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Good morning everyone. Thank you for tuning into the message this morning.

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Please turn to Matthew chapter 4 and let's read again, the passage in the Bible where I began this series. Verse 1:

[1] Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil.

[2] And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He was afterward an hungred.

[3] And when the tempter came to Him, he said, If Thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread.

[4] But He answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

[5] Then the devil taketh Him up into the holy city, and setteth Him on a pinnacle of the temple,

[6] And saith unto Him, If Thou be the Son of God, cast Thyself down: for it is written, He shall give His angels charge concerning Thee: and in their hands they shall bear Thee up, lest at any time Thou dash Thy foot against a stone.

[7] Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.

[8] Again, the devil taketh Him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth Him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them;

[9] And saith unto Him, All these things will I give thee, if Thou wilt fall down and worship me.

[10] Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve.

[11] Then the devil leaveth Him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto Him.

[12] Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, He departed into Galilee;

[13] And leaving Nazareth, He came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim:

[14] That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,

[15] The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, by the way of the sea,

beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles;

[16] The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.

[17] From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.

[18] And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.

[19] And he saith unto them, Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men.

[20] And they straightway left their nets, and followed Him.

[21] And going on from thence, He saw other two brethren, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and He called them.

[22] And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed Him.

[23] And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

[24] And His fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto Him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and He healed them.

Those that were possessed with devils. If you take your Strong's Concordance or Mr. Thayer's Greek Lexicon, you will find that this word devil is where we get the word demon. But, friends, we are not talking about ghosts and goblins and spinning heads of Hollywood movies. Mr. Thayer explains that - if you can trust the history books - it means this dahee-mon-id'-zom-ahee:

δαιμονίζομαι; 1 aorist passive participle δαιμονισθείς; (δαίμων); to be under the power of a demon: ἄλλος κατ' ἄλλην δαιμονίζεται τύχην, Philemon 1 in Stobaeus, ecl. phys. 1, p. 196; of the insane, Plutarch, symp. 7, 5, 4, and in other later authors. In the N. T. δαιμονιζόμενοι are persons afflicted with especially severe diseases, either bodily or mental (such as paralysis, blindness, deafness, loss of speech, epilepsy, melancholy, insanity, etc.), whose bodies in the opinion of the Jews demons (see δαιμόνιον) had entered, and so held possession of them as not only to afflict them with ills, but also to dethrone the reason and take its place themselves; accordingly, the possessed were accustomed to express the mind and consciousness of the demons dwelling in them; and their cure was thought to require the expulsion of the demon

Now go to the Bible definition of insanity, for instance. Recall from our past studies Deuteronomy chapter 28. Verse 1 says this:

[1] And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:

[2] And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.

If you live by the Laws of God, blessings will come. But, if you do not live by the Laws of God, then verse 28:

[28] The LORD shall smite thee with madness, and blindness, and astonishment of heart:

Refusing the Laws of God will bring about insanity - demon possession. And we aren't talking about Linda Blair's scary face in the Exorcist. We are talking about beautiful faces, beautiful people - but demon possessed in their minds because they have chosen to disregard the Laws of God, the Kingdom of Christ - in favor of the kingdoms of the world. Everything we are seeing from Matthew 4 revolves around the understand of Christ being tempted by the devil, by Satan, to choose the kingdoms of the world - and renounce the Kingdom of God. Christ was now reaching those people who had failed to choose the Kingdom of God - and the Bible describes them as being possessed with devils. Their minds are not sane. A sane mind would choose the Laws of God, the Kingdom of God. An insane mind would choose the kingdoms of the world and would be in need of a Saviour, a Healer, the Gospel.

[25] And there followed Him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and from Decapolis, and from Jerusalem, and from Judaea, and from beyond Jordan.

Each time I read this passage of the Bible, I get more and more convinced, more persuaded than ever - that life is about a war that has been declared on the God of Heaven and on anyone that desires to live their lives exclusively by the message of Jesus the Christ - the Gospel of the Kingdom. I believe that this is so simple, should be so easy to understand - that there's no excuse why people are not getting this.

