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As we continue our series on *Revival in America*, we look at King Josiah who brought about one of the greatest revivals and reformations ever concerning Judah. 300 years before Josiah was born it was prophesied he would come and bring about a great reformation. We read:

*“And, behold, there came a man of God out of Judah by the word of the LORD unto Bethel (Beth=house, El=God; House of God): and Jeroboam (Judah’s backslidden king) stood by the altar (a pagan altar) to burn incense (Kings were not ordained to burn incense: only Temple priests). And he (the man of God) cried against the altar in the word of the LORD, and said, O altar, altar, thus saith the LORD; Behold, a child shall be born unto the house of David, Josiah by name; and upon thee (speaking to the altar next to Jeroboam) shall he (Josiah) offer (sacrifice) the priests of the high places that burn incense upon thee, and men’s bones shall be burnt upon thee” (1 Kings 13:1-2).*

The unnamed man of God foretold what the child Josiah would do following his birth and becoming the king of Judah.

If a true prophet of God prophesied your name today, what would he declare about you; and what would he declare about how you would live your life at this present time? What godly characteristics would you possess so Jehovah might use you for a time such as this?

I’m going to fast forward to the fulfillment of this prophecy given by the unnamed man of God wherein Josiah would slay the false priests and burn their bones upon the pagan altars:

*“And all the houses also of the high places that were in the cities of Samaria, which the kings of Israel (Jeroboam) had made to provoke the LORD to anger, Josiah took away, and did to them according to all the acts that he had done in Bethel (this reformation began in Bethel). And he slew all the priests of the high places that were there upon the altars, and burned men’s bones upon them (the altars), and returned to Jerusalem” (2 Kings 23:19-20).*

Just as the prophet of God had prophesied, those wicked priests were burned on the pagan altars Jeroboam had evilly erected.

Regrettably, America is full of false prophets and false teachers. That, my friend, is one of the greatest signs of the Second Coming of Christ! Jesus declared:

*“And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many” (Matthew 24:11).*

False prophets and their prophecies have become myriad in these last days. If you recall, there were many purported prophecies given regarding Donald Trump being reinstated to a second term. Since that did not happen, some have prophesied Biden will be removed and Trump will be reinstated very shortly. Many to this day still believe Donald Trump will return to the office of the president and replace Joe Biden. The apostle Paul warned Timothy about how seducers and deception would grow worse:

*“But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived” (2 Timothy 3:13).*

In spite of the false prophecies over the years, no one seems to hold these charlatans accountable and most church leaders will not call for their correction.

I am only addressing this subject because these Trump conspiracies have distracted a lot of so-called Christians. Satan is keeping many Christians from personal revival because they are looking to a man rather than God.

Just the same as Jehovah ordained Josiah, I am praying and asking the Lord to raise an army of revivalists all over America. At this present time we all should be focusing on our relationship with Jesus Christ, coupled with national repentance so there might be a godly reformation in America.

I also believe those who continue to promote false prophets and prophecies will be held accountable on the Day of Judgment.

Let me say to everyone reading this: it is your responsibility and personal obligation to keep your hands clean and your heart pure. We read:

*“Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully” (speak lies)” (Psalm 24:3-4).*

This Scripture will keep many out of the kingdom of God because they lie profusely.

Israel had fallen terribly and departed from Jehovah and was in a grievous backslidden condition. Jeroboam was just one of the many evil kings who had brought about Israel’s demise before Josiah ever became the king of Judah.

*“And Jeroboam said in his heart, Now shall the kingdom return to the house of David* (this was because in the previous chapters Civil War had been adverted between Israel and Judah and Jeroboam was seeking to pacify the people. Satan’s leaders and ministers always appeal to the flesh. Jeroboam said within his heart): *If this people go up to do sacrifice in the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, then shall the heart of this people turn again unto their lord* (No wicked king ever wills for God’s people to repent and return to the only true and living God. Furthermore, no wicked leader ever wants to relinquish their evil power.), *even unto Rehoboam king of Judah, and they shall kill me, and go again to Rehoboam king of Judah. Whereupon the king took counsel* (advise), *and made two calves of gold* (the same idols as in the exodus), *and said unto them* (the people), *It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem: behold thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt* (declared the same exact words as in the exodus). *And he set the one in Bethel* (house of God), *and the other put he in Dan* (he made idolatry convenient). *And this thing became a sin: for the people went to worship before the one, even unto Dan. And he made an house of high places, and made priests of the lowest of the people* (Jeroboam took the lowest people and ordained them priests. What a grave tragedy? All priests were to come solely from the tribe of Levi and be ordained of God.), *which were not of the sons of Levi. And Jeroboam ordained a feast in the eighth month, on the fifteenth day of the month, like unto the feast that is in Judah, and he offered upon the altar. So did he in Bethel, sacrificing unto the calves that he had made: and he placed in Bethel the priests of the high places which he had made”* (1 Kings 12:26-32).

By ordaining a feast, Jeroboam

was trying to replicate the holy feast of Jehovah. This would have been around the time of the Feast of Trumpets or the Feast of Tabernacles knowing it was the eighth month.

Today many churches are trying to develop their own religious ways along with their own way of worship. Man cannot create his own truths nor can he offer up his own way of worship! Jesus defined exactly how men must worship the Father:

*“But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth”* (John 4:23-24).

True worship can only be found in and through the Holy Spirit, coupled with the truth of God’s Most Holy Word! Outside of this; all worship is nothing more than faulty worship.

Everything Jeroboam did was an abomination and in direct opposition to Jehovah. In retrospect, Jeroboam, along with many other kings, led Israel into absolute apostasy: what evil kings!

Today in America we are witnessing the very same things. Many ministers are leading the church into filthy abominations and therefore becoming apostate.

The apostle Paul prophesied that in the last days, many ministers would be used greatly by Satan and would deceive many into following their pernicious ways:

*“For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works”* (2 Corinthians 11:13-15).

One of the great prophetic utter-

ances and characteristics of Josiah was that he turned not aside to the right hand or to the left. In other words he faithfully sought to do all the right things.

One of the utmost characteristics of God is he is righteous and those who are spirit-filled will also possess that same spirit of righteousness coupled with unblemished integrity.

What of our spiritual integrity today? As followers of Christ we are to never oscillate or vacillate concerning the Word of God. The psalmist declared:

*“Let integrity and uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee”* (Psalm 25:21).

In closing let me admonish everyone that your honesty, uprightness, and integrity will always protect you from harm, detriment, and loss! Those who desire to be filled with integrity and uprightness will always do the right thing, therefore protecting themselves from harm and loss.

Let me humbly say thank you for your prayers and faithful support. I am aware inflation is taking a toll on everyone. Here at *The Voice of Evangelism*, we too are subject to all of the anomalies and aberrations caused by inflation.

Postage has become absolutely obscene and the mail service has become utterly pathetic. Each week we receive reports of people not getting their mail and their mail failing to get to us. Sadly everything will continue to become more uncertain but Christ, our Lord, never changes.

King David, declared he had never seen the righteous forsaken nor his seed begging bread. I believe that, even in this present hour.

May the Lord God of Abraham forever order your steps in His Most Holy Word!



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