

What Can the Righteous Do?

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Good morning everyone. There's a new page on the website this week. Teresa and some others have been sending me little cartoons that I want to pass on to you. The page is called the "Funny Papers." I think you'll get a kick out of what you see there.

As always, I want to thank you for taking the time to listen to the message today. I sincerely do appreciate the fact that so many of you are setting aside time each week to listen to God Send Us Men Ministries.

The perspective from which I have been teaching the Scriptures for so many years - I realize that sometimes it's not that easy to swallow or to digest - but I believe that the viewpoint with which we teach - is proper and Biblical. That of course, being, that the Kingdom of God is a present-day reality. That the Kingdom was established in the first century. That the Old Covenant World ended at AD70 with the destruction of the temple - and of great importance - possibly the greatest - at least if I had to try to build a list of importance - number one would be that man is no longer allowed - permitted - ordained - whatever synonym you want to use there - but man is no longer allowed to create their own governments.

In the New World - in the New Covenant Kingdom of God - there is One King - there is One Lawgiver - and the only part that men play in that realm is obedient servant to the King and His Law. Anything else, anyone else assuming any role other than that - is a rebellious usurper and is the enemy of God.

That really is very simplistic - but I believe it sums up the whole body of Scripture from the Genesis account of Creation - through the 22nd book of Revelation that proves conclusively that Jesus Christ, Yeshua the Christ was Revealed at His Second Coming - to be King of kings and Lord of lords. And in that final book, it is shown that at His Official Coronation as King of kings and Lord of lords - the kingdoms of this world - the kingdoms of men that had been established - were established and were functioning at the end of the Old Covenant World - had become the kingdoms of our Lord of His Christ.

He put down ALL rule and ALL authority. He put down ALL principalities - including municipalities - He took ALL Authority and ALL Power - and has reserved it to Himself. That's what His original advent in the first century was for. He was born to be King. He

was born to be King of Israel - and Israel is the nation, the people of God, that God chose to reveal His Will to ALL of His Creation. It is a world-wide occupation. It is a world-wide Dominion mandate. It is the responsibility of every living, breathing creature to conform to His Kingdom - right now.

I realize that when you happen to catch a word or two from the mouth of the "churchmen" you will hear them refer to the Kingdom of God. Of course they do. They all do. Doesn't matter if it's Baptist, Pentecostal, or even Catholic - they all talk about and claim to believe in the existence of the Kingdom of God.

But - as I read to you a couple weeks ago - from the preterist website - their version of the Kingdom of God is one that only controls and operates in the spirit realm.

But, I'm telling you that the Kingdom of God is the spirit realm, it's the physical realm, it's the scientific realm, it's the medical realm, it's the political realm, it's the economic realm, it's the civil realm, it's the - and you know I can't say it - but - just to remind you again of that word "criminal" - which should be eliminated from our vocabularies when trying to teach what the Kingdom of God really is - the Kingdom of God is the only way to deal with sin - which is ONLY - ONLY - ONLY - the violation of the Laws of God. Unless an act of a man or woman, boy or girl, is deemed unlawful by the Laws of God - that act is not unlawful.

The Kingdom of God - Yahweh's Anointed King - Yahweh's established Laws, Statutes, Judgements and Perfect Will must be the way a society conducts itself - or - that society exists in rebellion to the King - period - in the New Covenant World.

In the Old Covenant World? Not so. The Scriptures clearly teach - specifically from Daniel chapter 2. And, this chapter, is one of many that people have misunderstood - and have misunderstood - some for faulty perspective - others for purposeful deception. It was not my intention to look closely at Daniel 2 this morning, but I feel like maybe we should. Look with me please to Daniel 2 and we will try to quickly read until we get to the verse that I believe is used today - but not used accurately. Verse 1.

[And in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, wherewith his spirit was troubled, and his sleep brake from him.](#)

2Then the king commanded to call the magicians, and the astrologers, and the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans, for to shew the king his dreams. So they came and stood before the king.

3And the king said unto them, I have dreamed a dream, and my spirit was troubled to know the dream.

4Then spake the Chaldeans to the king in Syriack, O king, live for ever: tell thy servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation.

5The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, The thing is gone from me: if ye will not make known unto me the dream, with the interpretation thereof, ye shall be cut in pieces, and your houses shall be made a dunghill.

6But if ye shew the dream, and the interpretation thereof, ye shall receive of me gifts and rewards and great honour: therefore shew me the dream, and the interpretation thereof.

