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Joshua 3:3-4 “<sup>3</sup>And they commanded the people, saying, When ye see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, and the priests the Levites bearing it, then ye shall remove from your place, and go after it. <sup>4</sup>Yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure: come not near unto it, that ye may know the way by which ye must go: for ye have not passed this way heretofore.”

Moses had recently died and the Israelites were now entering the land of Canaan. The people were command that when they saw the ark of God moving, they were to follow it with a space of about 2000 cubits between them and the ark. They were to never touch the ark and not come near unto it. The reason for following the ark was so they would know which way to go. They had not passed that way before.

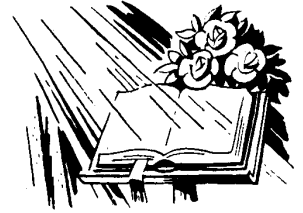
When we travel some place unfamiliar, we have to follow directions. The directions might be from a paper map or perhaps electronic maps on your dash or on your cell phone. Now days, your phone can

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navigate for you and tell you which turns to make and even warn you of things that change such as heavy traffic and adverse weather conditions.



We are on a much more perilous journey than a journey upon the highways. We are traveling through life with only two possible destinations at the end.

Use and follow the “map” the LORD has given us— the Bible. Follow it and obey the teachings therein to arrive safely at your destination. Not only does the LORD show us the way, but the LORD IS the way. Jesus said in John 14:6, “. . . I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.”

As the Israelites of old were told, you have not passed this way before. We have not passed this way of life to what awaits us after this life, but we can know which way to go by following the word of God.

—Marty Edwards❖

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Genesis 8:22, “While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.”

Fall officially arrives this Thursday, September 22. We count on the regular changing of the seasons. This helps us plan for heating and cooling, what to wear, planting and harvest, time keeping, etc. So many aspects of our lives depend upon the reliability of the seasons and days.

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# News

—Continue to remember **Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jean Coffey, Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton and Brad Terry Kenneth Compton. Clay and Wanda Bozarth**, Ruby Edwards parents, are both doing much better. **Shirley Edwards** is in

Hardin Memorial Hospital recovering from a stroke she had last Wednesday. She is doing well, but is having trouble walking and will be staying a while for rehabilitation.

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We need not be concerned at all that some disaster of nature or mankind is going to change and disrupt the seasons or days. The LORD promised very early in the Bible that as long as the earth remains, the changing of the seasons and day and night would not cease. They will continue until the LORD returns and the earth is destroyed by fire. This promise offers great comfort and reminds us that the LORD is in total control—not man nor natural events.



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Galatians 6:7-8, “<sup>7</sup>Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. <sup>8</sup>For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.”

Fall is almost here and one of the major activities of the area is the harvesting of crops. When a farmer sows a crop early in the year, the harvest reaped months later will be the same as the crop sown earlier. Even if the farmer wanted a different crop at harvest time, it would not be possible.

Not only will one reap the same crop as has been sown, but the harvest brings forth far more than was originally sown. When one plants a kernel of corn, many kernels are expected on the stalk. This is a law of nature upon which we depend.

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Sunday, September 11, 2016		
Classes	17	Ephesians 3:1-9
Preaching	17	Ephesians 6:11-18
Contribution	\$509.00	
Evening	17	Proverbs 14:1-35
Wednesday, September 14, 2016		
Classes	13	Nehemiah 3:1-32

## Bible Quiz

Every wise woman builds what?

Last Week’s Answer— The beast he rode upon (Nehemiah 2:12)

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The same holds true in our lives. If we sow “wild oats” then we will reap wild oats later. Do not expect something different. Carefully consider the seed you are sowing. You will reap an abundant harvest. Will you enjoy the “crop” at harvest time?

—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)