

Monthly Memory Verse - September 2010



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Publisher & Author Message

September

Message from the publisher and author

Monthly Memory Verse and Dale's Notes

Dale's Notes are provided as an encouragement to study the context from where the monthly memory verse was selected. It's my desire to provide some background information and practical understanding of some things, which I see within my own study of God's word. It's my hope through reading the notes; you will desire to study God's word in more detail.

Dale's Notes are only a layman's attempt to share the good news of our savior Jesus Christ through a monthly memory verse and the study of God's word in our daily walk with the Lord.

Brother in Jesus Christ,

Dale ☺

Dale A. Kaye

Message:

Thank you once again Bill Ragle for your help with the Quick Bio-Glance. It's a blessing to me to receive a snap shot in history of godly men, which our Lord Jesus Christ raised up to clarify a practical understanding of the Holy Scriptures, through systematic theology and other complementing avenues to express the council of God's written word. I'm so blessed, thank you Lord Jesus for sending me help.

Prayer request:

Pray with me in asking God for help to provide a consistent format for the Men's Monthly Memory Verse and Dale's Notes. I continue to ask your prayers and encouragement to serve in this way through email and site hosting. Please, remember my family as we truly make changes to honor our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Ask the Lord to help me and those who read the memory verse and the Dale's Notes to live God's word out in our life.

Thank you,

Dale

Quick Bio-glance

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James Petigue Boyce

January 11, 1827 – December 28, 1888



James P. Boyce was born January 11, 1827, in Charleston, S.C., of Mr. and Mrs. Ker Boyce, considered the wealthiest man in South Carolina. He was of Scot-Irish and Presbyterian descent on his father's side, his mother's family being the Johnston family which produced many lawyers, judges and statesmen in the Carolinas. Charleston was the most cultured American city of that day, and young Boyce entered the best homes and had the best education available at Charleston College, Brown University (R.I.) and Princeton Seminary (N.J.)

General Outline sent to me by Bill Ragle of Founders Baptist Church

James P. Boyce was the principal founder of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He had the privilege of growing up in First Baptist Church of Charleston, South Carolina whose pastor was Basil Manly, Sr. Through the influence of Frances Wayland, President of Brown University, and Richard Fuller longtime pastor of Baptist churches in Baltimore, Maryland, Boyce came to Christ as a college student. he served as 7th president of The southern Baptist Convention, and held that office 7 years(1872-79, 1888). His Abstract of Systematic Theology is his magnum opus and continues in print today as a staunchly Calvinistic theology textbook.

<http://www.reformedreader.org/rbb/boyce/boindex.htm>

Boyce's talent as an executive fostered much competition for his abilities. In 1868, the South Carolina Railway Company sought Boyce for its presidency, a position that promised a ten thousand dollar salary. Though this offer was extraordinarily attractive, Boyce declined it. Numerous colleges and universities also sought Boyce's administrative gifts. In 1874, Boyce's alma mater, Brown University, requested that he become its president, but he refused. He was thoroughly convinced that nothing he could do was more crucial to the gospel than his devoted service to the seminary. He had set his hand to the plow. Until death, he would not turn from his life's work.

Boyce labored long in Louisville until illness drove him to seek recovery in Europe in 1888. Though his heart lifted in a visit to Charles Spurgeon, his health did not improve. Sothern's first president passed away on December 28, 1888. His legacy lives on to this day.

http://archives.sbts.edu/CC/article/0,,PTID325566_CHID717900_CIID1978880,00.html,

Theology term:

Adamic Covenant

The Adamic Covenant is also sometimes called the covenant of works. This is the covenant or oath God made with Adam promising him life or death according to his abiding by God's law of the Garden of Eden. Jesus Christ, the second Adam, satisfied this covenant or through His human obedience and propitiation.

<http://www.mountainretreatorg.net/fag/glossary.html#adamiccovenant>

Memory verse for the month: September 2010 (ESV)

Dale's Notes

Read: Luke 22 (ESV)

September - Part I

Luk 22:40 *And when he came to the place, he said to them, "Pray that you may not enter into temptation."*

"And when he came to the place..."

