



# **“Effective Expositions”**

**“An Assortment Of Expository Sermon Outlines”**

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## Introduction:

I have been in full-time ministry for almost 52 years. Through these years, I have been the pastor of small churches and also large churches, and my wife and I have planted three of these churches. We have been blessed to see our churches grow with scores of people coming to Jesus. Sometimes I get asked the question, “How do you grow churches and reach so many people?” And, I must humbly say that there is no quick fix or special formula for building great churches, except for the plan found in the Book of Acts. However, there are three things that I will always attest to that are mandatory to really building growing, thriving, and strong Bible based churches. Those three things are the anointing of the Holy Spirit, preaching expository sermons in the pulpit, and dedicated hard work in going after souls. God seems to honor these three things tremendously. And, while our churches across America and around the world are declining, our pastors are moving away from the preaching ministry to a ministry of videos, drama, skits, and many other things. But nothing shall ever take the place of preaching expositionally through the Bible.

Therefore, today I want to offer this first volume of assorted expository sermons with the desire that they might be a tool to help many preachers, pastors, evangelists, and missionaries get into the Word of God, and begin to see the fruitful effects of preaching exegetically through passages of the Bible. It is my prayer that God might use these outlines and those yet to come to encourage, excite, and to develop both church leaders and church members as they allow God to whet their appetite for His Word. Beloved, there is nothing any more wonderful in all the world than the privilege that we have to study the Bible and then to make practical applications of the truths found in it to the lives of our people. I pray that God might use these outlines just to get many of you started in a deep search for the truth of the Word of God. And, may we never get the idea that anything should take precedence in our churches over the preached Word of God. In Paul’s last letter that he ever wrote, he said to Timothy, **“Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine”**, II Timothy 4:2. Paul knew that false teachers would do their best to move Timothy away from his main calling, and that was to preach the Word. May we too never forget our main responsibility is to do the same!

# **“The Origin And Plan For The Home”**

## **Scripture: Genesis: 2:7-25**

### **I. NOTICE THE PROCESS OF ADAM’S CREATION. v. 7**

- A. Notice the Source of this creation. v. 7a
- B. Notice the substance of this creation. v. 7b
- C. Notice the Spirit of this creation. v. 7c
- D. Notice the soul of this creation. v. 7d

### **II. NOTICE THE PLACE WHERE ADAM RESIDED. v. 8**

- A. This was a prepared place. v. 8a
- B. This was a pleasant place. v. 8b
- C. This was a particular place. v. 8c (Eden means delight)

### **III. NOTICE THE PROVISIONS ADAM RECEIVED. vs. 9-14**

- A. These provisions were voluminous. v. 9 (big)
- B. These provisions were vibrant. v. 10
- C. These provisions were valuable. vs. 11-14

### **IV. NOTICE THE POWER THAT WAS GIVEN. v. 15**

- A. He was given the power for devotion. v. 15a
- B. He was given the power for development. v. 15b (dress)
- C. He was given the power for defense. v. 15c

### **V. NOTICE THE PROHIBITION THAT ADAM WAS GIVEN. vs. 16-17**

- A. It was a commanded prohibition. v. 16a
- B. It was a compassionate prohibition. v. 16b
- C. It was a confined prohibition. v. 17 a
- D. It was a consequential prohibition. v. 17b

**VI. NOTICE THE PROBLEM ADAM ENCOUNTERED. v. 18**

- A. It was an acknowledge problem. v. 18a
- B. It was an alone problem. v. 18b
- C. It was an answered problem. v. 18c

**VII. NOTICE THE PROCESSION BROUGHT BEFORE ADAM. vs. 19-20**

- A. This procession revealed Adam's rule. v. 19a
- B. This procession revealed Adam's rationality. v. 19b
- C. This procession revealed Adam's remarks. v. 19c
- D. This procession revealed Adam's requirement. v. 20

**VIII. NOTICE THE PARTNER ADAM WAS PROVIDED. vs. 21-22**

- A. Notice the Person Who provided the partner. v. 21a
- B. Notice the performance that provided the partner. v. 21b
- C. Notice the part from which the partner was made. v. 21c
- D. Notice the person who became the partner. v. 22a
- E. Notice the presentation of the partner. v. 22b

**IX. NOTICE THE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN ADAM AND EVE. vs. 23-24**

- A. Notice the connection in the partnership. v. 23a
- B. Notice the complementation in this partnership. v. 23b
- C. Notice the command in this partnership. v. 24a
- D. Notice the compassion in this partnership. v. 24b
- E. Notice the code in this partnership. v. 24c

**X. NOTICE THE PURITY IN WHICH ADAM AND EVE WERE MARRIED.  
v. 25**

- A. Notice the beauty of this purity. v. 25a
- B. Notice the bond of this purity. v. 25b
- C. Notice the blamelessness of this purity. v. 25c

# **“The Goal Of Marriage”**

## **“Oneness”**

### **Scripture: Genesis: 2:21-25**

#### **I. NOTICE THE ROOTS OF THIS GOAL. vs. 21-22**

- A. It is rooted in the plan of God. v. 21a
- B. It is rooted in the performance of God. vs. 21b-22a
- C. It is rooted in the presentation of God. v. 22b

#### **II. NOTICE THE REALIZATION OF THIS GOAL. v. 23**

- A. It is an initial realization. v. 23a
- B. It is an intimate realization. v. 23b
- C. It is an identifying realization. v. 23c

#### **III. NOTICE THE ROUTE TO THIS GOAL. v. 24**

- A. This route includes sacrificial leaving. v. 24a
- B. This route includes supreme loving. v. 24 b
- C. This route includes singular living. v. 24c

#### **IV. NOTICE THE REWARDS OF THIS GOAL. v. 25**

- A. There is the reward of purity. v. 25a
- B. There is the reward of parity. v. 25b
- C. There is the reward of peacefulness.

# **“The Death And Resurrection Of Adam”**

## **Scripture: Genesis: 2:21-25 Ephesians 5:21-33**

### **I. NOTICE THE PATTERNED DEATH OF ADAM. v. 21a**

- A. Notice the perpetrator of this death. v. 21a
- B. Notice the procedure of this death. v. 22a
- C. Notice the product of this death. v. 22b
- D. Notice the presentation of this death. v. 22c

### **II. NOTICE THE PATTERNED RESURRECTION OF ADAM. vs. 23-25**

- A. Notice the post-resurrection pronouncement. v. 23a
- B. Notice the post-resurrection product. v. 23b
- C. Notice the post-resurrection principle. v. 24a
- D. Notice the post-resurrection pleasure. v. 24b
- E. Notice the post-resurrection purity. v. 25

# “The Fall Of Man”

## Scripture: Genesis 3:1-24

### I. NOTICE THE TEMPTATION OF MAN. vs. 1-7

#### A. Notice the first the tempter. vs. 1,4-5

1. Notice his subtlety. v. 1a
2. Notice his speech. v. 1b
3. Notice his scheme. vs. 4-5
  - a. This scheme included the practice of perjury. v. 4
  - b. This scheme included the promise of perception. v. 5a
  - c. This scheme included the promise of position. v. 5b
  - d. This scheme included the promise of power. v. 5c

#### B. Notice secondly the target. vs. 2-3

1. Notice the personality of the target. v. 2a
2. Notice the pride of the target. v. 2b
3. Notice the presumptuousness of the target. v.3

#### C. Notice thirdly the tragedy. vs. 6-7

1. Let's see the route of the tragedy. v. 6a
  - a. The route included personal appetite. (Lust of the flesh)a
  - b. The route included personal attraction. (Lust of the eyes)
  - c. The route included personal achievement. (Pride of life)

2. Let's see the results of the tragedy. vs. 6b-7

- a. It resulted in a contaminated spouse. v. 6b
- b. It resulted in a conscious sinfulness. v. 7a
- c. It resulted in a concocted salvation. v. 7b

## II. NOTICE THE CONDEMNATION OF MAN. vs. 8-19

A. Notice the reasons for this condemnation. vs. 8-9

- 1. There is the reason of God's presence. v. 8
- 2. There is the reason of God's pronouncement. v.9

B. Notice the response to this condemnation. vs. 10-13

- 1. They responded with fearful intimidation. v. 10
- 2. They responded with factual revelation. v. 11
- 3. They responded with foolish accusations. vs. 12-13

C. Notice the results of this condemnation. vs. 14-19

1. It resulted in a curse for the serpent. vs. 14-15

- a. He was stripped of rank. v. 14a
- b. He was stripped of rights. v. 14b
- c. He was stripped of rest. v. 15

2. It resulted in a curse for the sinner. vs. 16-19

- a. This curse included painful sorrow. v. 16
- b. This curse included a plant scourge. vs. 17-18
- c. This curse included personal sweat. v.19



### III. NOTICE THE SALVATION OF MAN. vs. 20-24

- A. This salvation required belief in God's Word. v. 20
- B. This salvation required blood from God's work. v. 21
- C. This salvation required benevolence from God's wisdom. vs. 22-24

# **“Obedience To The Call Of God”**

## **Scripture: Genesis 12:1-9**

### **I. NOTICE GOD’S CALL TO ABRAM. v. 1**

- A. It was a specific call. v. 1a
- B. It was a sacrificial call. v. 1b
- C. It was a scary call. v. 1c

### **II. NOTICE GOD’S COMMITMENT TO ABRAM. vs. 2-3**

- A. God promised Abram that he would be productive. v. 2a
- B. God promised Abram that he would be persuasive. v. 2b
- C. God promised Abram that he would be pleasing. v. 2c
- D. God promised Abram that he would be protected. v. 3a
- E. God promised Abram that he would be perpetual. v. 3b

### **III. NOTICE ABRAM’S COMPLIANCE TO GOD’S CALL. vs. 4-9**

- A. It was a willing compliance. v. 4a
- B. It was a witnessing compliance. vs. 4b-5
- C. It was a walking compliance. v. 6
- D. It was a waiting compliance. v. 7
- E. It was a worshipping compliance. vs. 8-9

# **“Some Reasons For Making Wrong Decisions”**

## **Scripture: Genesis: 13:1-13**

### **I. LOT WAS DECEIVED ABOUT THE PROVISIONS OF THE LORD. vs. 1-3**

- A. He was deceived about the reason for these provisions. v. 1-2
- B. He was deceived about the requirements for these provisions. v. 3

### **II. LOT WAS DECEIVED ABOUT THE PLAN OF THE LORD. v. 4**

- A. It was a plan of sacrifice. v. 4a
- B. It was a plan of service. v. 4b
- C. It was a plan of supplication. v. 4c

### **III. LOT WAS DECEIVED ABOUT THE PRIORITIES OF LIFE. vs. 5-9**

- A. He was deceived about the priority of resources. vs. 5-6
- B. He was deceived about the priority of relationships. v. 7
- C. He was deceived about the priority of reconciliation. vs. 8-9

### **IV. LOT WAS DECEIVED ABOUT THE PLEASURES OF LIFE. vs. 10-11**

- A. He was deceived about these pleasures because of a lust for the irresistible. v. 10a
- B. He was deceived about these pleasures because of a life of impulsiveness. v. 10b
- C. He was deceived about these pleasures because of a lack of investigation. v. 10c
- D. He was deceived about these pleasures because of a lifetime of inseparability. v. 11

### **V. LOT WAS DECEIVED ABOUT THE POWER OF LUCIFER. vs. 12-13**

- A. Lot was deceived about the power of Lucifer’s cities. v. 12
- B. Lot was deceived about the power of Lucifer’s colleagues. v. 13

# **“Pitching Your Tent Toward Sodom”**

## **Scripture: Genesis: 13:10-13**

### **I. NOTICE THE DESIRE. v. 10**

- A. There was the desire for that which was pretty. v. 10a
- B. There was the desire for that which was promising. v. 10b

### **II. NOTICE THE DECISION. v. 11a**

- A. It was a voluntary decision.
- B. It was a valueless decision.

### **III. NOTICE THE DIVISION. vs. 11b-12a**

- A. Lot separated himself from a Godly man. v. 11b
- B. Lot separated himself from Godly methods. v. 12a

### **IV. NOTICE THE DIRECTION. vs. 11b-13**

- A. It was the direction of sin.
- B. It was the direction of suffering.
- C. It was the direction of shame.

