

INDEPENDENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST~  
SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

**SICK:** Jeffery Clayton was not feeling well midweek. Lorraine Hounshell has moved to a rehab in Byhalia. Keith Bailey (Kim Arrington's father) is in ICU at Baptist Desoto recovering from multiple surgeries. He will be at the hospital a good while, but does not anticipate more surgeries. He is able to eat food. Tish Clarke (wife of the MSOP director) at home waiting for the result of the biopsy of the brain tumor she had surgically removed recently. Jane Haas (Wesley Haas' mother) is in rehab recovering from her broken hip. Trina McKinney (Mary Ray's grandson-in-law) is awaiting surgery September 8th for his prostate cancer.

**PROTRACTED:** Kim Arrington—knee; Scooter Birmingham (friend of Destiny Clayton); Brian Brown (Paul Brown's nephew)—epilepsy; Lauren Brown (niece of Paul Brown)—heart; Shelly Cates—fibromyalgia; Janet Daniel (sister of Melinda Haas)—lupus; Addliae Farrow (Tabatha Clayton's great niece)—heart; Ella Cobb, granddaughter of the Houses—seizures; Jimmy Ferguson (former preacher here)—heart rhythm; Melinda Haas—Lyme's Disease; Cody Hadley—Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever; Kaylie Hadley—UCTD; Paula Harrison—Meniere's Disease; Lorraine Hounshell; Wanda Jackson—a-fib; Monica La Rock (granddaughter of Orelia Ferguson and mother of Noah); Garrett Lentz (son of a co-worker of Cody Hadley)—seizures; Easton McCullough (Grayson Hadley's best friend)—Bell's Palsy; Becky Munns (Tabatha Clayton's aunt)—heart problems, Crohn's Disease; Shelby Peyton—knee; Robert Rawson (preacher at Crockett)—diabetes; Ray Reynolds (Sheila Massey and Mary West's dad)—memory trouble; Brett Rutherford (Dan Cates' friend)—MS; Francis Wallace (friend of Mary Ray); and Jerry Worthington (neighbor of the Hounshells)—physical and emotional difficulties.

**CANCER:** Sherry Brown (retired MSOP secretary); Alicia Busby (from the community); Gary Darnell (Ella Darnell's son)—leukemia as well as diabetes; Brenda Davis (a grandmother of Edra and Ryan Farrow); Tommy Hensley (uncle of Paul Brown)—liver; Nathan Jones (the Hounshells' neighbors' 16 year old family member)—brain; Sara Kiestler (an FHU student)—Hodgkin's; Wade Loggins (member of congregation in Elkmont, AL); Trina McKinney (Mary Ray's grandson-in-law)—prostate; Dorothy Mosher (wife of an MSOP instructor); Carol Ogelsby (family of Sonny Stewart and the Browns)—stomach; Tommy Pierce (the Browns' friend); John Riley (member of the church who lives in this community)—lung; and Tabby Waters (Tabatha Clayton's sister-in-law)—leukemia.

**SHUT-IN:** Janice Bailey (at the Arringtons'), Orelia Ferguson (home), Annette Cates (Dan Cates' mother who is in a care center in Pensacola, FL), and Ruth House (Lawayne House's mother who is at home).

**SERVING:** Dylan and Maggie Cooper (Air Force, Offut AFB, Neb.), Cameron Hadley (Grayson Hadley's dad—Marines, Hawaii). Also, please continue to pray for Kyle Embrey (Syble Embrey's grandson—policeman) and all other military [especially who are going or remain abroad] and for all those in authority that we might live "quiet and peaceable" lives (1 Timothy 2:1,2).

---

*Independence Church of Christ*  
8543 Highway 305  
Coldwater, MS 38618

# INDEPENDENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST

## The Informer



8543 Highway 305

Coldwater, MS 38618

662-560-8045

[www.independencechurchofchrist.org](http://www.independencechurchofchrist.org)

**Services:** Sunday 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 4:45 p.m. (pew-packers), 5 p.m.  
Wednesday 7:15 p.m.

**Ministers:** Every Christian

**Elders:** Dan Cates (662-560-8045)

Carl Hounshell (812-653-2358)

**Evangelists:** Dan Cates (662-560-8045; [dsmccates@yahoo.com](mailto:dsmccates@yahoo.com))

Savion Rayson (903-742-1187; [savionrayson1@gmail.com](mailto:savionrayson1@gmail.com))

