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Summer has arrived!!

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Don't Be Afraid . . . It's Just Your Future

The hour of 1:00 a.m. comes every night, but there's one 1:00 a.m. I'll never forget. While you were likely sound asleep, I was wide awake . . . talking to God like mad!

I was aboard a small twin-engine plane with a seasoned pilot, rapidly descending through a foggy, dense overcast at 200 miles per hour. The pilot was having the time of his life . . . but, frankly, I was *scared spitless!* At one point he looked over at me, grinned, and said, "Hey, Chuck, isn't this great?"

I didn't answer since I was praying.

As our lonely plane cut through the cloudy, pre-dawn sky, I reviewed every verse I knew and confessed every wrong I'd ever done. The closest comparison I can think of is speeding a couple hundred miles an hour down a rush-hour freeway with a white bedsheet wrapped across the windshield and the radio turned up just beneath the threshold of audible pain!

I couldn't believe how happy and excited my companion-in-flight really was. His passenger, however, had ten fingernails imbedded in the seat cushion. I stared longingly for something—*anything*—through the blanket of white fog surrounding us. Our flight record may have indicated two passengers on that eerie Monday morning, but I can vouch for at least three. An unyielding creature called Fear and I shared the same seat.

Fear. What a monster! Razor-sharp claws, dripping with the blood of the unknown and unseen. Piercing voice, shouting ugly, destructive words of worry. Most of Fear's statements begin with a quiet, "What if . . . ?" and end with a loud ". . . and you'll be sorry!" One blast of its awful breath transforms saints into cynics.

Fear can reverse our entire mind-set. Its bite shoots a paralyzing venom into our veins, and before long, doubt dulls our vision. As we fall, Fear steps on our face with the weight of a massive tank . . . and laughs at our crippled condition as it prepares for another pounce.

Ever met this beast? Sure you have. It comes in all shapes and every size. Fear of failure. Fear of heights. Fear of crowds. Fear of disease and death. Fear of rejection. Fear of unemployment. Fear of what others are saying about you. Fear of leaving the familiar. Fear of disaster or depth or distance. Fear of trusting others. Fear of being yourself. Fear of buying. Fear of selling. Fear of financial ruin. Fear of war. Fear of the unknown.

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Around every imaginable corner, Fear lurks in the shadows, planning to poison your inner peace and outward poise. Being a bully, it relies on scare tactics and surprise attacks. It watches for your vulnerable moments, then picks the lock that safeguards your heart. As Fear invades, it reduces your spiritual muscles to a mass of mental mush. The prognosis, once you're infected, is neither bright nor cheery.

David's twenty-seventh psalm scratches the fearful where we itch. With broad, bold strokes of his pen, the monarch of Israel puts iron in our bones. He meets Fear at the door of his home with two questions:

Whom shall I fear?

Whom shall I dread? (Psalm 27:1)

David slams that door in Fear's face with the declaration:

My heart will not fear; . . .

In spite of this I shall be confident! (27:3)

David then whistles and hums to himself as he walks back into the family room, kitchen, or master bedroom, reminding himself of the *secrets* of daily trust:

I have asked from the LORD (27:4)	PRAYER	In the day of trouble, He will conceal me / hide me / lift me (27:5)	GOD'S PROTECTION	I would have despaired unless I had believed . . . wait for the LORD (27:13–14)	REST
I behold the beauty of the LORD (27:4)	VISION	I will offer sacrifices and I will sing (27:6)	MOMENT-BY-MOMENT WORSHIP	Let your heart take courage (27:14)	DETERMINATION
I meditate in His temple (27:4)	GOD'S WORD				

Oh, how I needed these secrets that night in the cockpit! Truth be told, I have needed them *many* nights and days before and since then. Maybe you have too. Maybe you need them right now.

