

## Four Greatest Sins Against God (& His Punishment)

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O.K. I asked you, "What was the four times and the four things that occurred upon the earth in the history of the Bible that were very pronounced where God destroyed a nation, a city, a people, a country, because they were evil in His sight?" And, I ask you what were those four conditions, four times, and what was the sin behind them that provoked God and brought on His wrath against them, and caused these people to live violently, and live vile, and be destroyed in the end? Just totally destroyed, wiped out as a nation, wiped out as a people, whiped out as a country, wiped out as mankind. There are many examples in the scripture.

One of the first things that we can see is where man did wrong against God, was Cain and Able. Able was just and right before God, because he had the right offering and the right type of heart, and Cain, God slew him. In affect He slew him because he turned away from Him, and when He turned His face away from Cain, Cain died a spiritual death, and he went off to a land of Nod by himself, without God. But that's not it.

We could talk about the time that Moses took the people out of Egypt and went down to the land of the wilderness. God had great things planned for them. He was going to take them into the promised land and was going to give them mighty things, and He was going to do mighty things for them, but they just wouldn't obey Him. They just wouldn't be broken. They just wouldn't follow God. They wanted to do their own will, and they rebelled continuously in their hearts. They would go in their tents and murmur. They would holler out. They would gripe, and moan, and bitch to Moses and to the other leaders, and God saw their unhappiness. He saw their disgust. He saw their

displeasure, and God was greatly displeased, and He left those people to stay in the wilderness until they died. Now, that was an eternal condition, but it wasn't necessarily in hell. Some may have been saved in a condition, while others certainly lost their eternal lives of those ones who lived in the wilderness. But, that's not what I'm talking about, because that's not exactly a condition where the people went to hell. God just flat rejected them forever, and discarded them, and caused them to be destroyed, and they were gone. That was it.

One condition we talked about was Ananias and Sophia in the new testament, and that's a good example. But that's not what I'm talking about. That too, was where they sinned. They lied to the Holy Spirit, and God allowed them to be destroyed. Undoubtedly they were lost - eternally, because they had lied to the Holy Spirit. But that's not it.

I could name many, many other conditions that are in the scripture, but let me give you four that are something for you to really see, and to see to what the sin is and to know, "How does this apply to you, to mankind, to this country, to the earth as a whole, to a people as a whole?" But more important, "How does it apply to you?" Because, you don't need to worry about what the earth is doing and the world is doing, you just need to be corrected yourself. And, if you're corrected, and in the sight of God you've done that which is pleasing to God. Because the earth belongs to God, not to man. Not to us to correct it, but to us to correct ourselves and prepare ourselves and be a people who will worship God and praise Him.

Let's look at the first big example, the flood. Before the time of the flood the people had been increasing upon the earth and multiplying rapidly. I would suggest there might have been billions of people upon this earth, because according to the scriptures, it was about 1950, or 2000 years of mankind as we see it from the scriptures upon this earth before the flood. That's a long period of time. And people were living 800 to a thousand, or maybe longer years. We've got recorded cases of many in the 800 to a 1000 years

of age. And that being the case and having multitudes of children, and many generations still upon the earth. It's very possible that there were billions of people upon this earth in the day of the flood.

But God destroyed them all. He destroyed all living things, except that which He protected in the ark. One man, seven of his family, and the animals that God had preserved to go through the flood, and the other animals died upon this earth in the flood.

And the flood itself may have caused the conditions of the earth that we see today that scientists think happened millions of years ago. It is possible that it took place in a short period in the time of the flood, the great calamity that was taking place. And the flood was God's wrath. He gave man a time and a period to repent. And He spoke, "I will give the earth 120 more years to deal with them in My Spirit, with My Spirit." And so, the Spirit of God was upon all the earth, and upon all mankind in the days before the flood, and they all had an opportunity to know God, but they rejected Him as God. So, God brought the flood that destroyed all things.

What was the great sin? Well, you say that it was that man was wicked. They were. You say man was rebelling. They were. Men were in revolt against God. They were. But all that is not the answer. The answer is a very simple thing, and it's something that you need to look at. The people in the day before the flood, when the Spirit of God was upon all men, it says that all men knew of God, but they did not worship Him as God the Creator.

