

Day 43 - Decree Again!

Monday, January 6, 2020

"Now write another decree in the king's name in behalf of the Jews as seems best to you, and seal it with the king's signet ring—for no document written in the king's name and sealed with his ring can be revoked." (Esther 8:8)

Yesterday our devotional used a football analogy and the story of Haman and Mordecai to illustrate the wisdom and skill of our God. I am building on yesterday's devotional because we must understand how the God who is Holy and Just and has all wisdom, knowledge and understanding is able to exceed our imagination. If you recall, Haman, enemy of the Jews, had a pole ready to impale Mordecai. So, not only was he made to announce Mordecai royally, he was impaled on that very same pole he set up. Furthermore, the king gave all of Haman's estate to Queen Esther, Mordecai's niece, who in turn set Mordecai over it. What's more, Mordecai was given the king's signet ring that once was Haman's, and was made second in command to the king in Haman's place. My God! As it relates to Haman's decree to kill the Jews, the king says to Mordecai, "Now write another decree in the king's name in behalf of the Jews as seems best to you, and seal it with the king's signet ring—for no document written in the king's name and sealed with his ring can be revoked." The new decree made it that the Jews could robustly defend themselves against those who would attempt to kill them on the day set by Haman's decree. Others came to assist the Jews in defending themselves. Not only were they successful that day but the new decree was repeated the following day also. As it was, Mordecai who previously sat crying out outside the king's gate in sac cloth (rags), left the palace wearing royal garments, a purple robe and a large, golden crown. I'll say again, isn't it good to be a child of the King who can decree a divine interception, cause a divine turnover, and turn the plans of your enemies against them. Thank God today.

Prayer: "Lord I thank you that you are my great protector. I thank you for your favor at work in my life. I decree and declare that every plot and plan being cooked up by my enemies will catch fire and come to nothing. I thank you, Lord, that what they meant for evil is being used for my good. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

Pray for God's continued guidance, protection, provision and success for Cliffard Whitby (Macon-Bibb 2020 mayoral candidate) and the Whitby2020 campaign team and supporters. Pray that God would grow and increase this movement and energize individuals to co-labor with us for positive change.