I'll share one more secret. Most of our fears, no matter their specific aim, boil down to one thing: *fear of the future*. Our gut churns with the thought: *Who knows what may happen?*

Am I describing you? Tell you what—let's share the same seat and relax for a change. Of course, you might want to fasten your seat belt. (It could get a little rough before we land.) But you can breathe easy. There's no need to fear the future.

God is already there . . . and He has never missed the runway through centuries of intimidating fog.

The Bible Is Objective Truth



I believe it's very evident that if one comes to Woodville Community Church for any length of time, they will soon discover that this church is completely sold out to the Bible and all that it teaches. We here at Woodville Church believe that every word is breathed out by God, and that it is our responsibility to be teaching that word faithfully throughout the year. This is more important now than ever. Many churches have left the basic practice of the Church of teaching Scripture.

More and more I hear of places who may not deny the Bible, but when it comes to a yearly systematic plan of preaching, it has slid down the slippery slope of "felt need" messages that begin with a topic, rather than the text of Scripture. But systematic exegetical Bible preaching begins with the text first — allowing the text to meet the need. That is what God's intention for church ministry is all about — only the Biblical text gives us the truth we stand in need of.

Perhaps the greatest lie of postmodernism is the belief that we can define truth and determine reality from within ourselves. But the subjective realm of feelings and impressions is the worst place to go in any quest for truth.

God wrote a Book—just one Book—and in it He was able to say everything He wanted to say. He said it without error, without flaw, and without anything omitted or unnecessarily included. It is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. And God gave His book to man through the means of inspiration, by which the Spirit of God moved in human writers who recorded the very words that God wanted them to write. People may believe or disbelieve the Bible, but no one has the power or the prerogative to establish truth or to change it. It is fixed, once for all—the Word of God is settled forever in heaven. This is profoundly essential.

That's an important distinction we must not miss—the truth did not come from man. Man may discover, learn, understand, and apply it, but man has nothing to do with its origination. The apostle Peter—himself one of the inspired biblical authors—wrote that Scripture was not developed by the will of man, but by those "moved by the Holy Spirit" (2 Peter 1:21) to record God's words. No human being has ever had in himself any idea, thought, or experience that determined any divine truth—it all comes from God alone. No human or angel has ever been, or will ever be, a source for establishing divine truth. God's Word alone accomplishes this.

Scripture itself attests to its divine author. The Old Testament contains more than 3,800 instances in which the writers claim to be speaking the Word of God. In the New Testament, there are more than 300 such assertions. Paul claims that he received the gospel not from man but from God (Galatians 1:11–12). In 1 Timothy 5:18, Paul quotes Luke's gospel and refers to it as Scripture. In 2 Peter 3:15–16, Peter calls Paul's writings Scripture. And Jude quotes Peter's epistle (Jude 18), signifying similar biblical credibility. Altogether, the Old and New Testaments abundantly testify that they are the true Word of God.

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And as the Word of God, the Bible has no expiration date. Peter extolls the timeless quality of Scripture in his first epistle, declaring, “The word of the Lord endures forever” (1 Peter 1:25). Time has no influence on God’s Word. Changing philosophies, worldviews, and cultural norms have no effect on it either. It is utterly unchanging and can never pass away. “Heaven and earth will pass away,” Jesus said, “but My words will not pass away” (Luke 21:33). Perhaps the best way to understand the objective truth of Scripture is to hear the testimony of the One who is most trustworthy—the Lord Jesus Himself. He testified to the truth of God’s Word, down to every detail. He said, “It is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for one stroke of a letter of the Law to fail” (Luke 16:17). He consistently taught that He had come to fulfill the Word of God. In Matthew 5:17, He said, “Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill.” He affirmed, “All things which are written through the prophets about the Son of Man will be accomplished” (Luke 18:31). Looking ahead to the cross, Jesus said, “The Son of Man is to go, just as it is written of Him” (Matthew 26:24). Later in the same chapter, He rebuked Peter for drawing his sword, reminding the impetuous disciple that He could call down legions of angels for assistance if He wished. Explaining that His arrest was part of God’s plan, He said, “How then will the Scriptures be fulfilled?” (Matthew 26: 54). He even called attention to incredibly specific prophetic details in Scripture. Psalm 22: 1 predicted that the Messiah would cry out and say, “My God, my God, why have You forsaken me?” Hanging on the cross, Jesus exclaimed those words verbatim (Matthew 27: 46). His life fulfilled everything that was written about Him, thus affirming Scripture’s truthfulness.

