

TRUE VINE TIMES

Psalm 137 is a hymn expressing the yearnings of the Jewish people during their Babylonian exile.

Psalm 137: 1-6

- ¹ By the rivers of Babylon we sat
and wept
when we remembered Zion.
² There on the poplars
we hung our harps,
³ for there our captors asked us
for songs,
our tormentors demanded
songs of joy;
they said, "Sing us one of the
songs of Zion!"
⁴ How can we sing the songs of
the Lord
while in a foreign land?
⁵ If I forget you, Jerusalem,
may my right hand forget its
skill.
⁶ May my tongue cling to the
roof of my mouth
if I do not remember you,
if I do not consider Jerusalem

**Pastor's Challenge -
watch again, The Bible
Project - Exile**
[https://bibleproject.com/
explore/video/exile/](https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/exile/)

Exile is one of the core, yet often overlooked, themes underlying the entire Biblical storyline. In this video, we'll see how Israel's exile to Babylon is a picture of all humanity's exile from Eden. As you might guess, Jesus is the one to open the way back home.

David Herring

Dave Herring was born in Denver, Colorado. He lived there for two years until his family decided to move to Arkansas and start a cotton farm. When the family arrived in



Arkansas, they realized that things were not as they had been told, and cotton farming was not feasible on the land they were promised. Dave described his family living off the land, growing what they could and harvesting small game. When Dave was 6 years old, the family home was destroyed by a fire. They had no home insurance and decided at that time to move to Harborcreek, Pennsylvania, where some family lived.

With eight children in the family, Dave remembers the many challenges he experienced while growing up. Despite the hardships, Dave attended and graduated from the Art Institute of Pittsburg. He earned a job in advertising at the Boston Store in Erie, PA. While working there, he became acquainted with a lady who happened to be Judie's sister-in-law. She told Judie about Dave and that she should meet this wonderful man. Well, they met and after their second date, Dave was convinced he had found the woman of his dreams and he knew he wanted to marry her. So at 20 years old, Dave married Judie.

Shortly there after, they moved to Buffalo, NY, where Dave worked in the advertising department at Hengerers Department Store Company. They lived in the Elmwood district, in a 3rd floor apartment. Eventually, they adopted their first son David, and bought a home in North Tonawanda. Later, they moved to North Buffalo, and had two more sons, Jason and Justin. Around 1980, they moved to their big home on Bloomingdale Avenue, in Akron.

After a bit more time, some circumstances developed, and due to their loving and caring nature, they adopted their 4th child, Janice. The story at this time in their lives is very involved, and perhaps can be shared at another time. Needless to say, because of Dave and Judie's strong faith in the Lord, and love for each other, they persevered.

Dave continues to serve God as an Elder in our church, and also serves many at the Hearts and Hands organization. I am humbled in writing this by the kind of person Dave is, and what he has experienced in his life. We are so fortunate and blessed to have such a wonderful, godly person in our church family.

Congratulations to Isaac and Maggie, on their engagement!

August 13, 2021



DID YOU KNOW????

Did you know that Ella Atwell loves Ramen Noodles so much that she would be happy to eat them for breakfast, lunch and dinner?



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**CHECK OUT THIS MUSIC VIDEO:**

**“This World is Not My Home”**

~ Students of Charity Youth Bible School Choir

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ydPJ5QaPFQ0>

A BIT OF HUMOR....

### **Mommy Ate It**

For weeks a six-year-old lad kept telling his first-grade teacher about the baby brother or sister that was expected at his house.

One day the mother allowed the boy to feel the movements of the unborn child. The six-year old was obviously impressed, but made no comment. Furthermore, he stopped telling his teacher about the impending event.

The teacher finally sat the boy on her lap and said, “Tommy, whatever has become of that baby brother or sister you were expecting at home?”

Tommy burst into tears and confessed, “I think Mummy ate it!”

### **Church Bulletin Bloopers**

A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church. Music will follow.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

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**CCAM Annual Beaver Camp
Retreat, Labor Day weekend.
Please pay your registration
balance by Sunday, August 29th**

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**5 Lessons From The Pandemic:**

- Cherish your loved ones and always tell them how much they mean to you
- Trust in the Lord
- Accept God's divine will
- Self-sufficiency is a myth
- Human connection and interaction are of utmost importance.

Read the full article - Mennonite World Conference: <https://mwc-cmm.org/yabs/stories/5-lessons-pandemic?language=en>