

Backyard bird watching with Harry:

by Harry Johnson

The First Bird Quiz of 2015

I’m going to start the new year out with a bang. We’re going to talk about one of my favorite birds in Illinois Valley. Let’s see how much we all know about the woodpecker. I love hearing them calling other woodpeckers near my house. I also, love watching them search for food while walking up and down a tree.

So, let’s start the quiz and see what we know:

1. How many woodpecker species exist worldwide?
- a). About 20

b). About 50

c). About 100

d). About 200
- Answer: d) About 200. About 217 woodpecker species exist worldwide, depending on one’s taxonomy, though only two dozen are found in North America.
2. Many woodpecker species are sexually dimorphic, meaning the males and females don’t have the same appearance. Which of these species is an exception to that general rule?
- a). Hairy woodpecker

b). Red-headed woodpecker

c). Black-backed woodpecker

d). Lewis’s woodpecker
- Answer: b) Red-headed woodpecker. As adults, both males

- and females have a bright red head and a body that goes black-white-black from back to tail. Young red-headed woodpeckers have brown heads until their first full spring.
3. Why do woodpeckers drum?
- a). To claim a territory

b). To attract a mate

c). To drive humans crazy

d). both A and B
- Answer: d) both A and B.

Unlike cardinals, orioles and other songbirds, woodpeckers don’t sing to claim territories or attract mates. Instead, they drum on hollow trees, logs, utility poles, houses, or even trash cans. This is why they make so much noise (they’re showing off), and why they typically do so only in spring and summer (breeding season). Don’t mistake drumming for searching for food.

4. Which is the largest North American woodpecker?
- a). Arizona woodpecker

b). White-headed woodpecker

c). Pileated woodpecker

d). Red-bellied woodpecker
- Answer: c) Pileated woodpecker. The Pileated woodpecker, which measures 16

- inches long, is likely the largest woodpecker of North America. We had one here this summer and he was so much fun watching him and listening to him. The larger ivory-billed woodpecker, which measured 19 inches long is likely extinct.
5. Which of the following is true of most woodpeckers?
- a). They have relatively short legs

b). They have two toes pointed forward and two backward

c). They use their stiff tail feathers as a prop when climbing up trees

d). All of the above
- Answer: d) All of the above.

- Relatively short legs, zygodactyl feet (two toes forward, two, sometimes one, backward), and stiff tail feathers are all characteristics that help woodpeckers climb up and cling to tree trunks and other vertical surfaces.
6. Which is the smallest North American woodpecker?
- a). Downy woodpecker

b). White-headed woodpecker

c). Red-naped sapsucker

d). Acorn woodpecker

- Answer: a) Downy woodpecker. The Downy woodpecker, which measures about 7 inches long, is the smallest woodpecker of North America. This species is also one of the most common and widespread woodpecker species, which is a familiar sight in our backyard feeders in the I.V. They also, look very much like a Hairy woodpecker.
7. Which feeder offering will help to lure woodpeckers into your backyard?

- a). Suet and peanuts

b). Sunflower seeds

c). Fruit and nectar

d). All of the above
- Answers: d) All of the above.
- Adaptable birds, many woodpecker species frequent backyard feeders. Suet, peanuts, sunflower seeds, fruit and nectar tend to be their favorite offerings. Please be careful when putting out suet. It can and will attract bears and other critters you may not want near your house.
- Well, how did you do? I have to be honest here and say I only got 5 out of 7. I missed the first two questions. You can email me

your questions and your scores to birdwatching@frontiernet.net. I look forward to hearing from you all.

I hope you enjoyed learning more about these wonderful birds. Like I said in an earlier article, try using your tablet or Kindle with a birding app like Audubon and call them in to your front or backyard. I do and love it.

The above is from Harry Johnson in O’Brien and Bird Watcher’s Digest.



Arizona Woodpecker



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Church News

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Go Fish!

Mark 1: 16-18 - As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. 17 And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” 18 And immediately they left their nets and followed him.

Jesus was a Master at using the everyday things that people did in order to teach great spiritual truths. And many of the principles used in fishing for fish are basically the same principles for fishing for people.

First, you have to have the right equipment. As children of God, we are the equipment that God needs in order to bring people to Him. Jesus wants us to realize that

we must be His witnesses. But to be suited to the job we have to have faith and the right mindset.

Another essential ingredient to catching both people and fish is: We have to go where they are. This is a critical point: statistics show that only 3% of all lost people come to church on their own. By doing a little math, that tells us that 97% of lost people out there don’t come to church so they remain lost, helpless, and powerless to change unless we go where they are and share the Good News. We’ll never see any fish caught for the Lord if we never go fishing.

Jesus looked on our humanness with compassion. The word compassion means to “suffer with”, and when he became human

he literally was able to feel our pain. He understood that we were like lost sheep without a shepherd and his heart went out to us. But even the most broken of us can share God’s love because the Holy Spirit works through us when we share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Sharing our faith, sharing our resources, sharing a part of ourselves with others is what this life is all about as we follow Jesus. He calls us to a life of conviction, to a life of urgency, to a life of sharing and proclaiming his good news to others. But maybe you’re wondering: Who do I share this story with? Who is the one that I should tell about Jesus?

Jesus calls us to love the ones in this world that nobody else will love. Jesus calls

us to reach out to the lonely, to the hungry, to the sick, to the ones in prison, to the disabled, to the forsaken, to the needy, to all of those people who need to hear that someone indeed does love them and that some one is Jesus Christ.

Jesus came into Galilee preaching the gospel of God. He asks us to go into the world with that same message, the message of the Good News of Jesus Christ and that God’s kingdom is now at hand. Jesus is calling to each of us, and like with Simon and Andrew he is calling us to “Go Fish!”

Community Bible Church Orange Juice

“22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. 24 And those who are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. 26 Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.” *Galatians 5:22-26*

When I was young, my mom used to buy a box of oranges and let us kids have at them. I really enjoyed oranges and could easily consume two or three in fairly short order. One of the things I enjoyed most was fresh-squeezed orange juice in the mornings. My mom used to make homemade bread, and for breakfast I would have a glass of orange juice and soak the homemade bread in it. It was a real treat! Sometimes I would squeeze the orange juice and amazingly enough I don’t

ever remember a time when I squeezed an orange that coffee came out, or used motor oil, or battery acid. An orange always produced orange juice! A healthy fruit or vegetable will always release a product true to its nature.

It should be the same for Christians. When squeezed, we should release those things instilled in us by the Holy Spirit. What happens when you are under pressure? What do you display to the world? I have had people tell me that they are just not a very loving person, or not a patient person, or they are just not built that way. Maybe it’s time to let God do a little rebuilding in your life by humbling yourself and letting Him take over. We all have our moments when we fail, but a momentary failure should only be “momentary”. Our lives should be a picture of what God can do as He works in us. So when you are squeezed, submit to the Lord and respond in the fruit of the Spirit.

In Christ,
Pastor Dave

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7 p.m

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541-597-4169
Pastor Monty Pope
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
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Larry Hammersmith
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Illinois Valley Baptist Church
541-592-6149
102 South Redwood Hwy
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11:00 AM



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