Scripture testifies to its own inspiration; it is the Word of God, originating outside of man. This is particularly important to understand in a culture dominated by the subjectivity of postmodernism. Truth cannot be subjective; there is no such thing as *your* truth or *my* truth. Truth is forever fixed. Authentic Christianity has always held that Scripture is absolute, objective truth. The Bible is God’s truth regardless of whether a person believes, understands, or likes it. It is permanent and universal truth, and therefore is the same for everyone. Deuteronomy 4: 2 and Revelation 22: 18–19 warn against adding to or taking away from Scripture, lest one suffer the plagues recorded therein. Proverbs 30: 5–6 states: “Every word of God is tested; He is a shield to those who take refuge in Him. Do not add to His words or He will reprove you, and you will be proved a liar.” The Bible is God’s Word to man—inspired, objective, and absolute truth.



Faithful Fridays
June 3rd- Charity Baptist Church
July 1st- Connect Church with worship
by Winona Avenue
August 5th- Woodville Community Church
September 2nd- 1st United Methodist Church

In this issue:

“Old and Grateful”

- When you’ve lived longer than you think you ought to...
- Thinking of all that God has brought you...
- All your friends who have gone ahead...
- And all that you wish you would have said...
- Living all the yesterdays in your head...



**Thoughts from
BOB the Blacksmith**



*New Dates!!!
Sign up Early!!!*

Vacation Bible School

Theme: **SPARK STUDIOS**

Dates: **June 20-24, 2022**

Time: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

*Many Opportunities
Available to Help!!!*

**An exciting, fun-filled week of adventure for Pre-K through 8th graders,
learning about our awesome God through lessons, games, and crafts.**

Contact Karen White at 231-519-9488 to sign up your children or for more info.

WOODVILLE CHURCH NURSERY SCHEDULE

June

- 5 LeeAnna Yates & Deb Thorne
- 12 Jenna Minor & Kim Schaefer
- 19 Adriana Beckwith & Amy Hysell
- 26 Nancy Redd & LeeAnna Yates

July

- 3 Carianne Smith & Sharen Franklin
- 10 Deb Thorne & Char Yonker
- 17 Polly Byers & Nancy Eveland
- 24 Barb Atkins & Renee Frantz
- 31 Sue Walta & DeeAnn Ruitter



Thank you, ladies, for your service in caring for these little ones.

*If you are unable to serve on the date that you are scheduled
please contact Karen White 231-519-9488 as soon as possible.*



Hardly Known Facts About Everyday Things That Are Actually Pretty Useful

(continued from previous issue)

By Noam Schulman - August 31, 2020

Let's be honest, we live our lives in such a hurry that we tend to miss the simple, yet interesting things. From tools you use on a daily basis to random items you have lying around your house, everything has a quirky backstory. What's for sure, these little known facts will come in handy during those awkward-silence moments.

HEELS WERE INITIALLY INVENTED FOR MEN

Back in the 10th century, horse riders, who were mostly men, figured out that shoes with a slight heel helped their foot stay more firmly in the stirrups. The idea spread quickly, and soon enough armies of men were wearing heels! By the 17th century, heeled shoes were a major fashion trend for both men and women as they were a symbol of high status.

