## Munfordville Church of Christ No 1400 December 12, 2021

Jeremiah 30:23 "Behold, the whirlwind of the LORD goeth forth with fury, a continuing whirlwind: it shall fall with pain upon the head of the wicked."

Just yesterday morning there were multiple tornados in Kentucky. There were 50 to 100 people killed in Mayfield, KY alone. There was much damage in Hart County. We all know from either personal experience or from news accounts the severity and dangers of a tornado.

It's hard to believe that a tornado is simply moving air. But it moves so swiftly and violently in a tightly wound swirling motion that it leaves death and destruction in its path. It's just air. How can it be so destructive? Given the right conditions, it's deadly.

The LORD is gracious and good but Jeremiah talks of the whirlwind of the LORD going forth. It goes forth with fury and will bring pain upon the head of the wicked.

Let this verse in Jeremiah serve as a "tornado warning." In a physical tornado warning, the storm might not be as severe as first thought and

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might not even come at all. With the whirlwind of the LORD, the coming storm and pain for the wicked is absolutely guaranteed.

The only way to really protect yourself from a physical tornado is in a good shelter. The only shelter for us when the whirlwind of the LORD goes forth is the LORD Himself. We need to be found faithfully living in the LORD. The Psalmist wrote in Psalm 61:3, *"For thou hast been a shelter for me..."* 

—Marty Edwards�

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II Corinthians 3:2-3,"<sup>2</sup>Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men: <sup>3</sup>Forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart."

Paul told the brethren at Corinth they were an epistle written in the hearts of Paul and his companions. It was not with ink on a physical writing surface, but written with the Spirit on the heart.

If our lives were written upon the hearts of Paul and his coworkers, what would they read about us? Would it be spiritual and wholesome" Would it be something they enjoyed reading over and over and sharing with others?

What kind of lives are we living and writing upon the hearts of our family members and friends? What will they "read" about us as they think about us in the years to come? What kind of writing will we leave behind for them? Let's leave behind writings of faithfulness and spiritual encouragement for them to help them follow us after this life to be with the LORD.

-Marty Edwards \*



—Continue to remember Steve Seaton, Brad Terry, Enola Zigler, Shirley Edwards, Clay Bozarth, Ken & Erin Davis, Becky Hatcher, Joanna Locke & Richard Connolly. Larry Compton is scheduled for another eye surgery in the

morning. Linda Terry continues to recover well from a broken hip. She remains hospitalized in Elizabethtown awaiting rehab. Alice Vanderstoep was admitted to T. J. Samson Hospital this past week with very bad pain. She has a kidney stone and a very bad infection from it. She goes back in about a week for surgery to have it removed.

—Many were affected by a tornado in the area yesterday morning. Right now, I know of no major injuries. **Larry Compton** had two barns blown down, much equipment damaged, a fence blown over and cattle out, and many trees down. His house suffered no damage.

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Revelation 1:3 "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand."

Revelation is the only book of the Bible that says we'll be blessed by reading the book. The blessings are told in chapter one and repeated in Revelation 22.

Certainly blessings come from every book of the Bible but I feel the LORD chose to overtly tell us this about Revelation. It is a book full of imagery and metaphors and can present a challenge. I do believe we can overcome these challenges presented by Revelation, and as we do, the blessings will pour forth.

Revelation 1:3 tells us to read, hear, and keep the things written. Let's do those three things and the blessings will come. *continued on next page...* 

Sunday, December 5, 2021		
Classes	8	Matthew 9:18-38
Preaching	12	Ezekiel 37:1-12
Contribution	\$1061.00	
Evening	5	Singing - Psalm 91:1-16
Wednesday, December 8, 2021		
Classes	6	Psalms 86-87

Bible Quiz

The LORD loveth what more than all the dwellings of Jacob?

Last Week's Answer— the most high God (Genesis 14:18) *continued from previous page* 

Revelation 22:7 says, "Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book." It's interesting that the last chapter of Revelation only says to keep the sayings of this book. By the time you've gotten to the end of the book, you should have read and heard as Revelation 1:3 says. Now, you need to keep the words. —Marty Edwards\*

## -God's Plan of Salvation-

- 1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
- 2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
- 3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
- 4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
- 5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
- 6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)