Luke chapter 22 begins its narration a few days out from The Feast of the Unleavened Bread, The Passover. You can check the harmony of the gospels to see Matthew and Mark's account to get more details leading up to the death of our Savior Jesus Christ (*Mat 26, Mar 14*). In our last study we tangled with the Scribes, the Pharisees, the Rulers and Officers (the Sanhedrin), they were seeking away to put our savior to death. Nothing has changed with the rulers, except now they have found away, away to kill him [Jesus Christ]. Did you notice the words "Chief priests" and "Scribes" in Luke 22:2?

Let's talk about the term "Scribe" because we tend to use the term loosely.

"Scribe" = "Writer", learned writer of the Mosaic Law, handed down by Moses from God

Thayer's Greek Definitions

γ ρ α μ μ α τ ε υς

grammateus

Thayer Definition:

- 1) a clerk, scribe, especially a public servant, secretary, recorder, whose office and influence differed in different states
- 2) in the Bible, a man learned in the Mosaic law and in the sacred writings, an interpreter, teacher. Scribes examined the more difficult and subtle questions of the law; added to the Mosaic law decisions of various kinds thought to elucidate its meaning and scope, and did this to the detriment of religion. Since the advice of men skilled in the law was needed in the examination in the causes and the solution of the difficult questions, they were enrolled in the Sanhedrin; and are mentioned in connection with the priests and elders of the people. See a Bible Dictionary for more information on the scribes.
- 3) a religious teacher: so instructed that from his learning and ability to teach advantage may redound to the kingdom of heaven

Part of Speech: noun masculine

A Related Word by Thayer's/Strong's Number: from [G1121](#)

Citing in TDNT: 1:740, 127

Many of us have read of Ezra who was a [learned] scribe of the Law of Moses and how God mightily use him.

Ezr 7:6 this Ezra went up from Babylonia. He was a scribe skilled in the Law of Moses that the LORD, the God of Israel, had given, and the king granted him all that he asked, for the hand of the LORD his God was on him.

Look at the word learned (ESV), shows effort on Ezra's part to study, to come to know what he didn't know about God's commandments.

Ezr 7:11 This is a copy of the letter that King Artaxerxes gave to Ezra the priest, the scribe, a man learned in matters of the commandments of the LORD and his statutes for Israel:

Some versions render the verse with a double uses of the word "scribe" as in the KJV, ASV, and LITV showing Ezra was very, very wise in the word of God.

Jonathan Gill's Exposition on the Entire Bible

"the scribe, even a scribe of the words of the commandments of the Lord, and of his statutes to Israel; the doubling of the word "scribe" shows that he was very wise and learned in the law, in the commandments and statutes of it the Lord gave to Israel; not only in the language of it in which it was written, but in the matter and substance of it, in the things contained in it; for דִּבְרֵי "dibre", signifies "things" as well as words."

"King Artaxerxes gave to Ezra the priest..." do you see the words [the priest], this is a powerful statement; not just one wise in the words of God but a priest to the most High God in service, in word and life!

Look at verse 7:1-6 Ezra came out of the priestly order ordained by God through Aaron [the Chief Priest] lineage.

(LITV)

Ezr 7:1 And after these things, in the reign of Artaxerxes the king of Persia, Ezra the son of Seraiah, the son of Azariah, the son of Hilkiah,

Ezr 7:2 the son of Shallum, the son of Zadok, the son of Ahitub,

Ezr 7:3 the son of Amariah, the son of Azariah, the son of Meraioth,

Ezr 7:4 the son of Zerahiah, the son of Uzzi, the son of Bukki,

Ezr 7:5 the son of Abishua, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of **Aaron the head priest:**

Ezr 7:6 this Ezra went up from Babylon. And he *was* a skilled scribe in the Law of Moses, which Jehovah the God of Israel had given. And the king granted him all he asked, according to the hand of Jehovah his God on him.

Ezra 7:6 tells us God had given Law of Moses to Israel and His [God's] hand was upon Ezra to teach the people of God and this should not be hard for us to understand for the New Testament teaches the same principle (*Speaking of Ezra's priestly order as the establishment of the hand of God*). Now in The New Testament we see the same thing, Jesus Christ sets up his church with ordained leadership to teach and keep the people of God, the people of faith until we all attain the fullness of Christ!

