



THE MESSENGER

APRIL 17, 2022

NEWS AND NOTES

Congregational Meeting

Today at 5:15

Weekly Bible Studies

Tuesdays on Zoom, 10
Friday, 12:30, Fayette Mall
food court

Saturday, 10, Panera
(Georgetown)

Times of Service

Sunday

Bible study: 9:45 AM
Worship: 10:45 AM; 6 PM

Wednesday

Bible study: 7:30 PM
(Immediately followed by a
short worship service)

First Friday of Month

Singing

March 4, 7:30

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THE BIBLE AND ARCHEOLOGY

This past week I began posting short articles on Facebook about some archeological discoveries from the past few decades that support the Bible. Keeping abreast of this comparatively new field of biblical apologetics has become a favorite hobby of mind over the past few years. It has been extremely gratifying to see the interest others have expressed as I believe biblical archeology can greatly enhance one's trust in the reliability and accuracy of Scripture. Adding a working knowledge of it to your toolbelt is wise and helpful.

Having said that, it's important to keep it in its proper place. Biblical archeology will not by itself prove the inspiration of Scripture. When the Bible is proven correct on any particular point as ancient documents and artifacts are recovered, we must view it the same as when any ancient writer is proven correct through the same process. Reliability, not inspiration, is the fruit of such finds. As mentioned above, it is helpful to make working knowledge of this field one tool among many in your belt.

People have most commonly wondered where this information is coming from. A tremendous resource is Biblical Archeology Review, or BAR, for short. This quarterly magazine is very well done and serves to keep one abreast of the latest news in biblical archeology. They make some articles free on their website, though I would recommend a subscription if you're truly interested.

A number of groups on social media are dedicated to biblical archeology and anyone can join them. Most require verification and proper attestation to anything posted so one can have confidence that the finds are real and have been examined by

Members Needing Our Prayers

Joyce Bolton, Pat Seabolt, Rick Small, Ralph Fox, Benny Poynter, Janet Brundige, Karen Spivey, Rhonda Boyd, Cindy Bradbury, Paul Atkisson

Others Needing Prayers

Allison Walker, Dwight Antle, Randy Cates, Larry McTeer, Charlene Michael, Ann Little, Mary Jean Snyder, Mark Nickles, Adam Fusco, Rachel and Sarah White, Duane Harrod, Grace Meyer, Meredith Nicholson, Alice and Lonnie Anderson, Glen Perkins, Ethan Shelton, Terry Daniels, Leroy Weatherholt, Robert Brundige, John Blessing, William Roberts, Paul and Marrian Lyda, Dana and her children, Shane (a relative of Cindi), Ron Harmon, Debbie Lanphear, Veronica Bowman

To Our Guests

Interested in a Bible study? Either let one of us know or mark it on your visitor card.

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those schooled in the field. Most of them also forbid any discussion beyond archeology so that's all you'll find there.

If you're willing to spend a little money, I recommend three study bibles. The first is the ESV Archeology Study Bible. This Bible is focused exclusively on archeological data and every note is designed with that in mind. This is a treasure trove of archeological information. Released in 2017, it is the most up to date study Bible specifically geared toward archeology.

The second is the NIV Archeological Study Bible. It contains beautiful photos of recovered artifacts and excavated Bible places. Numerous articles provide a wealth of information. It, too, focuses solely upon archeology and all of the notes reflect that.

The NIV Cultural Backgrounds Study Bible is also interesting and helpful in this regard. As the name suggests, it's focus is on the culture of Israel and its neighbors. It, too, is a wealth of archeological information.

If you're interested in this field, these are great places to start!
Adam Litmer

Elders	Deacons	Evangelist
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David Collins	Adam Daniels	
	Adam Litmer	
	Frank Patton	
	Jamie Powell	
	Pat Seabolt	
	Matt Thompson	
	James Weatherholt	