7They answered again and said, Let the king tell his servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation of it.

8The king answered and said, I know of certainty that ye would gain the time, because ye see the thing is gone from me.

9But if ye will not make known unto me the dream, there is but one decree for you: for ye have prepared lying and corrupt words to speak before me, till the time be changed: therefore tell me the dream, and I shall know that ye can shew me the interpretation thereof.

10The Chaldeans answered before the king, and said, There is not a man upon the earth that can shew the king's matter: therefore there is no king, lord, nor ruler, that asked such things at any magician, or astrologer, or Chaldean.

11And it is a rare thing that the king requireth, and there is none other that can shew it before the king, except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh.

12For this cause the king was angry and very furious, and commanded to destroy all the wise men of Babylon.

13And the decree went forth that the wise men should be slain; and they sought Daniel and his fellows to be slain.

14Then Daniel answered with counsel and wisdom to Arioch the captain of the king's guard, which was gone forth to slay the wise men of Babylon:

15He answered and said to Arioch the king's captain, Why is the decree so hasty from the king? Then Arioch made the thing known to Daniel.

16Then Daniel went in, and desired of the king that he would give him time, and that he would shew the king the interpretation.

17Then Daniel went to his house, and made the thing known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions:

18That they would desire mercies of the God of heaven concerning this secret; that Daniel and his fellows should not perish with the rest of the wise men of Babylon.

19Then was the secret revealed unto Daniel in a night vision. Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven.

20Daniel answered and said, Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are his:

21And he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings: he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding:

Alright. Absolutely. I cannot agree more with those who say that Yahweh removes kings and sets them up. That's what the text here says in Daniel 2. It's clear. But, this is the way it was in the Old Covenant World. When He made all things new - He made all things new - including this.

In the final days of the Old Covenant World - and again - this is why the Matthew 24 series is so vitally important - if we do not understand that the phrases "the end of the world" , "the last days" , "the end times" etc., if we do not understand that those phrases are talking exclusively about the end of the Old Covenant age - the Old Covenant World - then we are not going to understand the purpose with which we are supposed to be functioning, living, existing today.

Christ was Anointed King in the first century. That's why it is called the first century. It's a new day. A new age. A new era. It's the Christian, Kingdom Age which according to Isaiah - when it came - well - flip over to Isaiah 9:6. We'll just read 6 and 7 this morning. This is Isaiah 9:6-7

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

7Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His Kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of Yahweh of hosts will perform this.

Now brethren, it doesn't take 4 years of Bible college and seminary to understand Who Isaiah is prophesying of here. It does take 4 years of Bible college and seminary to twist this into something it clearly does not mean - but come on - Who is it? It's Christ. Examine this with me. Look at the opening phrase.

For unto us a child is born.

For those who want to try to insist that His Kingship has not occurred, or that His Revelation has not occurred - why did Daniel limit the time period - right from the very beginning to His birth? Hold your finger here in Isaiah and turn to Matthew 2. We will begin in verse 1.

[1] Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,

[2] Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

[3] When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

[4] And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

[5] And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet,

[6] And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.

Listen to Micah - the prophet - chapter 5, verse 2:

But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.

Though Christ is Saviour, He is the Redeemer, I find it of great importance towards understanding that Micah's prophecy - to whom Herod's men specifically cited - says that this One Who comes forth from Bethlehem is to be ruler - oh my - Whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting. Praise God. Verse 7 Matthew 2.

[7] Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, inquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.

[8] And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

Be very careful of those men who try to claim Christ but also claim positions of "power" in men's little governments. They were liars back then and the same is true today. It's

a trait, a characteristic of those men who want to exercise dominion over other men.
Verse 9.

[9] When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

[10] When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

[11] And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

Back to Isaiah 9:6, please.

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7Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David,

Alright, here again. The prophet is placing this Kingship at a specific time. When did Christ ascend to the throne of David? If you've listened to me preach at all, you've heard me pound and pound and pound Acts 2:29-31 and if you haven't got this memorized yet - I just can't stress enough the importance that these two verses get burned, seared into memory so that we will never forget.

Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day.

30Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;

He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.

How can anything in the Scripture be any clearer than this? He - God - would raise up Christ to sit on David's throne - He - David - seeing this before - as a prophet - spake of the resurrection of Christ.