# “The Tragic Results Of A Backslidden Believer”

## Scripture: Genesis 19:1-38 II Peter 2:7-8

### I. NOTICE HIS WORLDLY POSITION. v. 1a

- A. It was a position of pleasure. (Lot was relaxed in the city of sin.)
- B. It was a position of power. (Sitting at the gate meant he was a ruler.)
- C. It was a position of perversion. (Sodom)

### II. NOTICE HIS WISE PERCEPTION. vs. 1b-3

- A. This perception included recognition. v. 1b-a
- B. This perception included respect. v. 1b-b
- C. This perception included reception. v. 2
- D. This perception included refreshment. v. 3

### III. NOTICE HIS WICKED PEERS. vs. 4-7

- A. Notice the determination of these peers. v. 4
- B. Notice the desire of these peers. v. 5
- C. Notice Lot’s defense before these peers. v. 6
- D. Notice Lot’s declaration before these peers. v. 7

### IV. NOTICE HIS WAYWARD PROPOSAL. vs. 8-9

- A. Notice the sinfulness of this proposal. v. 8a
- B. Notice the shamelessness of this proposal. v. 8b
- C. Notice the stupidity of this proposal. v. 8c
- D. Notice the sham of this proposal. v. 8d
- E. Notice the stiffness to this proposal. v. 9a
- E. Notice the sarcasm to this proposal. v. 9b

**V. NOTICE HIS WONDERFUL PROTECTION. vs. 10-11**

- A. Lot is protected by Divine power. v. 10
- B. Lot is protected by Divine punishment. v. 11

**VI. NOTICE HIS WEIGHTY PREMONITION. vs. 12-13**

- A. It is a commanding premonition. v. 12
- B. It is a catastrophic premonition. v. 13

**VII. NOTICE HIS WORTHLESS POWER. v. 14**

- A. Lot had lost the power of instruction. v. 14a
- B. Lot had lost the power of influence. v. 14b

**VIII. NOTICE HIS WRONG PASSIVENESS. v. 15**

- A. His passiveness was the result of relaxation. v. 15a
- B. His passiveness was the result of rationality. v. 15 b
- C. His passiveness was the result of relationships. v. 15c

**IX. NOTICE HIS WRENCHED PERSUASION. VS. 16-17**

- A. Notice the method of persuasion. v. 16a
- B. Notice the mercy in the persuasion. v. 16b
- C. NOtice the message in the persuasion. v. 17

**X. NOTICE HIS WARPED PLEA. vs. 18-23**

- A. It was an argumentative plea. v. 18
- B. It was an assuming plea. v. 19
- C. It was an advantageous plea. v. 20
- D. It was an answered plea. vs. 21-23

**XI. NOTICE HIS WARRANTED PUNISHMENT. vs. 24-38**

- A. Lot lost his cities. v. 25a
- B. Lot lost his colleagues. v. 25b
- C. Lot lost his companion. v.26

- C. Lot lost his country. vs. 27-28
- D. Lot lost his communication. v. 29
- E. Lot lost his comforts. v. 30
- F. Lot lost his children. vs. 31-32
- G. Lot lost his character. vs. 33-36
- H. Lot lost his chance. vs. 37-38

# **“The Trial Of An Obedient Father”**

## **Scripture: Genesis 22:1-19**

### **I. NOTICE THE REQUIREMENT OF HIS TRIAL. vs. 1-2**

- a. It was an especially designated trial. v. 1
- b. It was an extremely difficult trial. v. 1

### **II. NOTICE THE REACTION TO HIS TRIAL. vs. 3-10**

- A. It was a sudden obedience. v. 3
- B. It was with solemn obedience. vs. 4-6
- C. It was with sure obedience. vs. 7-8
- D. It was with sacrificial obedience. vs. 9-10

### **III. NOTICE THE RESCUE FROM HIS TRIAL. vs. 11-14**

- A. It was by Divine intervention. v. 11
- B. It was by Divine instruction. v. 12
- C. It was by Divine introduction. vs. 13-14

### **IV. NOTICE THE RESULTS OF HIS TRIAL. vs. 15-19**

- A. It resulted in the stamp of God’s pleasure. vs. 15-16
- B. It resulted in the surety of God’s prosperity. v. 17a
- C. It resulted in the satisfaction of God’s power. v. 17b
- D. It resulted in the scope of God’s persuasiveness. vs. 18-19



# **“Selling Your Soul For A Pot Of Beans”**

## **Scripture: Genesis 25:24-34**

### **I. NOTICE THE PECULIAR BIRTH. vs. 24-26**

- A. It was peculiar because of the mother’s aliment. vs. 21,24
- B. It was peculiar because of the children’s attributes. v. 25
- C. It was peculiar because of the children’s altercation. v. 26a
- D. It was peculiar because of the father’s age. v. 26b

### **II. NOTICE THE PROGRESSING BOYS. v. 27**

#### **A. Notice the implied characteristics of Esau. v. 27a**

- 1. He was a cunning man.
- 2. He was a competitive man.
- 3. He was a carefree man.
- 4. He was a carnal man. Heb. 12:16
- 5. He was a corrupt man.

#### **B. Notice the implied characteristics of Jacob. v. 27b**

- 1. He was a perfect man.
- 2. He was a peaceful man.
- 3. He was a protective man.
- 4. He was a prudent man.

### **III. NOTICE THE PARENTAL BIAS. v. 28**

- A. Isaac was partial to Esau. v. 28a
- B. Rebekah was partial to Jacob. v. 28b

### **IV. NOTICE THE PROVOCATIVE BEANS. vs. 29-30**

- A. Notice the cause of the provocation. v. 29
- B. Notice the cry in this provocation. v. 30a

C. Notice the caricature of this provocation. vs. 30b  
(Edom means red bean boy)

**V. NOTICE THE PROPOSED BARGAIN. vs. 31-33**

- A. Notice the sale that was offered. v. 31
- B. Notice the seriousness that was overlooked. v. 32
- C. Notice the solemnity that was ordered. v. 33

**VI. NOTICE THE PERISHABLE BREAD. v. 34**

- A. The perishable bread provides refreshment for the present. v. 34a
- B. The perishable bread provides regrets for the future. v. 34b

# “Wrestling With The Lord”

## Scripture: Genesis 32:7-8, 11, 22-32

### I. NOTICE THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE ENCOUNTER. vs. 7-8, 11, 22-24

- A. It was at a point of hesitation. v. 7a
- B. It was at a point of desperation. vs. 7b-8; 11
- C. It was at a point of separation. vs. 22-23
- D. It was at a point of isolation. v. 24

### II. NOTICE THE CHARACTER OF THE ENCOUNTER. vs. 24-27

- A. It was characterized by sincere communion. v. 24a
- B. It was characterized by solemn consistency. vs. 24b; 26
- C. It was characterized by sovereign communication. v. 25
- D. It was characterized by sinful confession. . 27

### III. NOTICE THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE ENCOUNTER. vs. 28-31

- A. The consequences included the changing of the saint’s personage.  
v. 28a
- B. The consequences included the claiming of the Savior’s power.  
v. 28b
- C. The consequences included the curiosity about the Savior’s  
personality. v. 29
- D. The consequences included the constancy of the Sovereign’s  
presence. v. 30
- E. The consequences included the crippling of the servant’s pride.  
vs. 31-32

# **“Back To Bethel”**

## **Scripture: Genesis 35:1-15**

### **I. BETHEL IS A PLACE TO RENEW OUR SPIRITUAL VITALITY. vs. 1-4**

A. This vitality comes from an act of submission. v. 1

1. We must submit to the call of God. v. 1a
2. We must submit to the command of God. v. 1b

B. This vitality comes from an act of separation. vs. 2

1. We must separate from strange gods. v. 2a
2. We must separate from sinful graft. v. 2b
3. We must separate from soiled garments. v. 2c

C. This vitality comes from an act of salutation. vs. 3-4

1. We must salute our Lord for His awesomeness. v. 3a
2. We must salute our Lord for His answers. v. 3b
3. We must salute our Lord for His awareness. v. 3c
4. We must salute our Lord for His absolution. v. 4

### **II. BETHEL IS A PLACE TO RENEW OUR SPIRITUAL VICTORY. v. 5**

- A. The victory we discover is a powerful influence. v. 5a
- B. The victory we discover is a protective influence. v. 5b

### **III. BETHEL IS A PLACE TO RENEW OUR SPIRITUAL VISION. vs. 6-12**

- A. A renewed vision requires the support of the people. v. 6
- B. A renewed vision requires the surety of God’s presence. v. 7
- C. A renewed vision requires the severance of earthly partnerships.  
v. 8
- D. A renewed vision requires the sanction of our position. vs. 9-10
- E. A renewed vision requires the seizure of God’s promise. vs. 11-12

#### IV. BETHEL IS A PLACE TO RENEW OUR SPIRITUAL VOWS. vs. 13-15

A. These vows demand a renewed communion with God. v. 13

B. These vows demand a renewed commitment with God. vs. 14-15

# **“The Sovereignty Of God In The Life Of Joseph”**

## **Scripture: Genesis 37:1-36**

### **I. NOTICE THE CAUSE OF BITTERNESS. vs. 1-11**

- A. It was caused by the place they lived. v. 1
- B. It was caused by the pronouncement of their looseness. v. 2
- C. It was caused by the partiality of the father’s love. vs. 3-4
- D. It was caused by the publicity of Joseph’s Lordship. vs. 5-11

### **II. NOTICE THE CONSPIRACY OF THE BRETHREN. vs. 12-27**

- A. Notice the circumstances of the conspiracy. vs. 12-19
- B. Notice the content of the conspiracy. v. 20
- C. Notice the caution of the conspiracy. vs. 21-22
- D. Notice the consummation of the conspiracy. vs. 23-27

### **III. NOTICE THE CONSEQUENCES OF BRUTALITY. vs. 28-36**

- A. They included the selling of Joseph. v. 28
- B. They included the suffering of Rueben. vs. 29-30
- C. They included the shame of the brethren. vs. 31-32
- D. They included the sorrow of Jacob. vs. 33-35
- E. They included the Sovereignty of God. v. 36

# **“Rewarded For The Right Choice”**

## **Scripture: Genesis 39:7-23**

### **I. NOTICE THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE CHOICE. vs. 7-9a**

- A. It was during a time of Satanic seduction. V. 7
- B. It was during a time of sinful solitude. v. 8
- C. It was during a time of social status. v. 9a

### **II. NOTICE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CHOICE. v. 9b-9c**

- A. It was characterized by reverence for his superior. v. 9b
- B. It was characterized by reverence for his Sovereign. v. 9c

### **III. NOTICE THE COST OF THE CHOICE. vs. 10-20**

- A. It cost him unyielding rejection. vs. 10-12
- B. It cost him undeserved ridicule. vs. 13-14
- C. It cost him unbelievable reproach. vs. 15-16
- D. It cost him unjustifiable retainment. vs. 17-20

### **IV. NOTICE THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE CHOICE. vs. 21-23**

- A. He was given personal peace. v. 21a
- B. He was given personal purity. v. 21b
- C. He was given personal prestige. v. 21c
- D. He was given personal power. v. 22
- E. He was given personal prosperity. v. 23

# **“Protecting The Helpless”**

## **Scripture: Exodus 1:15-2:10**

### **I. NOTICE THE DANGER TO THE HELPLESS. vs. 15-16, 22**

- A. It was a sovereign danger. v. 15
- B. It was a serious danger. v. 16a
- C. It was a selective danger. v. 16b, 22

### **II. NOTICE THE DEFENSE OF THE HELPLESS. vs. 1:17-2:4**

- A. It was a conscientious defense. v. 17
- B. It was a courageous defense. vs. 18-19
- C. It was a compensated defense. vs. 20-21
- D. It was a compassionate defense. vs. 2:1-2
- E. It was a confident defense. vs. 3-4

### **III. NOTICE THE DESIGN FOR THE HELPLESS. vs. 2:5-10**

- A. It was designed that they be lifted. v. 5
- B. It was designed that they be loved. v. 6
- C. It was designed that they be looked after. vs. 7-9
- D. It was designed that they be led. v. 10



# **“The Call To Leadership”**

## **Scripture: Exodus 3:1-14**

### **I. NOTICE THE PREPARATION FOR THE CALL. v. 1**

- A. Moses was prepared by learning responsibility. v. 1a
- B. Moses was prepared by living with roughness. v. 1b
- C. Moses was prepared by lodging in relationship. v. 1c

### **II. NOTICE THE PROCEDURE OF THE CALL. vs. 2-6**

- A. It included the appearance of the Divine Messenger. v. 2a
- B. It included the amazement of a definite mystery. v. 2b
- C. It included the alertness of a dedicated man. vs. 3-4
- D. It included the affirmation of a Divine Master. vs. 5-6

### **III. NOTICE THE PURPOSE OF THE CALL. vs. 7-10**

- A. It included salvation for the sinner. vs. 7-8a
- B. It included schooling for the saints. v. 8b
- C. It included solace for the suffering. vs. 9-10

### **IV. NOTICE THE PROMISE FOR THE CALL. vs. 11-14**

- A. Notice the contrition that received the promise. v. 11
- B. Notice the content of the promise. v. 12
- C. Notice the credentials within the promise. vs. 13-14

# “God’s Gifts To Man”

## Scripture: 4:1-8

**Introduction:** In our Scripture, God is trying to convince Moses that he is capable of leading the children of Israel out of bondage. God shows Moses that the gifts he already possesses are sufficient for the task as long as he depends upon God. Let us look at the application of this story to our personal lives.

### I. LET US LOOK AT THE AVAILABILITY OF THE GIFT.

A. It is God’s prerogative to distribute the gift.

1. Our omnipotent God gives to every man the gift best suited for him.
2. “And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.” Matthew 25:15

B. It is man’s pleasure to discover the gift.

1. “What is that in thine hand?” v. 2
2. God wanted Moses to realize that what he needed to get the job done, he already possessed.
3. It is man’s responsibility to discover and develop God-given talent. And, it is man’s privilege to develop this gift.
4. Many people expect God to develop the gift as well as give it.

### II. LET US LOOK AT THE POTENTIALITY OF THE GIFT.

A. Gifts of God out of control are deadly.

1. “And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent; and Moses fled from before it.” v. 3

2. Every man possesses gifts that, out of control, are deadly. Some of these are pride, power, money, sex, personal talents, etc.
3. Every person has a great potential of service to God, but out of the will of God, his life becomes a failure.

B. Gifts of God in control are divine.

1. "And the Lord said unto Moses, put forth thine hand, and take it by the tail. And he put forth his hand, and caught it, and it became a rod in his hand. v. 4
2. The rod was a symbol of Moses' calling from a shepherd of sheep to a leader of men.
3. Every person is given a verification of God's calling for his life.
4. Like Moses, we must take the serpent by the tail with an act of faith.

### III. LET US LOOK AT THE RELIABILITY OF THE GIFT.

A. The reliability of the gift depends upon a clean heart.

1. "And the Lord said furthermore unto him, Put now thine hand into thy bosom." v. 6
2. I feel the word "bosom" here refers to the area near the heart.
3. "Create in me a clean heart, O God." Psalm 51:10
4. No person's gift is reliable, apart from a clean heart.
5. "But those things which proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: These are the things which defile a man." Matthew 15:18-20

B. The reliability of the gift depends upon a clean hand.

1. This demands that there be a cleansed outward appearance, as well as the inward.
2. It believe the hand represents the actions and deeds.
3. It does matter how you live , not matter what the devil would have you think.