What did they worship? They worshipped creation. They worshipped the creature. They worshipped their own selves. They worshipped their fun and joy, and glory, and their freedom, and their democracy, whatever, as it is today in this country. They did not worship God as God. That's a big thing to understand. **They did not worship God as God**, but they worshipped Him as less than that. They looked to Him maybe as a provider. They looked to Him as, maybe, "Help me, God, I'm in trouble with my

marriage. Help me, God, I'm in trouble with my food. Help me, God, I'm in trouble with my daily living. Help me, God, I'm in trouble with this or that." But they didn't worship Him as God, the Almighty, Everlasting Creator. They wanted things, but they weren't willing to worship Him.

Now, asking and worshipping are too far separate things, and today we find religion says, "We have so, so much. We're just so wealthy, God. We're just so plentiful. Here, God, we'll give you ten percent of what we make and that will surely make You happy. Well, God, we'll give some to the poor. That will make You happy." But, we don't worship God as God the Creator. We don't give that divine glory and worship unto a Creator Who is to be worshipped above all other things, including our needs, our wants, our desires, our wishes, our life, our health, our anything, - is to worship Him, and to acknowledge Him daily, continuously from within our heart, by evoking a contrite heart and a broken spirit. For, those things are the only sacrifice, worship, that God will accept. The proud and arrogant man, he's not accepted. The great, proud, religious, denominational man, he's not accepted. There is the humble, broken, sinful, weeping, repenting man who loathes himself in his own sight. And he says, "Oh, Lord, I am so rotten. I am so unworthy. I've been such a sinner. I have been such an ungodly man, I need your forgiveness. I need your teaching. I need your guidance. I need you, O God, because You have everything. And, we worship God, knowing that all things created, **He** created them, and they are there for our pleasure use, but not for our worship, including holidays, including our looks, including our good fortunes, including our amassing of fortune upon this earth. None of that is to be worshipped, and worshipped means, "to give inordinate amount of thought, consideration, and time, and watching over, and keeping of that in our own sight." That's worship. Doesn't mean you bow down, and you say, "Oh I worship you, goods. I worship you, this." Worship is when I have my thoughts upon, an inordinate amount upon a given subject, such as "flowers." "Oh, these pretty flowers God created." And, I've seen so many people that

worship flowers. They worship nature. Oh, they worship the stars and the trees, the flowers and the hills, and the mountains, and they just worship them to no end, because they give an inordinate amount of thought to those things, not the Creator Who created them, and give praise and glory unto Him, because He created them for our use, not for our continuous thought and pass time.

So, in the days of Noah, man was building cities, marrying and giving in marriage, and they were growing in population leaps and bounds. They had a tremendous population explosion around that period time, and man was worshipping God, but **not** as God. He knew of God, but he did not worship Him as God the Almighty Creator, the Eternal God, same as today.

You know, intellect and intelligence upon the earth, learned by a man's school can be a sign or a signal of eternal death, because you become so engrossed in your intelligence and your intellectual thought, man does, that he says, "I've got a doctor's degree in philosophy or science, physics," and he says, "I can't prove that there's a God, so therefore, I'll discount Him, and I'll write Him off. I can't prove that this Jesus was a living man that rose from the dead and is my Savior. Well, that's just far beyond physics, and far beyond science. So, I can't prove that he was born of a woman who was not even impregnated by a man." Making her impregnated by the Holy Spirit is just beyond the realms of an intellectual man of this day and hour. So, he has become an atheist, an agnostic, in that he says, "Well, prove it to **me**, God, and then I'll believe it." And, so, in many cases they write off God.

In that period of time, in the days of the flood, they may have known of God, and they may have some of the same thing, that they were learning, and they were thinking that "Well, we are growing in such great wisdom, knowledge, and intellect on the earth that we don't really need to worry about this God Who is existing somewhere out here in space, Whom we haven't seen, Whom we haven't known, Whom doesn't come down and visit with us all the time; therefore, we will discount Him and write Him off." And

God saw about that the evil in their heart was continuously wicked. The thoughts, the intent of the heart, was continuously wicked, and so He grieved that He had ever created man, and He destroyed Him, except for Noah and His family. And He began everything again with Noah and his family after the flood.

The sin? The Spirit of the Lord was upon the earth, and all men knew of God, but **they did not worship Him as God**. Instead, they worshipped the creation and the creature.

