Message: Understanding the assignment of Elymas the sorcerer

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Memory verse: Matthew 28:18-20 KJV And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. [19] Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: [20] Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, Io, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Bible reading: Acts 13:6-12 KJV And when they had gone through the isle unto Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew, whose name was Bar-jesus: [7] Which was with the deputy of the country, Sergius Paulus, a prudent man; who called for Barnabas and Saul, and desired to hear the word of God. [8] But Elymas the sorcerer (for so is his name by interpretation) withstood them, seeking to turn away the deputy from the faith. [9] Then Saul, (who also is called Paul,) filled with the Holy Ghost, set his eyes on him, [10] And said, O full of all subtilty and all mischief, thou child of the devil, thou enemy of all righteousness, wilt thou not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord? [11] And now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon thee, and thou shalt be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist and a darkness; and he went about seeking some to lead him by the hand. [12] Then the deputy, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the doctrine of the Lord.

God's instruction to his children is to go to the whole world and preach the gospel but do you think the devil will be happy for the truth to be preached when he has been keeping leaders in bondage of lies over the years, my prayer this day is for God to blind all the Elymas the sorcerer around you....

Elymas the sorcerer are

- Those engaging people with worldly things in order to take their minds away from God
- Enemies of the gospel that lure people away from a bible believing church to satanic fellowship
- They are those twisting the word of God to confuse believers
- They are those with witchcraft power
- Those with hidden agenda
- Those engaging people with ungodly activities when it is time to listen to the word of God
- Those distracting people in the church when sermon is going on
- Those distracting people in the church when bible studies and prayers are going on
- Those that loves fetish things more than the word of God
- Those turning the temple of God to the den of robbers
- Those turning the hearts of leaders away from doing good

Paul prayed against Elymas the sorcerer before the deputy could hear the true Gospel... We must therefore pray against all things that are hindering us from hearing the true gospel.....

Prayer

- 1. Powers preventing our leaders from hearing the word of God be blind now in the name of Jesus
- 2. Spirit of Elymas the sorcerer in my life your time is up be rooted out and die in the name of Jesus
- **3.** Elymas the sorcerer in our country be exposed and be blind in the name of Jesus
- 4. Elymas the sorcerer in the church come out and be blind in the name of Jesus
- 5. O God my father open the ears and eyes of our leaders to your true gospel in the name of Jesus