



PARIS TN

**THEME FOR 2024: DISCIPLESHIP ON DISPLAY**

**By This All Will Know That You Are My Disciples**

**by Josh Manning**

What is the Bible about? From time to time we hear people make statements about the great theme (or themes) of the Bible: “the Bible is about the love of God”, or “the Bible tells us about God and His will”, or “the Bible is the story of redemption.” One of the reasons it is common to hear people talk about the big themes of scripture is because there are so many major themes repeated throughout the biblical narrative. For our thoughts today, I would like to draw our attention to one such biblical themes: Leadership.

It should be obvious in the opening scenes of the Bible that God is portrayed as being King over all creation. He made everything and determined the “how” and “what” and “why” of everything. His word (another important theme of the Bible) designed and brought forth the universe. Thus, the creation story introduces the motif of leadership to the story of the Bible—a motif that the rest of scripture bears out.

But when we begin reading the Bible “in the beginning” we also learn that leadership is something that God shares with others. “Then God said, ‘Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.’ So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. Then God blessed them, and God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth’” (Genesis 1:26-28). Man (both male and female) is given a great degree of authority over God’s creation. This is highlighted by the repeated use of the word “dominion” in Genesis 1. When we move into Genesis 2, this idea of man’s “dominion” and leadership is described by Adam’s God-given head gardener position: “Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, ‘Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die’” (Genesis 2:15-17). Man is given dominion (a leadership role) in chapter 1. Then, in chapter 2, we are shown how man was to exercise that leadership. First, man’s leadership is something given by God. This is called delegated leadership. Second, man’s leadership is something that should be governed by God’s word. Notice that we find the word “commanded” in Genesis 2:16. Third, we see that man’s role as leader over creation is “finite” through the giving of limitations: if man transgresses and goes beyond his delegated authority, then there is a punishment promised (i.e. “you shall surely die”). And fourth, man’s leadership is something that was designed to bring about the mutual blessing and flourishing of all of creation. Man was given a work that would bring him (and as the population grew, “them”) both purpose and honor. And creation was given someone to care for it, to “tend and keep it” (Genesis 2:15). So, what we see from the beginning is that leadership is a position of delegated authority whereby man was called to exercise authority over creation as image bearers of God. Leaders are to be godly.

**Elders**

Josh Coleman  
Steve Delaney  
John McDavid  
Rudy Peoples  
Michael Williams

**Evangelists**

Josh Manning  
Ethan Schulte

**Prison Minister**

Ricky Lomax

**Deacons**

Craig Brown	Brian Foster
Phillip Brown	Billy Hensley
Troy Buttrey	Adam Killion
Bob Comer	Will Little
Jon Davidson	Mike McDaniel
Philip Davidson	Jason Smith
Levi Dodd	Lance Winders

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

Sunday AM Bible Study-9:30am  
Worship-10:30am  
Sunday PM Worship-6:00pm  
Wednesday AM Adult Bible Study-10:00  
Wednesday PM Bible Study-7:00

Live Radio Broadcast-10:30am  
AM 1000, 97.5 FM

Spectrum-Channel 195  
Sunday @ 9:00am

Live Streaming Youtube.com  
Sunday 10:30 AM & 6:00 PM,  
Wednesday 7:00 PM

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**HEAR THE GOSPEL ON CABLE TV AND SATELLITE EACH SUNDAY**

**Charter / Spectrum Cable:**

6:00am In Search of the Lord’s Way-  
Channel 15  
7:00am In Search of the Lord’s Way-  
Channel 13  
7:30am Preaching the Gospel-  
Channel 13