Read the words of Apostle Paul to the Corinthians with God appointing individuals for his service

1Co 12:28 And God has **appointed** in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues.

Read the words of Apostle Paul to the Ephesians on the same matter.

Eph 4:8 Therefore it says, "When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men."

Eph 4:9 (In saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower regions, the earth?

Eph 4:10 He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.)

Eph 4:11 And **he gave** the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers,

Eph 4:12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ,

Eph 4:13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,

Eph 4:14 so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.

Look at Ezra's heart before God, as a servant of God

Ezr 7:10 For Ezra had set his heart to study the Law of the LORD, and to do it and to teach his statutes and rules in Israel.

Scribe's Service to God

The scribes are lawyers on the bar of God! These holy men were ordained of God to give service to God, for the people of God, on behalf of Law of God. So, when we read they [the scribes] sought ways to kill him [Jesus Christ], it was through the use of the Mosaic Law to condemn the innocent. The scribes used their God given skills to harness the power and strength of God's law to enforce their own personal gain or will on Christ and the people they were called to represent /serve before the Lord.

The scribe was to seek his [God's] mercy in a legal standing, according to His [God's] word for all of life! The service of the scribe was given by God to keep the people, so God would have a Holy people, consecrated unto himself, through obedience to his [God's] word, being filled with love for God, and His truth, and love for each other.

I hope this makes sense; it's hard for me to explain because there is so much here.

Let's look at our legal structure today with regards to the term "bar", legal representation.

Bar (law)

Bar in a [legal](#) context has three possible meanings: the division of a courtroom between its working and public areas; the process of qualifying to [practice law](#); and the legal profession.

The legal profession

"The Bar" commonly refers to the legal profession as a whole. With a modifier, it may refer to a branch or division of the profession: as for instance, the "[tort bar](#)", lawyers who specialize in filing [civil suits](#) for damages.

In conjunction with "bench", "bar" may differentiate lawyers who represent clients ("the bar"), from judges or members of a [judiciary](#) ("[the bench](#)"). In this sense, the bar advocates and the bench adjudicates. Yet, judges commonly remain members of the bar; and lawyers are commonly referenced as "[Officers of the Court](#)".

The phrase "bench and bar" denotes all judges and lawyers collectively.^[2]

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bar_%28law%29

Why is this so important? Well, when reading the gospel accounts, we understand it was the whole religious and legal system condemning Jesus Christ; this speaks of the people as a whole, the nation of Israel. We find it's the best, the finest, the most influential, the most powerful people and authority, which are seeking to destroy our savior!

We have a saying at work "Good luck with that"! What we mean is no hope or lack of confidence to succeed against the current situation, to win the case. I mean it's like me taking on the United States of America without any resources, absolutely nothing, "Good luck with that"! What would be the chances for a Jewish carpenter from Nazareth to put the whole system right? They killed him! He [Jesus Christ] lost the case (*Human earthly perspective, I'm not talking about God's preordained will and the working of salvation in spite of their wickedness*). Jesus Christ was

condemned by the courts of men and put to death unjustly. He lost the case with men but won the case with God! Who raise him from the dead and has set him at his own right hand and he shall come again!

Example: (**Jesus Christ** versus **The United States of America**) The US government is the representative voice of the people as a whole, as a nation, so the judgment by representatives are the judgment of the people too (Our elected officials but on Israel's side God appointed representatives – Moses, Aaron, Levites). (*Maybe, a pastor, a lawyer or history buff may help me out here, with a better definition – I will post it in part II*)

The way they [the Jewish leadership] saw it, “we have a law and by our law he should die”. Talk about a perversion of justice.

Joh 19:5 Then Jesus came outside, wearing the thorny wreath and the purple mantle. And he said to them, Behold, the Man!

Joh 19:6 Then when the chief priests and the under-officers saw Him, they cried out, saying, Crucify! Crucify! Pilate said to them, You take Him and crucify *Him*, for I do not find *one* crime in Him!

Joh 19:7 Then the Jews answered him, We have a law, and according to our Law He ought to die because He made Himself Son of God!