4. This certainly implies a good reputation.
5. No one will believe that what you have is worth having unless you prove it with your life day by day.

**Conclusion:** Yes, God has given to every person certain talents and gifts. It is each person's responsibility to discover and develop these gifts. This discovery and development begins with getting saved. "What gift is that in your hand?"

# **“The Qualities Of A Successful Leader”**

## **Scripture: Exodus 4:1-18**

### **I. THERE IS THE QUALITY OF READINESS. v. 1**

- A. There must be a readiness to believe in the authentication of the man. v. 1a
- B. There must be a readiness to believe in the assurance of the message. v. 1b
- C. There must be a readiness to believe in that anointing by the Master. v. 1c

### **II. THERE IS THE QUALITY OF REALIZATION. vs. 2-3**

- A. One must realize the talk of his Lord. v. 2a
- B. One must realize the tools of his labor. v. 2b
- C. One must realize the task of his life. v. 3a
- D. One must realize the truth of his limitations. v. 3b

### **III. THERE IS THE QUALITY OF RELIANCE. vs. 4-5**

- A. There must be reliance on the Word of God. v. 4a
- B. There must be reliance in the work of God. v. 4b
- C. There must be reliance in the witness of God. v. 5

### **IV. THERE IS THE QUALITY OF REPUTATION. vs. 6-8**

- A. This reputation includes a clean hand. v. 6
- B. This reputation includes a clean heart. v. 7
- C. This reputation includes a clear herald. v. 8

### **V. THERE IS THE QUALITY OF RULERSHIP. v. 9 (Power)**

- A. There must be rulership over unbelief. v. 9a
- B. There must be rulership over ungodliness. v. 9b

**VI. THERE IS THE QUALITY OF RECEPTIVITY. vs. 10-13**

- A. One must receive the call of God without complaint. v. 10
- B. One must receive the creation of God without complaint. v. 11
- C. One must receive the command of God without complaint. v. 12
- D. One must receive the control of God without complaint. v. 13

**VII. THERE IS THE QUALITY OF RESPONSIBLENESS. vs. 1-18**

- A. One is responsible for cooperation with his partners. vs. 14-15
- B. One is responsible for contentment with his position. v. 16
- C. One is responsible for commitment to his profession. v. 17
- D. One is responsible for courage to perform. v. 18

# “The Revealed Plan Of Redemption”

## Scripture: Exodus 12:1-13

The Blood of Salvation--Sprinkling (Useless unless applied)  
The Blood of Substitution- Separation

### I. NOTICE THE INITIATION OF THIS PLAN. vs. 1-2

- A. Notice the Lord that gave it. v. 1a
- B. Notice the laborers that got it. v. 1b
- C. Notice the land that grasped for it. v. 1c
- D. Notice the love that granted it. v. 2

### II. NOTICE THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PLAN. vs. 3-11

#### A. Notice the instructions for the saints. vs. 3-4

- 1. Notice the collectiveness of these instructions. v. 3a
- 2. Notice the command in these instructions. v. 3b
- 3. Notice the content of these instructions. vs. 3c-4

#### B. Notice the instructions for the sacrifice. vs. 5-6

- 1. It must be physically perfect. v. 5
- 2. It must be plainly proven. v. 6a
- 3. It must be publicly performed. v. 6b

#### C. Notice the instructions for salvation. v. 7

- 1. The blood must be appropriated. v. 7a
- 2. The blood must be applied. v. 7b

#### D. Notice the instructions for the supper. v. 8-11

- 1. Notice the menu for eating. v. 8
- 2. Notice the method for eating. vs. 9-10a

3. Notice the mess for exterminating. v. 10b
4. Notice the means for escaping. v. 11a
5. Notice the memorial for esteeming. v. 11b

### **III. NOTICE THE INTENTION OF THE PLAN. vs. 12-13**

- A. The plan was intended to provide salvation from death. v. 12a
- B. The plan was intended to provide salvation from destruction. v. 12b
- C. The plan was intended to provide salvation from Deity. v. 12c
- D. The plan was intended to provide salvation for deliverance. v. 13



# **“Facing Up To Burnout”**

## **Scripture: Exodus 18:13-27**

**Introduction:** Assimilation of knowledge--more work accomplished in one month now than in one year in 1880.

### **I. NOTICE THE CAUSE OF THE PROBLEM. vs. 13-16**

- A. There is an over-commitment to personal employment. vs. 13-14
- B. There is an over-taxation by people's expectations. v. 15
- C. There is an over-confidance in personal expertise. v. 16

### **II. NOTICE THE COGNIZANCE OF THE PROBLEM. vs. 17-18**

- A. This cognizance requires a helpful analysis. v. 17
- B. This cognizance requires a honest acceptance. v. 18

### **III. NOTICE THE CURE FOR THE PROBLEM. vs. 19-23**

- A. There must be an intimate experience with the Lord. v. 19
- B. There must be an instructive education of laborers. v. 20
- C. There must be an intelligent enlistment of leaders. v. 21
- D. There must be an immediate election of labors. v. 22a
- E. There must be an instant embracing of leisure. v. 22b
- F. There must be an incredible enjoyment of life. v. 23

### **IV. NOTICE THE CONSUMMATION OF THE PROBLEM. vs. 24-27**

- A. There must be obedience to the suggested plan. v. 24
- B. There must be organization of the suggested plan. v. 25
- C. There must be operation of the suggested plan. v. 26
- D. There must be optimism about the suggested plan. v. 27

# **“Organized For Efficiency”**

## **Scripture: Exodus 18:13-27**

### **I. NOTICE THE PROBLEM REALIZED. vs. 13-16**

- A. The problem included tired people. vs. 13-14a
- B. The problem included a twisted presumption. v. 14b
- C. The problem included a terrific pride. v. 15
- D. The problem included a timeless proclamation. v. 16

### **II. NOTICE THE PLAN VISUALIZED. vs. 17-22**

- A. There needs to be a recognition of failure. v. 17
- B. There needs to be a recognition of frailty. v. 18
- C. There needs to be a recognition of firsts. vs. 19-20
- D. There needs to be a recognition of fellows. v. 21a
- E. There needs to be a recognition of facts. v. 21b
- F. There needs to be a recognition of family. v. 22

### **III. NOTICE THE PRODUCTS CAPITALIZED. . 23**

- A. There is the product of strength for the preacher. v. 23a
- B. There is the product of satisfaction for the people. v. 23b

### **IV. NOTICE THE PROCEDURE ORGANIZED. vs. 24-27**

- A. This procedural organization requires support for the plan. v. 24
- B. This procedural organization requires selection of the people. v. 25
- C. This procedural organization requires setting of priorities. . 26
- D. This procedural organization requires the starting of the process.  
v. 27

# **“Man’s Responsibility To A Righteous God”**

## **Scripture: Exodus 20:1-6**

### **I. NOTICE THE BASIS OF THIS RESPONSIBILITY. vs. 1-2**

- A. It is based upon the spoken Word of God. v. 1
- B. It is based upon the secure ways to God. v. 2a
- C. It is based upon the saving work of God. v. 2b

### **II. NOTICE THE BURDEN OF THIS RESPONSIBILITY. vs. 3-5**

- A. This burden demands a singular belief. v. 3
- B. This burden demands a separated behavior. v. 4
- C. This burden demands a submissive benevolence. v. 5

### **III. NOTICE THE BLESSING OF THIS RESPONSIBILITY. v. 6**

- A. Notice the mercy in this blessing. v. 6a
- B. Notice the many who are to receive this blessing. v. 6b
- C. Notice the mandate in order to receive it. v. 6c

# “Living Triumphantly In A Troubled World”

## Scripture: Exodus 33:12-23

### I. NOTICE MOSES’ PLEA. vs. 12-13

- A. It was a plea for a revealed partner. v. 12
- B. It was a plea for a revealed pathway. v. 13a
- C. It was a plea for a revealed Person. v. 13b
- D. It was a plea for a rendered passion. v. 13c
- E. It was a plea for a remembered people. v. 13d

### II. NOTICE THE MASTER’S PROMISE. v.1 14

- A. It was a promise of His presence. v. 14a
- B. It was a promise of His peace. v. 14b

### III. NOTICE MOSES’ PLEDGE. vs. 15-17

- A. It was a pledge of utter hopelessness. v. 15
- B. It was a pledge of unrestricted holiness. v. 16
- C. It was a pledge that resulted in unlimited helpfulness. v. 17

### IV. NOTICE THE MASTER’S PROOF. vs. 18-23

- A. The proof included a manifestation of Divine goodness. vs. 18-19a
- B. The proof included a manifestation of Divine guidance. v. 19b
- C. The proof included a manifestation of Divine grace. v. 19c
- D. The proof included a manifestation of Divine glory. vs. 20-13
  - 1. To see His glory, we must submit to His plan. v. 20
  - 2. To see His glory, we must stand in the right place. v. 21
  - 3. To see His glory, we must stand in the right protection. v. 22
  - 4. To see His glory, we must stand in the right perspective. v. 23

# **“Giving A Sacrificial Offering”**

**Scripture: Exodus 35:4-29  
Exodus 36:1-7**

## **I. NOTICE THE COMMAND TO BRING AN OFFERING. vs. 4-5**

- A. Notice the source of this command. v. 4a
- B. Notice the servant who delivered the command. v. 4b
- C. Notice the sum of this command. v. 4c
- D. Notice the system of this command. v. 5a
- E. Notice the sacrifice in this command. v. 5b

## **II. NOTICE THE CHARACTER OF THIS OFFERING. vs. 5c-29**

- A. It was a precious offering. vs. 5c-19
- B. It was a prompted offering. vs. 20-21a
- C. It was a pleasant offering. v. 21b
- D. It was a praiseworthy offering. v. 21c
- E. It was a purposeful offering. v. 21d
- F. It was a personal offering. vs. 22-29

## **III. NOTICE THE COMPLIANCE IN GIVING THIS OFFERING. vs. 36:1-7**

- A. This compliance reveals a faithful people. vs. 1-6
- B. This compliance resulted in a finished product. v. 7
- C. This compliance retains a future pattern. v. 7

# “The Cure For Dishonesty”

Scripture: Leviticus 6:1-7

Jeremiah 17:11

Luke 19:18

**Introduction:** We are living in a dishonest age. There are many man-made excuses for dishonesty, but none can suffice the Lord. Dishonesty between husbands and wives; parents and children; employers and employees; creditors and debtors; man toward God; and man towards himself. Let us look at dishonesty.

## I. LET US LOOK AT THE SIN OF DISHONESTLY AS IT IS DESCRIBED.

A. Its main feature is the unlawful possession another's property.  
vs. 1-3

1. For deceit has been employed in procuring or retaining the goods.
2. Ill.--Borrowing and failing to return; making debts with no intentions of payment; cheating in school or on income taxes; employees cheating employers and vice-versa; finding something and failing to return it.

B. The source of this dishonesty is avarice.

1. The eye behold, the heart covets, the will consents, and the hand grasps.
2. Ill. --Achan, who robbed God in Joshua 7:21.

C. The sin of dishonesty is aggravated by falsehood.

1. Greed prepares the way for lying.
2. Lying is the natural result of dishonesty and is used to obtain something dishonestly or to defend dishonest actions.

## II. LET US LOOK AT THE GUILT OF DISHONESTY AS IT IS DISCLOSED.

A. Dishonesty breaks three of the commandments and may lead to the breaking of others. Exodus 20:15-17

1. "Thou shalt not steal." v. 15
2. "Thou shalt not bear false witness." v. 16
3. "Thou shalt not covet." v. 17

B. A dishonest person is described as a fool. Jeremiah 17:11

C. The guilt of dishonesty is readily acknowledged by God and shall be judged, and in the case of Achan.

## III. LET US LOOK AT THE RESTITUTION FOR DISHONESTY AS IT IS DEMANDED. vs. 6:4-5

A. Discovering this forgiveness demands an outward confession of sin. v. 6

B. Discovering this forgiveness demands the atonement of the Savior's blood. v. 7

**Conclusion:** The dishonest individual can never really be happy and no one can be right with God if he is dishonest. You must realize you are guilty, make personal restitution, and receive the forgiveness of God. Will you today commit yourself to find this forgiveness and to restoring that which you have taken dishonestly?