Two times now in Isaiah 9:6-7 - we see the time period for when the Government - big G - would be taken over by Christ - and there is not thousands of years anywhere to be found between the birth of Christ - unto us is born - and the taking of the throne of David...

and upon His Kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of Yahweh of hosts will perform this.

Turn to I Samuel 8 and while you're turning there I have to give you another warning concerning online Bibles. Sadly, I found another typo in what has been my "go to" online Bible for probably about the last 15 or 20 years. So, for those of you who are reading the text of this message, you are seeing a little different formatting in the Bible verses that I cite - and that's the reason. Please don't take for granted that what you are reading online is accurate. And the same goes for Strong's Concordance. I hate to tell you - but the online versions are not the same as the printed versions. My oldest Strong's Concordance was from the very early 80s. Then, my daughter got me another one from 1977 and those old versions do not say the same things as the modern online versions.

I highly recommend getting an old printed version - the oldest one you can find. Alright, I Samuel 8, verse 1:

And it came to pass, when Samuel was old, that he made his sons judges over Israel.

Samuel was a prophet and a judge in Old Covenant Israel. He was a Godly man who had found favor in the eyes of Yahweh. And, like any father who has any value at all - he would hope and pray that his sons would follow in his footsteps. So, Samuel made his sons to be judges in Israel. This shows us a couple things here.

- 1) The man of God is not perfect.
- 2) If the man of God's children do not follow and live the same life as the man of God - that does not preclude him from service to the King - and it does not take away his status in the commonwealth of Israel.

In my years of ministry I've known so many men who feel worthless in the Kingdom because their children or their wife forsook the Kingdom. We, at some point, have to realize that every man and woman is accountable to what they do before God. Children

can't blame their parents. Wives can't blame their husbands. At some point we all bear our own burdens for what we have done with respect to our responsibility to the Creator of the World and all that's in it. It's every man's responsibility to seek Yahweh. It's every woman's responsibility to seek Yahweh. "You can lead a horse to water - but you can't make him drink." I'm sure that has to have come from somewhere. I've had some experience with horses - and I never saw one pass up a drink - but you can lead a wife, you can lead children - or maybe you haven't been a good leader yourself - maybe you absolutely know you have failed in Godly leadership - but still - it's every man's responsibility to seek for himself the Kingdom of God. I Samuel 8:2

2Now the name of his firstborn was Joel; and the name of his second, Abiah: they were judges in Beersheba.

3And his sons walked not in his ways, but turned aside after lucre, and took bribes, and perverted judgment.

Do you throw out the system of judges that Yahweh wants for His people because of a couple of bad judges? No. And we'll see that in just a minute. No. You get rid of the judges and replace them with men who do not walk after lucre, they don't take bribes and they don't pervert the Judgements of God. That's the responsibility of the people.

If there ever was an instance where the phrase "we the people" could be used - it's here. "We the people will not allow ungodly men to judge." Verse 4.

4Then all the elders of Israel gathered themselves together, and came to Samuel unto Ramah,

5And said unto him, Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now make us a king to judge us like all the nations.

6But the thing displeased Samuel, when they said, Give us a king to judge us. And Samuel prayed unto Yahweh.

7And Yahweh said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.

God told Moses - way back when - when Yahweh had freed them so miraculously after so many years in Egyptian captivity - God told Moses to set up a system of Godly judges to rule - to measure - the actions of the people according to the Laws of God. Now, because of what looks like an acceptable excuse - bad judges - the people want to overthrow the whole system that Yahweh had put in place and replace it with what - no doubt - they felt was a better way to do things.

Samuel's sons were not doing right. They were not measuring - ruling - judging according to the Laws of God. The people, then, used that as an excuse to rebel. It's the same thing today. "It's God's fault." "The woman you gave me" is what Adam said. "Why can't you make everything work perfectly, God?" "Why did you allow this to happen, or that to happen?"

We are the created ones - it is not the created ones to tell the Creator what to do. The people in I Samuel 8 should have simply demanded the removal of Samuel's sons. But they didn't want judges to rule according to the Laws of God - either. They wanted a "king like all the other nations." And for the life of me, I just don't get it.

Now, I will say this - these people - everything that happened to them - every step they took - every breath they took - was ordered by Yahweh. I believe that. And it all happened - why? - so that we had something to look at as an example and say, "We won't make the same mistakes." But we don't, do we? We have such a huge advantage in the New Covenant World. We clearly see the mistakes that our forefathers made. It's written down for us in plain English. Yet, we still do exactly the same things - and then wonder why we get the exact same results. Verse 8.