**Missions [the latest reports from these works are on the bulletin board in the foyer]**

*Kakinada, India [Providing Bibles and Overseeing Funds]*

*Memphis School of Preaching*

*Brown Trail School of Preaching (Spanish Department)*

*Tri-Cities School of Preaching (David B. Jones)*

*Jamie Long (Four Seas Bible College, Singapore)*

*Warm Heart Missions (Roger Chambers)*

*Pablo Horna (Panama) [Overseeing funds]*

*Netcasters and Fishers of Men (Tim Wilkes, II)*

*Tennessee Children's Home, West*

*School of Biblical Studies (Jos, Nigeria)*

*Save Asian Souls (Providing physical and spiritual aid)*

*Other one-time, domestic and overseas, mission efforts*

# INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE

Daniel F. Cates

## Part XVIII: Job

(Continued from last week) If Job wrote the book, then it would have been written from Uz (Job 1:1) which appears to have been a land somewhere along the inside of the fertile crescent given the proximity both to what is taken to be a desert wilderness (Job 1:19) and fertile, bottom land (Job 40:21,22). Could Abraham or another patriarch have written the book? Certainly, if so the book may have been written from the promised land. Could Moses or Elijah or Isaiah have written the book? Possibly, but one would expect to see allusions to their times.

Why was Job written? It would appear that this book was written for several reasons: first, to show how terrible the adversary and accuser of man is; second, to show that God never gives up on those who are his children--though at times they, mourning and troubled and persecuted, may be on the verge of giving up on him; third, to give account of one (albeit in two appearances [Job 1:6; 2:1]) of Satan's two (the other being at the temptation of Christ [Matthew 4:1-11]) proverbial days in God's court--both of which ended in Satan's defeat (Satan does not appear in the book after the second chapter).

Among the keys of the book are the words "just" (six times, referring to man's ability to be just [Job 12:4; 27:17], his inability to be as just as God [Job 4:17; 9:2; 33:12] and God's being most just [Job 34:17]), "innocent" (eight times, in various ways), and "see" (twenty-seven times, with the ideas of both seeing and experiencing). The key phrases are God's repeated (in like terms) description of Job: "perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil" (Job 1:1,8; 2:3), and Job's servants repeated, stinging "I only am escaped alone to tell thee" (Job 1:15,16,17,19). There are numerous key verses: Job 13:15 shows Job's determination to obey God even though He was seemingly the cause of Job's suffering; Job 19:25 shows Job's faith in the future Redeemer; Job 23:10 shows Job's confidence in his future vindication; Job 26:14 concedes the inestimable greatness of God; Job 28:28 defines wisdom and understanding; and Job 37:23, like Job 26:14, speaks to the primacy of God. The key chapters are Job 1 and 2 and 42 with the first to describing the battle between Satan and God highlighted by Satan's "scorched earth" policy over the battleground which was Job, and with the last chapter showing Job's ultimate vindication.

Lessons abound in this great book. Some of the more general but most significant include these: first, God is more powerful than Satan (Job 1:6,12; 2:6); second, even the good

suffer (Job 1,2); third, suffering is not *necessarily* due to sin (Job 29,31; cf John 9:2,3; Luke 13:1-5); fourth, one must not quickly judge others (Job 11:1-6; 42:7,8).

*"That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:" (Ephesians 4:14,15)*

### BIBLE QUESTION:

This week's question: Who "made silver shrines for Diana"?

Last week's question: Of what does man's life not consist?

Last week's answer: "The abundance of the things which he possesseth" (Luke 12:15)

**SERMONS:** *Savion Rayson will preach this morning*  
*"All the Counsel of God":* Worship

### DAILY BIBLE READING (September 5-11):

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
<b>2 Chronicles</b>	17-19	20-22	23-25	26-29	30-32	33-36	
<b>Ezekiel</b>							1-3

**READ SCRIPTURE (SEPTEMBER):** Conor Cates (Please see Savion Rayson)

*(OCTOBER): Dan Cates*

**PRESIDE OVER LORD'S SUPPER (SEPTEMBER):** Dan Cates

*(OCTOBER): Cody Hadley*

**ASSIST ON LORD'S SUPPER (SEPTEMBER):** Savion Rayson and Sonny Stewart

*(OCTOBER): Gavin Arrington and Mark Peyton*

**CLEAN BUILDING (SEPTEMBER):** Suzanne Brown and Katies Brown

*(OCTOBER): Thomas and Sheila Massey*

**PREPARE COMMUNION (SEPTEMBER):** Tabatha Clayton

*(OCTOBER): Melinda Haas and April Kinney*

**PANTRY NEEDS:** Please see the flyer of children's home needs in the foyer.

**UPCOMING EVENTS (For particular details, check the bulletin board for flyers):**

September 10,11

*Living with Loss seminar* at the Forest Hill Church of Christ with Dean Miller speaking.

October 16-20

**Spiritual Sword lectures** on *Powerful Passages of the Pentateuch* at Getwell.

October 25

The **Tennessee Children's Home** truck will be here.

### WELCOME VISITORS!

We are honored to have you with us today! Please take a few minutes and fill out an attendance card for us so that we can have a record of your attendance. Once you have filled out a card, please hand it to one of the members, or lay it onto the pew.