Everyone has a choice - they can follow Christ and His Kingdom. Or, they can follow

satans, devils, demons, etc., which represent the kingdoms of the world. From the very beginning of our Bibles, from the Genesis account of Creation - we should know that everything in life should be revolving around the Creator. The stories we read from Genesis chapter 1 clearly show us that the God of the Bible is the Creator of life and all that's in it - and man's responsibility to His Creator - should simply be - to live the way He said to live. To live by His Laws, His Commandments, His Statutes, His Judgments.

But why is this not happening? Why is it that so few people get it? I believe the answer to that is also simple. Either it was exactly the same tempter that is described in Matthew chapter 4 - as the one who was tempting Christ to leave His Father and join the kingdoms of the world - or - the Matthew 4 tempter was just functioning with the same mind, the same purpose, the same intention - as the tempter in the Garden of Eden that led Adam and Eve astray. Either way - whether it was the same entity or not - the spirit, the attitude, the belief, the soul - possessed the exact same system of belief.

We see from the Word of God how God created everything. And we see that it was God's desire for His Creation to follow Him - and follow Him exclusively. There should be no debate concerning this. It's simple.

But, people always seem to forget Creation and man's purpose. Of course, one of the ways this has been done is by making people doubt the Genesis story account of Creation. If the Genesis account of Creation is not true - then the Bible is not true. If the Bible is not true - then God is not true. If there is no God - there is no God's Law. If there is no God's Law - then what is there? There is man's law. There is satan's law. There is devil's law. There is absolutely no doubt in my mind that this is why the Genesis account of Creation has been so attacked. A spinning globe hurling through an infinite space - a space that is constantly expanding, constantly creating itself. That isn't what God said. That's not what is in His Book. Stars that are so far away - Polaris - they say, the north star is supposedly 433 light years away from God's world. A lightyear - the liars say - is light traveling 5.88 trillion miles per year. One trillion seconds is 31,000 years. It would take 31,000 years traveling at one mile per second - to travel just one 6th of a lightyear. Multiply that times 5.88 - traveling at one mile per second - something that no one has ever or will ever even get close to - and that's how far away the north star is.

But, yet, we look outside every night and we can see that star with our bare eyes. I'm not sure there's a computer out there that could accurately calculate how big that star would have to be in order for us to see it with our bare eyes. Billions of times, trillions

of times bigger than the sun? No, not according to the liars, the devils at Nasa. They say Polaris is only 46 times bigger than the sun. Ok. Even with that ridiculous belief system - by saying that Polaris is any times bigger than the sun - is an attack on the Bible. It's an attack on the Genesis account of Creation. It's an attack on the God of the Bible. It's an attack on His Son - s-o-n - and they have put that out there for one main purpose - and that is to eliminate God's Law, God's Nation, and replace God with man. It's about attacking the Gospel of the Kingdom of God and making sure that the only kingdom that men are bound to - is the kingdoms of the world - that which the Bible clearly says - is run by devils, by satans, by tempters and deceivers.

God said He made two great lights. He did not say He made thousands and thousands of lights that are greater than the sun and the moon. He said He made two great lights. One rules the day, one rules the night. This is why it is so important to believe God and not believe man.

It is my belief that one of the biggest reasons why people are not able to see the present day reality of the Kingdom / Government of God - is because they have been deceived into doubting the Genesis account of Creation.

The sun is moving. God's world is not moving. The Bible says it is the sun that is moving and the earth is not moving. To me, this is all so very simple. And it comes down to again - war between the kingdoms of the world - the kingdoms of men - and the Gospel of the Kingdom of God.

I want to draw your attention to something else that I find important in the Matthew chapter 4 reading. But, I want us to look at from the perspective of how God caused Luke to write it. Turn to Luke chapter 4 and read beginning with verse 1.

[1] And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness,

[2] Being forty days tempted of the devil. And in those days He did eat nothing: and when they were ended, He afterward hungered.

[3] And the devil said unto Him, If Thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread.

[4] And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word of God.

[5] And the devil, taking Him up into an high mountain, shewed unto Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.

[6] And the devil said unto Him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it.

[7] If Thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine.