# “Caleb, A Man Of Faith”

## Scripture: Numbers 14:24

### I. NOTICE CALEB’S DESCRIPTION. v. 24a-c

- A. He is described as surrendered. v. 24a
- B. He is described as a servant. v. 24b
- C. He is described as strong. v. 24c (Caleb means strong)

### II. NOTICE CALEB’S DIFFERENCE. v. 24d-e

- A. He had a non-conforming spirit. v. 24d
- B. He had a non-constrained spirit. v. 24e

### III. NOTICE CALEB’S DEDICATION. v. 24f-g

- A. He had a single-minded dedication. v. 24f
- B. He had a steadfast dedication. v. 24g

### III. NOTICE CALEB’S DESTINY. v. 24h-i

- A. He was destined for success in his conquests. v. 24h
- B. He was destined for success in his children. v. 24i

Read Joshua 14:6-14



# “Doing The Right Thing In The Wrong Way”

## Scripture: Numbers 20:1-13

### I. NOTICE THE MANIFESTATION OF THE PROBLEM. v. 1-5

- A. It was a wilderness problem. v. 1
- B. It was a waterless problem. v. 2
- C. It was a wayward problem. vs. 3-5

### II. NOTICE THE MANDATE OF THE LORD. vs. 6-8

- A. Notice the conditions for the mandate. v. 6
  - 1. There must be an action of isolation. v. 6a
  - 2. There must be an attitude of capitulation. v. 6b
  - 3. There must be an acceptance of illumination. v. 6c
- B. Notice the content of the mandate. vs. 7-8
  - 1. The content included a personal message. v. 7
  - 2. The content included a plain message. v. 8a
  - 3. The content included a promising message. v. 8b

### III. NOTICE THE MISTAKE OF THE PROPHET. vs. 9-13

- A. Notice the reasons for this mistake. vs. 9-11
  - 1. There was impatience with rebellious people. vs. 9-10
  - 2. There was inflation of right principles. v. 11a
  - 3. There was insensitivity to rare pleasure. v. 11b
- B. Notice the results of the mistake. vs. 12-13
  - 1. There was the lack of praise for the Lord. v. 12a
  - 2. There was the loss of promise for the laborer. v. 12b
  - 3. There was the legacy of promotion of litigation. v. 13

# **“Look And Live”**

## **Scripture: Numbers 21:4-9 John 3:14-15**

### **I. NOTICE THE SIN OF THE PEOPLE. vs. 4-5**

- A. Their sin included displeasure with the selection of God. v. 4
- B. Their sin included displeasure with the Sovereignty of God. v. 5a
- C. Their sin included displeasure with the servant of God. v. 5b
- D. Their sin included displeasure with the sustenance of God. v. 5c

### **II. NOTICE THE SUFFERING OF THE PEOPLE. v. 6**

- A. It was Divine suffering. v. 6a
- B. It was deadly suffering. v. 6b
- C. It was devastating suffering. v. 6c

### **III. NOTICE THE SUPPLICATION OF THE PEOPLE. v. 7**

- A. This supplication included confession. v. 7a
- B. This supplication included contrition. v. 7b
- C. This supplication included compassion. v. 7c

### **IV. NOTICE THE SALVATION OF THE PEOPLE. vs. 8-9**

- A. Notice the object of salvation. vs. 8a; 9a
- B. Notice the operation of salvation. vs. 8b; 9b
- C. Notice the outcome of salvation. v. 8c; 9c

# “The Burning Question”

## Scripture: Numbers 32:1-33

### I. LET’S LOOK AT THE SELFISH RELUCTANCE OF THE PEOPLE. vs. 1-5

A. This selfish reluctance was caused by personal covetousness.

vs. 1-4

B. This selfish reluctance was caused by passive complacency. v. 5

### II. LET’S LOOK AT THE STATED REBUKE BY THE PROPHET. vs. 6-15

A. He rebuked them for causing a natural discouragement. vs. 6-13

B. He rebuked them for causing a national disaster. vs. 14-15

### III. LET’S LOOK AT THE STUBBORN REFUSAL OF THE PEOPLE. vs. 16-19

A. This refusal included a proposed reservation. vs. 16-18

B. This refusal included a persistent repudiation. v. 19

### IV. LET’S LOOK AT THE STEARN REQUIREMENT BY THE PROPHET. vs. 20-33

A. This requirement was very demanding. vs. 20-22

B. This requirement was very dangerous. v. 23

C. This requirement was very deceptive. vs. 24-33

The requirement that Moses placed upon the tribes of Reuben and Gad was that they leave all of their families and belongs on the East side of the river Jordan until the men had helped the other tribes conquer the promise land. This was the desire of the people to dwell on the Eastside, but the problem was that from this day forward, every time an enemy came from the East, the tribes of Reuben and Gad were the first to be attacked.

# **“Can America Survive?”**

## **Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:10-25**

### **I. YES, BUT WE MUST UNDERSTAND THE NEED FOR SURVIVAL. vs. 10-12**

- A. To understand the need, we must remember our foundational beginning. v. 10
- B. To understand the need, we must remember our Father’s blessings. v. 11
- C. To understand the need, we must remember our freedom from bondage. v. 12

### **II. YES, BUT WE MUST UNDERTAKE THE NECESSITIES FOR SURVIVAL. vs. 13-17**

- A. We must return to a spiritual solemnness. v. 13a
- B. We must return to a spiritual service. v. 13b
- C. We must return to a spiritual stand. v. 13c
- D. We must return to a spiritual separation. vs. 14-15
- E. We must return to a spiritual sensitivity. v. 16
- F. We must return to a spiritual submission. v. 17

### **III. YES, BUT WE MUST UNDERSCORE THE NICENESS OF SURVIVAL. vs. 18-25**

- A. There is the niceness of personal pleasure. v. 18a
- B. There is the niceness of personal peace. v. 18b
- C. There is the niceness of personal prosperity. v. 18c
- D. There is the niceness of personal power. v. 19
- E. There is the niceness of personal persuasion. vs. 20-23
- F. There is the niceness of personal preservation. vs. 24-25

# **“It’s Time To Cross Jordon”**

## **Scripture: Joshua 3:1-17**

**Introduction:** “The crossing of Jordon does not illustrate the passing of a soul into eternity, but rather does it illustrate the passing of a Christian from one level of Christian life to another. It marks the end of the self-life and the beginning of a life lived on the principle of faith and obedience.” Alan Redpath.

### **I. NOTICE THE DEMANDED PREPARATION FOR CROSSING JORDON.**

**vs. 1-6**

- A. This preparation calls for a readiness to proceed. v. 1a
- B. This preparation calls for a readiness to pause. v. 1b
- C. This preparation calls for a readiness to pursue. v. 2-4
- D. This preparation calls for a readiness to purify. v. 5
- E. This preparation calls for a readiness to practice. v. 6

### **II. NOTICE THE DIVINE AFFIRMATION FOR CROSSING JORDAN.**

**vs. 7-11**

- A. This Divine affirmation includes the promise of a stamp of Divine approval. v. 7
- B. This Divine affirmation includes the practice of a stand in Divine appointment. v. 8
- C. This Divine affirmation includes the perception of a sensitivity to Divine advice. v. 9
- D. This Divine affirmation includes the positiveness about the success over diabolical adversaries. vs. 10-11

### **III. NOTICE THE DESIGNED OPERATION FOR CROSSING JORDON.**

**vs. 12-13**

- A. This operation includes organization of God’s people. v. 12
- B. This operation includes obedience to God’s plan. v. 13a
- C. This operation includes optimism about God’s promise. v. 13b

**III. NOTICE THE DELIGHTFUL ACTUALIZATION OF CROSSING JORDON.  
vs. 14-17**

- A. This was a moving actualization. v. 14
- B. This was a miraculous actualization. vs. 15-16
- C. This was a monumental actualization. v. 17

# **“Starting Anew On The Other Side”**

## **Scripture: 5:1-15**

### **I. NOTICE THE REPUTATION OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD. v. 1**

- A. Notice the scope of this reputation. v. 1a
- B. Notice the substance of this reputation. v. 1b
- C. Notice the scare in this reputation. v. 1c
- D. Notice the subduement caused by this reputation. v. 1d

### **II. NOTICE THE RENUNCIATION OF THE FLESH BY THE PEOPLE OF GOD. vs. 2-5**

- A. This was a demanded renunciation. v. 2a
- B. This was a dedicated renunciation. v. 2b
- C. This was a dangerous renunciation. v. 3a
- D. This was a demeaning renunciation. v. 3b
- E. This was a delayed renunciation. vs. 4-5

### **III. NOTICE THE REMEMBRANCE BY THE PEOPLE OF GOD. vs. 6-7**

- A. They remembered wasted days. v. 6a
- B. They remembered wilderness deaths. v. 6b
- C. They remembered wicked disobedience. v. 6c
- D. They remembered withheld deposits. v. 6d
- E. They remembered wayward descendants. v. 7

### **IV. NOTICE THE RECOVERY OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD. vs. 8-9**

- A. It demanded staying in the right place. v. 8a
- B. It demanded staying with the right people. v. 8b
- C. It demanded staying with the right patience. v. 8c
- D. It demanded staying with the right plan. v. 9

**V. NOTICE THE RESTORATION BY THE PEOPLE OF GOD. v. 10**

- A. Notice the place of the restoration. v. 10a
- B. Notice the purpose of the restoration. v. 10b
- C. Notice the period of the restoration. v. 10c

**VI. NOTICE THE REFRESHMENTS FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD. vs. 11-12**

- A. Notice the stipulation for the new refreshment. v. 11a
- B. Notice the substance of the new refreshment. v. 11b
- C. Notice the stoppage of the old refreshment. v. 12

**VII. NOTICE THE REALIZATION BY THE MAN OF GOD. vs. 13-15**

- A. Notice the moment of this realization. v. 13a
- B. Notice the man in this realization. v. 13b
- C. Notice the misgivings in this realization. v. 13c
- D. Notice the message in this realization. v. 14a
- E. Notice the modesty in this realization. v. 14b
- F. Notice the mandate in this realization. v. 15a
- G. Notice the move in this realization. v. 15b



# **“The Negative Influence Of One Sinning Believer”**

## **Scripture: Joshua 7:1-26**

### **I. LET’S LOOK AT THE SIN STATED. v. 1**

- A. The character of the sin was treachery. v. 1a
- B. The consequences of the sin was trouble. v. 1b
- C. The calculation of the sin was tough. v. 1c

### **II. LET’S LOOK AT THE SOLDIERS STOPPED. vs. 2-5**

- A. Notice the reason they were stopped. vs. 2-3
  - 1. They were stopped because of false perception. v. 2
  - 2. They were stopped because of foolish presumption. v. 3
- B. Notice the results of their being stopped. vs. 4-5
  - 1. It resulted in the defeat of the soldiers. v.4
  - 2. It resulted in the death of the soldiers. v. 5

### **III. LET’S LOOK AT THE SOVEREIGN SLANDERED. vs. 6-9**

- A. The Sovereign was slandered by shameful piety. v. 6
- B. The Sovereign was slandered by self-righteous pity. v. 7
- C. The Sovereign was slandered by subtle pride. v. 8
- D. The Sovereign was slandered by spiritual profession. v. 9

### **IV. LET’S LOOK AT THE SOLUTION SPOKEN. vs. 10-15**

- A. The solution included a solemn rebuke. v. 10
- B. The solution included a solemn revelation. v. 11
- C. The solution included a solemn retaliation. v. 12
- D. The solution included a solemn resolution. v. 13

E. The solution included a solemn requirement. vs. 14-15

**V. LET'S LOOK AT THE SINNER SLAIN. vs. 16-25**

A. Notice the course that led to this death. vs. 16-18

B. Notice the confession that led to this death. vs. 19-21

1. This confession included disobedience to a Sovereign Master.  
vs. 19-20

2. This confession included a desire for selfish materialism. v. 21

C. Notice the confirmation that led to this death. vs. 22-23

D. Notice the commission of this death. vs. 14-15

**VI. LET'S LOOK AT THE STONES SANCTIFIED.v. 26**

A. The stones were raised. v. 26a

B. The Sovereign repented. v. 26b

C. The sinner was remembered. v. 26c

# **“Our Declaration Of Dependence”**

## **Scripture: Joshua 24:1-28**

### **I. JOSHUA REMINDED ISRAEL OF ITS ORIGINS. vs. 1-13**

- A. Their origin was initiated by a great God. v. 1
- B. Their origin was implemented through great leaders. 2-6
- C. Their origin was inscribed by great deeds. 7-13

### **II. JOSHUA REMINDED ISRAEL OF ITS OBLIGATIONS. vs. 14-18**

- A. These obligations included a call for confidence. v. v. 14
- B. These obligations included a call for commitment. v. 15
- C. These obligations included a call to confession. vs. 16-18

### **III. JOSHUA REMINDED ISRAEL OF ITS OBJECTIVE. vs. 19-18**

- A. Their objective was a pledge to be a particular people. vs. 19-22
- B. Their objective was a pledge to be a patriotic people. vs. 23-24
- C. Their objective was a pledge to be a peculiar people. vs. 25-28

# “Renewing Our Family Vows Before God”

## Scripture: Joshua 24:14-16

### I. NOTICE THE POWERFUL COMMAND. vs. 14-15a

- A. It is a command for submission. v. 14a
- B. It is a command for service. v. 14b
- C. It is a command for separation. v. 14c
- D. It is a command for selection. v. 15a

### II. NOTICE THE PATTERNED COMMITMENT. v. 15b

- A. It is a fatherly commitment.
- B. It is a family commitment.

