

# He keepeth all his bones



Ps 34:20

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(KJV)

Ps 139:13-14

For Thou didst form my inward parts;  
Thou didst weave me in my mother's  
womb.

I will give thanks to Thee, for I am  
fearfully and wonderfully made;  
Wonderful are Thy works, and my soul  
knows it very well.

(NAS)

Ecc1 11:5

As thou knowest not what is the way of the spirit, nor how the bones do grow in the womb of her that is with child: even so thou knowest not the works of God who maketh all.

(KJV)

John 19:36

For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken.

(KJV)

# THE HUMAN FRAME

- The **human skeleton** consists of both fused and individual bones. It serves as a scaffold which supports organs, anchors muscles, and protects organs such as the brain, lungs and heart.

# BONE FACTS

- What is the biggest bone in the human body ?
- What is the smallest bone ?

# BONE FACTS

- The biggest bone is in the thigh called the femur. Your femur is about  $\frac{1}{4}$  of your overall height.
- As compared to the smallest bone which is in the middle ear called the Stapes bone and measures only about  $\frac{1}{10}$  of an inch.

# BONE FACTS

- At birth, a newborn baby has over (?) bones.
- Whereas an adult human has (?) bones.

# BONE FACTS

- At birth, a newborn baby has over 300 bones.
- Whereas an adult human has 206 bones.

# BONE FACTS

- **Number of ribs.**

The number of ribs was noted by the Flemish anatomist Vesalius in his key work of anatomy *De humani corporis fabrica* in 1543, setting off a wave of controversy, as it was traditionally assumed from the Biblical story of Adam and Eve that men's ribs would number one fewer than women's.

Variations in the number of ribs do occur. About 1 in 200-500 people have an additional cervical rib, and there is a female predominance toward this condition.

# BONE FACTS

- **Support**

The skeleton provides the framework which supports the body and maintains its shape. The pelvis and associated ligaments and muscles provide a floor for the pelvic structures. Without the ribs, costal cartilages, and the intercostal muscles the heart would collapse.

Eph 4:16

from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by that which every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

(NAS)

# BONE FACTS

- **Protection**
- The skeleton protects many vital organs:
- The skull protects the brain, the eyes, and the middle and inner ears.
- The vertebrae protects the spinal cord.
- The rib cage, spine, and sternum protect the lungs, heart and major blood vessels.
- The clavicle and scapula protect the shoulder.
- The ilium and spine protect the digestive and urogenital systems and the hip.
- The patella and the ulna protect the knee and the elbow respectively.
- The carpals and tarsals protect the wrist and ankle respectively.

# BONE FACTS

- **Movement**

The joints between bones permit movement, some allowing a wider range of movement than others, e.g. the ball and socket joint allows a greater range of movement than the pivot joint at the neck. Movement is powered by skeletal muscles, which are attached to the skeleton at various sites on bones. Muscles, bones, and joints provide the principal mechanics for movement, all coordinated by the nervous system.

- **Are your bones alive?**

# Are your bones alive?

- Yes. Bones are made up of living cells which help them grow and repair themselves.
- Like other cells in your body, the bone cells rely on blood to keep them alive. Blood brings them food and oxygen and takes away waste.

- **What is bone marrow?**

# What's bone marrow?

- Many bones are hollow. Their hollowness makes bones strong and light. In the center of many bones is bone marrow which produces new red and white blood cells.
- Red blood cells ensure that oxygen is distributed to all parts of your body and white blood cells ensure you are able to fight germs and disease.

# BONE FACTS

- 1) In an adult, the skeleton comprises around 30-40% of the total body weight, and half of this weight is water.
- 2) Pound for pound, bone is stronger than steel, and its construction is comparable to reinforced concrete.
- 3) Each human hand has 27 bones; each foot has 26; and your face has 14 separate bones!

WHAT LESSONS WE CAN DRAW  
FROM SCRIPTURE CONCERNING  
BONES?

# Scriptural Lessons

- Ex.12:46 “In one house shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry forth ought of the flesh abroad out of the house; neither shall ye break a bone thereof.”

# Scriptural Lessons

Micah 5:1

with a rod they will smite the judge of Israel on the cheek.

Matt 26:67

Then they spat in His face and beat Him with their fists; and others slapped Him,

## John 19:31-36

- The Jews therefore, because it was the day of preparation, so that the bodies should not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high {day} , asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and {that} they might be taken away.
- The soldiers therefore came, and broke the legs of the first man, and of the other man who was crucified with Him; but coming to Jesus, when they saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs; but one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately there came out blood and water.
- And he who has seen has borne witness, and his witness is true; and he knows that he is telling the truth, so that you also may believe.
- For these things came to pass, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, "Not a bone of Him shall be broken."