8According to all the works which they have done since the day that I brought them up out of Egypt even unto this day, wherewith they have forsaken Me, and served other gods, so do they also unto thee.

9Now therefore hearken unto their voice: howbeit yet protest solemnly unto them, and shew them the manner of the king that shall reign over them.

10And Samuel told all the words of Yahweh unto the people that asked of him a king.

11And he said, This will be the manner of the king that shall reign over you: He will take your sons, and appoint them for himself, for his chariots, and to be his horsemen; and some shall run before his chariots.

12And he will appoint him captains over thousands, and captains over fifties; and will set them to ear his ground, and to reap his harvest, and to make his instruments of war, and instruments of his chariots.

13And he will take your daughters to be confectionaries, and to be cooks, and to be bakers.

14And he will take your fields, and your vineyards, and your oliveyards, even the best of them, and give them to his servants.

15And he will take the tenth of your seed, and of your vineyards, and give to his officers, and to his servants.

16And he will take your menservants, and your maidservants, and your goodliest young men, and your asses, and put them to his work.

17He will take the tenth of your sheep: and ye shall be his servants.

18And ye shall cry out in that day because of your king which ye shall have chosen you; and Yahweh will not hear you in that day.

19Nevertheless the people refused to obey the voice of Samuel; and they said, Nay; but we will have a king over us;

Are you kidding me? After all that - Nay, but we will have a king over us.

I don't know how we can read this and not just bust out laughing over the sheer idiocy of the choice these people made. Of course, we should actually be very grateful to them because they showed us exactly what we should and should not be doing today.

It's funny how many times I've heard people say, "I wish God would just talk to me and say 'do this' or 'do that.'" Well. Here's a really great example of just that. Problem is, we don't really care for the instruction much. Verse 20.

20That we also may be like all the nations; and that our king may judge us, and go out before us, and fight our battles.

Oh boy. There it is. The nature of a man. Hasn't changed much, has it? I want someone else to go fight my battles. I want someone else to make sure I'm safe. I want someone else to make sure my bills get paid if get sick. I want someone or something else - to put my trust in - anyone or anything other than - oh boy - than Yahweh.

I want to be in the good hands of All State. I want a piece of the Prudential's rock. I want the U.S. military to fight my enemies. I want to make sure that when I got too old, the little g government will be there to keep some dollars coming in. Verse 21"

21And Samuel heard all the words of the people, and he rehearsed them in the ears of Yahweh.

Samuel told Yahweh again and again - this is what the people are saying. This is what they say they want.

22And Yahweh said to Samuel, Hearken unto their voice, and make them a king. And Samuel said unto the men of Israel, Go ye every man unto his city.

And that's exactly what happened. And that's exactly the way little g governments would run throughout the rest of the Old Covenant world. And, even though Yahweh allowed this - to be a lesson for you and me - thousands of years later - He did not totally relinquish His part in it. He raised up good kings, He raised up bad kings. Even though to a great extent - He allowed men to be involved in the process - He retained control. Otherwise, there would have been nothing left. Men left to themselves will - just like water - they'll seek its own level - men left to themselves will fall to great depravity and despair - because men cannot exist without the guiding hand of the Laws of God.

What happened prior to I Samuel 8 - where Yahweh said to Samuel - they have not rejected you - they have rejected me - was because men refused to follow the established plan of God - which was a system of judges - Godly judges - that would rule - measure - the actions of the people according to the Laws of God.

That has been the plan of God from the beginning. He allowed what looked like the rule of men - from the time of Samuel - up to the time of Christ. Then, once He sent the Messiah, once He sent the King, the One would sit upon David's throne - the One to Whom the Government would be on His shoulder - Once Christ was sent - then He oversaw,

...every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming.

[24] Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.

[25] For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.

And knowing beyond a shadow of a doubt - that the last enemy to be destroyed was death - He took care of that, too, and He is restored things back to the days prior to I Samuel 8 - and there is no King but Jesus. No King, but Yeshua.

If we insist on living according to the ways of the Old Covenant World - then we are going to experience the same consequences.

I want you to turn to II Chronicles chapter 7 this morning. And let's look at what is quite possibly verses in the top 10 most quoted - not just in Christianity - but probably in "churchianity" as well. Again, while these verses are extremely popular - they are absolutely misquoted, taken out of context and provide nothing as a remedy for the

problems with which they claim to address. And it happens because of perspective - once again. Because men's perspectives are not according to the present day reality of King and Kingdom - their perspective is still coming from the Old Covenant World where God allowed men to walk in their own ways - they completely butcher this passage. Verse 1, II Chronicles 7.

Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of Yahweh filled the house.

Immediately we should see - we are looking at one of the very few times in the history of our nation - the commonwealth of Israel - where God's people were actually acting like it. The glory of Yahweh filled the house. Yahweh fills His house with His glory when people are living the way He wants them to.

Even in the days of the kings of the Old Covenant World - there were times where the kings were actually modeling after the King of kings - and the people were modeling themselves as obedient followers of Christ. And we are seeing this here. Verse 2.

2And the priests could not enter into the house of Yahweh because the glory of Yahweh had filled Yawheh's house.

Again, I ask you. Good times in Israel or bad times? This was definitely one of the best times to be alive in Old Covenant Israel. Hopefully, you are asking yourselves - hmm, why then is verse 14 in this chapter? Yeah, well, it's the "churchmen" as they normally do - will take one verse here or one verse there - and try to make a religion out of it - instead of looking at the principles from the proper perspective of King and Kingdom now. Verse 3.

3And when all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of Yahweh upon the house, they bowed themselves with their faces to the ground upon the pavement, and worshipped, and praised Yahweh, saying, For He is good; for His mercy endureth for ever.

4Then the king and all the people offered sacrifices before Yahweh.

Again, I ask you, good times in Israel or bad times? Seems like most of the time, well, it doesn't seem like it - it is that way - most of the times we are looking at examples of Israel's behaviour in the Old Covenant world - it's showing what NOT to do. This is an example of the good times in Israel. Verse 5.

5 And king Solomon offered a sacrifice of twenty and two thousand oxen, and an hundred and twenty thousand sheep: so the king and all the people dedicated the house of God.

6 And the priests waited on their offices: the Levites also with instruments of musick of Yahweh, which David the king had made to praise Yahweh, because his mercy endureth for ever, when David praised by their ministry; and the priests sounded trumpets before them, and all Israel stood.

Did you see that? The Levites with the instruments of the music of Yahweh - when THAT music was played - all Israel stood. My oh my how we have it backwards.

Several years ago, Teresa and I (mostly Teresa) ran a homeschool coop. It was a pretty cool thing we had going on. I think at our peak we had almost 30 families involved - maybe somewhere close to 100 kids. It was neat. We were rural. There weren't a whole lot of homeschoolers - and we offered something that was a great blessing to a lot of people.

Homeschooling has a really big basketball tournament every year - and I have very big sons - Jason is 6'9" tall and his big brother Joshua is around 6'5" or 6" and weighs about 260 pounds. These are some biggin's as they say around here in the sticks. So, we started a homeschool basketball team. There's a whole lot of things I could tell you about that, but to cut it short - when it came time for us to play games - when we played our home games - prior to the games - we would have prayer - and everyone would stand - and we would play a song.

The song we played wasn't exactly the same song that others usually stood for prior to sporting events. At the beginning of our games, we played a really awesome version of "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name." I remember the first time we played it - and most everyone stood to their feet and put their hands on their heart.

As soon as the song started - looks of absolute bewilderment took over the faces of most of the people. And, understand that most of the people in attendance would call themselves professing Christians. There they were standing - with their hands on their hearts - but when they realized the song was "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" instead of what they were anticipating - I watched as many of them fumbled around in awkwardness not knowing what to do with their hand that had been firmly placed against their heart. I watched as they kind of looked at each, as if to say, "This is

different, what should we do? Leave our hands on our heart? Sit down? This certainly isn't the tradition we were anticipating."

Listen, brethren, we stand when the music of Yahweh is played. We do not stand when music representing the rights of the sodomites and the baby killers is played. You know, if the last verse of that song was the one that people sang - I might not be so adamantly opposed to the song - but the truth is - I don't think I've ever heard that last verse song even one time. And today, if it were - there would be segments of U.S. citizens who want that song removed even more than there are today. Back to II Chronicles 7:7:

7Moreover Solomon hallowed the middle of the court that was before the house of Yahweh: for there he offered burnt offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings, because the brasen altar which Solomon had made was not able to receive the burnt offerings, and the meat offerings, and the fat.

8Also at the same time Solomon kept the feast seven days, and all Israel with him, a very great congregation, from the entering in of Hamath unto the river of Egypt.

