



Clues Across

- 5 An exclusive group of people (5)
- 6 Densely wooded area (6)
- 8 Afforded (4)
- 9 The worship of idols (8)
- 10 Father of James and John (7)
- 12 Eat (4)
- 14 Domain (4)
- 15 Rein (7)
- 18 Outpouring (8)
- 19 Used to be (4)
- 20 Mediterranean evergreen shrub (6)
- 21 Forepart (5)

Clues Down

- 1 Elders of Israel, part of the Sanhedrin (6)
- 2 This place (4)
- 3 Paul received 39 of these (7)
- 4 Bringing into existence (8)
- 6 Stream (4)
- 7 Attend to (5)
- 11 Forever (8)
- 13 Enlarge (7)
- 14 Intense suffering (5)
- 16 Guarantee (6)
- 17 A particular point in time (4)
- 19 Small forest (4)

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Across	Down
7 DIVINE	1 PIPE
8 TRAVEL	2 BITTER
9 WEST	3 JEZEBEL
10 EPAPHRAS	4 STEAD
11 SCARLET	5 PAPHOS
13 USUAL	6 SEPARATE
15 CROSS	12 CARDINAL
17 LATCHET	14 GARNISH
20 DIVISION	16 SPIDER
21 REAL	18 CARMEL
23 KADESH	19 TITHE
24 SHEKEL	22 ABEL



Pull up a chair

He is close to all who call on him sincerely – Psalm 145.18

The old man was very ill, so his family called the minister. When the minister came in, he noticed an empty chair by the bed and said, "I see I'm not your first visitor today."

The old man smiled and said, "Let me tell you about that chair. Years ago I found it difficult to pray. A friend told me not to worry about it. He said 'Just sit down, put a chair in front of you, and begin to talk to him as you would to a friend.'" Then the old man added with a smile: "I've been doing that for the last 30 years, and it's been wonderful; it really works."

Soon the old man died. His daughter called for the minister. She said, "When I left him this morning, he was sleeping comfortably. But when I came back, he was gone. Then I noticed something: his hand was on the empty chair beside the bed. Isn't that strange?"

"No," the minister replied. "The One in the chair just took him by the hand and they left together."

If it helps you, pull up a chair today and spend some time talking to the Lord. Come to him confidently, for He couldn't love you more than He does at this moment – and that will never change. The Bible says: "Let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy and we will find grace to help us when we need it." *Hebrews 4:16*

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