

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY NOTES

Grace and Peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord;... 2 Peter 1:2

Are You on the Right Side of His-Story

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The World Was at a Crossroad Great Darkness Covered the Earth a Great Light Was Coming:

Matthew 3:1 Now in those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, saying, **2** "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." **3** For this is the one referred to by Isaiah the prophet when he said, "THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT!'"

Matthew 3:5 Then Jerusalem was going out to him, and all Judea and all the district around the Jordan; **6** and they were being baptized by him in the Jordan River, as they confessed their sins.

We Cannot Assume Our Past Will Secure Our Future:

Matthew 3:7 But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers, who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? **8** "Therefore bear fruit in keeping with repentance; **9** and do not suppose that you can say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham for our father'; for I say to you that from these stones God is able to raise up children to Abraham.

The World Today is at Another Crossroad:

Malachi 3:18 So you will again distinguish between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve Him.

- **This is Where We are at Today!!!**

The Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil Brought Two Sides Into the World, Good and Evil, Which Side Will You Be On?:

- **This was not just an election between democrats and republicans.**
- **This was an answer to prayer, a prayer that was prayed by those who chose to be on the right side of history.**
- **If My people who are called by My Name would humble themselves and pray, and forsake their wicked way...**
- **Many modern-day Pharisees and Sadducees in their self-righteous, clouded judgmental ways, stood adamantly against the will of God.**
- **This past election was not one political party against another**
- **This was between the forces of evil pitted against the goodness of God.**

In No Uncertain Terms the Lord Said, Let My People Go:

Exodus 8:21 "For if you do not let My people go, behold, I will send swarms of flies on you and on your servants and on your people and into your houses; and the houses of the Egyptians will be full of swarms of flies,... **22** "But on that day I will set apart the land of Goshen, where My people are living, so that no swarms of flies will be there, in order that you may know that I, the LORD, am in the midst of the land.

Jeremiah 29:11 'For I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the LORD, 'plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.

Jeremiah 29:12 'Then you will call upon Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. **13** 'You will seek Me and find [Me] when you search for Me with all your heart. **14** 'I will be found by you,' declares the LORD, 'and I will restore your fortunes and will gather you from all the nations and from all the places where I have driven you,' declares the LORD, '...

How Long Will You Hesitate Between Two Opinions?

1 Kings 18:21 Elijah came near to all the people and said, "How long [will] you hesitate between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him." ...

- **Baal was the enemy of Yahweh. He was associated with demons, beezlebub, and the devil.**
- **Baal meant lord, and owner.**
- **That is how the devil works, he owns you, he controls you.**
- **God does not control, He leads.**
- **What influence are you and your church leaders following?**
- **Are they leading you or are they controlling You.**
- **God does not control, God Leads!**
- **And He gives us two angels to help us on our way: Grace and Mercy.**
- **Grace to give us the God given ability to follow His lead and obey His will, and Mercy for the times we fail.**

It Is Time To Get On The Right Side Of His-Story!:

Matthew 12:30 "He who is not with Me is against Me; and he who does not gather with Me scatters.

The Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil Produced Two Trees:

Matthew 7:16 "You will know them by their fruits... **17** "So every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit. **18** "A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, nor can a bad tree produce good fruit.

Mark 9:40 "For he who is not against us is for us.

- **We need to pray for those who are for us and stop looking at them through the lens of self-righteous religious fog.**
- **Can you discern the weather and you cannot discern the times?**

We Need to Look to the Presence of God to Save Us, Not Technology:

Instead of Humbling Ourselves Before the Presence of the Lord, the Church Has Been Guilty of Trying to Make Another Way:

2 Samuel 6:2 And David arose and went with all the people who were with him to Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God which is called by the Name, the very name of the LORD of hosts who is enthroned [above] the cherubim.

2 Samuel 6:3 *They placed the ark of God on a new cart* that they might bring it from the house of Abinadab which was on the hill; and Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were leading the new cart. **4** So they brought it with the ark of God from the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill; and Ahio was walking ahead of the ark.

- **They Built a New Way of Moving the Presence of God...**

Right Now, the Cat Has been Let Out of the Bag, and There is No Getting it Back in:

- **AI is with us until the Anti-Christ brings it to it's fulfillment, to be placed in the temple of God in Jerusalem.**

AI: *definition-* Artificial intelligence.

Artificial: *definition-* That which did not originate from God, but from man.