I want to stop here for just a minute. I want us to remember what worship truly is. The devil here is not trying to get Christ to sing songs about the devil. He's not trying to get Christ to clap and shout and scream the name Satan with tears running down His face. Worship means serve. We've seen this many times. Serve means obey. Worship - the Biblical definition of worship means to obey. If we obey God - we are worshiping God. People who believe in obeying man's "government" are worshiping man's "government." God is not particularly concerned with our singing and dancing and clapping hands. He does enjoy the singing and clapping - but only when it comes from those who are obeying Him. Not only is He not impressed with the singing and clapping from those who are not obeying Him - but it is actually considered an insult when it happens.

Satan, the devil, was trying to get Christ to deny His Father's Laws, to deny His Father's desires, to deny His Father's Will - and to join the devil, join the satan - as a citizen of the kingdoms of the world. This is not about "praise music." It's about living as a Citizen of the Government of God - or living as a citizen of the kingdoms of the world.

Teresa and I were witnessing with a man this week and he was complaining to us about paying taxes. I tried to share the Gospel with him and let him know that Christ had delivered him from that oppression. Instead, after complaining to us about the oppression of taxes - and then me telling him that Christ brings deliverance from that oppression - instead of wanting to learn more - he instantly said that Christ said to pay taxes. And he was bound to obey men's "government" so long as he wasn't "worshiping the government." So strange.

Verse 8:

[8] And Jesus answered and said unto him, Get thee behind Me, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve.

[9] And he brought Him to Jerusalem, and set Him on a pinnacle of the temple, and said unto Him, If Thou be the Son of God, cast Thyself down from hence:

[10] For it is written, He shall give His angels charge over Thee, to keep Thee:

[11] And in their hands they shall bear Thee up, lest at any time Thou dash Thy foot against a stone.

[12] And Jesus answering said unto him, It is said, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.

[13] And when the devil had ended all the temptation, he departed from Him for a season.

[14] And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of Him through all the region round about.

This is something I find very interesting. After Christ had defeated the devil, after Christ had stood against the kingdoms of the world - He had renewed power. In His manhood, He had boldness, He had courage and was strengthened for the rest of His journey. And the same can be said about true Christians. When we get delivered from the kingdoms of the world, when we defeat the kingdoms of the world - we get power in the Spirit of God. Power in the Kingdom of God. Christ defeated the devil, then, verse 15:

[15] And He taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all.

[16] And He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up: and, as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read.

[17] And there was delivered unto Him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written,

[18] The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,

[19] To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

If you recall, from Matthew chapter 4, when it was said that Christ was in the synagogue preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom - it said that He was delivering those who were possessed with devils. Luke referred directly to the Book of Isaiah - and spoke of preaching deliverance to the captives.

I want to ask you something this morning. Do you believe that Moses was a picture of Christ? I hope you answered yes. I certainly do. I have always believed that Moses was to be understood as one that pointed to Christ. I asked the question to the internet - knowing the answer already - because I also believe that if you asked 100 501 (c)(3) "preachers" that question - they would also answer that, yes, Moses was a picture of Christ. Listen to this:

Yes, the Bible presents Moses as a type or foreshadowing of Jesus Christ. Moses's life and ministry contain elements that are seen as prefiguring the person and work of Jesus. These similarities highlight Moses's role as a divinely appointed leader, lawgiver, and prophet, all of which find their ultimate fulfillment in Jesus.

Here's a breakdown of how Moses is considered a type of Christ:

1. Divinely Appointed Leader and Lawgiver:

Moses was chosen by God to lead the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt and deliver them the Law.

Jesus, similarly, is seen as God's chosen one to lead humanity out of spiritual slavery to sin and deliver the "new covenant".

Both Moses and Jesus acted as mediators between God and their respective people.

2. Prophet Like Moses:

In Deuteronomy 18:15, Moses prophesies that God will raise up a prophet like him, and the New Testament identifies Jesus as that prophet.

This prophecy highlights the continuity between Moses's role and Jesus's, with Jesus being the ultimate fulfillment of the prophetic office.

3. Similarities in Their Lives:

Both Moses and Jesus were in danger as infants, with attempts on their lives by rulers.

