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Isaiah 35:8, “*And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it [shall be] for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err [therein].*”

Warm weather is here and many are traveling the highways of our nation. It’s vastly important to be on the right highway. It’s infinitely more important to be on the right spiritual highway.

Isaiah prophesied of a highway to come. It was to be the way of holiness. Looking back, we can see from the Bible that this certainly points toward the Church. This way is not for the unclean. It’s a way for the wayfaring men, though they be fools, will not err in this way. It’s for the wayfaring men in that they repent and get on this highway.

This highway of which Isaiah wrote is called “the way.” How can we know that we are on the right highway? Jesus said in John 14:6, “*Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.*” The way of which Isaiah prophesied was Jesus. He is the way. There is no other way to the

Father except by Jesus. If one tries to follow the teachings of someone else, they are going the wrong way and will never see the Father.

In preparing for that way, John the baptizer was prophesied in Isaiah 40:3, “*The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.*” The way of the LORD would be straight and in the desert.

The way is straight. There are no curves or quick changes to the road. You can see well ahead and know what to expect. This makes travel very safe. With the way of the LORD being straight, we can safely navigate and see what’s ahead. We don’t know everything life holds, but we know that our eternal home in Heaven is always at the end of the highway.

The way of the LORD was also in the desert. A desert is a barren and dry place that is often difficult to travel. It’s difficult because there is no path through it. The LORD has laid out a highway in the desert of life so we can safely travel through it.

To get on a highway we have to enter from a small secondary road. We have to leave one way to get on the highway. Proverbs 16:17, “*The highway of the upright [is] to depart from evil:*” The entrance ramp to the highway of the upright is departing from evil. If we are going to travel the LORD’s way, we cannot live a sinful life.

When we travel a highway it’s vital to have signs and pay close attention to where we are going. We are told in Jeremiah 31:21, “*Set thee up waymarks, make thee high heaps: set thine heart toward the highway, [even] the way [which] thou wentest: turn again, O virgin of Israel, turn again to these thy cities.*”

We have waymarks set up for us. These are the words of the Bible that keep us on the right way. They prevent us from making a wrong turn. Just as we have to pay very close attention when driving, we are

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# News

—Continue to remember **Alice Vanderstoep, Steve Seaton, Brad Terry, Enola Zigler, Ken & Erin Davis, Becky Hatcher, Joanna Locke, Richard Connolly, Larry Compton, Linda Terry. Lauren Candela** has a mass in her back and

is going to need spine surgery. Surgery is scheduled for July 19 and July 21. **Clay Bozarth**, father of Ruby Edwards, has surgery tomorrow to remove a skin cancer from his head. He is also struggling with general health issues and mobility. Ruby is there for a few days.

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to set our heart toward the highway. A major cause of accidents is distracted driving. We must set our heart toward the highway of the LORD and never let “distracted driving” prevent us from reaching our destination.

Sometimes it helps to follow someone when driving. We have someone we can follow as we travel the highway of life. Regarding the saved we are told in Revelation 14:4, “*These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth.*”

The Lamb is Jesus. He is leading us down the highway of life. If we follow Him wherever He goes, we know we are on the right path. Getting off the highway we can become lost. We definitely will be lost if we get off the LORD’s highway.

This highway has been here all the time. It’s the old path. Jeremiah 6:16, “*Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where [is] the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls...*”

The above verse is a great verse of comfort, but the last few words of the verse are sad. The people to whom Jeremiah was speaking said,  
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Sunday, July 2, 2023

Classes	8	Mark 11:1-11
Preaching	18	Freedom from sin (Romans 6:7)
Contribution	\$1661.00	
Evening	—	online due to severe weather
Wednesday, July 5, 2023		
Classes	—	services at Horse Cave

Visitors— Jul 2 (AM) Barbara Clark & Doug Sloan (Horse Cave, KY)

## Bible Quiz

Two disciples of Jesus found what tied by a door?

Last Week’s Answer— The stars of Heaven (Nahum 3:16)

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“*We will not walk therein.*” Let’s not be like them and refuse to follow the way the LORD has laid out for us. It’s the straight and narrow way that leads to everlasting life.

—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)