9And in the eighth day they made a solemn assembly: for they kept the dedication of the altar seven days, and the feast seven days.

10And on the three and twentieth day of the seventh month he sent the people away into their tents, glad and merry in heart for the goodness that Yahweh had shewed unto David, and to Solomon, and to Israel his people.

Now brethren, I hope I don't have to remind us that we are talking about principles here. While the facts and the history of what took place here are great to see - they don't all apply. We aren't sacrificing in the New Covenant World. Their sacrifices in the Old World were symbols of obedience. For us, they would be symbols of disobedience. Just like the concept of the earth rule of men. In the Old Covenant world, they were symbols of obedience - in the New Covenant World - those facts would be symbols of rebellion to the King. Everything to do with the sacrificial system of the Old Covenant World is done away with in the New Covenant world.

11Thus Solomon finished the house of Yahweh, and the king's house: and all that came into Solomon's heart to make in the house of Yahweh, and in his own house, he prosperously effected.

12And Yahweh appeared to Solomon by night, and said unto him, I have heard thy prayer, and have chosen this place to myself for an house of sacrifice.

Alright, now we need to pay attention to what is taking place. These were the best of times in Israel. There's not another better example our ancestors living lives pleasing to Yahweh in the Old Covenant World. But Yahweh is coming to Solomon - it doesn't say in a dream - but I think it could be okay to say so - doesn't matter - Yahweh appeared to Solomon at night and said,

13If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people;

But these were the best of times in Israel. Why would Yahweh shut up the heaven? Why would He send pestilence and famine? It would be because as so often as happened in Israel - the sons wake up one day in their generation and decide to walk after and follow after other gods - judges, rulers, magistrates. Now, Yahweh is saying, "If you see bad things beginning to occur around you - there is a remedy. If you want the best of times in Israel - and things are not happening the way you see them now, Solomon. There is a remedy. There is a reason why the good times have passed. Verse 14:

14If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

"Solomon, the reason why my glory has filled my house, the reason why times are so great in Israel right now, is because my people have humbled themselves, my people pray and seek my face. They are following my ways and not their own. You heard from when I filled my house with so much glory there wasn't room even for the priests. The people's sins had been forgiven - their land was healed. Look, there was no room for the priests in the house of God because the people were following Yahweh's Laws, Statutes, Commandments and Judgements - and there wasn't even a need for the priests to go into the house of God at that time. Verse 15.

15Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attent unto the prayer that is made in this place.

16For now have I chosen and sanctified this house, that my name may be there for ever: and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.

17And as for thee, if thou wilt walk before me, as David thy father walked, and do according to all that I have commanded thee, and shalt observe my statutes and my judgments;

18Then will I stablish the throne of thy kingdom, according as I have covenanted with David thy father, saying, There shall not fail thee a man to be ruler in Israel.
19But if ye turn away, and forsake my statutes and my commandments, which I have set before you, and shall go and serve other gods, and worship them;
20Then will I pluck them up by the roots out of my land which I have given them; and this house, which I have sanctified for my name, will I cast out of my sight, and will make it to be a proverb and a byword among all nations.
21And this house, which is high, shall be an astonishment to every one that passeth by it; so that he shall say, Why hath Yahweh done thus unto this land, and unto this house?
22And it shall be answered, Because they forsook Yahweh God of their fathers, which brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, and laid hold on other gods, and worshipped them, and served them: therefore hath he brought all this evil upon them.

It is such a fearful thing in the eyes of Yahweh for His people to fall away from His Statutes and His Commandments, that even when things were at their very best in Israel - God had a special, private moment with Solomon to remind Him of why things were so good and how they could turn so bad if they forget how they got to where they were.

American "churchmen" love to quote that II Chronicles 7:14 passage because they believe some things in America are so bad. But the reality is the II Chronicles passage was written when the times were great - and they were written to show Israel - that if the times turned bad - this is what happened. The people turned their backs on the Laws of God. They followed after other gods - rulers, judges, magistrates. It's not just a matter of praying. It's a matter of turning from the wicked ways - which are laws, statutes, commandments and judgements that are not Yahweh's. It's not difficult.

Friends, we live in a time where very very few people even believe that the Laws of God are for today. Let alone implement them. We are still in the stages of trying to awaken people to the simple fact that God's Laws are for today.