Both spent time in seclusion before beginning their public ministries.

Both performed miracles to demonstrate God's power and authority.

Both led their people out of captivity and provided for them in the wilderness.

Both offered a way for their people to be reconciled with God.

4. Typological Significance:

In Christian theology, a "type" is a person, event, or thing in the Old Testament that foreshadows a greater reality in the New Testament.

Moses's life and actions are seen as a prefiguration of Christ's life, death, and resurrection.

Jesus is seen as the ultimate fulfillment of the types found in the Old Testament, including those associated with Moses.

Moses - a Type of Christ - My Windowsill

In conclusion, the Bible presents Moses as a type of Christ, with numerous parallels between their lives and ministries, highlighting Moses's role as a foreshadowing of the greater Messiah, Jesus.

So my question is this. Did God use Moses to physically deliver the Israelites from the physical captivity of the Egyptians? Absolutely. No question about it.

The Israelites had managed to get themselves in physical bondage again. This time, they

were in bondage to the Midianites. And God raised up Gideon to deliver God's people. To physically deliver God's people from the physical captivity of the Midianites. I asked the internet if Gideon was a type of Christ. And here's the answer.

Yes, Gideon is often seen as a type of Christ in the Bible. This means his story in the Book of Judges foreshadows or prefigures the person and work of Jesus Christ. Gideon's unlikely victory over the Midianites, achieved through God's power and with seemingly inadequate resources, is seen as a parallel to Christ's ultimate victory over sin and death.

Here's how Gideon's story can be interpreted as a type of Christ:

Unlikely Deliverer:

Gideon, like Christ, was chosen by God from a humble background and was initially hesitant and fearful.

Victory Through God's Power:

Gideon's victory was not due to his own strength or military prowess, but solely to God's intervention. This mirrors Christ's victory through his sacrifice and resurrection.

God's Choice of the Weak:

God chose Gideon, a man considered weak and insignificant, to lead Israel. This highlights God's preference for using the weak things of the world to shame the strong.

Victory of the Few:

Gideon's army of 300, chosen from a larger group, mirrors the small number of Christ's followers and the eventual triumph of his kingdom.

Isaiah's Prophecy:

Isaiah 9:4, which speaks of the "day of Midian" (Gideon's victory), is often interpreted as a prophecy of the Messiah's ultimate triumph over his enemies.

Essentially, Gideon's story serves as a powerful illustration of God's faithfulness, his use of unlikely individuals, and his ultimate plan for redemption through Jesus Christ.

So God used Gideon to physically deliver the Israelites from the Midianites. Gideon is considered to be a type of Christ.

How about the Assyrians? Were the Israelites physically delivered from the Assyrians? That was Hezekiah, king Hezekiah. Quote:

Yes, Hezekiah is often considered a type of Christ, meaning his life and reign in the Old Testament foreshadowed or prefigured aspects of Jesus Christ's life and ministry. While not a perfect parallel, Hezekiah's story, particularly his faithfulness, his battles against enemies, and his miraculous deliverance, provides a glimpse of the Messiah to come.

Here's why Hezekiah is considered a type of Christ:

Faithfulness and Righteousness:

Hezekiah is depicted as a righteous king who turned away from the idolatry of his father and led Judah back to God. This mirrors Jesus, the righteous King who came to restore humanity's relationship with God.

Overcoming Enemies:

Hezekiah's reign saw him triumph over the Assyrian threat, a powerful enemy that besieged Jerusalem. Similarly, Jesus overcomes the ultimate enemy, Satan, and his dominion over sin and death.

Miraculous Deliverance:

Hezekiah's miraculous deliverance from a deadly illness and the city's salvation from the Assyrian army foreshadows Christ's resurrection and his victory over death.

Temple Cleansing:

Hezekiah purified the temple and restored proper worship, mirroring Jesus' actions in cleansing the temple of corruption.

Intercession and Prayer:

Hezekiah's prayer for healing and deliverance reflects Christ's role as intercessor for believers.

Ruler and Deliverer:

Hezekiah's role as a king who ruled justly and delivered his people is a picture of Christ, the ultimate King and Savior.