# Scripture cannot be broken

- A primary lesson is that scripture, prophecy, cannot be broken.
- The Jews that hated Jesus were once again the unwitting servants of Satan when they asked Pilate to have the legs of the victims broken.
- But with all of the power that Satan had, and all the desire he had to derail God's work, Satan could not cause a bone of Jesus to be broken, not even one.

Ps 22:16-17

“For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the wicked have inclosed me: they pierced my hands and my feet. I may tell all my bones: they look and stare upon me.”

## Zech 12:10

“And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.”

# John 20:24-29

- But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.
- And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you. Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.
- And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.
- Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.

- It's by tests like this that we know with absolute certainty the outcome of ALL of the contests between Satan and Jehovah...
- And ultimately, between all good and evil...

# The life is in the blood

- Lev.17:11

For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.

(KJV)

# We can not be broken

Gen.2:23

“And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.”

- We are members of His mystical body, we are his bones and as such we are given the same protection that was given to our head Jesus.

## Eph 5:30-32

“Christ feeds and cherishes the Church; because we are, as it were, parts of His Body. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

- OR - as several translate Eph 5:30

“For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.”

## Robert Seklemian

"Do you realize that to a child of God, nothing happens by accident? This is so, because "all things work together for their good."

As in the case of the sparrow, "Not one of them shall fall ... without your Father!" Every incident in life has meaning for us and is for our good, for our highest spiritual welfare. It is so different with the world in general. With them God permits the wrath of men and of Satan to have free sway, to bring misfortune and calamities without rhyme or reason except as it provides an experience with sin. But the wrath of men and of Satan has no indiscriminate power over us. This is shown by John 19:10,11. Pilate said to Jesus, "Knowest thou not, that I have power to crucify thee?" Jesus replied, "Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above."

Remember that Jesus was not speaking to an insignificant person when he said this. He was speaking to the king, one representing the universal empire of Rome, the highest power in the world at the time. He said that even Pilate had "no power at all" against him unless permitted by God."

# Scriptural Lessons

Ps 34:19-20

“Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all. He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.”

# Ps 34:18-22

The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.

He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.

Evil shall slay the wicked: and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.

The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants: and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate.

# Summary of lessons so far

- 1) Scripture must be perfectly fulfilled, and ALL prophecy and ALL promises perfectly kept.
- 2) The life is in the blood (bones) none broken show us the ransom merit of Jesus is held perfectly safe with Jehovah.
- 3) Providential care will abide over his mystical body, the church, “members of his flesh and bones”, just as this same care did abide over Jesus himself.

## Hebrews 11:22

By faith Joseph, when his end was near, spoke about the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt and gave instructions about his bones.

(NIV)

# Gen 50:24-26

“And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die: and God will surely visit you, and bring you out of this land unto the land which he sware to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

And Joseph took an oath of the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones from hence.

So Joseph died, being an hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.

- **HAVE YOU EVER SEEN A  
RESURRECTION?**

## Ezekiel 37:1-14

- Valley of dry bones.

- Rom 11:15

For if the casting away of them be the reconciling of the world, what shall the receiving of them be, but life from the dead?

- R2505 To Ezekiel this would have been the upheaval that Babylon was overthrown by the Medes and Persians. This would have beforehand seemed entirely impossible, since Babylon was a kingdom the greatness and power of which had not yet been seen.
- So in our day it would be an noise , (the 7th trumpet) and earthquake in mystic Babylon, upheavl that would change the powers in control and make possible the return of the Jews to the land. And indeed it shall be the greatest earthquake that shall ultimately bring their receiving of breath and life.

- R2505 "First the dried and hopeless ones would come together, then they would begin to unite one to the other, and gradually assume a national existence, and finally would be infused with the spirit of the Lord, as the breath or energy of national life, begotten of faith in the promises, and would stand again a nation."

- Ezek 37:12-13

Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, O my people, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel.

And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I have opened your graves, O my people, and brought you up out of your graves,

(KJV)

- Ezek 37:14

And shall put my spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall ye know that I the LORD have spoken it, and performed it, saith the LORD.

(KJV)

## 2 Kings 13:20-21

And Elisha died, and they buried him. And the bands of the Moabites invaded the land at the coming in of the year.

Once while some Israelites were burying a man, suddenly they saw a band of raiders; so they threw the man's body into Elisha's tomb. When the body touched Elisha's bones, the man came to life and stood up on his feet.

# Numbers 24:5 & 8

"How beautiful are your tents, O Jacob, your dwelling places, O Israel!

"God brings him out of Egypt, He is for him like the horns of the wild ox. He shall devour the nations who are his adversaries, and shall crush their bones in pieces, and shatter them with his arrows.

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