BUBBLE WRAP WAS INITIALLY INVENTED AS WALLPAPER

Bubble wrap is definitely fun to play with, but imagine having it as wallpaper around your house. Back in 1957, two engineers attempted to create textured wallpaper that would be affordable for everyone. Unfortunately, the idea did not take off. Three years later, IBM needed to ship fragile data processors and looked for something that would protect their components- bubble wrap!

PEN CAPS HAVE A HOLE ON THE TOP TO PREVENT CHOKING

There have been a lot of theories circulating around about why some pen companies, such as BIC Cristal, added a hole to the top of their pen caps. According to BIC, if someone accidentally swallows the pen cap, the hole at the top will allow the passage of air and prevent the user from choking.

T-SHIRTS WERE INVENTED FOR BACHELORS THAT COULDN'T SEW OR FIX BUTTONS

Believe it or not, T-shirts were invented over 100 years ago! Back in 1904, Cooper Underwear Company started advertising their new product - T-shirts - to bachelors who could not sew or replace buttons. At the time, the T-shirts were completely white and the trend picked up quickly.

MORE FUN FACTS IN THE NEXT EDITION...

LIBRARY NEWS

There is a wide selection of books, videos, and study materials for adults, youth, and children in our well-stocked library. Have you checked it out lately? Additional books and videos have been recently added.

Books are filed by age group (adult, youth, and children), type (fiction, nonfiction, Biblical counseling), author, series (if applicable), and title; videos by age and title.

For a list of books or with questions, please contact Nina Bell at 231-250-3123.



Happy
Father's
Day



June 2022



	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Greeters for June:			1 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE	2 Praise Team practice	3	4 Elders' Prayer Time
5 WORSHIP SERVICE Sunday school	6	7 Men's Bible Study Ladies Bible study	8 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE	9 Praise Team practice	10	11 Elders' Prayer Time
12 WORSHIP SERVICE Sunday school	13	14 Men's Bible Study Ladies Bible study Men's Monthly Bible Study	15 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE	16 Praise Team practice	17	18 Men's Breakfast Fellowship
19 WORSHIP SERVICE Father's Day	20 <i>Vacation Bible school</i> Board Meeting	21 <i>Vacation Bible school</i>	22 <i>Vacation Bible school</i>	23 <i>Vacation Bible school</i> Praise Team practice	24 <i>Vacation Bible school</i> VBS Family Program & Picnic	25 Elders' Prayer Time
26 WORSHIP SERVICE Sunday school	27	28 Men's Bible Study Ladies Bible study	29 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE	30 Praise Team practice		

Sunday

WORSHIP SERVICE
10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:40 a.m.

Tuesday

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
7:00 a.m.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY
9:30 a.m.

Wednesday

NIGHT SERVICE
6:30 p.m.

3rd Monday

BOARD MEETING
6:00 p.m.

June Birthdays

4: Kole Snyder
9: Vic Berkompas
14: Bill Walta
17: Susan Foust
18: Joziah Smith
18: John Smith
19: Chuck Brace
20: Marilyn Patrick
20: Carol Doornbos
22: Eli Baar
22: Zeke Baar
24: Emileigh Hysell
30: Ellery Hysell

June Anniversaries

1: Dennis & Mary Helmus
10: Chuck & Merry Brace
15: Clint & Shelly Cook
18: Harry & Gail King (61 years)
18: John & Polly Byers
26: Duke & Lori VanderArk
27: Larry & Barb Miller
30: Jeff & Deb Thorne

Items on this calendar are subject to change

JULY 2022



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WORSHIP SERVICE
10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:40 a.m.

Tuesday

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7:00 a.m.

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9:30 a.m.

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6:30 p.m.

