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The Real Deal

The Real Deal is a catch phrase that means a lot to different people. It is usually used to sell something, or to entice people like us to look and evaluate. If what is advertised looks like the real deal, we buy.

I wish to point the phrase in a religious direction. Here, I am talking about Jesus. I am talking about how we look on Jesus. I am talking about what we ought to get out of the being of Jesus. I want us to know beyond doubt that Jesus is The Real Deal.

I recently read the gospel of Luke through. In the end chapter, Luke recounts what happened after the resurrection, apparently so Theophilus would understand better the certainty of what had been taught, the purpose of the whole gospel, said Luke.

It is in this last chapter that several, and us, would be able to better understand the Real Deal in the resurrected Christ. Reading it, I thought about how the disciples must have felt when they saw Jesus after the resurrection. The two on the road to Emmaus were amazed; their hearts burned. The disciples who saw him in the room must have been amazed; Thomas was, as he touched him. Those times of being actually with the Risen Lord must have been such an impact. It tied up the contract, so to speak.

This reading took me back to Deuteronomy 4, where Moses reminded the Israelites to remember what God had done, what they had heard. It is all about remembering, it seems to me. Far out 2,000 years, it might be harder for us to remember, but we can help the process. We can visualize the resurrected Jesus.

Moses told his people to remember hearing God at Mt. Horeb and seeing the smoke, and how God had taken them "out of the iron-smelting furnace, out of Egypt, to be the people of his inheritance as you are now." While it had been at the most 40 years, Moses says to remember "so that you might know that the Lord is God, that there is no other." We know, of course, they were continually reminded so that they would continue to know. The fact is they placed themselves back with their people of that time. It was not just a reading of what had happened.

Same with us. We remember so that we will still know that the Lord is God, that there is no other. Our remembrance comes down, in part, to getting a real good picture of what it was to see and touch the real resurrected Jesus. When we read passages such as the end chapter of Luke, we need to somehow put ourselves in their place.

Of course we need to know too what Jesus said, recorded in John 20:29: "Because you have seen me, you believe; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." Part of our remembering is done each first day as we participate together in the Lord's Supper, but that should not be the only time.

I suggest we look and think of The Real Deal a lot.

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For our national leaders and world leaders as they lead their respective nations.

For our troops in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Korea, Iraq, Liberia, Haiti and other places.

For the innocent who are suffering in the midst of war.

For the "people in the box" the lost in our families and community.

For those who are being martyred and persecuted for Christ in our own time

For marriage to stand in our laws as God ordained it.

For the church in Siliguri and Naresh Chetri

For the churches in Honduras and Haiti who partner with us in the gospel

Rick Richmond a continuing request for healing.

Alex Cram a continuing request for healing and strength for him and his family.

Emerson Coriell had his third round of chemotherapy on Tuesday.

Sarah Gilliland will not be having back surgery in the immediate future.

Ellen Lemon has her surgery scheduled for April 23 at OSU in Columbus.

Evelyn Coriell (wife of the late Emmett Coriell) is hospitalized with pneumonia in Athens, Alabama.

Jessie Brown (neighbor and friend of Lane & Debbie Raiser) is hospitalized with a mass in her brain. Surgery is anticipated.

Rhonda Allison (sister-in-law to Chuck Allison) received a gunshot wound to the head on Friday. She is in ICU in Charleston, WV. She is not expected to live.

Patsy Graff will be having an operation on her arm some time this week, the exact date is not known yet.

Fern Belcher (Dixon Mill Bridge) has been taken to Riverside in Columbus to remove a growth in her brain.

Willis Shumway was hospitalized on Thursday. Tests show he has cancer of the esophagus. Full extent and possible treatment not known until Monday.

Anissa Harr (professor at SSU) is undergoing testing for thyroid problems. She is waiting for biopsy reports.

Verse of the Month

Romans 12:21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Meeting in Kenova

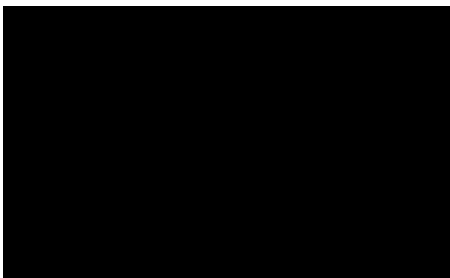
The Kenova church of Christ will be having a gospel meeting with Barry Bryson speaking April 20-23. Details for the meeting are posted on the bulletin board.