Many Church Leaders Have Lost the Fear of God and Have Become Irreverent:

2 Samuel 6:6 But when they came to the threshing floor of Nacon, Uzzah reached out toward the ark of God and took hold of it, for the oxen nearly upset [it.] **7** And the anger of the LORD burned against Uzzah, **and God struck him down there for his irreverence; and he died there by the ark of God.**

2 Samuel 6:9 So David was afraid of the LORD that day; and he said, "How can the ark of the LORD come to me?"

- **Only the Anointed Can Carry the Presence of the Lord...**

Many Church Leaders Have Become Drunk with Power:

Leviticus 10:1 Now Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took their respective firepans, and after putting fire in them, placed incense on it and offered strange fire before the LORD, which He had not commanded them. **2** And fire came out from the presence of the LORD and consumed them, and they died before the LORD.

Leviticus 10:8 The LORD then spoke to Aaron, saying, **9** *"Do not drink wine or strong drink, neither you nor your sons with you, when you come into the tent of meeting,* so that you will not die--it is a perpetual statute throughout your generations—

Head The Warning:

Leviticus 10:3 Then Moses said to Aaron, "It is what the LORD spoke, saying, 'By those who come near Me I will be treated as holy, And before all the people I will be honored.'" So Aaron, therefore, kept silent.

Those Who Humbly and Reverently Receive the Presence of the Lord Will Be Blessed:

2 Samuel 6:10 ... *(after Uzzah was struck dead)* David was unwilling to move the ark of the LORD into the city of David with him; but David took it aside to the house of Obed-edom the Gittite. **11** Thus the ark of the LORD remained in the house of Obed-edom the Gittite three months, and the LORD blessed Obed-edom and all his household.

2 Samuel 6:12 Now it was told King David, saying, "The LORD has blessed the house of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, on account of the ark of God." David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom into the city of David with gladness.

1 Chronicles 26:4 Obed-edom had sons: ... God had indeed blessed him. **6...**, for they were mighty men of valor... **8** All these [were] able men with strength for the service,...

- **When the Church gets back to spending time in the presence of the Lord, we will become valiant, strong, and able to fulfill the work of the Lord.**

Peter and the Early Church Were Threatened by the Forces of Evil, as We Just Were Over the Past 16 Years:

Acts 4:24 And when they heard [this,] they lifted their voices to God with one accord and said, "O Lord, it is You who MADE THE HEAVEN AND THE EARTH AND THE SEA, AND ALL THAT IS IN THEM, 25 who by the Holy Spirit, [through] the mouth of our father David Your servant, said, 'WHY DID THE GENTILES RAGE, AND THE PEOPLES DEVISE FUTILE THINGS?'"

- **By the Mercy of God, the Church Has Just Been Delivered from Worldly Forces of Darkness That Were Planning to Come Against the Church of God.**
- **The Church Cannot Afford to Remain in its Powerless State in these Day's in Which The Lord Our God Has Risen to Our Defense.**

2 Chronicles 7:14 and *(IF)* My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

Let Us Pray as Peter Prayed and Seek the Presence of God as Peter Did:

Acts 4:29 "And now, Lord, take note of their threats, and grant that Your bond-servants may speak Your word with all confidence, 30 while You extend Your hand to heal, and signs and wonders take place through the name of Your holy servant Jesus." 31 And when they had prayed, the place where they had gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and [began] to speak the word of God with boldness.

We Need Gatekeepers:

- **At the Tabernacle in Jerusalem, David Raised Up Gatekeepers.**

Gatekeepers: Role to guard the entrance to the temple. This position was established by David and Samuel.

We Need Gatekeepers of Integrity Over the Houses of God:

1 Chronicles 9:22 In all, there were 212 gatekeepers in those days, and they were listed according to the genealogies in their villages. David and Samuel the seer had appointed their ancestors because they were reliable men.

1 Chronicles 9:23 These gatekeepers and their descendants, by their divisions, were responsible for guarding the entrance to the house of the LORD when that house was a tent.

1 Chronicles 9:24 The gatekeepers were stationed on all four sides--east, west, north, and south.

We Need Gatekeepers of Integrity Over the Finances of God's Kingdom:

1 Chronicles 9:26 The four chief gatekeepers, all Levites, were trusted officials, for they were responsible for the rooms and treasuries at the house of God.

We Need Gatekeepers of Holiness Over the Worship of God's Houses:

1 Chronicles 9:28 Some of the gatekeepers were assigned to care for the various articles used in worship. They checked them in and out to avoid any loss. ... **33** The musicians, all prominent Levites, lived at the Temple. They were exempt from other responsibilities since they were on duty at all hours.