

**3/12/2008 Meeting Minutes**

Another outstanding evening of Prayer, Discussion, and Fellowship.

**Attendees** - Ed Willekens, Mark Savarese, Tom Grace, Jim Hodson, Juan Lahera, Hal Pawlowski, and Ken Pritchett

**Table Leader** - Ken Pritchett

**Prayer Leader** - James Hodson

Jim used the ACTS (adoration, contrition, thanks, & supplication) format and focused the prayer session on Lent. He opened and closed the session with the songs "Were You There?" and "Redemption." We prayed about the many blessings in our lives and asked for the vision and light to repent and move away from whatever was keeping us from being closer to God. We thanked God for sending His only Son to redeem us from our sins and asked for God's help in many of our own personal challenges.

**Witness Theme and Presenter** - Christian Awareness by Hal Pawlowski

Hal gave an excellent talk that challenged each of us to search our hearts to discover when it was that we truly became aware of what it means to be a Christian. Hal used his own background to illustrate his journey through life and talked about the various groups that he belonged to which caused him to become more "Christian Aware."

He challenged us with these questions:

1. When do you recall REALLY becoming aware of Christ as your God and Savior?
2. Are you doing all you can or should to expand that awareness?
3. What could you do to increase that awareness? Are you willing to do it?

**Scripture for March 16th Review and Discussion**

Matthew 21:1-11, Isaiah 50:4-7, Phillipians 2:6-11, Matthew 26:14-27:66 (Long)

After completing the readings which included the long version of the Passion, the group discussed how the prophecies of the Old Testament matched the events of the New Testament. Once again, Tom Grace's Biblical knowledge helped immensely in our discussion.

**Novel Discussion** - Epicenter by Joel Rosenberg

Chapter 5 - Future Headline: Israel Discovers Massive Reserves of Oil, Gas

Chapter 6 - Future Headline: Treaties and Truces Leave Israelis more Secure than Ever Before

Chapter 7 - Future Headline: A Czar Rises in Russia, Raising Fears of a New Cold War

Joel Rosenberg makes the point in these chapters that many of the events foretold in The Book of Ezekiel are transpiring throughout the world. Many of these events were thought to be impossibilities until just a few short years ago. He carefully points out exactly what has happened thus far and leaves us to ponder - What will happen next?

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**3/19/2008 Meeting Agenda 7:00PM-9:00PM**

Note: Due to Holy Week and the preparations for Easter we will be unable to use the hall for our meeting. The meeting will be held at Hal Pawlowski's home. If you need directions to Hal's house please e-mail him at hal@hpawlowski.com

**Table Leader** - Mark Savarese

**Prayer Leader** - Chick Jordan

**Scripture for March 23th:**

Review and Discussion

Easter Sunday

Reading I: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Reading II: Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel: John 20:1-9

**Witness Theme and Presenter** - Reconciliation - Ken Pritchett

**Novel Assignment** - Epicenter by Joel Rosenberg

Chapter 8 - Future Headline: Kremlin Joins "Axis of Evil" Forms Alliance with Iran

Chapter 9 - Future Headline: Moscow extends military alliance to include Arab, Islamic World

Chapter 10 - Future Headline: Global Tensions soar as Russia targets Israel