Next case. Sodom and Gomorrah. In the case of Sodom and Gomorrah, God's warning had gone out, and the people of those two cities were vile, immoral, debased. They were given over to lust of men for men, and women for women, to debase themselves and to violate their bodies, in a way that God had never planned. You'll find it written in the first chapter of Romans, about both the flood and Sodom and Gomorrah. And, so, Sodom and Gomorrah, Abraham interceded for them, the man of God. He began, "God, if You have fifty good men in that city, would You save it?" Let me remember to tell you that good men stands for those who have God in their heart, because Jesus said, "No man is good, only God." Therefore, no man himself could be good, but only if he had Jesus or God in his heart, the Spirit of the Lord in his heart, could he be good or righteous. So, Abraham began to say, "God, if I could find, if You could find 50 righteous or good men, would You save the city?" And, God said, "I would." "45?" "Yes." He would. "40?" "Yes." He would. "35?" "Yes." He would. "30?" "Yes." He would. "20?" "Yes." He would. And he said, "God, perhaps. Would it be just one more time to say, or to ask You, if You could find just 10." And God said, "If I find just 10, I'll save Gomorrah and Sodom."

Did He find them? No. Because, He destroyed the cities, and He destroyed them by the raining of hell fire, brimstone, and fire, symbolic of that which is reserved for a man who is already beyond any help, and who has done that which is spiteful in the sight of God, and has known not to do it, and has done it wrong, even when knowing what to do

right. He has turned his mind and heart to the evil of his own character to love himself, and to feed and to satisfy his own lust. These were the people of Sodom and Gomorrah, homosexuals and lesbians, and God destroyed them, and burned them with everlasting fire.

So will He do today to those who flaunt it and turn to immorality and to the same conditions that were in Sodom and Gomorrah. Now, in that city dwelt one man and his wife and two daughters who God knew and was righteous, but his mind was vexed, or his soul was vexed by the evil of the people of that city, and his name was Lot, a nephew of Abraham. And the angels went down and delivered them out of that city. Likewise, God will do to where ever He does set His heart to destroy because of the evil. God couldn't find 10 men. He found 4: Lot, his wife, and his two daughters, who He considered righteous, sufficiently righteous, to save their souls out of that hell that was coming upon those two cities. And, the two angels guided them out with directions. Even though one did look back and didn't want to leave, that was Lot's wife, and all the sins that man may have thought that Lot committed with his daughters afterwards, that's insignificant. That's not what God knew about Lot. But, instead of finding 10 good men, there was only 4. So God destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah.

Lesson? Moral? The scripture is to be used for teaching, and learning, and understanding. That, if we likewise, if we likewise, live in a condition of cities that are so immoral, we can see what's going to happen. Our lesson to be learned, is to stay away from immorality. Flee from it! Like the angels told Lot and his family. "Flee!" Flee from sin! Flee from evil. Flee from immorality. Flee from the lust that brings down your flesh to the pit. Flee from it. Get up and get out of the city. Get up and get out of the house. Get up and get out of that place, that church, that building, that city, that house where that sin exists, and is so prevalent today in churches. It is the sickest place of all, is in most of the world churches of this nation. Sin is rampant, and corruption is throughout. Self-loving. Worship of the creation and the creature. Worship of your own lust, and

every vile and corruptible thing that you can name is taking place in them. Not all. One or two, here or there. One or two, here and there have yet to work on brokenness. They're still in a phase of repentance, some, but the rest have all turned to the lust of the world, because they already have all they have need of. They are rich in their own rights, they're rich in their own glory; therefore, they don't need the Creator, but just the creation, the creature and the creation, they're interested in. Flee from that sin! Flee from that violence!

And the third area I want to talk about is Korah. Korah. And we'll find about Korah in Numbers, chapter 16. It's also found in I Chronicles, chapter 6, verse 66. That's one of the marks of the beast, and it refers you to Korah in that verse and chapter. 666, the mark of the beast, and the mark of this beast was upon his hands, and his mouth, and his head, "rebellion."

So, in Numbers 16, then we go back and find what was the sin, and what was the result of this man and his family, and his other priests? These were all priests now. These were ordained, given priests in the House of God, working in the Temple, in the presence of the Temple, in the presence of God, but they had not had brokenness. What was their sin? God took them and caused the earth to open up, and Korah and all the men who were with him, I don't know, 50, what ever it was, and his families, children, wives included, donkeys, camels, and all of their animals, the earth opened up and they were swallowed and taken to hell alive. They were dropped into hell alive, to shoal. Why? Because they did the unpardonable sin. They rebelled against the authority of the anointed servant of God. They thought that they had their rights, and they said, "Who, Moses,..." after sixteen years or so that they were under Moses's command, and had been instructed by him, and given the word by him, and been shown the way, and how to worship, and Who this God was, and been brought out of Egypt by Moses, then out in the wilderness they finally one day decided: "We've had enough of this man. He's told us enough times what we're going to do. He has been