We are still the stages of the reality that very very few people have any real knowledge of God. Most - because of the heavy influence of the jews' religion everywhere - are still functioning in the Old Covenant world - the world where a messiah has never come. A world where men are ordained to rule over each other in dominance - and ordained by God to do so. We have not seen even the slightest amount of overcoming of the jews' religion in our society today. Nearly everyone is following the jews' religion and they

don't even know it. Even the most extremist quote "Nazis and skinheads" and other "supremacists" are all following the jews' religion. It's amazing.

This is what actually makes for difficult preaching - each and every week. There are listeners out there who already get it. They understand Bible prophecy. They understand the implications of wrongly using the word "church" - they understand the Laws of God - they understand right and wrong according to Scripture. But there are others who are listening that are just beginning to grasp what we're talking about. Most of the people in America today are not even on the milk of the Word - let alone the meat.

This past week, the city of Springfield passed a mask quote unquote "ordinance", similar to what most other fairly populated cities have done. And, sadly, a lot of so-called "churchians" have been some of the biggest supporters. They are, of course, citing Romans 13 as one of their "go to passages" in support of obeying the masking mandates. The masking mandates are a total violation of the Laws of God. Once again, because man believes they always have a better way of doing things that God does - they implement their own laws, statues and judgements and they cause men to rebel against the Laws of God - and the leaders of this people have caused them to sin, and they that are led of them are destroyed.

Quarantining, masking, or what have you - according to the Laws of God - is for the sick. It is not for the healthy. Quote unquote "laws" like these are actually communistic. Let me explain.

The system of quote "law" in communist countries are typically preventative in nature. In other words, they come at society from an attitude that restraint is preferred to freedom. This is where quote unquote "crimes" can be committed when there are no actual victims. There is no loss of property, there's no victim. Of course, no where in the Laws of God do we find quote "victimless sins."

On the other hand, the Laws of God are more from a punitive standpoint. You are basically free to do whatever you want to do - as long as you are not harming someone else in the process. That's rather simplistic - but it's not too far off from reality. In order for there to be a sin - there has to be a victim - and when there is a victim - restitution must be made.

If you are sick - the Bible teaches that you should stay away from others while you are infectious. This is not difficult.

Now - seeing through the fallacy of all this coronavirus deception - this is why they have made such a big deal out of quote "asymptomatic." Oh yeah, you can be asymptomatic and still infect people. Baloney. I don't believe it for a second. It's by the symptoms that God makes us aware there's a problem. The whole concept of asymptomatic is an attack of the credibility of the Scripture and an attack on the credibility of God Himself.

So under the Laws of God - if you damage someone - you are required to restore. So God is going to make it where you can damage someone and not even know about it? That's ridiculous.

Symptoms are always an indication of a problem. Everywhere in nature - it's the symptoms that show there is a need for attention.

Asymptomaticism - I believe that's a word I just created - is a form of rebellion to the Creator. Symptoms are - if you will - a gift from the Creator letting you know there's an issue that needs to be addressed. If you aren't exhibiting symptoms - you don't have a problem. On the other hand ignoring symptoms doesn't mean they aren't there.

I have not been the least bit surprised at anything these so-called medical charlatans have been coming up with. First off, you don't need to wear a mask. Now you do need to wear a mask. The mask can't do anything - now the mask will kill this thing in 6 weeks if everyone does it. Baloney, baloney baloney.

The biggest problem with all this is where I started to allude to a little bit ago when I talked about how little people in this country know about the Bible.

The meat of the Word? Yeah, in the New Covenant World - there is One King, One Potentate, One Ruler - and none others are allowed to exist.

The milk of the Word? Yeah, in the New Covenant World - Romans 13 has nothing whatsoever to do with men's secular governments. That's milk. That's Christianity kindergarten - Christianity preschool - Christianity 101 if a man doesn't even have that truth nailed down - he hasn't even been born yet.

This past week, Teresa sent me a screenshot from something posted by a man - and I'm not challenging his sincerity - that's not the problem - the problem is again when our perspective is not according to the Kingdom of God and the Laws of God - well - we can be as sincere as we want to be - but sincerity is not the determining factor in whether we are in the Kingdom or not. This man posted the following quote:

“The more I read and study scripture I see the biblical authority for the city of Springfield to impose a mask mandate. I don’t see anything in scripture that we should resist such rules especially if it has proven concerns for illness or death for others. This passage in Romans even stated that we are resisting God so I felt the need to post this.

The only times I see in scripture where Christians resisted government ordinances was concerning the preaching of gospel or denying our faith as is happening in China.

