

**SERVICE SCHEDULE for May 27, 2012**

**Announcements for the Week**

Marshall Irvin

**Morning Service**

**Prayer-** John Paul Baker

**Song Leader-** Andy Dobbs

**Communion:**

-- **Comments** – Dan Buselmeier

-- **Assisting** – Marshall Foxworthy

-- **Assisting** – Lawrence Pope

-- **Assisting** – Mark Jones

-- **Assisting** – Gary Goddard

**Scripture** – Payden Frix

**Closing Prayer-** Jay Dobbs

**Evening Service**

**Prayer-** Jason LaChappelle

**Song Leader-** Bill McIlvain

**Comments** – Marshall Irvin

**Serving** – Mark Jones

**Scripture** – Kevin Criswell

**Closing Prayer-** Ronald Sammons

**Wednesday Night – May 30, 2012**

**First Prayer** – Dan Buselmeier

**Song Leader** – Bill McIlvain

**Invitation** – Alex Tucker

**Closing Prayer** – David Johnson

**May 22 Sunday Night Lesson** – Bill McIlvain

**Upcoming Assignments:**

June	Communion	Cleaning
3	Hudson	Davidson, Hudson, Goddard
10	German	Dobbs, Bailey, Fuller, LaChappelle

**Notes:**

**The Ladies meet on the first and third Monday of the month. Next meeting is Monday, June 4 at 7PM.**

**Deacons to Meet This Morning:** Dan Buselmeier would like to speak with the Deacons for VERY brief meeting this morning immediately after services. He has suggested that they assemble at one of the front pews.

**Bulletin Articles:** Please submit any articles you would want to share with others to Bill McIlvain. Digital copies are preferred.

**Family Bible Week Coming Soon!** FBW dates have tentatively been set now for the week of July 15. Do everything you can to accommodate this.

*Schedule of Services*

**Sunday: 9 a.m., 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.**

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# Covington Church of Christ

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Deacons: John Paul Baker -- Doug Davidson -- Andy Fuller

Marshall Irvin -- Jason LaChappelle

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**Notable Women**

1. Who was the mother of the Midianites?
2. Who is the only Egyptian queen mentioned in the Bible?
3. What Egyptian woman found the infant Moses in the river?
4. Who was the wife of Haman of Persia?



**Moses Wasn't Complaining**

By Edwin Crozier

To our modern sensibilities, it just does not seem fair. Moses had been a great leader. Then one day, he let his temper get the better of him and did one wrong thing. In Numbers 20, the Israelites were complaining again. They had been delivered by the Lord repeatedly, but still they complained, *“If only we had perished when our brothers perished before the Lord!”*



In vs. 8, God told Moses to take his rod and Aaron and go *“speak to the rock before their eyes, that it may yield its water.”*



## *Moses Wasn't Complaining*

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Despite God's clear instruction, Moses did not speak to the rock, he struck it. God responded in *vs. 12*, *“Because you have not believed Me, to treat Me as holy in the sight of the sons of Israel, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land which I have given them.”*

We know the rest of the story. In Deuteronomy 34, Moses went to the mountaintop, was allowed to see the Promised Land and then died before the Lord without entering Canaan or enjoying its fruit.

That does not seem fair. One mistake and no Promised Land. However, though Moses faced consequences for his sin, he did not face eternal damnation. He was forgiven. Moses learned from God's chastening and clearly repented.

Fast forward about 1500 years to the next time we see Moses. In Matthew 17:3, Moses appeared to Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration. Do you think he was complaining about never living in Canaan? Keep in mind, he had spent the previous 1500 years in the presence of God in paradise. I do not think Moses was complaining.

We often have a skewed view of what is fair and what is important on this side of death. However, when we enter eternity our perception will clear up.

On this side of death, we get upset about facing consequences of sin, thinking it is somehow not fair. We are upset for the person who has to remain single or get out of an unlawful marriage because of past sin. We think it is unfair when someone got pregnant or caught a disease the one time they committed immorality. We wonder why God lets the one who got drunk only once have a car wreck and lose their legs. To us it just does not seem fair. We especially have trouble seeing someone who was forgiven but still facing sin's consequences.

What we must remember is the one who learns from God's chastening instead of complaining about how unfair it is will live

through eternity with God. I venture to say no matter how unfair we thought things were here, when we enter heaven, we will not be complaining anymore. As Romans 8:18 says, we will learn that heaven is worth it all.



## *Looking Good*

By Al Diestelkamp

Some time ago, a Saturday morning was dedicated to washing the windows (inside and out) at our house. They needed washing, and the next afternoon we were to have many people at our house for a social gathering. After that job was completed I proceeded to scrape and paint the trim around the doors of our otherwise maintenance-free exterior.

As I was finishing up the painting, and noticing how nice it looked in contrast to the peeling paint, I realized that visitors would not likely take note of the effort. No one would comment about how sparkling clean the windows were, nor how freshly white the trim appeared.

However, had we not cleaned the windows, or had I not painted the trim, some might have noticed that these jobs hadn't been done.

Our lives are much like that. Few will notice when we do what is right, but many will notice when we do wrong. In reality, this should not upset us. Our purpose in doing what is right should be to please God. It should never be for our own glory.

Doing right is our duty, and Jesus said, *“When you have done all those things which you are commanded, say, ‘We are unprofitable servants. We have done what was our duty to do’” (Luke 17:10).*



### **Answers from page 1**

1. Keturah, wife of Abraham [Genesis 25:1 & 4]
2. Tahpenes [1 Kings 11:19]
3. Pharaoh's daughter [Exodus 2:5]
4. Zeresh [Esther 5:10]

