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"If God can do anything, can he create a rock so large and heavy that he cannot pick it up?"

Do not think about it too long because your brain will hurt. Also, it is a ridiculous question that means nothing. Can God do anything? That's a loaded question, but yes. Can God accomplish anything that he desires to accomplish? Once again, this question is loaded, but yes. So think about this with me, **why is he so interested in us?** If God has all the ability he needs to do anything and accomplish anything he desires then why does he need us? Well, in my opinion, **God does not need us. God chose us.** Listen to the words of Peter...

"As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men **but in the sight of God chosen and precious**, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a **holy** priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God **through Jesus Christ**." (1 Peter 2:4-5)

"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." (1 Peter 2:9)

How incredible are these verses! If you are a Christian, a God who can do and accomplish anything that he desires *chose you* as his possession, as his child. This message should excite us to no end and yet, have another overwhelming effect on us...

"Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you." (1 Peter 5:6-7)

One follower of God named brother Lawrence said it this way, "I will not so much as pick up a straw from the ground if it is not the will of God. Our daily prayer ought to be to humble ourselves to his will and change our lives whether we like it or not, because *at the proper time* he will exalt us and bring us to Heaven! So instead of thinking of that silly brain-teasing question, focus on the reality that God has chosen you *in Christ Jesus* and allow that thought to control your life.

Austin Johnson

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Worship: Sunday 9:00 am & 5:00 pm; Bible Class 10:15 am; Wednesday: 6:30 pm

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM: 240 / On Line Views: 134 Sunday School: 205 / On Line Views: 70 Sunday PM: 192/ On Line Views: 120 Wednesday: 201 / On Line Views: 62

Budget: \$13,300 Contribution: \$ 15,227

OCTOBER MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH

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THANK YOU

Dear Florence Blvd Family,

It was so kind of you, to make a donation to the North Alabama Christian Children's Home, in memory of my mom, Eloise Holt. Thank you again for the many expressions of sympathy shown to us during this time.

In Christian Love, Tim & Belinda Holt

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DEVOTIONAL

If you are interested in in doing a devotional, on Wednesday Nights, please sign the sheet, on the table, located beside the Sound Room, or see Austin Johnson.



Everyone is encouraged to participate in our Trunk or Treat, on Sunday,October 30th, following evening services. You **DO NOT** have to decorate your trunk, if you do not want to. This is for Cradle Roll-6th Grade.

MEMORIAL

There will be a memorial service for Charles Parker tomorrow, Monday, October 24th, at 11:00 a.m. at the church building.

SYMPATHY

We would like to extend our sympathy to Patsy Gooch and her family in the passing of her sister, Peggy June Thigpen. A visitation was held on Friday, October 21st.

We would also like to express our sympathy to Carolyn Poole and her family in the loss of her brother-in-law, EJ Hubbard. His funeral was conducted on Friday, October 21st

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ben & Sheena Holt on the birth of their daughter, Eden Rose, on Thursday, October 13. Eden Rose joins proud big sister, Evelyn.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT AUDITORIUM CLASS

Don Williams' Wednesday night class (topic: "Lord Teach Us to Pray") will be holding a prayer service during the regularly scheduled auditorium class time on Wednesday, November 2nd. This is specific to the auditorium class and will not interfere with any other classes. We would like to pray for our upcoming gospel meeting, our speaker Joe Wells, and any other matters on your heart (the sick, the lost, our nation, etc). If you would be willing to lead a prayer during this time, please let Don know today or Wednesday.

52 WEEK BIBLE READING PLAN Week 42

Sunday (Epistles) Hebrews 11-13

Monday (The Law) Deut. 1-3

Tuesday (History) 2 Chr 21-24

Wed. (Psalms) Psalm 120-121

Thursday (Poetry) Proverbs 31

Friday (Prophecy) Nahum

Saturday (Gospels) Acts 7-8