As a republic we have means to voice our concerns but we who call ourselves followers of Christ should do this as his representatives loving our neighbors more than ourselves having his mindset.

Wearing a mask is such a small requirement which has shown with the Great Clips incident to greatly reduce and actually stops the transmission of Covid. I know people who work with Covid patients and they are now seeing a high number of patients with serious complications in their hospitals. This is not about denying our faith but failing to live out the love that Christ exhibited for others. End quote.

Friends, it IS about denying faith. When you understand that faith is a system of belief that derives itself from the truths of the Scripture - then yes - it is about denying faith. The Laws of God do not require healthy people to wear masks. That is what communistic nations who are in rebellion to the King of kings do - those are called preventative quote “laws” and they are a dead give-away that those who enact such things are usurpers, haters of God - still living in the Old Covenant World.

Now, when your faith comes from a system of belief that says that men are ordained by a god - to create their own governments and create their own definitions of good and evil - then you take God's Holy Word and try to twist it and conform it - and pervert it into that paradigm - then yes - obeying little g government instead of obeying the God of the Bible is always, always going to be the result.

Yes. Love your neighbors. Absolutely. And on that premise, I can't fault this guy - but before you love your neighbor - you must love your God. The God of the Bible, the God of the commonwealth of Israel. And to love your God with all your heart, all your might is to love His Laws and seek to obey them and implement them in your life even if the rest of the world refuses to do so.

Yes, of course, love, love, love...I get that. But you can love, love, love all you want to - but if that love does not find its origin from "if you love me, keep my commandments" then you are a sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal.

The Laws of God would never demand that a perfectly healthy individual put on a mask so that he - being asymptomatic - would not infect someone else. If you are sick - or if you are worried about getting sick - you stay home. Otherwise, get to your normal business of providing for your family and tending to the Kingdom of God.

It's all backwards. The world is in total need of being turned rightside up. This is what happens when men think they know better than God.

Now is the time - we are not in Ecclesia - we are not in community like we are supposed to be - so it now falls on each of us to - just like Daniel did - open the windows and defy the king's wicked edicts - principally speaking of course. I taught this before - there was nothing in the Scripture that said Daniel had to open his windows for the whole world to see him praying. And actually, Christ taught the exact opposite of how Daniel prayed. But the desperate times - caused Daniel to act with desperate measures.

Now, how do you respond? That's between you and Yahweh. I saw a funny mask the other day. I saw it online - not in public. But someone had a mask on and they had the words - Corona Virus is a Hoax printed on it. I saw another mask with a mouth painted on it. I told Teresa we should consider wearing veils like Muslims do. Daniel threw open the windows and prayed in mockery to the ungodly edicts of the king of Babylon.

Last week Jeff and I were talking about how shameful it is that the Black Lives Matters and others of that ilk have torn down statues in America. And, of course, they weren't for Godly reasons - but nonetheless - they tore statues down. And, what have Israelites done to tear down statues and idols in the land?

I heard something else this week, but it turned out to be a hoax. As I listened, I had so hoped it was real. But apparently it was not. But it was a speech attributed to the president of Ghana. And in it, clearly a black man, he was railing on the fake coronavirus and how dare men think they can dominate other men and he identified these men by name and called them men of sin - quoting word for word from the Scripture. And he spoke of the Kingship of Christ and the Kingdom of God physically conquering and bringing down these evil men. It was very moving.

The only time you'll ever hear a white quote unquote "Christian" politician in America praying or calling on the name of Jesus Christ is only when it serves their best interest. What a condemnation.

Also this week, Teresa sent me something else she wanted me to see. This was a video. The video was made for U.S. citizens - it's not for citizens of the commonwealth of Israel. However, because we are not the functioning nation we are supposed to be - we are now caught up in the firestorm that's coming upon us. After I remind you Kingdom Conference 2020, I'm going to play the audio of this thing Teresa sent me. It's on the website under the Funny Papers tab.

I would encourage you to forward this to those U.S. citizens that you are trying to reach for the Kingdom of God. I may not agree with every single thing the guy says - but he makes some really good - sobering points that people need to hear.

Please remember this week to let me know if you are making plans to attend Kingdom Conference 2020. It's going to be here before you know it. With all the garbage we've been having to wade through this year - we need to get together - face to face. Go to the website at www.godsendusmen.com and click the Conference link at the top of the page.

Now, stay tuned and listen to this.