### III. NOTICE THE PERSONAL CHOICE. v. 16

- A. It is a prompt personal choice. v. 16a
- B. It is a prompt public choice. v. 16b
- C. It is a prompt positive choice. v. 16c

# **“The Fall Of Samson”**

## **Scripture: Judges 13-16**

### **I. NOTICE THE PREPARATION FOR SAMSON’S ARRIVAL. 13:3-20**

- A. He had parents who believed the messenger of God. Vs. 13:3-6
- B. He had parents who believed the message of God. 13:7-19
- C. He had parents who beheld the manifestation of God. v. 20

### **II. NOTICE THE PRINCIPLES OF SAMSON’S ABILITY.**

- A. There was the principle of compliance with God’s plan. v. 13:5
- B. There was the principle of confidence in God’s power. vs. 13:24-25

### **III. NOTICE THE PROBLEMS THAT LED TO SAMSON’S ANNIHILATION.**

- A. He had rebellion toward his parents’ wishes (wife of Timnath).  
vs. 14:1-4
- B. He had revelry in playful ways (riddle of the lion’s carcass-gambled).  
vs. 14:8-20
- C. He had a rage that resulted in passionate wars (foxes and  
firebrands). vs. 15:3-8
- D. He had a relish for promiscuous women. vs. 16:1-4

### **IV. NOTICE THE PRODUCTS OF SAMSON’S ACTIONS.**

- A. He lost God’s presence. v. 16:20a
- B. He lost God’s power. v. 16:20b
- C. He lost his perception. v. 16:21a
- D. He lost his privilege. v. 16:21b
- E. He lost his personality. v. 16:25
- F. He lost his potentiality. vs. 16:30-31

# **“The Romance Of Redemption”**

## **“Mama, You Can Go Home Again!”**

### **Scripture: Ruth 1:1-22**

#### **I. NOTICE THE MISTAKE NAOMI SELECTED. vs. 1-2**

- A. It was an impulsive mistake. v. 1a
- B. It was an inclusive mistake. v. 1b
- C. It was an insincere mistake. v. 2a
- D. It was an insensitive mistake. v. 2b

#### **II. NOTICE THE MISERY NAOMI SUFFERED. vs. 3-5**

- A. Her misery included the death of her spouse. v. 3a
- B. Her misery included the deprivation of her support. v. 3b
- C. Her misery included the defilement of her sons. v. 4a
- D. Her misery included the death of her sons. v. 4b

#### **III. NOTICE THE MANEUVER NAOMI SCHEMED. vs. 6:-13**

- A. Notice the communication that prompted the maneuver. vs. 6-7
- B. Notice the command that planned the maneuver. vs. 8-9
- C. Notice the contradiction that prohibited the maneuver. v. 10
- D. Notice the complaints that pushed the maneuver. vs. 11-13

#### **IV. NOTICE THE MAGNETISM NAOMI SHOWED. vs. 14-17**

- A. It was a magnetism that was rejected by Orpah. vs. 14-15
- B. It was a magnetism that was received by Ruth. vs. 16-17

V. NOTICE THE MISSION SHE SEIZED. vs. 18-22

- A. Naomi went home backed with beauty. v. 18
- B. Naomi went home besmirched with blemishes. v. 19
- C. Naomi went home burdened with bitterness. vs. 20-21
- D. Naomi went home blessed with bread. v. 22

# **“The Romance Of Redemption”**

## **“Ruth Meets Her Redeemer”**

### **Scripture: Ruth 2:1-23**

#### **I. NOTICE THE WORK THAT BROUGHT THE MEETING. vs. 1-7**

- A. Notice that it was a valuable work. v.1
- B. Notice that it was a voluntary work. v. 2
- C. Notice that it was a venued work. v. 3
- D. Notice that it was a viewed work. vs. 4-7a
- E. Notice that it was a vigorous work. v. 7b

#### **II. NOTICE THE WELCOME THAT BEAUTIFIED THE MEETING. vs. 8-16**

- A. It was a family welcome. v. 8
- B. It was a favorable welcome. vs. 9-10
- C. It was a familiar welcome. v. 11
- D. It was a full welcome. v. 12
- E. It was a friendly welcome. v. 13
- F. It was a fellowship welcome. v. 14
- G. It was a flattering welcome. vs. 15-16

#### **III. NOTICE THE WEALTH THAT BLESSED THE MEETING. vs. 17-23**

- A. It was a wealth sufficient for the present. v. 17
- B. It was a wealth shared with the people. v. 18
- C. It was a wealth saluted with praise. vs. 19-20
- D. it was a wealth saturated with promise. vs. 21-23



# **“The Romance Of Redemption”**

## **“Resting With The Redeemer”**

### **Scripture: Ruth 3:1-18**

#### **I. NOTICE THE COMPLIANT ATTITUDE THAT PROMISED REST. vs. 1-6**

- A. Notice the demand that mandated a compliant attitude. vs. 1-2
- B. Notice the demonstration that manifested a compliant attitude. v.3
- C. Notice the duty that magnified a compliant attitude. vs. 4-6

#### **II. NOTICE THE COURAGEOUS ACT THAT PROCURED THE REST. vs. 7-9**

- A. Notice the manner of this courageous act. v. 7
- B. Notice the marvel at this courageous act. v. 8
- C. Notice the message with this courageous act. v. 9

- 1. It was a message of declaration. v. 9a
- 2. It was a message of supplication. v. 9b

#### **III. NOTICE THE COMPASSIONATE AFFIRMATION THAT PERMITTED THE REST. vs. 10-15**

- A. This was a perceptive affirmation. vs. 10-11
- B. This was a proper affirmation. v. 12
- C. This was a promising affirmation. v. 13
- D. This was a private affirmation. v. 14
- E. This was a prosperous affirmation. v. 15

#### **IV. NOTICE THE CONFIDENT ANNOUNCEMENT THAT PROCLAIMED THE REST. vs. 16-18**

- A. Ruth confidently announced her identity. v. 16
- B. Ruth confidently announced her prosperity. v. 17
- C. Ruth confidently announced her serenity. v. 18

# **“The Romance Of Redemption”**

## **“The Time For The Wedding Has Come”**

### **Scripture: Ruth 4:1-21**

#### **I. NOTICE THE PREPARATION IS MADE. vs. 1-7**

- A. The preparation demanded that a license must be acquired. vs. 1-6
- B. The preparation demanded that a love must be affirmed. v. 7

#### **II. NOTICE THE PRICE IS PAID. vs. 8-12**

- A. The price included a validation to be surrendered. vs. 8-9
- B. The price included a vow to be stated. v.10
- C. The price included a verification to be submitted. VS. 11-12

#### **III. NOTICE THE PARTNERSHIP IS STAID. vs. 13**

- A. Notice the proud identification in this partnership. v. 13a
- B. Notice the pleasurable intimacy in this partnership. v. 13b
- C. Notice the productive increase in this partnership. .13c

#### **IV. NOTICE THE PLAN IS LAID. vs. 14-22**

- A. The plan included magnification of the Lord. v. 14a
- B. The plan included acclamation of the lad. v. 14b
- C. The plan included restoration of life. v. 15
- D. The plan included proclamation of lineage. vs. 16-22

# **“Hannah, A Mother Of Distinction”**

## **Scripture: I Samuel 1:1-28**

### **I. NOTICE HER DIFFICULT SITUATION. vs. 1-8**

- A. Her difficult situation included a mixed-up home. vs. 1-4
- B. Her difficult situation included a miserable hardship. v. 5
- C. Her difficult situation included a mean harassment. vs. 6-7
- D. Her difficult situation included a misunderstanding husband. v. 8

### **II. NOTICE HER DETERMINED SUPPLICATION. vs. 9-19**

- A. Her prayer came with a spirit of contrition. vs. 9-10
- B. Her prayer came with a statement of commitment. v. 11
- C. Her prayer came with a sadness of complaint. vs. 12-16
- D. Her prayer came with a satisfaction of contentment. VS. 17-19

### **III. NOTICE HER DEDICATED SERVICE. vs. 20-28**

- A. Her dedicated service is revealed by the designation of her baby.  
v. 20
- B. Her dedicated service is revealed by the development of her baby.  
vs. 21-23
- C. Her dedicated service is revealed by the donation of her baby.  
vs. 24-28

# **“The Dedication Of Samuel”**

## **Scripture: I Samuel 1:1-28**

### **I. NOTICE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PARENTS WHO DEDICATE THEIR CHILDREN. vs. 1-23**

#### **A. Notice the father’s characteristics.**

1. He was a divinely controlled man. v. 1
2. He was a devoutly committed man. v. 3
3. He was a dearly charitable man. vs. 4-5a
4. He was a distinctively compassionate man. v. 5b
5. He was a deeply concerned man. v. 8

#### **B. Notice the mother’s characteristics.**

1. She was a broken woman. vs. 10a, 15,16
2. She was a beseeching woman. v. 10b
3. She was a believing woman. vs. 17-18
4. She was a beautiful woman. vs. 19-20 (Godly)  
(Samuel means, “Asked of God”)
5. She was a benevolent woman. vs. 22-23

### **II. NOTICE THE COST OF DEDICATION. v. 24**

- A. There must be a commitment of time. v. 24a
- B. There must be a cost of treasure. v. 24b
- C. There must be a cost of tears. v. 24c

### **III. NOTICE THE CEREMONY OF DEDICATION. vs. 25-28**

- A. The ceremony required the shedding of blood. v. 25
- B. The ceremony required the sacrifice of the boy. vs. 26-28

1. It was a loyal sacrifice. vs. 26-27
2. It was a lifetime sacrifice. v. 28

# **“Is There A Samuel Among Us?”**

## **Scripture: I Samuel 3:1-21**

### **I. NOTICE THE CONDITIONS THAT DEMANDED SAMUEL. vs. 1-2**

- A. There was a spiritual dearth in the land. v. 1
- B. There was a spiritual delinquency of the leaders. v. 2a
- C. There was a spiritual darkness instead of light. v. 2b

### **II. NOTICE THE CHARACTERISTICS THAT DEVELOPED SAMUEL. vs. 3-14**

- A. He made a surrender to the values of God. v. 2:26
- B. He manifested a sensitivity to the voice of God. vs. 3-10
- C. He mustered a separation from the vileness of the godless.  
vs. 11-14

### **III. NOTICE THE COURAGE THAT DISTINGUISHED SAMUEL. vs. 15-18**

- A. He had a courage that overcame terror. v. 15
- B. He had a courage that opted for truth. vs. 16-18

### **IV. NOTICE THE CONFIRMATION THAT DESIGNATED SAMUEL. vs. 19-21**

- A. He was confirmed by personal growth. v. 19a
- B. He was confirmed by preeminent grace. v. 19b
- C. He was confirmed by promised guarantee. v. 19c
- D. He was confirmed by persuasive glory. vs. 20-21

# **“The Tragedy Of Lost Glory”**

## **Scripture: I Samuel 4:1-22**

### **I. LET US NOTICE THE IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF LOST GLORY.**

- A. The cause includes the immorality of two lost sons. vs. 2:12, 17, 22
- B. The cause includes the indifference of a lazy father. vs. 2:29; 3:13; 4:18

### **II. LET US NOTICE THE INFLUENTIAL CONSEQUENCES OF LOST GLORY.**

- A. Lost glory produces defeat before our enemies. vs. 1-2a
- B. Lost glory produces death among our people. v. 2b
- C. Lost glory produces doubt concerning our situation. v. 3
- D. Lost glory produces deeds without fruit. v. 4
- E. Lost glory produces disturbance without victory. vs. 5-10
- F. Lost glory produces displacement of God’s Word. vs. 11a, 22

### **III. LET US NOTICE THE IMPERATIVE CURE FOR LOST GLORY.**

- A. There must be removal of sin. vs. 11b, 18
- B. There must be the return of the Word of God. Chs. 6-7
- C. There must be the replacement of the immoral priesthood. vs. 7:1-2
- D. There must be the repentance among the people. vs. 3-6
- E. There must be a request for God’s assistance. vs. 7-8
- F. There must be a reestablishment of sacrificial worship. vs. 9-10
- G. There must be a revival of complete dependence upon God. vs. 11-14

# **“The Sin Of Partial Obedience”**

## **Scripture: I Samuel 15:1-35**

**Introduction:** We don't have time today to deal with every verse in this chapter, but I want us to take a look at some selected verses and see what God is trying to say to us about partial obedience. You see, partial obedience is total disobedience!

### **I. LET US LOOK AT THE SERIOUSNESS OF PARTIAL OBEDIENCE.**

- A. It is serious because it disobeys the Father's mandate. vs. 2-3
- B. It is serious because it defers to the fear of man. v. 24
- C. It is serious because it desires the fruit of materialism. v. 15

### **II. LET US LOOK AT THE SUBTLENESS OF PARTIAL OBEDIENCE.**

- A. It is subtle because it is impressive in presentation. v. 13
- B. It is subtle because it is incomplete in performance. v. 11
- C. It is subtle because it is informative of pretense. v. 14

### **III. LET US LOOK AT THE SINFULNESS OF PARTIAL OBEDIENCE.**

- A. It is sinful because it involves surrender to the wicked Satan. v. 23a
- B. It is sinful because it involves submission to this world's system.  
v. 23b

### **IV. LET US LOOK AT THE SETTLEMENT OF PARTIAL OBEDIENCE.**

- A. There is the loss of power and influence. v. 26
- B. There is the loss of peace and inspiration. v. 35

# **“Accepting The Challenge To Get Involved”**

## **Scripture: I Samuel 17:1-58**

### **I. NOTICE THE PURPOSES FOR GETTING INVOLVED. vs. 1-14**

- A. The purposes include conflict with the enemy. vs. 1-3
- B. The purposes include the caliber of the enemy. vs. 4-7
- C. The purposes include the challenge from the enemy. vs. 8-10
- D. The purposes include the cowardice before the enemy. vs. 11-14

### **II. NOTICE THE PREPARATION FOR GETTING INVOLVED. vs. 15-30**

- A. The preparation includes responsibility in small matters. v. 15
- B. The preparation includes responsiveness to the Sovereign messages. vs. 16-21
- C. The preparation includes recognition of a shameful matter. vs. 22-27
- D. The preparation includes rejection of slandering maliciousness. v. 28
- E. The preparation includes realization of a solemn mandate. vs. 29-30

### **III. NOTICE THE PRICE FOR GETTING INVOLVED. vs. 31-47**

- A. The price requires a courageous commitment. vs. 31-32
- B. The price requires a certified commitment. vs. 33-37
- C. The price requires a calculated commitment. vs. 38-40
- D. The price requires a castigated commitment. vs. 41-44
- E. The price requires a confident commitment. vs. 45-47

### **IV. NOTICE THE PLEASURES FOR GETTING INVOLVED. vs. 48-58**

- A. They include the defeat of the enemy's champion. vs. 48-51a
- B. They include the disbursement of the enemy's colleagues. vs. 51b-52
- C. They include the destruction of the enemy's collection. v. 53
- D. They include the display of the enemy's corpse. v. 54
- E. They include the deference to the enemy's conqueror. vs. 55-58



# **“The Dreadful Sin Of Jealousy”**

## **Scripture: I Samuel 18:5-16**

### **I. NOTICE THE REASONS FOR THIS JEALOUSY. vs. 5-7**

- A. The first was another’s achievements. v. 5a
- B. The second was another’s acceptance. v. 5b
- C. The third was another’s applause. vs. 6-7

### **II. NOTICE THE RESULTS OF THIS JEALOUSY. vs. 8-13a**

- A. It resulted in an unfounded suspicion. v. 8
- B. It resulted in an unforgettable slavery. v. 9
- C. It resulted in an uncontrollable storm. vs. 10-12
- D. It resulted in an unwanted separation. vs. 12-13a

### **III. NOTICE THE RESPONSE TO THIS JEALOUSY. vs. 13b-16**

- A. David maintained this personal wrath. v. 13b
- B. David manifested a perfect wisdom. v. 14a
- C. David mobilized a power witness. vs. 14b-15
- D. David magnetized the people’s warmth. v. 16