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6:00 p.m.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
GREETERS FOR JULY: Dennis & Mary Helmus					1	2
3 WORSHIP SERVICE	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY 	5 Men's Bible Study Ladies Bible Study	6 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE	7 Praise Team practice	8	9 Elders' Prayer Time
10 WORSHIP SERVICE SUNDAY SCHOOL	11	12 Men's Bible Study Ladies Bible Study Men's Evening Bible study	13 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE	14 Praise Team practice	15	16 Elders' Prayer Time Men's Monthly Breakfast
17 WORSHIP SERVICE SUNDAY SCHOOL	18 Board Meeting	19 Men's Bible Study Ladies Bible Study	20 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE	21 Praise Team practice	22	23 Elders' Prayer Time
24 WORSHIP SERVICE SUNDAY SCHOOL	25	26 Men's Bible Study Ladies Bible Study	27 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE	28 Praise Team practice	29	30 Elders' Prayer Time



31
WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY SCHOOL



July Anniversaries

7 Charlie & Jenna Minor
 27 Sky & Gabriela Pike

July Birthdays

1 Renee Jensen	16 Gail King
3 Brittany Hurlbert	16 Deb Thorne
3 Merry Brace	19 Shawn Fate
9 Char Yonker	20 Harry King
12 Amanda Baar	21 Mary Helmus
14 Paula Hodge	25 Barb Knight
16 Deb Fisher	31 Lillian Foust
	31 Marge Shoemaker

Greek Pasta Salad

Ingredients

Greek Pasta Salad:

- 1 1/2 cups, 9-10 oz, orzo pasta
- 1/4 red onion, about 1/3 cup, diced small
- 1 red bell pepper (or 1/2 red, 1/2 green), chopped small
- 2 tablespoons fresh oregano or 2 teaspoons dried oregano
- 15 oz can chickpeas, 1 1/2 cups, drained
- 1/3 cup kalamata olives, sliced
- 2 cups thin skinned cucumber, chopped small
- 1 pint cherry tomatoes, halved or quartered
- 1/2 cup fresh parsley, finely chopped
- 1/4 cup basil and/or mint for garnish if desired
- 6–8 oz feta cheese (sheep's feta is the best!), optional

Instructions

1. Cook the pasta according to the package directions in salted water. Drain and rinse with cool water and set aside.
2. Make the dressing by whisking together red wine vinegar, lemon juice, dijon mustard, garlic, dried oregano, salt, and black pepper. Drizzle in olive oil, whisking all the while to emulsify.
3. Add diced red onions and a 1/2 cup of the vinaigrette to a large bowl. Allowing them to marinate while you prepare the remaining ingredients.
4. Add bell peppers next along with oregano, chickpeas, and kalamata olives.
5. Add cucumbers, tomatoes and parsley. Toss altogether. Add in cooked orzo pasta, 1/4 cup more of dressing and cubed feta cheese (if using). Gently mix.
6. Taste and adjust flavor adding more dressing, salt, pepper and a squeeze of lemon if needed.
Toss with basil and mint just before serving.



Greek Salad Dressing:

- 1/4 cup red wine vinegar
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon dijon mustard
- 2 garlic cloves, pressed or minced
- 2 teaspoons dried oregano
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 1/2 cup olive oil

Zucchini Corn Fritters

Cook: 4 mins

Total: 19 mins

Prep: 15 mins

Yield: 24 fritters



Directions

•Step 1

In a large bowl, stir together flour, baking powder, cumin, sugar, salt, and pepper.

•Step 2

In a small bowl, whisk together eggs, milk, and butter. Whisk wet ingredients into dry ingredients. Stir in zucchini, corn, and cheese; mix well.

•Step 3

Warm oil in a cast iron skillet over medium-high heat. Drop batter by the tablespoonful into hot oil. Fry until crisp and brown, turning once with tongs. Remove to paper towels.

Ingredients

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon cumin
- ½ cup sugar
- ½ teaspoon salt
- fresh ground black pepper
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 cup milk
- ¼ cup butter, melted
- 2 cups grated zucchini
- 1 ½ cups fresh corn, kernels cut from cob
- 1 cup finely shredded Cheddar cheese
- oil for frying

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“...A merry heart doeth good like a medicine...”