**WBBJ-TV/CBS-Charter Channel 708**

7:00am A Bible Answer

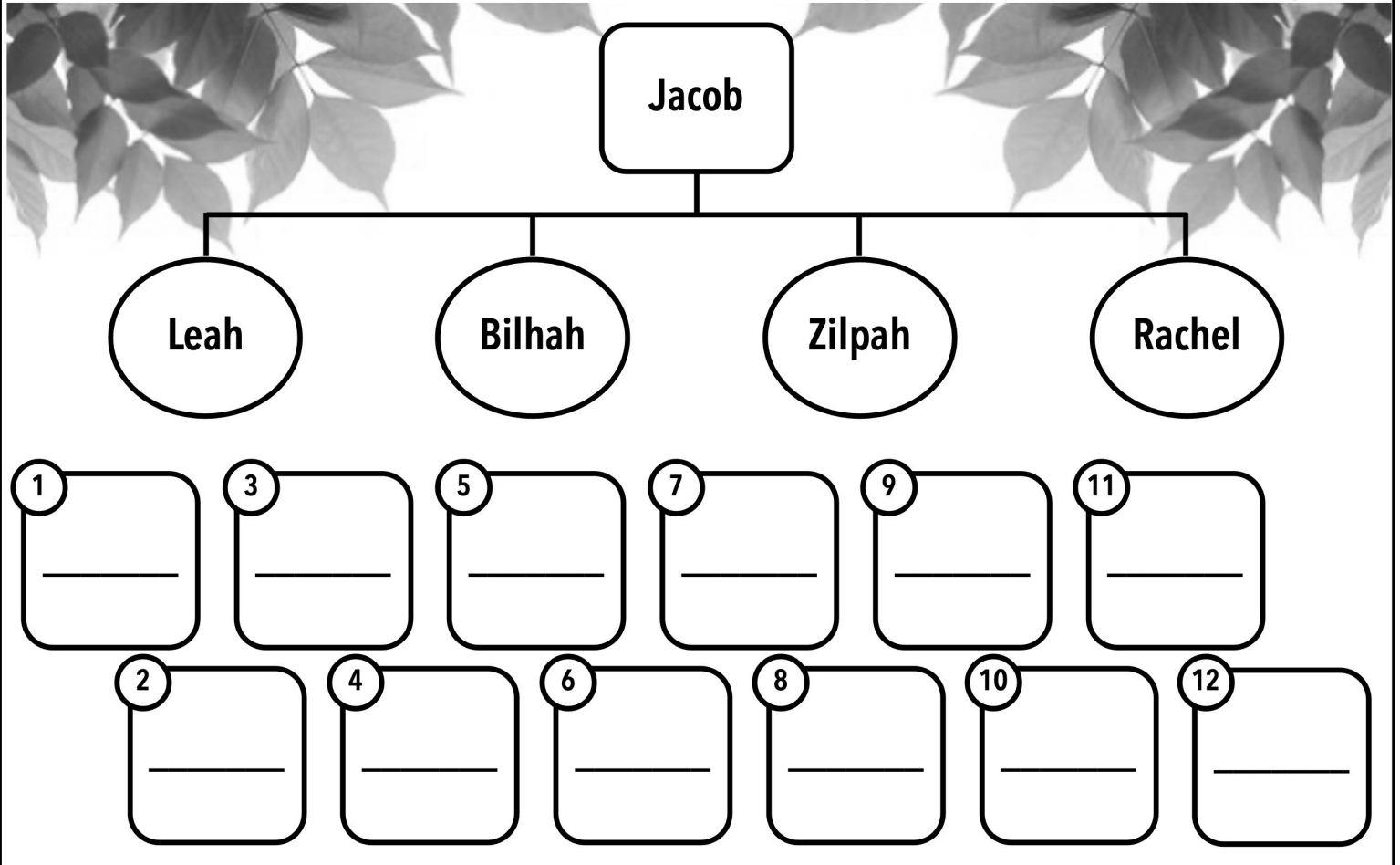
**Dish TV 58 & Direct TV-Channel 30:**

7:00am In Search of the Lord’s Way  
7:30am Preaching the Gospel  
8:00am Good News Today

STATE OF THE YOUTH

# Jacob's Large Family Tree

Jacob had 12 sons in total. List them from oldest on the left to youngest on the right, then draw a line to their mother's name! Sing the song or use Genesis 29 & 30 to help!



**YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

**Youth Devotional:** February 18th at the Delaney home. Guys bring drinks/Girls bring desserts; 189 Jackson Estates Drive.

**Basics:** Saturday, March 2nd, at the Schulte home; 1020 Diggs Road/Paris.

**Family Skate:** March 9th, \$10 per person.

**Challenge Youth Conference 2024 at Pigeon Forge:** "FAMILY" Friday-Sunday, February 23-25th. For all 6th—12th Graders.

**Youth Devotional:** March 17th. Guys bring drinks/Girls Bring desserts.

**BIRTHDAYS**

Evangeline Atkins  
Clint Wynn

March 5th  
March 14th

Emery Brown  
Madden Belisle

March 18th  
March 19th

**OUR ATTITUDE**

Sunday AM Bible Study.....	155
Sunday AM Worship.....	200
Sunday PM Worship.....	94
Wednesday PM Bible Study.....	116
This week's contribution.....	\$ 21,010
Weekly Budget.....	\$8,480

**FOOD PANTRY**

Salt and Pepper Shakers, Pasta, Cereal, Potatoes, Rice, Beef

**SUNDAY A.M.**

Announcements  
Opening Prayer  
Scripture Reading  
Closing Prayer  
Preside

West Side

East Side

**FEBRUARY 18**

Josh Coleman  
Billy Hensley  
Blake Morton  
Rudy Peoples  
Jon Davidson  
  
Logan Davidson  
Hunter Bethune  
Stephen Blackwell  
  
Charles Clark  
Daniel Belisle  
Donald Drinkard  
Brian Foster

**FEBRUARY 25**

Josh Coleman  
Ethan Schulte  
Bob Comer  
Michael Williams  
Stan Wilson  
  
Steve Durham  
Mike McDaniel  
Philip Davidson  
  
Lance Winders  
Dave Perry  
Bill DeWees  
Edwin Carrington

**SUNDAY P.M.**

Opening Prayer  
Scripture Reading  
Communion &  
Contribution  
Closing Prayer

**FEBRUARY 18**

Craig Brown  
Gavin Wynn  
  
Javan Winders  
Troy Buttrey

**FEBRUARY 25**

Max Henry  
Eddie Lane  
  
Patrick Peale  
Dan Patterson

**WEDNESDAY**

Song Leader  
Invitation  
Closing Prayer

**FEBRUARY 21**

Mark Brown  
Josh Coleman  
Rick Moody

**FEBRUARY 28**

Troy Buttrey  
Bob Comer  
Jim Russell

**KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Betty Moody:** will be having a total knee replacement, February 27th, at the Tri Star Centennial Hospital in Nashville, TN; 7620 Hwy 79N / Buchanan TN 38222

**Mary Schooley:** (Melanie Shaffer's sister in Indiana) has been hospitalized due to infection and exhaustion. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Lois Long:** (Sandi Smith's mother) health is declining, moved to rehabilitation facility. Requesting prayers; Lois Long c/o Copper Basin Health & Rehabilitation PO Box 518 / Ducktown, TN 37236

**Molly Harris:** (Daughter of Dan & Ann Patterson) Biopsy performed. Awaiting results, prayers appreciated.

**CONTINUE TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Zora Adams  
Leon and Carolyn Bumpus  
Buddy Goad  
Bob Perry  
Zet Presson  
Darla Russell  
Peggy Shepherd  
Ray Tucker  
Valerie Wynn  
Amber Cate  
Darlene Humphreys  
Jimmy and Doretha Jowers  
Rickey Lomax  
Dale & Kathy McCant  
Joan Shankle  
Stan Summers  
Marcia Wimberley

**FEBRUARY**

**USHERS:** Levi Dodd/ Phillip Brown  
**BENEVOLENCE:** Will Little  
**CONTROL ROOM VIDEO:** Matt Ellis  
**EAST SIDE DOOR:** Adam Killion

**BOYS TO PICK-UP CARDS**

Wednesday, February 21st: Charles Atkins and Ty Davidson  
Wednesday, February 28th: Owen Smith and James Wilson

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FIA Team 3:** met in the Multi-Purpose Room at 8:30 AM today. If you were unable to attend, Please see Brian Foster.