# **“A Dethroned King Faces A Dead Preacher”**

## **Scripture: I Samuel 28:3-19**

### **I. NOTICE THE DIFFICULT SITUATION. vs. 3-6**

- A. The situation was made difficult by a dead Samuel. v. 3
- B. The situation was made difficult by a dangerous siege. vs. 4-5
- C. The situation was made difficult by a Divine silence. v. 6

### **II. NOTICE THE DESPERATE SAUL. vs. 7-14**

- A. His desperation caused a demonic petition. V. 7
- B. His desperation caused a disguised potentate. v. 8
- C. His desperation caused a disgusting promise. vs. 9-10
- D. His desperation caused a Divine phenomenon. vs. 11-14

### **III. NOTICE THE DEATHLY SERMON. vs. 15-19**

#### **A. Notice the character of the sermon. vs. 15-17a**

- 1. It included a personal rebuke. v. 15
- 2. It included a pointed request. v. 16
- 3. It included a powerful reminder. v. 17a

#### **B. Notice the content of the sermon. vs. 17b-19**

- 1. The content revealed a certification of the king's loss. v. 17b
- 2. The content revealed a condemnation of the king's laxity.  
v. 18
- 3. The content revealed the cost of the king's life. v. 19a
- 4. The content revealed the capture of the king's land. v. 19b

# **“The Downfall Of A Great Father”**

## **Scripture: II Samuel 11:1-27**

**Introduction:** David’s sinful downfall resulted in:

- A. Disgrace (Psalm 38; II Samuel 13- rape of Tamar)
- B. Disease (Psalm 38)
- C. Death:
  - 1. Death of Bathsheba’s baby. (II Sam. 11)
  - 2. Death of Amnon. (II Sam. 13)
  - 3. Death of Absalom. (II Sam. 18)
  - 4. Death of Adonijah. (I King. 2:24-25)
  - 5. Death and purge of David’s lineage by Athaliah. (II King. 11:1)
- D. Disappointment (I Chronicles 22:6-9)

**I. THE FIRST STEP IN DAVID’S DOWNFALL WAS HIS COMPLACENCY.  
vs. 1-2**

**II. THE SECOND STEP IN DAVID’S DOWNFALL WAS HIS CURIOSITY.  
v. 3**

**III. THE THIRD STEP IN DAVID’S DOWNFALL WAS HIS CORRUPTION.  
vs. 4-5**

**IV. THE FOURTH STEP IN DAVID’S DOWNFALL WAS HIS CONSPIRACY.  
va. 6-13**

**V. THE FIFTH STEP IN DAVID’S DOWNFALL WAS HIS CRIME.  
vs.14-15**

**VI. THE SIXTH STEP IN DAVID’S DOWNFALL WAS HIS CONTEMPT.  
vs. 26-27**

# **“The Pathway To Personal Disaster”**

**Scripture: II Samuel 13:1-20, 28-29  
James 1:12-15**

- I. THE FIRST STEP IS LINGERING LUST. vs. 1-2
- II. THE SECOND STEP IS THE LISTENING EAR. vs. 3-5
- III. THE THIRD STEP IS THE LYING TONGUE. vs. 6-7
- IV. THE FOURTH STEP IS THE LONELY HOUR. vs. 8-9
- V. THE FIFTH STEP IS THE LUSTFUL PROPOSITION. vs. 10-13
- VI. THE SIXTH STEP IS THE LEWD ACT. v. 14
- VII. THE SEVENTH STEP IS THE LIVING HATRED. vs. 15-17
- VIII. THE EIGHTH STEP IS THE LAMENTING VICTIM. vs. 18-20
- IX. THE NINTH STEP IS THE LASTING JUDGMENT. vs. 28-29

# **“The Kind Of Prayer Every Teenager Should Pray”**

## **Scripture: I Kings 3:3-15**

### **I. NOTICE THE CONDITIONS FOR THE PRAYER. vs. 3-5**

- A. Solomon had love for the Lord. v. 3a
- B. Solomon had loyalty to the Lord. v. 3b
- C. Solomon had liberality toward the Lord. vs. 3c-4
- D. Solomon had light from the Lord. v. 5

### **II. NOTICE THE CONTENT OF THE PRAYER. vs. 6-9**

- A. His prayer included a heavenly congratulation. v. 6
- B. His prayer included an honest confession. v. 7-8
- C. His prayer included a humble craving. v. 9

### **III. NOTICE THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE PRAYER. vs. 10-15**

- A. They included a Divine approval. v. 10
- B. They included a definite answer. vs. 11-12
- C. They included a delightful addition. vs. 13-14
- D. They included a dedicated appreciation. v. 15

# “Building Pillars For God”

## Scripture: I Kings 7:13-22

### Introduction:

We live in an age of increasing insecurity, blatant immorality, and rampant ungodliness. I am convinced that the primary cause of all of our problems is a generation of wavering Christians who stand for nothing and fall for everything the devil has to offer. The solution to this prevalent problem is no doubt found in a revival of faithful believers who are willing to pay the price to put back into our society that stability, morality, and Godliness which we have lost. For this to be accomplished, God must raise up an army for genuine Christians who will become Pillar Builders for God.

In our Scripture, we are told that King Solomon sent for Hiram of Tyre and brought him to Jerusalem to construct the two pillars at the entrance to the temple, the house of God. In observing Hiram’s life and work, we are able to see what it takes for a person to become a real pillar builder. Let’s carefully observe this story and discover the requirements for pillar building.

### **I. PILLAR BUILDING REQUIRES THE PROPER PREPARATION. vs. 13-14**

#### **A. This preparation includes a birth of renown. v. 13a**

The name “Hiram” means “noble”. He was the son of another master builder named Hurum. No individual will ever be able to build pillars for God until he or she has been born again into the noble family of God.

#### **B. This preparation includes the blessing of respect. v. 13b**

In this verse, we are also told that King Solomon sent for Hiram. This reveals the admiration and respect Solomon had for Hiram. It is extremely important for both adults and young people alike to build a reputation of respectability. This is only possible by an effective lifestyle of faithful service and reliability.

C. This preparation includes the burden of responsibility. v. 14a

Verse 14 states that Hiram was the son of a widow. This reminds us that Hiram was faced with much personal responsibility as the result of his father's death. When one is suddenly placed in this position, he must accept this responsibility and become a leader in the family.

D. This preparation includes a bestowal of representation. v. 14b

As was the custom in Bible days, Hiram followed the line of work of his father. This reminds us that only was he responsible for himself, but he was responsible to represent the reputation of his father. If we are to be pillar builders for God, we must be careful to represent our Heavenly Father while honoring our earthly parents.

## **II. PILLAR BUILDING REQUIRES THE PROPER PREREQUISITES. v. 14c**

A. There is the prerequisite of discretion. (Wisdom)

In verse 14, we are told that Hiram was full of wisdom. This means that he possessed the God-given ability to use discretion in performing the work he was given to do. Wisdom is the means to carry out the knowledge of God's perfect will. In James 1:5, we are instructed, "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth no; and it shall be given him." If one is to be a pillar builder in the work of God, he must possess divine discretion.

B. There is the prerequisite of discipline. (Cunning)

The word "cunning" means that Hiram was skilled at what he did. To become a skilled craftsman, he had spent hours and hours of disciplined training developing his talent. If we are to be skilled pillar builders, we must maintain a life of disciplined behavior. We must be disciplined in refraining from bad habits, and disciplined to fill our lives with good habits.

### III. PILLAR BUILDING REQUIRES THE PROPER PERFORMANCE. vs. 14d-22

#### A. Notice the site of this performance. vs. 14d

In the last phrase of verse 14, we are told that Hiram did his work before King Solomon. This is a reminder of the fact that we are to do our pillar building with an awareness that our Heavenly Father is always observing, and that our work is being watched by others as well. May God grant that we please the King!

#### B. Notice the substance of this performance. vs. 15-17, 22

##### 1. First, the pillars were made from brass. v. 16

Brass represents the judgment of God. All of our labors should be performed in view of the judgment of God.

##### 2. Secondly, the pillars were covered at the top with nets of checker works. v. 17

Almost always in the Bible, nets are used to catch or snare something. To spiritualize for a moment, we might say that in building pillars for God, we must be fishers of men.

##### 3. Thirdly, the pillars were also covered with wreaths of chain work. v. 17

Usually, when we find wreaths mentioned in the Bible, the reference is to victory. The completion of the temple was a sign of victory for Solomon and the Jews. If we are to build the proper pillars for God, we must live victorious Christian lives. The victorious Christian life is only possible by a life of complete trust and faith in the Lord.

##### 4. The fourth substance used in the building of the pillars was rows of pomegranates. v. 18

The pomegranates refer to sweetness and fruitfulness. If



we are to build pillars for God, we need to construct them with lives of sweetness and fruitfulness.

5. The fifth substance mentioned in Hiram's pillar building was lily work. v. 22

The lily work was the beautifying touch to the work. Our Christian lives must display the beauty of Christ's fragrance if we are to be successful pillar builders.

- C. Notice the size of the performance. vs. 15-16, 19

The pillars were approximately 40 feet high and 18 feet in circumference. This simply teaches us that it should be our desire to do a great work for God; not according to Man's measuring rod, but according to God's plan for our lives. We must have a great vision and goals to accomplish this vision.

- D. Notice the significance of this performance. v. 21

1. The right pillar, "Jachin" means, "He shall establish it." This certainly refers to success. If we are to be successful in building pillars for God, He must establish His work through us.
2. The left pillar, "Boaz", means "strength." We must make sure that our pillars are strong and enduring. If we will offer the faithful labor, God will provide the strength.

### **Conclusion:**

Having now observed closely this story of pillar building, and having seen the preparation, prerequisites, and the performance necessary for proper pillar building, we should be ready to dedicate our lives to a life of pillar building.

Some conservative scholars believe that the two pillars at the door to the temple supported not weight but were there as an enduring testimony to the greatest and faithfulness of Jehovah God. May we bear this same example!

# **“Facing The Problems Of Single Parent Living”**

## **Scripture: I Kings:17:7-24**

### **I. ONE MUST RECOGNIZE THE PROBLEMS OF SINGLE PARENT LIVING.**

- A. There is the problem of excessive isolation. v. 9a
- B. There is the problem of exhausting industrialization. v. 10
- C. There is the problem of economic deprivation. vs. 11-12a
- D. There is the problem of extreme desperation. v. 12b
- E. There is the problem of embarrassing degradation. v. 18

### **II. ONE MUST REALIZE THE PRIVILEGES OF SINGLE PARENT LIVING.**

- A. There is the privilege to discover God’s purpose for your life. v. 9b
- B. There is the privilege to develop a servant’s heart. vs. 10-11
- C. There is the privilege to demonstrate simple honesty about your situation. v. 12
- D. There is the privilege to dedicate yourself to the Lord. v. 13

### **III. ONE MUST RECEIVE THE PROMISES FOR SINGLE PARENT LIVING.**

- A. One must receive the promise of ample provision. v. 14
- B. One must receive the promise of answered prayer. vs. 19-23
- C. One must receive the promise of assured praise. v. 24

# **“The Major Cause Of Depression”**

## **“Self Pity”**

### **Scripture: I Kings 18:36-19: 21**

#### **I. ELIJAH FAILED TO REMEMBER GOD’S POWER IN THE PAST. vs. 18:36-46**

- A. It was a power that sent fire. vs. 36-40
- B. It was a power that stopped famine. vs. 41-45
- C. It was a power that speeded flight. v. 46

#### **II. ELIJAH FAILED TO RECOGNIZE GOD’S PRESENCE IN THE PRESENT. vs. 19:1-14**

- A. He failed to recognize God’s presence in stilling fear. vs. 1-4
- B. He failed to recognize God’s presence in supplying food. vs. 5-9
- C. He failed to recognize God’s presence in speaking fashion. vs. 10-14

#### **III. ELIJAH FAILED TO REALIZE GOD’S PROMISES FOR THE FUTURE. vs. 15-21**

- A. There was the promise that the enemy would be defeated.  
vs. 15,17
- B. There was the promise that the extremity would be dissolved. v. 16
- C. There was the promise that the encouragers would be discovered.  
v. 18
- D. There was the promise that the example would be desired. vs. 19-20
- E. There was the promise that the entrapped would be delivered. v. 21

# “The Call Of Elisha”

## Scripture: I Kings 19:15-21

### I. NOTICE ELISHA’S CALL.

A. It is a call to be identified with a person. v. 19

1. Elijah was a righteous person. v. 18:42
2. Elijah was a reject person. vs. 19:1-2

B. It is a call to be inspired by a plan. vs. 15-16

C. It is a call to become involved in a program. vs. 17-18

### II. NOTICE ELISHA’S COST.

A. There is a cost to be recognized. v. 20a

B. There is a cost to be reviewed. v. 20b

C. There is a cost to be represented. v. 21a

### III. NOTICE ELISHA’S COMMITMENT.

A. He made a commitment to follow fully. v. 21b

B. He made a commitment to follow faithfully. v. 21c (I Kings 3:11)

### IV. NOTICE ELISHA’S COMPENSATION. (II Kings 2)

A. There was the compensation of the presence of his master.  
v. 2:4

B. There was the compensation of the power of the Spirit. v. 2:9

C. There was the compensation of the performance of miracles.  
vs. 2:14; 19-22

# “Single Again: What Do I Do?”

## Scripture: II Kings 4:1-7

### I. YOU MUST CONFESS YOUR PLIGHT. v. 1

- A. She faced the loss of her provider. v. 1a
- B. She faced the loss of her partner. v. 1b
- C. She faced the loss of her pattern. v. 1c
- D. She faced the loss of her parenthood. v. 1d

