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There is certainly a growing interest in homegrown meat and organic produce. There is an increased concern about the foods provided by agribusiness, a renewed focus on heirloom fruits and vegetables, and a desire on the part of more folks to live the simple life. This could be a return to a "make do with what you grew" mindset.

With the cold temperatures and the snow and ice, it reminds me of the ritual that I always enjoyed in the winter, hog killing time. Perhaps that's because I was, as a youngster, a part of the process. In our case it involved the extended family. Dad raised his own hogs, but my uncles and cousins helped with the butchering.

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# Hog Killing Time

shortly before Thanksgiving, or sometimes after Christmas in January when the temperature dropped and promises of several days of cold weather were on the horizon.

Dad began preparing to kill hogs by filling the scalding box with water, and placing enough wood under the box for the fire. Knives were sharpened; tubs, dish pans and kettles were cleaned and scoured.

Finally, the butchering day arrived. On the day of butchering we tumbled out of bed around 5:00 a.m. into a cold, sometimes snowy, day. The fire was lit and the water heated while our regular chores were done.

The hogs were usually isolated and shot with a .22 caliber rifle; then came the scalding of the hide and the scraping of the hair, gutting and washing, and the cutting of the meat. It was a huge task, but nothing was wasted.

Dad cut the meat for pork chops or backbones and ribs and then took the meat to the smokehouse to cool. He trimmed the fat for rendering lard and the "hamstrings" for the making of sausage. The remainder of the meat such as the hams, shoulders, bacon and streaked meat were salted. Each layer of meat placed when we finished stripping tobacco, sometime

stored in a cool place for three to six weeks.

The next few days were spent grinding sausage and rendering lard. Dad mixed the sausage in a dish pan using sage, salt and pepper. I helped Mom pat out the sausage in one pound balls and wrapped it for freezing.

At supper we would have hot, cathead biscuits and freshly fried tenderloin with milk gravy made right in the pan where the tenderloin had been fried. What a delicious meal!

The cracklings from rendering the lard were a favorite. It was a cholesterol-laced treat which tasted so good it had to have a sinful side.

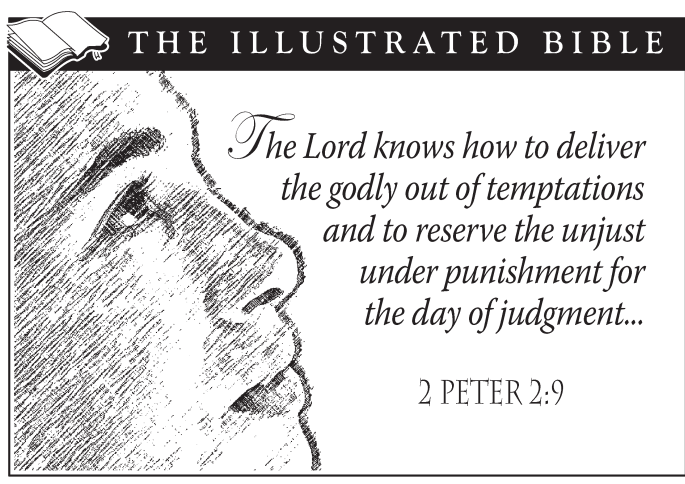
My Dad loved to make souse meat (head cheese). He would clean, scrap and singe the hog's head and feet. He then placed them in a large kettle to boil. When the meat was tender, it was removed and was ground

through a sausage grinder. He added salt, black pepper and red pepper. The ingredients were all mixed together and shaped into loaves and placed in the refrigerator to chill. After the souse meat was chilled it was sliced and served with crackers and mustard.

Near the last of June we reaped the rewards of the cured hams. We feasted on country ham accompanied by red-eye gravy, wilted lettuce with green onions, radishes, (grown in the tobacco bed), and fried hoe cakes.

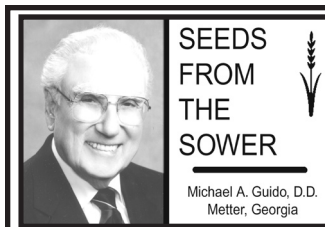
Folks that lived close to the land who derived much of their sustenance years ago are increasingly rare nowadays. It's a world that we have largely lost.