God's representatives, represent God's voice to the people and the people gave their obedience to the voice of their leaders in the word of God, and by doing so the people obeyed GOD.

1Th 2:13 And we also thank God constantly for this, that when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers.

Now, I'm going to give you a warning, a warning that comes from Apostle Paul (*2Tim 2:15-16*), we are to study to show ourselves approved unto God, and we are to be in the study of his [God's] word each individually, so as not to be lead astray (*1Ti 4:16 Give attention to yourself and to the doctrine; continue in them, for doing this, you will both deliver yourself and those hearing you.*). Also, by our study of God's word and obedience to it, we can all speak with one voice, together in harmony, as to the word of God being spoken by the people of God (*1Co 1:10 Now I beseech you, brethren, through the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing*). All this comes under the authority and leadership, which God has setup through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Obey those whom God has put over you in the Lord giving them double honor!

Heb 13:17 Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

Give double honor for those who rule well and watch over your souls.

1Ti 5:17 Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching.

1Ti 5:18 For the Scripture says, "You shall not muzzle an ox when it treads out the grain," and, "**The laborer deserves his wages.**"

1Ti 5:19 Do not admit a charge against an elder except on the evidence of two or three witnesses.

1Ti 5:20 As for those who persist in sin, rebuke them in the presence of all, so that the rest may stand in fear.

A quick look at Judas

For the sake of time, we have come to Judas who is also called Iscariot; he allowed Satan to fill his heart to betray our Lord.

Luk 22:3 Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was of the number of the twelve.

Many commentaries express Judas's own wickedness, Satan used to his advantage, in-other-words Satan exploited what was already inside the heart of Judas. So Judas was totally responsible for his action to betray the Lord of Heaven, to the council of the Sanhedrin. He [Judas] knew they were seeking to kill him but they [the Jews] couldn't take hold of him [Jesus Christ] for fear of the people (*Luke 22*).

Now we come to Mount of Olives two day have passed and the Passover is at hand and our savior gives the admonishment to his disciples "...pray that you may not enter into temptation".

Luk 22:39 And he came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed him.

Luk 22:40 And when he came to the place, he said to them, "**Pray that you may not enter into temptation.**"

I can see why he [Jesus Christ] admonished his disciples to pray, after all that has transpired and with the coming events upon our savior [Jesus Christ] to bring about his death, he protects his children with the word pray. If there was a time for prayer it was now! For our Lord, himself, tells them to pray and he tells them what to pray, that they may not enter into temptation! If God's tells you to pray then you pray, knowing this is his way in which he [GOD] will bless you.

Be earnest! Pour all out to him; hold nothing back because he knows all! Do not break off in prayer but pray without ceasing in each step, so that each step taken is not lead into temptation but to the glory of God!

Find him in prayer with all!

Find him [Jesus Christ] in your closet, find him [Jesus Christ] in your family, find him [Jesus Christ] with the stranger, find him [Jesus Christ] with a friend and find him [Jesus Christ] when no one else could be found; for He [Jesus Christ] hears and see all (*Seek him! Mat 7:7, Luk 11:9*).

Why should we pray? Could it be that God doesn't want Satan to fill our hearts like Judas (*Jon 13:2*) or like Peter (*Mat 16:23*) when the Lord rebuked him for not saying the things of God, how about Ananias and Sapphira whom Peter said why has Satan filled your hearts to lie to the Holy Spirit (*Act 5:3*)?

Maybe it's very simple: trouble is coming and the Savior is to be lifted up, He is to be crucified and die! Pray that you may not enter into temptation.

Prayer

O' Heavenly Father we are all weak vessels of clay. We acknowledge our sinfulness before you and ask your mercy to forgive in every way. Please grant your wonderful grace that we enter not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Set our minds upon Jesus Christ that our hearts are filled with him and him alone, not with the thoughts Satan. Now Great God of Heaven and Earth grant grace, grant mercy, and grant strength for your glory and forever amen.

September - Part II

Luk 22:40 *And when he came to the place, he said to them, "Pray that you may not enter into temptation."*

"Pray that you may not enter into temptation."