### II. YOU MUST CONFER WITH YOUR PROPHET. v. 2

- A. She went to her prophet with a specific desire. v. 2a
- B. She went to her prophet with a sincere disclosure. v. 2b
- C. She went to her prophet with a serious despair. v. 2c

### III. YOU MUST COMPLY WITH YOUR PLAN. vs. 3-6

- A. The plan demonstrated that she swallow her pride. v. 3a
- B. The plan demonstrated that she show her piety. v. 3b
- C. The plan demonstrated that she seclude her performance. v. 4
- D. The plan demonstrated that she summon her posterity. v. 5
- E. The plan demonstrated that she spend her prudence. v. 6

- 1. She had to accept her limitations. v. 6a
- 2. She had to allow no waste. v. 6b

### IV. YOU MUST CARRY OUT YOUR PART. v. 7

- A. Her part was to be a witness. v. 7a
- B. Her part was to be a worker. v. 7b
- C. Her part was to be worthy. v. 7c
- D. Her part was to be wise. v. 7d

# **“Becoming A Great Woman”**

## **Scripture: II Kings 4:8-37**

### **I. NOTICE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF A GREAT WOMAN. vs. 8-17**

- A. She had a spirit of influentially. v. 8a
- B. She had a spirit of hospitality. v 8b-10
- C. She had a spirit of humility. vs. 11-13
- D. She had a spirit of reality. vs. 14-17

### **II. NOTICE THE COURAGE OF A GREAT WOMAN. vs. 18-30**

- A. She had the courage to face dereliction. vs. 18-19
- B. She had the courage to face desperation. vs. 20-21
- C. She had the courage to face discouragers. vs. 22-24
- D. She had the courage to face doubt. vs. 25-26
- E. She had the courage to face dignity. vs. 27-28
- F. She had the courage to face denial. vs. 29-30

### **III. NOTICE THE COMFORT TO A GREAT WOMAN. vs. 31-37**

- A. This comfort includes hope in times of frustration. vs. 31-32
- B. This comfort includes help in times of futility. vs. 33-35
- C. This comfort includes happiness in times of festivity. vs. 36-37

# **“The Cleansing Of Naaman”**

## **Scripture: II Kings 5:1-19**

### **I. NOTICE THE FACT OF NAAMAN’S SICKNESS. v. 1**

- A. It was an impartial disease. v. 1a
- B. It was an incurable disease. v. 1b
- C. It was an impure disease. v. 1c

### **II. NOTICE THE FAITH OF THE LITTLE MAID. vs. 2-3**

- A. It was a foreordained faith. v. 2
- B. It was a fearless faith. v. 3a
- C. It was a fortified faith. v. 3b

### **III. NOTICE THE FRUSTRATION OF THE KING OF ISRAEL. vs. 4-7**

- A. He was frustrated because his position was attacked. vs. 4-5
- B. He was frustrated because his power was attacked. v. 6
- C. He was frustrated because his piety was attacked. v. 7a
- D. He was frustrated because his pride was attacked. v. 7b

### **IV. NOTICE THE FORECAST OF THE PROPHET ELISHA. v. 8**

- A. His forecast was a message of salvation. v. 8a
- B. His forecast was a message of satisfaction. v. 8b
- C. His forecast was a message of statement. v. 8c

### **V. NOTICE THE FUNDAMENTALS OF NAAMAN’S CURE. vs. 9-10**

- A. There must be confidence in the Word of God. vs. 9-10a
- B. There must be cleansing in the water of God. v. 10b
- C. There must be compliance with the will of God. v. 10c

**VI. NOTICE THE FURY OF NAAMAN. vs. 11-12**

- A. He was furious because of his pride. v. 11a
- B. He was furious because of his presumption. v. 11b
- C. He was furious because of his plan. vs. 11c-12

**VII. NOTICE THE FULFILLMENT OF NAAMAN'S DESIRE. vs. 13-19**

- A. This fulfillment demanded humility before God. v. 13
- B. This fulfillment demanded homage to God's plan. v. 14
- C. This fulfillment demanded honor for God. vs. 15-17
- D. This fulfillment disclosed halfheartedness before God. v. 18
- E. This fulfillment disclosed hopelessness in the heart of the man of God. v. 19



# **“The Power Must Be Restored”**

## **Scripture: II Kings 6:1-7**

### **I. NOTICE THE WORTHWHILE PROJECT REVEALED. vs. 1-2**

- A. It was a noble project. v.1a
- B. It was a needed project. v. 1b
- C. It was a noteworthy project. v. 2a
- D. It was a notarized project. v. 2b

### **II. NOTICE THE WISE PROPOSITION RENDERED. vs. 3-4**

- A. The proposition included a plea for the prophet’s presence. v. 3a
- B. The proposition included a promise of the prophet’s presence.  
vs. 3b-4

### **III. NOTICE THE WORRISOME PREDICAMENT REALIZED. v. 5**

- A. Notice the cause of the predicament. v. 5a
  - 1. It was caused because of busyness.
  - 2. It was caused because of carelessness.
  - 3. It was caused because of worldliness.
- B. Notice the consequences of the predicament. v.5b-5c
  - 1. The first consequence was uselessness. v. 5b
  - 2. The second consequence was fearfulness.

### **IV. NOTICE THE WELCOMED POWER RESTORED. vs. 6-7**

- A. Notice the mandate for this restoration. v. 6a
- B. Notice the means for this restoration. v. 6b
- C. Notice the miracle for this restoration. v. 6c
- D. Notice the moment for this restoration. v. 7

# **“The Untimely Death Of A Disobedient Daddy”**

## **Scripture: I Chronicles 10:1-14**

### **I. NOTICE THE IMMEDIATE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUND THIS DEATH. vs. 1-4**

- A. They included warfare with the foe. v. 1
- B. They included the wasting of the family. v. 2
- C. They included the wailing of the fallen. vs. 3-4a
- D. They included the wickedness of the father. v. 4b

### **II. NOTICE THE INFLUENTIAL CONSEQUENCES SUCCEEDING THE DEATH. vs. 5-12**

- A. There was the death of his servant. v. 5
- B. There was the destruction of his sons. v. 6
- C. There was the defeat of his soldiers. v. 7
- D. There was the disgrace of his Sovereign. vs. 8-12

### **III. NOTICE THE IMPUDENT CAUSES SOLICITING THE DEATH. vs. 13-14**

- A. His death was caused by his disobedience to the Word. v. 13a
- B. His death was caused by his discourse with a witch. v. 13b
- C. His death was caused by his denial of wisdom. v. 14

# **“Devoted To The King”**

## **Scripture: I Chronicles 11:15-19**

### **I. NOTICE THE REASONS FOR THIS DEVOTION. vs. 15-17**

- A. They were interested in the king’s welfare. v. 15
- B. They were involved in the king’s war. v. 16
- C. They were intent on carrying out the king’s wishes. v17

### **II. NOTICE THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS DEVOTION. v. 18**

- A. It requires personal combat. v. 18a
- B. It requires personal courage. v. 18b
- C. It requires personal commitment. v. 18c

### **III. NOTICE THE REWARDS FOR THIS DEVOTION. vs. 18-19**

- A. There is the pleasure of a job well-performed. v. 18d
- B. There is the praise of Jehovah well-pleased. vs. 18e-19a
- C. There is the position of justice well-prescribed. v. 19b

# “What Every Father Should Leave For His Children”

## Scripture: I Chronicles 28:9-21

### I. HE SHOULD LEAVE A PURPOSE FOR LIVING. v. 9

- A. This purpose should include a lifestyle of spiritual intimacy. v. 9a
- B. This purpose should include a labor of spiritual involvement. v. 9b
- C. This purpose should include a love for spiritual investment. v. 9c
- D. This purpose should include a longing for spiritual illumination. v. 9d

### II. HE SHOULD LEAVE A PATTERN FOR BUILDING. vs. 10-19

- A. It should be a pattern for building the temple of God. vs. 10-11
- B. It should be a pattern for building with the treasures of God. v.12
- C. It should be a pattern for building with the tools of God. vs. 13-15
- D. It should be a pattern for building with the tables of God. vs. 16-17
- E. It should be a pattern for building with the truth of God. v. 18
- F. It should be a pattern for building with the touch of God. v. 19

### III. HE SHOULD LEAVE A PROMISE FOR SUCCESS. vs. 20-21

A. Notice the command with this promise. v.20a

1. There is a command to have courage.  
(Be strong and of a good courage)
2. There is the command to be committed.  
(And do it)

B. Notice the content of this promise. vs. 20b-21

1. There is the promise of God’s constant presence. v. 20b
2. There is the promise of God’s cooperative people. v. 21

# **“Giving So That God’s House May Be Built”**

## **Scripture: I Chronicles 29:1-19**

- I. NOTICE THE PURPOSE OF THIS GIVING. v. 1
- II. NOTICE THE PROPORTION OF THIS GIVING. v. 2
- III. NOTICE THE PASSION OF THIS GIVING. vs. 3-5
- IV. NOTICE THE PLEASURE OF THIS GIVING. vs. 6-9
- V. NOTICE THE PRAISE FOR THIS GIVING. vs. 10-17
- VI. NOTICE THE PERPETUATION OF THIS GIVING. v. 18
- VII. NOTICE THE PRODUCT OF THIS GIVING. v. 19

# **“A House Full Of Glory”**

## **Scripture: II Chronicles 5:1-14**

### **I. THEY MAINTAINED A REVERENT ATTITUDE TOWARD GOD. vs. 1-2**

- A. The reverent attitude included a new spirit of dedication. v. 1
- B. The reverent attitude included a new sense of direction. v. 2

### **II. THEY MAINTAINED THE RIGHT APPROACH TO GOD. vs. 6-7**

- A. They approached God through sacrifice. v. 6
- B. They approached God through the Scriptures. v. 7

### **III. THEY MAINTAINED A RESPECTFUL ACTION FOR GOD. v. 13**

- A. This gracious spirit included a spirit of togetherness. v. 13a
- B. This gracious spirit included a spirit of thankfulness. v. 13b

# **“A Blueprint For Revival”**

## **Scripture: II Chronicles 7:14**

### **I. NOTICE THE PEOPLE OF REVIVAL.**

- A. These are chosen people. (My people)
- B. These are called people. (called)
- C. These are classified people. (by my name)

### **II. NOTICE THE PREREQUISITES FOR REVIVAL.**

- A. There must be brokenness. (humble themselves)
- B. There must be prayerfulness. (pray)
- C. There must be earnestness. (seek my face)
- D. There must be holiness. (turn from their wicked ways)

### **III. NOTICE THE PROMISE OF REVIVAL.**

- A. There is the promise of Divine response. (hear from heaven)
- B. There is the promise of Divine remission. (forgive their sin)
- C. There is the promise of Divine restoration. (heal their land)

# “God’s Promise Of Answered Prayer”

## Scripture: II Chronicles 7:14

### I. THIS PROMISE IS CONTINGENT UPON THE RIGHT RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD.

- A. This relationship originates with salvation. (My people)
- B. This relationship continues with sanctification. (who are called by name)
  - 1. This sanctification is a progressive experience with God.
  - 2. This sanctification is a productive experience with God.

### II. THIS PROMISE IS CONVEYED ACCORDING TO OUR OBEDIENCE.

- A. This obedience includes sacrificial submissiveness. (humble themselves)
- B. This obedience includes sincere supplication. (Pray)
- C. This obedience includes seeking Sovereignty. (Seek my face)
- D. This obedience includes serious sanctity. (Turn from their wicked ways)

### III. THIS PROMISE IS COMPRISED OF SEVERAL THINGS.

- A. This promise is comprised of assured attentiveness. (Hear from heaven)
- B. This promise is comprised of sinful absolution. (Forgive their sins)
- C. This promise is comprised of social antiseptic. (Heal their land)



# “Revival: A Renewal Of Our Lives”

## Scripture: II Chronicles 23:16-21

- I. REVIVAL WILL PRODUCE A NEW COVENANT. v. 16
- II. REVIVAL WILL PRODUCE A NEW CLEANSING. v. 17
- III. REVIVAL WILL PRODUCE A NEW COMMITMENT. V. 18
- IV. REVIVAL WILL PRODUCE A NEW CAUTIOUSNESS. V. 19
- V. REVIVAL WILL PRODUCE A NEW CONTROLLER. v. 20
- VI. REVIVAL WILL PRODUCE A NEW CHEER. v. 21a
- VII. REVIVAL WILL PRODUCE A NEW CONTENTMENT. v. 21b

# **“The Chest Of Joash Offering”**

## **Scripture: II Chronicles 24:1-14**

### **I. NOTICE THE SITUATION THAT REQUIRED THE OFFERING. vs. 1-7**

- A. The situation included a dedicated king. vs. 1-3
- B. The situation included some disobedient priests. vs. 4-6
- C. The situation included a desecrated house. v. 7

### **II. NOTICE THE STEPS THAT RECEIVED THE OFFERING. vs. 8-10**

- A. First, a chest was built. v. 11
- B. Secondly, a collection was brought. v. 9
- C. Thirdly, a congregation was blessed. v. 10

### **III. NOTICE THE SUCCESS THAT RESULTED FROM THE OFFERING. vs. 11-14**

- A. First, the wants were filled. v. 11
- B. Secondly, the work was finished. vs. 12-13
- C. Thirdly, the work was furnished. v. 14a
- D. Fourthly, the congregation was formulated. v.14b

# **“Joyful Giving To The Work Of The Lord”**

## **Scripture: II Chronicles 24:4-14**

### **I. NOTICE THE MANDATE FOR THIS GIVING. vs. 4-7**

- A. Notice the purpose of this mandate. v. 4
- B. Notice the people of this mandate. v. 5a
- C. Notice the period of this mandate. v. 5b
- D. Notice the problem because of this mandate. v. 5c
- E. Notice the probe because of this mandate. v. 6
- F. Notice the priority of this mandate. v. 7

### **II. NOTICE THE METHOD FOR THIS GIVING. vs. 8-10**

- A. The method included a prepared chest. v. 8
- B. The method included a proclaimed collection. v. 9
- C. The method included a passionate celebration. v. 10