**Nothing messes up
your Friday,
like finding out
that it's only Tuesday.**

Baby Boomers will get this 🤔😄
Too Funny!!



Nutritionist: You should eat 1200 calories a day.

Me: Ok, and how many at night?

Bible Trivia...

What different name did King Nebuchadnezzar give to Daniel?

- *Shadrach
- *Abednego
- *Meshach
- *Belteshazzar

answer on last page

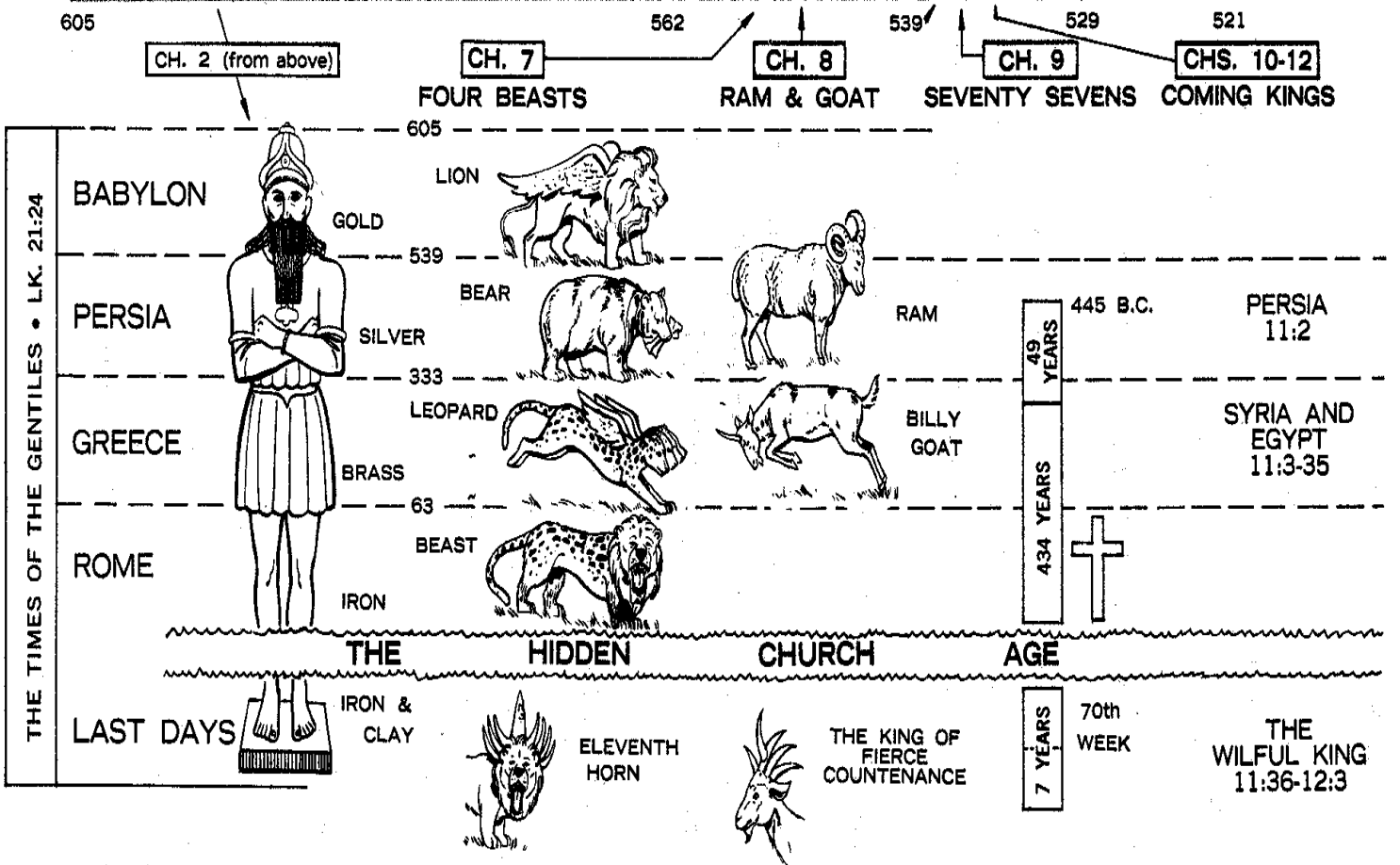
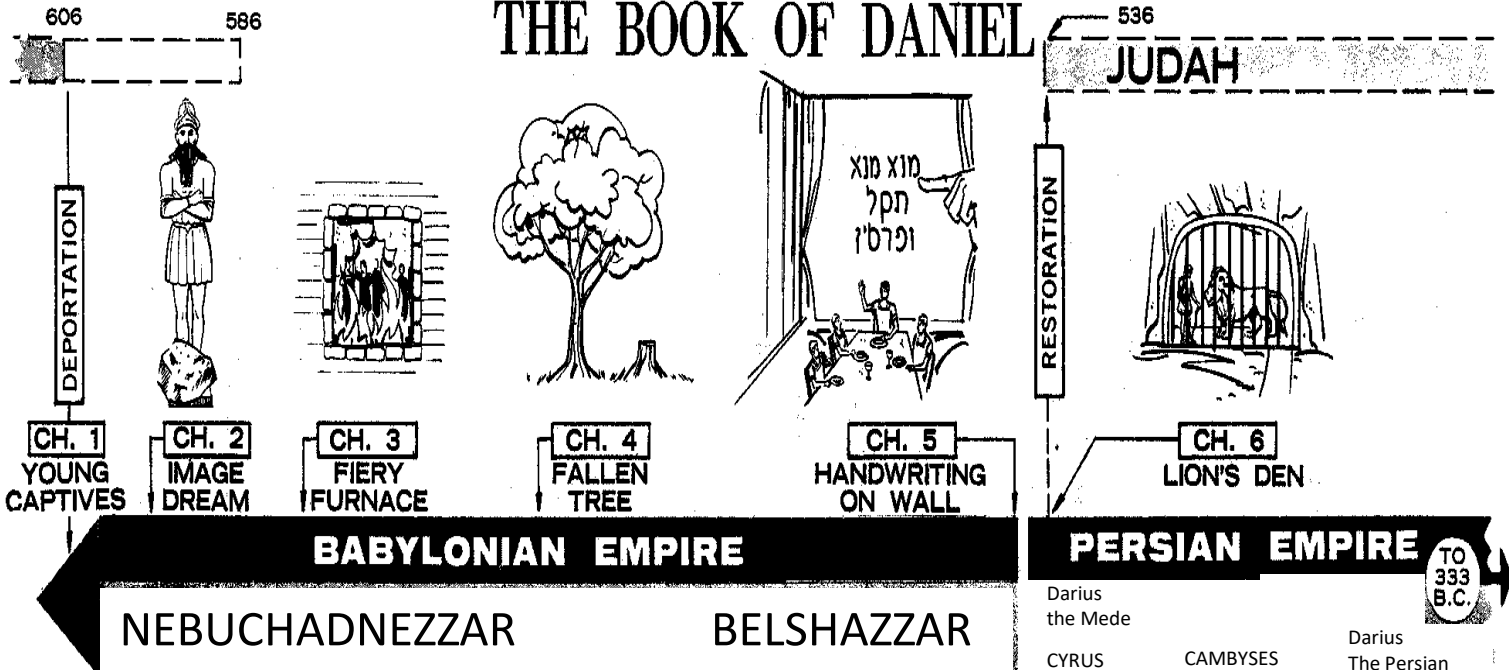


The fastest land mammal is a toddler who's been asked what's in their mouth.

RAMBLIN MAMA

ACTIVITY PAGE

THE BOOK OF DANIEL



Answer:
Belteshazzar