FROM THE PREACHERS DESK Fun with 2021

Every new year I like to go through the Bible to see how Bible verses correspond with the new year. For instance, this upcoming year is 2021, so I look at every book of the Bible that has a chapter "20" and a verse "21," just to see what they say.

There's nothing prophetic or mystical about it, but it's fun. This year I thought we could look at the verses together and see what 20:21 has in store for us...

The following are the only books in the Bible with both a twentieth chapter and a twenty-first verse:

Exodus 20:21 - So the people stood at a distance, while Moses approached the thick cloud where God was. Yikes! Too familiar!

Leviticus 20:21 - If there is a man who takes his brother's wife, it is abhorrent; he has uncovered his brother's nakedness. They will be childless. Uh...no comment.

Numbers 20:21 - Thus Edom refused to allow Israel to pass through his territory; so Israel turned away from him. They will regret that decision.

Judges 20:21 - Then the sons of Benjamin came out of Gibeah and felled to the ground on that day 22,000 men of Israel. A nation divided; Also, too familiar!

1 Samuel 20:21 - And behold, I will send the lad, saving, 'Go, find the arrows.' If I specifically say to the lad, 'Behold, the arrows are on this side of you, get them,' then come; for there is safety for you and no harm, as the Lord lives. Jonathan protecting David safe from King Saul.

2 Samuel 20:21 - Such is not the case. But a man from the hill country of Ephraim, Sheba the son of Bichri by name, has lifted up his hand against King David. Only hand him over, and I will depart from the city." And the woman said to Joab, "Behold, his head will be thrown to you over the wall." Gruesome!

1 Kings 20:21 - The king of Israel went out and struck the horses and chariots, and killed the Arameans with a great slaughter. Even more gruesome!

2 Kings 20:21 - So Hezekiah slept with his fathers, and Manasseh (continued) \rightarrow his son became king in his place. Son replaces father as king.

2 Chronicles 20:21 - When he had consulted with the people, he appointed those who sang to the Lord and those who praised Him in holy attire, as they went out before the army and said, "Give thanks to the Lord, for His lovingkindness is everlasting." Singers for the Lord go before the soldiers!

Job 20:21 - Nothing remains for him to devour, therefore his prosperity does not endure. Just sad.

Proverbs 20:21 - An inheritance gained hurriedly at the beginning will not be blessed in the end. Wise words.

Ezekiel 20:21 - But the children rebelled against Me; they did not walk in My statutes, nor were they careful to observe My ordinances, by which, if a man observes them, he will live; they profaned My sabbaths. So I resolved to pour out My wrath on them, to accomplish My anger against them in the wilderness. The consequences of rebellion.

Matthew 20:21 - And He said to her, "What do you wish?" She said to Him, "Command that in Your kingdom these two sons of mine may sit one on Your right and one on Your left." Momma lobbying for her boys – not the first or the last!

Luke 20:21 - They questioned Him, saying, "Teacher, we know that You speak and teach correctly, and You are not partial to any, but teach the way of God in truth. False respect and deception.

John 20:21 - So Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you." A verse to apply to the new year!

Acts 20:21 - solemnly testifying to both Jews and Greeks of repentance toward God and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. Testify to the gospel!

So, of the 66 books, only 16 have a twentieth chapter with a twenty -first verse. Like I said, nothing prophetic, but just a fun new year tradition.

What does 2021 have in store? God alone has the answers.

Happy New Year!

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PRAYER LIST

Kevin Hunt-son of Carol Norris, continues to have health issues and has been moved to a care home in Wichita. Please keep Kevin as well as Carol in your prayers.

Hailee Moyer-daughter of Maria Moyer and granddaughter of Marsha Dugan, was in a bad car accident and needs pravers for healing. She is waiting to get into a long term rehab facility. She still has a long recovery path and needs prayers. She would love Christmas cards and cards of encouragement. You can send them to Hailee Moyer, 412 S. F Street, Wellington, KS 67152

Melinda Miller-wife of Chris Miller, saw her doctor and was given the good news that she is cancer free! She has a few tests and some radiation ahead for her. Keep the prayers coming! Her address is Melinda Miller, 14 LaCrumbre Close, Tauranga 3110, New Zealand. Remember there is extra postage for cards sent out of the US.

EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY

We express our deepest sympathy to Leroy & Judy Lewis. Leroy's brother, Chester Lewis passed away Sunday. Chester was 97 and lived in Oklahoma. Please keep Leroy, Judy and their family in your prayers.

We express our deepest sympathy to the family of Dorothy Lauterbach. Dorothy passed away Tuesday. There are no services at this time. Keep her family in prayers.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Ed & Bobbi Newberry have dropped their "land-line" telephone. Feel free to call their cell phones. Their numbers are Ed-620-440-0788 and Bobbi-620-326-0228.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Mary Ann Hennig—1st Elise Wartick—3rd Joshua Garver—4th Joe Church—6th Shirley Stoner—6th Kayden Clark—9th Jordyn Clark—15th Parker Dodds—17th Patsy Pierce—17th Ada Francisco-26th Eloise Francisco-26th Martha Howell-27th Lonnie Bennett-29th Crystal Shields-30th Merle Willey-30th

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE December Dec 27 Kaylee Jenkins January Jan 03 Jill DeJarnett Jan 10 Lynette Turney Jan 17 Linda Wartick Jan 24 Kaylee Jenkins Jan 31 Darlene Cooney February Feb 07 Helen Norris Feb 21 Linda Wartick

Feb 14 Lynette Turney Feb 28 Kaylee Jenkins

Be so positive that negative people can't stand to be around you!

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		Communion Prayer	R. Harris	M. Kline	E. Newberry	- Church of Christ
		Contribution Prayer	A. Hines	N. Bradbury	N. Bradbury	
		& Collection	J. DeJarnett	P. Dodds	P. Dodds	
		Ushers	J. Willson	J. Rayl	J. Rayl	217 W. 13th St. Wellington, KS 67152 620-326-7511
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		Closing Prayer	T. Norris	R. Harris	R. Harris	December 27, 2020
		Deacon in Charge	A. Shields	K. Dodds	K. Dodds	
		SUNDAY A.M.	17-Jan 2021	25-Jan 2021	31-Jan 2021	Call to Worship
		Elder in Charge	R. Harris	R. Harris	R. Harris	Prayer
		Opening Prayer	B. Turney	L. Lewis	J. DeJarnett	Song #448 "The Greatest Command"
		Song Leader	K. Dodds	K. Dodds	K. Dodds	Song # 110 The Greatest Command
		Communion Prayer	T. Norris	R. Harris	M. Kline	Song #490 "It Is Well with My Soul"
		Contribution Prayer	N. Bradbury	N. Bradbury	N. Bradbury	Song #316 "Nailed to the Cross"
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		Closing Prayer	R. Harris	R. Harris	R. Harris	Contribution Collection
		Deacon in Charge	K. Dodds	K. Dodds	K. Dodds	Lesson
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		ELDERS Rex Harris M		DEACONS Kevin Dodds	Aaron Hines	
					Mike Neal	
					Alan Shields	Every Sunday during the sermon we offer Children's Church
		MINISTER				to boys and girls ages 3 years through 2nd grade. They will meet in the study for stories, crafts and learning about Jesus.
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