Isaiah's Prophecies:

Some biblical scholars see connections between prophecies about a future Messiah and Hezekiah's reign, suggesting that Hezekiah's life was a partial fulfillment and a foreshadowing of the greater fulfillment in Jesus.

In essence, Hezekiah's story provides a rich tapestry of themes and events that resonate with the life and work of Jesus Christ, making him a significant type or prefigurement of the Messiah in the Old Testament.

How about the Babylonians? The Israelites were in physical captivity to the Babylonians and according to Isaiah 45:1 - turn there for a minute, please, verse 1:

- [1] Thus saith the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut;
- [2] I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron:
- [3] And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret

places, that thou mayest know that I, the LORD, which call thee by thy name, am the God of Israel.

[4] For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine elect, I have even called thee by thy name: I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not known me.

[5] I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me:

[6] That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the LORD, and there is none else.

[7] I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things.

[8] Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and let them bring forth salvation, and let righteousness spring up together; I the LORD have created it.

[9] Woe unto him that striveth with his Maker! Let the potsherd strive with the potsherds of the earth. Shall the clay say to him that fashioneth it, What makest thou? or thy work, He hath no hands?

[10] Woe unto him that saith unto his father, What begettest thou? or to the woman, What hast thou brought forth?

[11] Thus saith the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker, Ask me of things to come concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands command ye me.

[12] I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded.

[13] I have raised him up in righteousness, and I will direct all his ways: he shall build my city, and he shall let go my captives, not for price nor reward, saith the LORD of hosts.

[14] Thus saith the LORD, The labour of Egypt, and merchandise of Ethiopia and of the Sabeans, men of stature, shall come over unto thee, and they shall be thine: they shall come after thee; in chains they shall come over, and they shall fall down unto thee, they shall make supplication unto thee, saying, Surely God is in thee; and there is none else, there is no God.

[15] Verily thou art a God that hidest thyself, O God of Israel, the Saviour.

[16] They shall be ashamed, and also confounded, all of them: they shall go to confusion together that are makers of idols.

[17] But Israel shall be saved in the LORD with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end.

[18] For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed

it to be inhabited: I am the LORD; and there is none else.

[19] I have not spoken in secret, in a dark place of the earth: I said not unto the seed of Jacob, Seek ye me in vain: I the LORD speak righteousness, I declare things that are right.

[20] Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together, ye that are escaped of the nations: they have no knowledge that set up the wood of their graven image, and pray unto a god that cannot save.

[21] Tell ye, and bring them near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? who hath told it from that time? have not I the LORD? and there is no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me.

[22] Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else.

[23] I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, That unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear.

[24] Surely, shall one say, in the LORD have I righteousness and strength: even to him shall men come; and all that are incensed against him shall be ashamed.

[25] In the LORD shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory.

So God used Cyrus to physically deliver the Israelites who were in physical bondage to the Babylonians. Is Cyrus considered as a type or a picture pointing to the One True Messiah, Christ? Quote:

Yes, in some interpretations, Cyrus the Great is considered a type of Christ. This is because he is referred to as God's "anointed one" (messiah) in the Bible, specifically in Isaiah 45:1, despite not being a descendant of David or a Jew. He is seen as a deliverer of the Israelites from exile in Babylon, prefiguring Christ's role as a future deliverer of God's people.

Here's why:

"Anointed One" (Messiah):

While the term "messiah" is most often associated with Jesus, God uses it to describe Cyrus, making him a unique figure.

Deliverer:

Cyrus's decree allowing the Jewish exiles to return to Jerusalem and rebuild the Temple is seen as a foreshadowing of Christ's role in delivering humanity from sin and spiritual exile.

Symbolic Figure:

Cyrus's actions, while historical, are interpreted in some theological frameworks as symbolic representations of Christ's ultimate redemptive work.