Sympathy Extended

To the family of **Loretta Skaggs** (relative of Penny Ball) who passed away on Tuesday. Services were Saturday in Wheelersburg.

Directory Update

Tom Kallner was baptized into Christ on April 21, 2008.



Kingdom Stimulus Package

Last Sunday we talked about the Kingdom Stimulus Package in our lesson. We promised an information sheet to give more details. That information sheet is on the table in the foyer now. We will be making reference to this effort many times over the next 6 months.

Court House Scripture Reading

In connection with the National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 1, 2008, there will be a week long public reading of scripture in the Scioto County Court House in Portsmouth. We have participated in this reading of scripture every year for several years. We have our regular slot,

which is **Wednesday, April 30, from 3-5.** If you would be willing to read for ½ hour (or 15 minutes) in the lobby of the court house, sign up for the slot on the bulletin board.

May Services at Elbrooke

May is Sunshine's month to conduct Bible Study and Worship services at Elbrooke Pavilion. Sunday services are at 2 pm and Wednesday Bible Study is at 7 pm on Thursday's. We need a crowd to help us with the singing and also men to help with teaching, prayers and song-leading. Check the sheet on the board in the foyer to sign up for a slot to help out.





Bible Study Curriculum

Sunday

4/6 Romans 1-2
 4/13 Romans 3-4
 4/20 Romans 5-6
 4/27 Romans 7

Wednesday

4/9 Habakkuk 1-3
 4/16 Haggai 1-2
 4/23 Zechariah 1-8
 4/30 Zechariah 9-12

Room

Men, there is a changing table in the Quiet Room now. No excuses. You can change those diapers, too.

VBS Leader Deadline

Next Sunday we hope to have all of our slots filled for the planners and organizers of our VBS. VBS is scheduled for June 23-27, 6:30-8:45 pm. and is organized around the theme: LOST CITIES OF THE BIBLE. We still need 10 dependable people to take on responsibility for one of our "cities" or one of the other bigger jobs that are posted. These are jobs that require some planning and thinking and recruiting well before VBS gets here. These jobs are open to men as well as women and mature, responsible teens. Last year we were nearly overwhelmed by the number of students who showed up (160-175). We managed to find room for them and recruited the extra people needed. This year we are ready to take care of the 200 or so students we are expecting. We have created new spaces to teach in and have expanded our program - however, without dependable workers to actually do the preparation and teaching we are in deep trouble. Listen to the lesson this morning and pray that the Lord of Harvest would

COMING EVENTS



4/8-4/11 Angel Food Orders
 4/10 Teen Devo @ 6 p.m.
 4/13 Fellowship Dinner after morning service.
 4/26 Angel Food Distribution
 4/25-27 Youth Retreat @ Fort Hill
 4/30 Court House Scripture Reading
 National Day of Prayer
 5/1 Elbrooke Pavilion Services
 5/26 Memorial Day Parade in Minford
 6/23-27 Vacation Bible School @ Sunshine
 7/13-19 Sunshine Week @ Fort Hill Camp

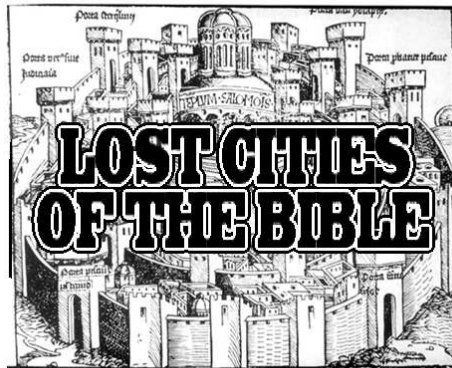
Fellowship Dinner

We are going to have a fellowship dinner after morning service next Sunday (April 13th) in the annex. Everyone bring a covered dish!

Fort Hill Help Needed

On May 5th, the Sojourners, a group of about 40 Christian retirees, will arrive in their RV's to ready Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp for this summer's crop of campers. They will stay until the end of the month. In the past, Jean and Bob Monasco, the camp caretakers, have provided lunch for the workers Monday through Thursday. Neither Bob nor Jean are in great health and now need help with this. Jack Jennings has asked that two or three people from Sunshine come each day to help with prep and clean up. This would involve starting about 10 a.m. and finishing about 1-2 p.m. The camp is near Hillsboro and there are several free rooms if anyone would like to make an overnight trip out of it or take an entire four day stint. I'll be coordinating the

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dates with kitchen workers, and will be staying up there most of that month. Please contact me at 285-1598, or catch me at church if you can help any of those dates. Thanks. Serena.

