

Topic: WINNING GOD TO YOUR SIDE

Bible Reading/ Passage: 2 King 20 vs. 1 – 11

INTRODUCTION

In John 3 vs. 16: For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son, that whoso ever believes in him will not perish but have eternal life, also in psalm 118 vs. 1, says give thanks to the Lord for He is good His mercies endures forever.

In this passage we saw the account of a King Jerusalem, named Hezekiah, He was the king and ruler of God's people, but was sick and was at the point of death, the word of God came through His prophet Isaiah saying this is what the Lord says: put your house in order, because you are going to die: you will not recover, the bible made us to understand that this King had boil in Vs 7, meaning that the boil was as incurable one that no physician could cure in the land, what a pity for God to have decided to take his servant just like that. All hopes were lost for this king as the Almighty spoke through His prophet.

Another Example was the city of Nineveh, in Jonah Chapter 1 vs. 1-2 and Chapter 3 vs. 1- End

Roman 9 vs. 15, for says to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion. God is a Mercy God He can do whatever pleases him, but we can win God on our side if we do what he says.

WHEN DO WE NEED TO WIN GOD ON OURSIDE

1. When all human efforts have failed e.g. the king with the boil
2. When there is calamity on the way or struggling with sin
3. During battles, 1 Samuel 17 vs. 45 – 46
4. When we need deliverance Psalm 3 vs. 8
5. When we need a new story/ or a change
6. When situations becomes unexplainable like the woman with the issue of blood Mark 5 vs. 27-29

HOW CAN WE WIN GOD TO OUR SIDE

1. In Verse 2 of 2 kings 20, the Bible records that Hezekiah turned his face to the wall, meaning he forsook all his wealth and confronted the truth, Humility, broken heart

2. Secondly He prayed, I submit to you that the kind of prayers he prayed was not the usual prayer, he prayed the prayer of that was in Isaiah 43 vs. 26 “ review the past for me, let us argue the matter together: state the case for your innocence” He stated and argue His case saying

1. Remember Oh Lord how I have walked before you faithfully
2. With wholehearted devotion / holiness
3. And done what is good in your eyes

3. And Hezekiah wept bitterly

1. In the case of the City of Nineveh, Chapter 3 vs. 5, they declared fasting
2. They became humble, broken and sober
3. They put on sackcloth and the king covered himself with ashes and dust, means coarse cloth worn as a sign of mourning or penitence. As being clothed in sackcloth and rolling in ashes represent mourning over evils and falsities, it also represent humiliation, and likewise repentance; for the primary thing in humiliation is to acknowledge that of himself one is nothing but evil and falsity. The same is true of repentance, which is

effected solely through humiliation, and this through the confession of the heart that of himself one is of such a nature. That putting on sackcloth was a token of humiliation

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN GOD IS WON ON YOUR SIDE

1. From Vs 5, of 2 kings 20, their will be answered prayers
2. Healing will take place
3. Offering of sacrifices, meaning rejoicing
4. Added years, and Glory
5. Total and complete deliverance
6. Their shall be signs and wonders vs. 11
7. In Jonah 3 vs. 10, God will have compassion on you
8. He will take calamity away from you

CONCLUSION

Are you hear today and you are asking yourself Oh Lord when would you deliver me, or is your situation so pathetic that you have been written off, today as we pray God's attention will shift towards you. But God cannot be on your side if you are not in his book, if there is sins in your life He cannot be on your side, because no unclean things shall enter into his kingdom, but you can make it right with him by repenting of all your sins and telling how sorry you are, so that all the prayers we shall be praying will manifest in your life, all eyes close and all heads bow down.....

PRAYERS

1. Father Lord I come before you today with a broken heart have mercy upon me in Jesus name
2. Any sin in my life standing between me and God give way in Jesus name
3. Father Lord do not visit me with your wrought and anger in Jesus name
4. I receive the grace and mercy of God in Jesus name
5. Oh Lord my God rewrite the story of my life in Jesus name
6. Oh Lord, let my heavens open and let their be rain.....in Jesus name.