our head chief too long, and we are going to have a democracy here, and we are tired of Moses being a theocracy, or being a dictatorship, and so we're going to put democracy in this place, this group out here of Israelites in the wilderness." So they rose up to him and they said, "Moses, who made you our authority, our God, our leader? Who gave you the right to run herd over us and to tell us what to do all these years. We," (he pointed at his people), and he said, "We, are the servants of God, too. And we know God the same as you do. And, we don't have need of you telling us what to do, and what is right, and what is wrong." And, they rose up against him, and God heard them, and His wrath was kindled. Not only that, but God's first intent was to destroy and kill every last one of them, except for Moses and his family. His first direction, He said, "Moses, move aside. I am going to destroy these people, and all of them; and I'll bring up a new people under you and your family." And Moses, having the love for the people, that he did have, fell on his face and interceded, and begged of God not to do that, but just to destroy, just to come against those who were guilty and wrong. Obviously, they were all, all in the countryside, all the Israelites were wrong. They were all in sin, obviously, because the fact is that they had all been coming together to get rid of this leader, Moses, who was tough, rough, direct, and he expected the people to obey, to be broken. He did it the only way he knew how, with the sword, with the sword and with punishment - severe, strict, and on the spot punishment for those crimes, those sins, those wrongs that Moses was putting an end to, because they were against man, and against God. And the people, particularly under Korah, and the priests, decided` "We will just rise up, and we will take over. We will worship God our own way." But, God heard them, and when Moses did bring them out to the area of the temple and the grounds thereof, the meeting place, God said, "Step aside." And when they stepped aside, they separated them, then they brought out all the priests with Korah that sided with them and their families, and their children, and their wives, and God opened the earth up and **swallowed** them. And, they disappeared from the face of

the congregation forever.

What was their sin? Their sin was rebellion, rebellion against authority, **rising up** in their own power, **rising up** to take authority in their own power, **rising up** because they were priests appointed by man. God did not appoint them: Moses appointed them, because they were of the tribe of Levi. And God appointed Moses, and Moses alone. Not even Aaron. God said, "Moses, you'll be as God to your brother Aaron. He will be your spokesman to speak, and you will be as God to him." In other words, "Whatever he is going to speak, **you** will have the authority to tell him. **You** will be the authority, as God is, unto your brother." A very powerful thing.

So God's wrath fell upon Korah and the rebellious priests in Numbers 16. Let me read it to you a little bit. "Moses said to them, 'You take too much upon yourselves you sons of Levi.' Then Moses said to Korah, 'Hear now, you sons of Levi: Is it a small thing to you that the God of Israel has separated from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to Himself, to do the work of the Tabernacle of the Lord, and to stand before the congregation to serve them; and that He has brought you near to Himself, you and all your brethren, the sons of Levi? And are you seeking the priesthood also? Therefore you and all your company are gathered together against the Lord. What is Aaron that you murmur against him?' And so Moses called them, and they said, 'We will not come up!' And then they went ahead to murmur and say, 'Is it a small thing that you have brought us up from a land flowing with milk and honey, to kill us in the wilderness, that you should keep acting like a prince over us? Moreover, you have not brought us into a land flowing with milk and honey, nor given us any inheritance of fields and vineyards. Will you put out the eyes of these men? We will not come up!'" They were rebellious.

"And Moses was very angry, and he said to the Lord, 'Do not respect their offering. I have not taken one donkey from them, nor have I hurt one of them.' And Moses said to Korah, 'Tomorrow you and all your company be present before the Lord - you and they as well as Aaron.'" Then they went ahead and told them what things to do. "And Korah

gathered all the congregation together against them at the door of the tabernacle of meeting." All the congregation. "Then the glory of the Lord appeared to all the congregation, and the Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron, but not the people saying, 'Separate yourself from all this congregation that I may consume them all in a moment.' Then they fell on their faces and said, 'God, O God, of spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin and You be angry with all the congregation?' The Lord spoke to Moses saying, 'Speak to this congregation saying, 'Get away from the tents of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram.'" Then Moses rose and went to Dathan, and to Abiram, and the elders of Israel following him, and he spoke to the congregation, saying, 'Depart now from the tents of these wicked men! Touch nothing of theirs, lest you be consumed in all their sins.'" In other words, depart, get away, and leave it alone.