Teen Devo

A teen devo is scheduled for Thursday April 10th 6:00 to 8:00pm in the teen room. Girls bring pop and Boys bring chips.

Spirit Club Meeting

6 pm this evening.

Changes in Quiet



Those Who Serve

Sunday Morning
 Welcome & Prayer
 Song Director
 Scripture Reading
 Prayer
 Lord's Supper –Bread
 Wine
 Server 1
 Server 2
 Server 3
 Server 4
 Server 5
 Server 6
 Message
 Closing Prayer

April 6
 Don Coriell
 Scott Gampp
 Alan Graff
 Jamie Riley
 Don Ramey
 Bill Gammon
 Spike Ferrell
 Barry Hayward
 Gary Glispie
 Michael Dixon
 Aaron Franke
 John Gampp
 Steve Miller
 Troy Gahm

April 13
 Jon Coriell
 Shaun McCray
 Steve Williams
 Caleb Miller
 Jamie Riley
 Dewey Cordle
 Dale Kuhn
 Gregg Ferrell
 Brent Frazee
 Dale Gampp
 David Gampp
 Tim Coriell
 Steve Miller
 Don Coriell

Regular Service Times

Sunday
 Worship - 10:00 am
 Bible Study - 6:30 p.m

Wednesday
 Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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Deadline for each issue is 5 p.m. Friday. News items may be called to Al Graff or Steve Miller or e-mailed to:

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Sunday Evening

Song Director
 Scripture Reading
 Lord's Supper
 Assist
 Prayer
 Bible Class Text

Gabe Coriell
 Greg Coriell
 David Gampp
 Josh Coriell
 Mark Gampp
 Romans 1-2

Jacob Miller
 Rich Book
 Mark Risner
 Ira Coriell
 Eric McLaughlin
 Romans 3-4

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
 Prayer
 Bible Class Text

Aaron McCray
 Rich Book
 Habakkuk 1-3

Zach Coriell
 Zack Sims
 Haggai 1-2

Children's Bible Time

April 3/5: Mary Beth Coriell, Ira Coriell, Josh Coriell, Christian Coriell
 April 6/8: Kristin Riley, Jessie Coriell, Renee Higbee
 May 3/5: Julie Miller, Derek Miller, Hannah Miller
 May 6/8: Candi Gampp, Kerri Davis, Cindy Coriell

If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please contact Dewey Cordle at 820-4624



Complete the crossword using the names of people in the Old Testament. Solution is posted on the bulletin board and on page 5 of the online bulletin.

ACROSS

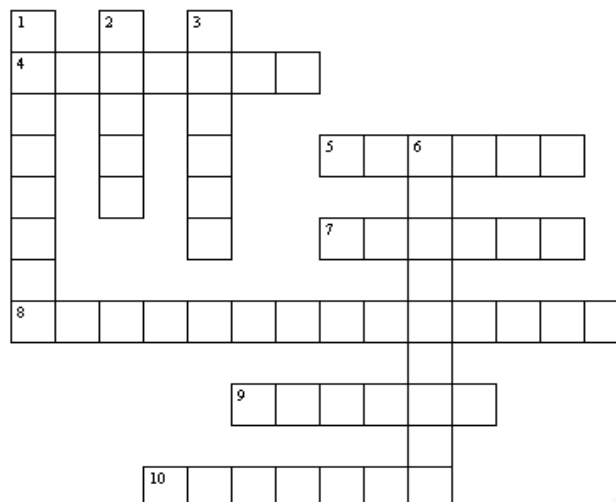
- 4 Hid 100 prophets in caves
- 5 Leprous Syrian healed by Elisha
- 7 Had a showdown with the prophets of Baal
- 8 King of Babylon
- 9 He anointed David
- 10 Slain by David

DOWN

- 1 Son of Saul
- 2 Youngest son of Jesse
- 3 Younger daughter of Saul
- 6 Priestly son of Ahitub



Who's Who?



Crossword Solution - April 6, 2008

