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Proverbs 20:15, "There is gold, and a multitude of rubies: but the lips of knowledge are a precious jewel."

It only takes a trip to the store or mall to realize how many things there are in our nation. There are numerous goods to purchase. One can go into a store and the choices can be overwhelming. Whether you are simply buying a loaf of bread or a new vehicle, the choices are numerous.

We have been richly blessed. "There is gold, and a multitude of rubies" to be had. There are riches everywhere. But the writer of Proverbs was telling us that the lips of knowledge are a precious jewel, not the gold and jewels we might obtain.

There is worldly knowledge to obtain as well, but the knowledge we need to pursue is the knowledge of the LORD. Proverbs 1:7 says, "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction."

We are told in Proverbs 2:5-6, "⁵Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God. ⁶For the LORD

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giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding." We need to work to find the knowledge of the LORD. Such knowledge is found within the pages of the Bible.

Many philosophers have searched for true understanding. They need to search no further than the Bible. Proverbs 9:10, "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding."

There is much gold and a multitude of rubies. Goods and wealth are everywhere. Libraries are full of worldly knowledge. The only lasting treasure is found in the knowledge of the LORD and following His word.

—Marty Edwards

Philippians 4:7, "And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

There are many things which are beyond our understanding. There are things we understand full well, but are impossible to explain to others. I fully understand the difference between green and red, but there is no way I can explain it to a person without sight. The only way they can truly comprehend color and the differences is to see for themselves.

There is a peace being in the LORD that no one can understand unless they are in the LORD. We know that Heaven awaits. The thoughts of the glory there and being with the LORD bring a peace that truly passes all understanding.

It's this peace that keeps our hearts and minds. It's through Jesus that we have this peace. It's the only place and He is the only one who can bring this peace. It's truly peace that passes understanding and will forever be with us.

—Marty Edwards❖



—Continue to remember Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jean Coffey, Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, and Brad Terry. Elaina Rimmer has been sick with strep throat, but is much better. She is at Bible camp in Henderson, Tennessee this week.



Amos 8:1-2, "¹Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me: and behold a basket of summer fruit. ²And he said, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A basket of summer fruit. Then said the LORD unto me, The end is come upon my people of Israel; I will not again pass by them any more."

Summer begins this Tuesday. It seems like we just began warm weather but the year is almost half over. It's already too late to put out most crops and soon will be harvest of the crops that have been planted.

Amos was shown a basket of summer fruit. This simply was showing Amos that the end was upon the people of Israel. It was getting very late for them spiritually. It was nearing harvest time. The LORD was not going to pass by them again. He was saying that the opportunities for them to turn to Him were at an end.

If we are not careful, we will squander away our lives and opportunities to serve the LORD. We might even think that "someday" I'll return to the LORD. Someday I'll be active in the church once again. For so many, "someday" never comes.

We need to see the basket of summer fruit and realize it's later than we think. If we are away from the LORD, we need to return as soon as possible. Harvest time is here and will soon be gone.

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Sunday, June 11, 2017		
Classes	18	Colossians 3:18-4:6
Preaching	22	James 5
Contribution	\$769.50	
Evening	19	Revelation 11:1-19
Wednesday, June 14, 2017		
Classes	20	Hosea 8:1-14

Bible Quiz

What was given to John to measure the temple of God?

Last Week's Answer—Star (Revelation 22:16)

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light." —I Peter 2:9



-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)