I can't move past the fact our verse Luk 22:40 shows progression of intensity with our savior; **"he came"**, **"he said"**, then **"he did"** in verse Luk 22:41! Jesus was on the move and his own hour of prayer has come, so he kneeling down before his Heavenly Father he prays; prays earnestly about the troubles soon to befall him! The coming events of the crucifixion are closing in on him and the place of prayer is the Mount Olives. You know the scene, its right in front of you; the garden, on the pages of scripture. He [Jesus Christ] goes a stone's cast away and falls on his knees seeking his Father in Heaven, while in agony!

Luk 22:39 And he came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed him.

Luk 22:40 And when he came to the place, he said to them, **"Pray that you may not enter into temptation."**

Luk 22:41 And he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, and knelt down and prayed,

Luk 22:42 saying, **"Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done."**

Luk 22:43 And there appeared to him an angel from heaven, strengthening him.

Luk 22:44 And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly; and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

Our beloved Luke smashes down on the reader with the force of our savior's prayer and actions. Luke reveals the condition and the circumstance of the situation. He [Luke] pulls back the blinds of heaven and reveals the unseen, now seen sent to assist (*the angel*) and speaks of the great drops of blood of agony showing the mindset and heart of our savior. He [Jesus Christ] was only a stone's throw away and Peter was sleeping but our savior was praying, making war in prayer, wrestling the weight of all mankind to do **only** his Fathers will!

Luk 22:42 saying, **"Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done."**

I remember a song I would sing

Being in the Garden of Agony

"Being in the garden of agony, he prayed most earnestly; great, sweat, drops of blood, falling to the ground. I can hear the words he prayed, Father let thy will be done, Father let thy will, let thy will be done."

Chorus: *"Let thy will be done, let thy will be done, Father let thy will be done, glorify your son."*

"And there appeared and angel strengthening him from heaven above, encouraging the travail of his soul. I can hear the words he prayed, echoing down the corridors of time, Father let thy will, let thy will be done."

Could you not pray for one hour! Could you not pray at this moment, at this time! Oh, the spirit is willing but the flesh is weak (*Mat 26:40-41*)! Can you feel and see the intensity and gravity of the situation coming upon Christ and his disciples? Let me ask you, has sorrow filled your heart, so you're fast to sleep and left off the will of God or has the purpose of God slipped your mind because the situation is too heavy? Pray that you may not enter into temptation, pray with earnest even in agony, which may overwhelm your soul. Resist your will; deny yourself to peruse the high quest in life that His will be done in you! Be strong in the Lord and the power of His mighty and the unseen hand will strengthen your soul for the task He as destine you too.

[Eph 6:10](#) Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.

[Eph 6:11](#) Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

O' what suffering our savior went through on behalf of us sinners, to purchase our redemption, even before being nailed to the cross. O' what agony is seen in the wrestling of Christ's human soul that a heavenly being was dispatched to strengthen the man though he is divine!

Adam Clarke's Commentary on the Bible

Luk 22:43

There appeared an angel - from heaven - It was as necessary that the fullest evidence should be given, not only of our Lord's Divinity, but also of his humanity: his miracles sufficiently attested the former; his hunger, weariness, and agony in the garden, as well as his death and burial, were proofs of the latter. As man, he needs the assistance of an angel to support his body, worn down by fatigue and suffering. See at the end of [Luk 22:44](#) (note).

I'm going to end here with knowing you already know what Jesus Christ has done for you! It's no secret, if God has truly come into your life! The works of God are evident by the Spirit that now lives in you! The suffering, the fasting, the prayer, the doing in all of life is now being worked out through Him who died for your sins that you may live through Him and to Him, forever!

Where are your prayers, where is your fasting, and where is your doing through him whom you say lives in you? Pray you may not enter into temptation that all you do is to the glory of Jesus Christ, who now lives forever and will come again!

Prayer

Thank you Lord Jesus for your life and your death upon the cross for my sins, forgive me your servant. Thank you Lord for your promises to come again and the life and living hope you have given me by your own blood and death on the cross. Remind my heart O' precious Spirit of God of the truth of your word, so I may not forget the great price you have redeemed me from everlasting death. I praise you and thank you and give glory in your glorious name Jesus Christ my Lord, amen.