiritual Sword (Getwell) Lectureship
November 2	Ladies' Night Out (Southaven hosting)

See bulletin board for flyers with more details

NEWS & NOTES

Please Pray

Several traveling; **Tim Wilkes II** & family, India missions; **Stephanie Bayless**; **Clifton Angel**; **Timothy Wilkes, Sr**; **Sammy Williams**; **Wiley Tuggle**; **Caleb & Elizabeth Baker**; **Clarence & Faye Edwards**.

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Family & Friends

John Joseph, Sao's son passed; **Darrell Martin**, Chris' dad, leukemia treatment; **Dan Talley**, Weslyn's father-in-law, lung cancer, very weak/sick from chemo treatments. **Aubree Lynn family**, 1 year old recently passed, she was being cared for by her uncle Mark Work, who is co-worker to Katherine, also, she was great-grand-daughter to Janie Brister; **Ava Lynn family**, Lennie & Caryn Reagan's granddaughter who passed; **Tabby Jenkins**, leukemia (AML); **Michael Stock**, heart operation; **Mallory Brinson** and family; **Vicki Angel**, knee surgery on left knee Oct 8; **Mandy Scarpulla**, Monica's friend, kidney & pancreas transplant; **Claire Easley**, Molly's mom.

Birthdays

10/3	Mischel Jackson
10/5	Lynn Wilkes
10/15	Georgia Bayless
10/16	Titus Wilkes
10/19	Hunter Zluticky
10/20	Sarah Norris
10/31	Billy Bland

Anniversaries

10/7	Kevin & Janice Dixon
10/16	Kevin & Melanie Miller
10/27	Marc & Ashley Strickland

Get Involved!

4th Qtr Begins: TODAY

Thank you, teachers!

Sunday Afternoon for the Savior: TODAY

Coldwater Youth Lock-In: Oct 12

Providence Place Devo: Oct 14, 2 PM

Bible Bowl @ Nesbit: Oct 20, 4 PM

1 Samuel 4 – 6

Youth Devo @ Ratliff's: Oct 27

Trunk R Treat @ Building: Oct 28

Privileged to Serve

Sunday, October 7

Morning

Prayer Before Class	Seth Daniel
Announcements	Jason Bayless
Song Leader	Noah Davis
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	John Wofford
Assist	Jerry Davis
Dalton Owen	Daniel Owen
Daniel Owen	Tim Meredith
Clifton Angel	Russell Wadsworth
Opening Prayer	
Sermon	
Closing Prayer	

Afternoon

Song Leader	Noah Davis
Opening Prayer	Jim Jackson
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper	John Wofford
Daniel Owen	Billy Bland
Closing Prayer	

Wednesday, October 10

Song Leader	Noah Davis
Prayer	Jason Bayless
Invitation	Clifton Angel
Prayer	Chris Martin

TECH:	Dalton Owen
HALL:	Jeffrey & Amanda Ferrell