

THE POEM

I knelt to pray but not for long,
I had too much to do.
I had to hurry and get to work
For bills would soon be due.
So I knelt and said a hurried prayer,
And jumped up off my knees.
My Christian duty was now done
My soul could rest at ease....
All day long I had no time
To spread a word of cheer
No time to speak of Christ to friends,
They'd laugh at me I'd fear.
No time, no time, too much to do,
That was my constant cry,
No time to give to souls in need
But at last the time, the time to die.
I went before the Lord,
I came, I stood with downcast eyes.
For in his hands God held a book;
It was the book of life.
God looked into his book and said
"Your name I cannot find.
I once was going to write it down...
But never found the time."

OUR PILOT

Except our hope be in the Lord,
We sail the ship in vain—
There is no compass but His own;
To make the journey plain.
Except he lead us past the shoals,
That hide beneath the foam,
How shall we reach the harbor
And the shining lights of home?

—author unknown

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SUN: 9:00am - Worship

10:15am - Bible Study

6:00pm - Worship

WED: 7:00pm - Bible Study

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MONITOR

The Gospel Of Judas

Many saw on television this last week what was promoted as an exciting announcement about the discovery of a lost gospel, the Gospel of Judas. The National Geographic Society that is planning a big television special examining this book had this to say about this discovery. "The Gospel of Judas gives a different view of the relationship between Jesus and Judas, offering new insights into the disciple who betrayed Jesus. Unlike the accounts in the canonical Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, in which Judas is portrayed as a reviled traitor, this newly discovered Gospel portrays Judas as acting at Jesus' request when he hands Jesus over to the authorities." A few things need to be observed about this Gospel of Judas.

- ◆ We must chose between this Gospel of Judas and the gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. They say two different things about the betrayal of Jesus. They cannot both be true. They cannot both be inspired.
- ◆ The Gospel of Judas dates to the 3rd or 4th century. All excepted New Testament books can be verified by manuscripts that date back to the 2nd Century.
- ◆ By National Geographic's admission this book would fall into a large collection of books that were deemed "heretical by Christian leaders of the first centuries."
- ◆ The Gospel of Judas is one book standing against the evidence of hundreds of early manuscripts backing up the Gospels as we know them.

What we really have is the discovery of an ancient book that deals with religious things. That is neat and interesting but it does not equal inspiration. No textual critic in their right mind would accept this lone text as being worthy of being accepted as part of the Bible. I shudder to think that in a few thousand years some archeologist will stumble upon the religious section in some ancient book store and think that he has discovered the long lost truth just because someone wrote it long ago.

Words from Westley

FOR THE RECORD

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AT HOME

Ervin Walker, Lester Franks, Jim McMahan, Darroll Smith, Jimmy Stubblefield, Anita Gray. Mary Rigney had surgery on Monday.

YOUTH

Apr. 15: Little Tykes devo @ the Anderson's @ 2:00pm. An easter egg hunt will follow. Each child should bring 12 filled eggs.
Apr. 16: T.A.B.S. @ Owl Hollow.
Apr. 22: Teen Devo/Scavenger hunt @ 2:00pm in the Fellowship hall.
Apr. 29: MORP, Prom Alternative

PANTRY ITEMS

Peanut butter, Sugar, Vienna Sausage

KYB COMMENTS

I really enjoy this method of learning more about the Bible. It definitely helps me to understand the details that are so often missed. (student from Chapel Hill, NC.)

MEMORIALS

The following contributions have been made to the special fund in memory of J. C. Young by Bessie Cox and in memory of Honorine Elkins by Mr. & Mrs. Buster Bush & Mr. & Mrs. Bob Gillen.

LADIES LUNCHEON

The Ladies will meet Friday, Apr. 21st @ Patch Manor @ 11:00am. All ladies are invited.

MEN TO SERVE

THOSE TO PRAY, SUN. APR. 16:

9:00 AM Dwayne Carver
Jack Hyatt
Song Leader: Matthew Beard
6:00 PM Jayson Little
Andy Vaughn
Song Leader: Andrew Foster

GREETERS:

Foyer: Earl & Wanda Qualls
Coy & Jewell Noblitt
West Door Ed & Mary Bowman

SERMON TITLES

AM. "Heaven"
PM. "The Nation Of Israel"

THOSE TO SERVE, WED. APR. 19:

Announcements: Stephen Foster
Devotional: Dwayne Carver
First Prayer: David Sullivan
Closing Prayer: Leroy Munsey
Song Leader: Jonathan Olive



My brother and sister in Christ,

Thank you for always being there for me. Each member has constantly shown their love by your prayers, cards, calls, visits and gifts. You were always there when I needed you. Every action has been a display of your love for me. I pray that the Lord will give me strength to return my love to you.

Many thanks,
Bobbie Deadman

My family would like to thank all of you for the cards & prayers on Jeff's behalf. As most of you know, his cancer is back. We still need your prayers for Jeff. We know it is in God's hands.

In Christian love,
Carolyn Blanks

KEEP THE FORK

A certain woman was diagnosed with cancer and was told she had only three months to live. So, as she was "putting her things in order" she called her minister and had him come to her house to discuss details of her funeral. She told him the songs she wanted sung, the scriptures she wanted read, and what outfit she wanted to be buried in. She wanted her favorite Bible with her in the casket. As the minister was preparing to depart she remembered one more thing, something very important to her. "I want to be buried with a fork in my hand."

The Minister stood looking at the woman, not knowing quite what to say. "That surprises you, doesn't it?" she asked. "Well," he said, "to be honest, I am puzzled by your request." The woman explained, "In all my years of attending church socials and potluck dinners, I always remember that when the dishes of the main course were being cleared away, someone would lean over and say, 'Keep your fork.' It was my favorite part, because I knew that something better was coming—like velvety chocolate cake or deep-dish apple pie. Something wonderful, and with substance! So, I just want people to see me there in that casket with a fork in my hand, and I want them to wonder, 'What's with the fork?' The I want you to tell them: "Keep your fork...the best is yet to come." His eyes filled with tears as he hugged her goodbye.

At the funeral people were walking by the woman's casket and they saw the pretty dress she was wearing, and her

favorite Bible beside her. Over and over the minister heard them say, "What's with the fork?" During his sermon he told them about the fork, and about the woman's faith that the best is yet to come—heaven is yet to come. Now, next time you reach for your fork, let it remind you that, if you keep faith and live for Jesus, when death comes you won't be afraid. You know the best is yet to come —Adapted

GOD HAS PROMISED TO TAKE AWAY:

DEATH: No more bedside vigils, anxious moments and the mixed feelings that force us to cry, "I hate to see her suffer; but, I cannot bear to say, 'Goodbye.'"

MOURNING: No more uncontrollable sobs of sorrow. No more hours of visitation at the funeral home. No more nights of lonely vexation. No more days of bitter-sweet memories.

CRYING: No more tear-stained pillows of disappointment. No more blood-shot eyes of despair. No more fatigue or feeling washed out from the stress that is so unique to discouragement.

PAIN: No more open wounds. No more surgery. No more children with tears streaming down their cheeks and the question, "Why?" in their eyes. No more teenagers struggling with their identity or with the rejection of their peers. No more disloyalty and divorce. No more broken hearts. No more shattered dreams.

—Dan Winkler