### **III. NOTICE THE MIRACLE OF THIS GIVING. vs. 11-14**

- A. The price was paid. v.11
- B. The professionals were hired. v. 12
- C. The project was completed. v. 13
- D. The praise was offered. v. 14

# **“Blue Print For Revival”**

## **Scripture: II Chronicles 34:1-33**

### **I. THIS BLUEPRINT REQUIRES SEPARATION FROM IMITATIONS OF GOD. vs. 1-7**

- A. This separation requires a single-minded determination. vs. 1-2
- B. This separation requires a superlative desire. v. 3a
- C. This separation requires a sin disposal. vs. 3b-7

### **II. THIS BLUEPRINT REQUIRES RESTORATION OF THE HOUSE OF GOD. vs. 8-13**

- A. This restoration requires coordinated methods. v. 8
- B. This restoration requires committed money. vs. 9-10
- C. This restoration requires costly materials. v. 11
- D. This restoration requires consecrated manpower. vs. 12-13

### **III. THIS BLUEPRINT REQUIRES AN APPRECIATION OF THE WORD OF GOD. vs. 14-33**

- A. This appreciation requires happiness about the Word. vs. 14-17
- B. This appreciation requires humility before the Word. vs. 18-19
- C. This appreciation requires a hearing of the Word. vs. 20-30
- D. This appreciation requires homage to the Word. vs. 31-33

# **“Rebellion Past Remedy”**

## **Scripture: II Chronicles 36:11-24**

### **I. NOTICE THE CONTENT OF THIS REBELLION. vs. 12-14; 16**

- A. There was a poor humility. v. 12
- B. There was a persistent hardness. v. 14
- C. There was a polluted house. v. 14
- D. There was a prophet harassment. v. 16

### **II. NOTICE THE CONSEQUENCES OF THIS REBELLION. vs. 17-21**

- A. The consequences included the death of many people. v. 17
- B. The consequences included the desecration of the vessels of God.  
v. 18
- C. The consequences included the destruction of the temple of God.  
v. 19
- D. The consequences included the destruction of those left living.  
vs. 20-24

### **III. NOTICE THE CURE FOR THIS REBELLION. v. 15**

- A. The cure demanded the reception of the messenger of God. v. 15a
- B. The cure demanded a response to the mercies of God. v. 15b

# **“Nehemiah, A Man Who Cared”**

## **Scripture: Nehemiah 1:1-11**

### **I. NEHEMIAH CARED ENOUGH TO INQUIRE. vs. 1-3**

- A. Notice the concerned patriot. vs. 1-2
- B. Notice the complacent people. v. 3a
- C. Notice the corroded place. v. 3b
- D. Notice the condemning picture. v. 3c

### **II. NEHEMIAH CARED ENOUGH TO IDENTIFY. vs. 4-7**

- A. His identification is revealed by his heart’s prayer. v. 4
- B. His identification is revealed by his humble plea. v. 5
- C. His identification is revealed by his human personality. v. 6
- D. His identification is revealed by his horrible problem. v. 7

### **III. NEHEMIAH CARED ENOUGH TO INTERCEDE. vs. 8-10**

- A. He interceded on the basis of remembrance. v. 8
- B. He interceded on the basis of repentance. v. 9
- C. He interceded on the basis of redemption. v. 10

### **IV. NEHEMIAH CARED ENOUGH TO GET INVOLVED. v. 11**

- A. His was a personal involvement. v. 11a
- B. His was a prayerful involvement. v. 11b
- C. His was a present involvement. v. 11c
- D. His was a purposeful involvement. v. 11d
- E. His was a pre cautious involvement. v. 11e
- F. His was a privileged involvement. v. 11f

# “Preparation For Revival”

## Scripture: Nehemiah 1:1-11

### I. NOTICE THE REPORT THAT LED TO A BURDEN FOR REVIVAL. vs. 1-3

- A. Notice the person who received the report. v. 1a  
(Nehemiah means consolation of Jehovah)
- B. Notice the period when the report was received. v. 1b
- C. Notice the place where the report was received. v. 1c
- D. Notice the porters who carried the report. v. 2a
- E. Notice the plea that produced the report. v. 2b
- F. Notice the problem the report revealed. v. 3

- 1. It was a problem of distress. v. 3a
- 2. It was a problem of disgrace. v. 3b
- 3. It was a problem of dilapidation. v. 3c

- a. The walls represented salvation.
- b. The walls represented separation.
- c. The walls represented standards.

### II. NOTICE THE REQUEST THAT LED TO THE BLESSING OF REVIVAL. vs. 4-11

- A. Notice the condition that produced the request. v. 4

- 1. It was a broken condition. v. 4a
- 2. It was bereaved condition. v. 4b
- 3. It was a benevolent condition. v. 4c
- 4. It was a begging condition. v. 4d

- B. Notice the confidence in the request. v. 5

- 1. He had confidence in the Sovereignty of God. v. 5a
- 2. He had confidence in the majesty of God. v. 5b

3. He had confidence in the faithfulness of God. v. 5c
4. He had confidence in the mercifulness of God. v. 5d

C. Notice the confession in the request. vs. 6-7

1. It was a pure confession. v. 6a
2. It was a persistent confession. v. 6b
3. It was a pastoral confession. v. 6c
4. It was a personal confession. v. 6d
5. It was a putrid confession. v. 7

D. Notice the call in the request. vs. 8-10

1. It was a call to remembrance. v. 8
2. It was a call to repentance. v. 9a
3. It was a call about the remnant. v. 9b
4. It was a call about redemption. v. 10

E. Notice the cry in the request. v. 11

1. It was a cry to listen. v. 11a
2. It was a cry to look. v. 11b
3. It was a cry for leadership. v. 11c
4. It was a cry for love. v. 11d
4. It was a cry for leniency. v. 11e



# **“Provisions For Revival”**

## **Scripture: Nehemiah 2:1-20**

### **I. NOTICE THE OPPRESSION OF THE SERVANT. vs. 1-3**

- A. Notice the seriousness of the oppression. v. 1
- B. Notice the sadness in the oppression. v. 2a
- C. Notice the scare in the oppression. v. 2b
- D. Notice the situation that caused the oppression. v. 3

### **II. NOTICE THE OUTFITTING OF THE SOLDIER. vs. 4-8**

- A. Notice the prayer that secured the outfitting. v. 4
- B. Notice the plea that serviced the outfitting. v. 5
- C. Notice the permission that settled the outfitting. v. 6
- D. Notice the provisions that substantiated the outfitting. vs. 7-8a
- E. Notice the plan that sanctioned the outfitting. v. 8b

### **III. NOTICE THE OPPOSITION OF SATAN. vs. 9-10, 19**

- A. Notice the cause of the opposition. v. 9
- B. Notice the character of the opposition. v. 10
- C. Notice the content of the opposition. v. 19

### **IV. NOTICE THE OBSERVATION OF THE STRUCTURE. vs. 11-16**

- A. It was patient observation. v. 11
- B. It was private observation. v. 12
- C. It was persistent observation. vs. 13a
- D. It was perfect observation. vs. 13b-15
- E. It was prudent observation. v. 16

### **V. NOTICE THE OPTIMISM OF THE SAINTS. vs. 17-18, 20**

- A. Notice the purpose of this optimism. v. 17
- B. Notice the plan of this optimism. v. 18
- C. Notice the power for the optimism. v. 20

# **“A Vision Of The Challenge Before Us”**

## **Scripture: Nehemiah 2:11-20**

### **I. NOTICE THAT IT WAS A SURVEYED VISION. vs. 11-16**

- A. It was prudent survey. v. 11
- B. It was a private survey. v. 12a
- C. It was a piloted survey. v. 12b
- D. It was a perfect survey. vs. 13-15
- E. It was a patient survey. v. 16

### **II. NOTICE THAT IT WAS A SHARED VISION. vs. 17-18a**

#### **A. Please notice the content of this shared vision. v. 17-18**

- 1. The content included a revelation of distress. v. 17a
- 2. The content included a revelation of despair. v. 17b
- 3. The content included a revelation of defenselessness. v. 17c
- 4. The content included a revelation of dishonor. v. 17d
- 5. The content included a revelation of direction. v. 18a

#### **B. Please notice the consequences of this shared vision. v. 18b**

- 1. The consequences included a public cooperation.
- 2. The consequences included a personal participation.
- 3. The consequences included a prompt activation.
- 4. The consequences included a powerful dedication.
- 5. The consequences included a passionate appreciation.

### **III. NOTICE THAT IT WAS A SUPPORTED VISION. vs. 19-20**

- A. The Lord will support us when ridicule comes. v. 19a
- B. The Lord will support us when rejection comes. v. 19b
- C. The Lord will support us when restlessness comes. v. 19c
- D. The Lord will support us when reservation comes. v. 20a
- E. The Lord will support us when resolve calls. v. 20b

# **“Problems That Would Hinder Our Progress”**

## **Scripture: Nehemiah 4:1-23**

### **I. NOTICE THE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROBLEMS. vs. 1-12**

A. There was the problem of disdain. vs. 1-6

1. This disdain included ridicule. vs. 1-2
2. This disdain included reproach. v. 3
3. This disdain invited a response. vs. 4-6

B. There was the problem of danger. vs. 7-9

1. This problem was the result of a wicked conspiracy. vs. 7-8
2. This problem resulted in a wise course. v. 9

C. There was the problem of discouragement. vs. 10-12

1. It was the result of a grumbling leader. v. 10
2. It was the result of gossiping lips. v. 11
3. It was the result of a godless loyalty. v. 12

### **II. NOTICE THE DISSOLUTION OF THE PROBLEMS. vs. 13-23**

A. The problems must be dissolved with courage. vs. 13-14

B. The problems must be dissolved with commitment. v. 15

C. The problems must be dissolved with caution. vs. 16-18

D. The problems must be dissolved with cooperation. vs. 19-20a

E. The problems must be dissolved with confidence. v. 20b

F. The problems must be dissolved with consistency. v. 21

G. The problems must be dissolved with concern. v. 22

H. The problems must be dissolved with concession. v. 23

# **“The Enemy’s Plot”**

## **Scripture: Nehemiah 6:1-19**

### **I. THE ENEMY WILL ATTEMPT TO MANIPULATE OUR MINDS. vs. 1-4**

- A. He tries to manipulate our minds with compromise. vs. 1-2
- B. He tries to manipulate our minds with cessation. vs. 3-4

### **II. THE ENEMY WILL ATTEMPT TO MISREPRESENT OUR MOTIVES. vs. 5-9**

- A. The enemy accuses us of stirring motives. vs. 5-6
- B. The enemy accuses us of selfish motives. vs. 7-9

### **III. THE ENEMY WILL ATTEMPT TO MODIFY OUR MISSION. vs. 10-14**

- A. He tries to modify our mission with religious seclusion. v. 10
- B. He tries to modify our mission with religious security. vs. 11-14

### **IV. THE ENEMY WILL ATTEMPT TO MISGUIDE OUR MODELS. vs. 15-19**

- A. The misguided model reveals successful triumphs. vs. 15-16
- B. The misguided model reveals secret truths. v. 17
- C. The misguided model relinquishes sacred trust. vs. 18-19

# **“Products Of Real Revival”**

## **Scripture: Nehemiah 8:1-13**

### **I. AFTER REVIVAL COMES, THERE WILL BE RECONCILIATION WITH THE SAINTS. v. 1**

- A. Reconciliation brings unity of mind. v. 1a
- B. Reconciliation brings unity of methods. v. 1b
- C. Reconciliation brings unity of mission. v. 1c

### **II. AFTER REVIVAL COMES, THERE WILL BE RESPECT FOR THE SCRIPTURES. vs. 2-3**

- A. There will be respect for the man of the Scriptures. v. 2a
- B. There will be respect for the message of the Scriptures. v. 2b
- C. There will be respect for the meditation on the Scriptures. v. 3

### **III. AFTER REVIVAL COMES, THERE WILL BE REVERENCE FOR THE SAVIOR. vs. 4-6**

- A. This reverence includes bold praise. vs. 4-6a
- B. This reverence includes bodily prostration. v. 6b

### **IV. AFTER REVIVAL COMES, THERE WILL BE RENUNCIATION OF SIN. vs. 7-9**

- A. Renunciation of sin requires confession of personal wrong. vs. 7-9a
- B. Renunciation of sin requires conviction of the powerful Word. v. 9b

### **V. AFTER REVIVAL COMES, THERE WILL BE REJOICING IN SERVICE. vs. 10-13**

- A. This is a special joy. v. 10a
- B. This is a strengthening joy. v. 10b-13

## Conclusion:

Well, we now come to the conclusion of this very first volume of “Effective Expositions”, assorted expository sermon outlines. I do pray that these outlines may have been a blessing to you as a preacher, pastor, evangelist, missionary, or even laymen. And, I pray that they may have been used by God to whet your appetite to do more study in the blessed Word of God and come forth with exegetical expository sermons in order to preach them and allow the Holy Spirit to apply them to the peoples’ lives. The Bible is a very practical Book, but unless God’s servants take the time to study this Book for hours and hours in order to find the truths that will help us in our daily lives, the Book will be useless. So, let me please ask each of you that has given some time to the study of these sermon outlines to keep working and keep preaching the Truth of God’s Word. We are truly in a Biblical dearth in our churches and land, and may God help us to get busy sharing the truth with millions of others who are waiting to be saved, and then disciplined in the blessed Book of God.

Finally, thank you for using these materials, and I hope that you might be ready for some more as I have the time to prepare them for distribution. Right now, I have an incurable lung disease which I may have contracted from a fungus in Africa. I sincerely don’t know how much time I have left before I go on to heaven, but I do pray that God might allow me to live long enough to produce more of these sermon materials to help especially our younger generation of preachers. The future of our world rest in the hands of young Timothys! “Preach the Word!”