So we have all these pictures, these types of Christ, these men in the Old Covenant world that God used to deliver His people - to physically deliver His people from physical enslavement and bondage - and now - finally - we have the One True Messiah sent into the world - at a time when Israel was in bondage to Rome - and we have the Bible saying things like:

[17] And there was delivered unto Him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written,

[18] The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,

[19] To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

And, in this same time period, we see Israel in bondage to Rome. We see Christ being offered the kingdoms of the world. Listen to this again. This is Matthew 4:8

[8] Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them;

I wonder if anyone has considered what the word world means here in this verse? Of course, it comes from the Greek oikoumene which means the inhabited earth, but specifically it means the Roman empire.

Christ is being shown as being offered the Roman empire to Him - but He flatly rejected it. He flatly rejected the offer of the devil, of the satan, the Roman empire. Why? Because just like Moses, just like Gideon, just like Hezekiah, just like Cyrus - this Deliverer, this Messiah, this Saviour was sent to deliver the captives.

Why is it that no one argues that Moses, Gideon, Hezekiah, Cyrus - no one argues that these men physically delivered Israel from bondage. But when it comes to Christ - all of a sudden - it's nothing but spiritual deliverance. It doesn't have any meaning for the physical. That doesn't make any sense. Christ was tentimes more the Deliverer, a hundred times, a thousand times more the Deliverer than any of those Old Covenant deliverers. Yet, the work of Christ is not considered to have any physical value for His

followers today?

That doesn't make any sense.

The reason that it doesn't make any sense is because people refuse to believe that the Gospel is the Gospel of the Kingdom. It's the Gospel of the Government of God established by Christ in the first century.

Men's minds are possessed by evil spirits. It means that they do not understand that the Gospel of the Government, of the Kingdom of God, is for today and that men and women, boys and girls are to come out of the kingdoms of the world - led by the Greatest Deliverer, the Greatest Saviour the world has ever known. They are to come out of the kingdoms of the world and into the Government of God.

I want to play something for you this morning. This is a clear example of what I'm trying to say is a demon possessed mind. It is a mind possessed by devils, by satans. The mind that is not controlled by God is a mind that is possessed by devils, by satans.

The mind that believes that the kingdoms of the world are Ordained of God. That mind is possessed by evil spirits. That mind is demon possessed. Listen to this. This is Tucker Carlson - who I am not at all recommending. However, I will say this. In this clip, Tucker is a thousand times closer to the truth than is Ted Cruz. Listen:

Ted Cruz is a product of "church." Ted Cruz is clearly not a student of the Word of God. If he was, he would have been able to answer Tucker immediately. Even if it was false "church" lies - he would have been able to give that answer. But he couldn't. That's because "church" isn't true. "Church" isn't real and doesn't possess the truth. To sit there and say that the Bible says that the "government of Benjamin Netanyahu" is what the meaning of what God said to Abraham is. Heresy. Complete and total heresy. It's insanity. It is a complete lack of sane reasoning.

There is nothing in that Book that says that modern Israeli has any relationship to the Abraham found in the Book of Genesis that God said He blessed - not because of a race, not because of a blood, not because of a skin color - but He blessed Abraham because Abraham obeyed exclusively - the Laws of God. That's clear as can be. And it's found in Genesis chapter 26 and those Words are directly tied to what Cruz that he believed - and what Tucker had to lead him to. The Israel of God is the people that obey the Laws of God - exclusively. They have no other Lawbook. They have no other Nation. They

have no other King. They believe that Christ was sent in the first century to redeem God's people and to save them from the bondage of the kingdoms of the world. The Israel of God is not in the middle east - unless there are people that have renounced the kingdoms of the world - whether those kingdoms are the israelis or the palestinians. If there people who are exclusively following the Laws of God. If there are people there that are exclusively following Christ as King - then yes - there are Israelites there.

But no - do not ever allow someone to say that israeli - what is in the middle east today - has any tie to the God of the Bible, the Abraham of the Bible, or Israel of the Bible. It is not so. And to say such things is to, well, it's one thing for someone to think that they are possessed by the devil, it's something else to open their mouth and prove it.

We see the kingdoms of the world today - run by devils - run by demons - insane people who are killing people, bombing people, destroying lives in the name of a demon possessed way of thinking, that a group of people who deny that Jesus Christ the Messiah came in the flesh - are still - somehow - the people of God, the promised seed of Abraham.