Those are bygone days, but we can still take a walk down memory lane of how our parents and ancestors prepared for long hard winters.



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**SEEDS FROM THE SOWER**  
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It was the first day of geography class. The teacher was trying to get the class involved in a lively discussion. "What is the shape of the world?" she asked.

Immediately, James held up his hand and said, "My Dad says it's in terrible shape!" And most people would seem to agree with his dad.

Years ago a Psalmist gave us a reason for the condition of the world: "The kings and rulers of the earth," he said, "take their stand together against the Lord...and His Anointed One."

This Psalm points to the One who was to come - the Messiah. In it we find a description of Jesus - His life, death, resurrec-

tion and future reign. This Psalm also describes the rebellion of the nations of the world and their refusal to be obedient to the Word of God. The author wanted his readers to know and understand that God would fulfill His promises of peace and hope, grace and mercy, love and salvation. God, speaking to us through this Psalm, gave us His assurance that He is the One who is in control of all things - past, present and future. He wants us to know that through His Word we can become free from the worries and cares of this world and be certain of being with Him in eternity.

"Serve the Lord with reverent fear," said the Psalmist, and "submit to God's royal Son...and there will be joy for all who find protection in Him."

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**Wednesday, January 22nd @ 7:00pm**

### Baptismal Service At Ivory Hill

Ivory Hill Baptist Church will be having a baptismal service tonight, Wednesday, January 22, 2014, weather permitting, starting at 7:00 p.m.

We invite everyone to join

in with us in a fellowship meal at 6:00 p.m., followed by the baptismal service at 7:00 p.m.

Bro. Ted Barker is the pastor and congregation welcome everyone to attend.

**Sunday, January 26th after worship**

### Special Open Meeting At Calvary Baptist Church

Calvary Baptist Church, West Irvine, will be conducting an open, working session on "What's the next step for Calvary, what should Calvary's Core Values be, and what do you think God is planning for Calvary?"

This meeting will be held immediately following the morning worship on January 26th. (Lunch will be provided.)

We encourage everyone to participate, you do not have to be a member to participate in

this important brainstorming session. We need you feedback; this is your chance to give us your suggestions on the direction of Calvary Baptist.

We are excited about what God plans for Calvary now and in the future. Through this meeting we will determine what our focus will be as we reach out and minister to those in our community. Come and join, because we want to hear your opinion and recommendations!

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### EXTENSION NOTES

#### Family And Consumer Sciences

#### Finding Money In Surprising Places

With holiday bills mounting, many of us wish we could find money we lost, forgot about or didn't know we had. Finding lost valuables, such as insurance policies and unclaimed money or property is easier than you might think.

The Kentucky State Treasury has more than \$150 million in unclaimed property and money. Banks, insurance companies and other financial entities turn this money over to the treasury when they cannot locate the owners. You can search for any unclaimed valuables on the Kentucky State Treasury's website, <http://www.kytreasury.com/>. The website has information about how to claim any lost property that you may find. If you don't have Internet access, you can request a search by contacting the treasury at 1-800-465-4722.

If you think you may have unclaimed valuables in another state or have an unclaimed tax refund from the federal government, you can search for that money on either <http://missingmoney.com> or <http://unclaimed.org>. These free sites can connect you with the state and national organizations holding unclaimed property.

Insurance companies often have many unclaimed life insurance policies because the beneficiaries do not know they exist. Insurance companies are not obligated to turn this money over to a government agency unless they know the policyholder is deceased. Unfortunately, no national database exists to keep track of unclaimed life insurance policies.

You can find out about whether you're listed as a beneficiary on a life insurance policy by going through the deceased person's paperwork to look for any insurance policies or transactions, such as a statement, bill or interest paid on a recent tax return. Speak with the deceased person's financial advisers and current employers to determine if they had any knowledge of any life insurance policies that the person may have had. Check the deceased individual's mail for up to a year for any policy statement or bill.