**Eiffel Gardens Singing:** Today @ 2:00 PM.

**Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal:** Wednesday, February 21st at 5:45 PM in the Multi-Purpose Room.

**Game Night:** Friday, February 23rd, at 6:30 PM in the Multi-Purpose Room. Bring finger foods, drinks and of course, Games!

**West Cancer Center and Research Collection:** collecting snacks and small canned drinks for the West Cancer Center until Next Sunday, February 25th. Collection boxes have been set out, just outside the auditorium.

**SPRING GOSPEL MEETING:** March 3rd-6th, 2024  
Guest Speaker Eric Owens.

**Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:30 AM**  
“The Gateway to Happiness”

**Sunday Morning Worship Service: 10:30 AM**  
“Why You Can’t Find Happiness”

**SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL** after AM Service

**Sunday 1:30 PM Service** to follow Meal  
“Why Religion is Not Making You Happy”

**MONDAY-WEDNESDAY:** 5:45 PM Fellowship Meal  
in Multi-Purpose Room / Services: 7:00 PM

**Monday PM:** “Do We Serve God or Does He Serve Us”

**Tuesday PM:** “Do You Have Eyes to See or Are You Blind?”

**Wednesday PM:** “A Joy That Can’t Be Taken”

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**February 18:** FIA Team 3, 8:30 AM breakfast in MPR  
Eiffel Gardens Singing @ 2:00 PM  
Youth Devotional @ the Delaney’s home  
Guys bring drinks/Girls bring desserts.

**February 21:** Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal

**February 23:** Game Night in MPR at 6:30 PM

**February 23-25:** CYC at Pigeon Forge

**February 25:** FIA Team 4

**February 25:** West Cancer Center and Research  
Collection last day to bring items to be  
labeled and delivered

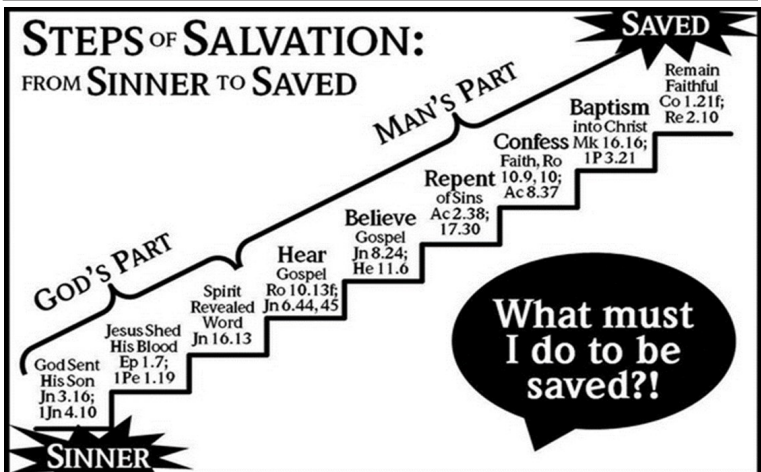
**March 2:** Basics at the Schulte home

**March 3:** FIA Team 1

TN Children’s Home Spring Food and  
Supply Drive to begin / Flyers at exits

**March 3:** Spring Gospel Meeting with Eric Owen  
Fellowship Meal after AM Service in MPR,  
1:30 PM Service to follow

**March 4-6:** 5:45 PM Fellowship Meals in MPR / 7:00  
PM Services, Spring Gospel Meeting



## ELDER'S CORNER

**REMINDER:** The elders welcome all newcomers. If you would like to be identified as a member here or if you have not had the opportunity to meet the eldership, the elders would like to meet with you briefly to introduce ourselves and to explain our position on certain issues and matters of doctrine.