Whether you decide to look for lost property or not, you may be contacted by someone who wants to help you find lost money for a fee or a percentage of the lost property. These "money finders" are not illegal, but the services they provide are things you can find on your own for free with just a little effort and time.

For more information on financial education topics, contact the UK Estill County Cooperative Extension Service at 723-4557.

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## Making The Good Choice

by BOB CASEY, Preacher

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Our God in His great mercy for mankind has always reached out to man encouraging him to make the right choice in life, so that he might receive the benefits of eternal life. Ever since the fall in the garden and at altar of sacrifice, God has said: "If thou doest well shall thou not be accepted." Every person who is born into this world will reach the point of decision concerning what shall I do with my life. In the Old Testament story of God, Moses, and the Israelites, God called them to a decision during the wilderness journey (**Deuteronomy 30**). Then in verse 19, he said, "I will call heaven and earth to record this day against you. That I have set before you life and death, blessings and cursings; therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live." Even when Joshua, the successor of Moses prepared to die, he called unto him all the people and said: (**Joshua 24:15-25**) "Choose you this day whom ye will serve, whether the gods that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods in this land, but as for me and my house we will serve the Lord." In **Proverbs 1:20-33** is found one of the strongest messages related to making a right choice to live right before God, Christ, and man, (I encourage you to read and consider it.)

Believe it or not, but a day will come in the which you will have reached a point of decision. Even Pilate faced a decision during the trial of our Lord, "Saying, what will I do with Jesus, who is called Christ?" You too will have this day.

You may be one of many who have already made the good choice. Then again, many of you may even today may be contemplating your choice. But on the other hand I have lived long enough to have seen many die way without ever coming to terms with Christ their Lord. How sad this is. Mistakenly, most think that they have plenty of time to make the good choice, but just as real are the facts that life ends suddenly for them and their opportunity is lost forever. **J.R. Lowell** wrote: "Once to every man and nation comes the moment to decide, in the truth of falsehood, or for the good or evil side."

**John Masefield** wrote: "Man with his burning soul, has but an hour of breath, to build a ship of truth, In which his soul may sail, Sail on the sea of death, For death takes its toll of beauty, courage, even youth, Yes it can take of all but truth." So today is the day you will once again make a decision concerning the truth. Christ came, taught us, died for our sins, and has promised to return for us. Are you ready?

In **John 8:13**, Jesus says: "And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free."

Join us for worship this Lord's Day.

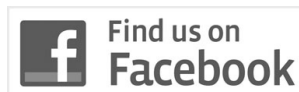
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## BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of 2 Timothy in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. Koinonia is a Greek word found 20 times in the Bible, and primarily means ... ? Revenge, Forgiveness, Fellowship, Crucifixion

3. From historical records, who be-headed the Apostle

Paul in Rome A.D. 67 (C.E.)? Claudius, Nero, Augustus, Vitellius

4. The concept of the "what"-fold ministry comes from Ephesians 4:11? Two, Three, Five, Seven

5. From Psalm 14:1 who/what says in his/its heart, "There is no God"?

Pagan, Fool, Insane, Serpent

6. What is the youngest book in the New Testament? Acts, Philemon, Hebrews, Revelation

**Bible Trivia answers are at the bottom of Page 12**

## Stickeler's Puzzle



Match the countries on the left with their capital cities on the right.

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| 1. Ecuador   | a. Amman   |
| 2. Indonesia | b. Sana'a  |
| 3. Jordan    | c. Quito   |
| 4. Portugal  | d. Jakarta |
| 5. Yemen     | e. Lisbon  |

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Salt is commonly used to de-ice roads in winter, but its long-term effects are a problem. It corrodes metal finishes on vehicles and damages concrete structures. It contaminates roadside waterways, raising the salinity of the water. It harms vegetation, organisms in the soil, wildlife and domestic pets. Safer alternatives are sand, ashes, kitty litter or commercial products such as EcoTraction.

Road salt damage

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