Then we go on down to 30. "And Moses said, "But if the Lord creates a new thing, and the earth opens its mouth and swallows them up and all that belongs to them, and they go down into the pit...", which is hell alive, "then you'll understand that these men have rejected the Lord.' And it came to pass as he finished speaking those words, the ground itself split apart under them, and the earth opened it's mouth and swallowed them up with their household, and all the men with Korah, and with all of their goods. So they and all that were with them went down alive into the pit. The earth closed over them and they perished from among the congregation. Then all Israel, who was around them, fled at their cry. They said, "Lest the earth swallow us up also." Then a fire came down from the Lord and consumed the 250 men who were offering incense."

I could go on. "And the next day the people began to murmur." Down in verse 41, "The next day, all the congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron, saying, 'You have killed the people of the Lord.'" They even accused Moses of doing it. "Now it happened when the congregation had gathered against Moses and Aaron, that they turned toward the tabernacle of meeting, and suddenly the cloud covered it, and the glory of the Lord appeared. And Moses and Aaron came before the

tabernacle of meeting, and the Lord spoke to Moses saying, 'Get away from among this congregation that I may consume them in a moment.' And, they fell on their faces. So Moses said to Aaron, 'Take a censor. Put fire in it from the altar. Put incense in it and take it quickly to the congregation, and make atonement for them, for the wrath has come out from the Lord, and the plague has begun.' The plague had begun. So, then, Moses took and commanded, and ran it through the midst of the congregation. Already the plague had begun among the people. "And he stood between the dead and the living, and the plague was stopped." Now those who died in this plague, in that short period of time were 14,700, besides those who died in the Korah incident. Fourteen thousand, seven hundred people died, was the ones that God opened up the earth and consumed them into the pit. "So Aaron returned to Moses at the door of the tabernacle of the meeting, for the plague had stopped."

Of course, this is being 666, one of the marks of the beast. Man today, who is rebellious, and who does not obey the servant of the Lord, the anointed servant of the Lord, he who does not hear the anointed servant of the Lord, is this - going to be these people. And God's anointed servant upon the earth today is the Holy Spirit, it is the Spirit of the Lord.

So their sin was rebellion, rejection of God's anointed. For, how can you go anywhere when you have gone against God, Who, when He has given you what He wants you to have for learning and teaching, how can you go anywhere? How can you be acceptable in God's sight, when you have formed in your heart the desire or the opinion, or the decision, to rebel against it. When you have made that decision in your heart, then you are nigh unto death, for there is no turning back at that point. For you have known the way to go, and you have rejected it, because the enemy has come upon you, and he has caused you to conceive in your heart sin - of rebellion. If you had never known the way, you would be so much better off. But he who has known and heard the way, and then when the time comes, he conceives in his heart to rebel, and to

go his own way, and to turn against, usurp the authority of the servant of God, and rises up against him, he's nigh unto death - he, his wife, his children, and all of his family, and all of his livestock shall be likewise judged.

Now, that's three things I've told you that are very prominent in the Scripture that the Lord used, and what the sin was, that caused those things to happen.

Another case that's not the one, it's not the one, was the other part of 666: book of John, chapter 6, verse 66, where the people who had been listening to Jesus, and He told them that they had to eat his bones, His flesh, and drink his blood, eat His flesh and drink His blood, which means - Jesus was saying: "My flesh is the Word of God, and My Spirit is My blood." So He says, "Unless you partake of My Spirit, which is My blood, that I shed for you, unless you eat of My flesh, which is the Word of God that I break for you, so that you can receive it.... Because if He didn't break that flesh, it would be already Him, it would take it back from One, when He put it upon the cross to be broken for all men to be saved by. If they would go by the simple means of believing that He had done the death for them, and had taken their sins.

So those are the two 666, and it says, "The number of man," because man numbered the Scriptures. Man put those numbers in the Scriptures, the writer didn't. So, it is the number of men, because men numbered the Scriptures. And the two sins are these: its the mark of the beast, one is in the hand, and one is in the head. One is where the mind turns against Him and doesn't follow Him anymore, because he's turned against God, he's turned against the sayings of the Lord, and the Word of God, and the teaching of God, because it's too hard for him. And, the other is when he rebelled and raised his hand against the anointed servant of God. And, those today, are the two 666, and have prevailed since the day that they first came. They prevail today. They are the beast. They are the number unto death - those two things: rebellion against the Spirit, and the authority of God's anointed, and turning away from the Priest, the Preacher, the Teacher, the Word of God, turning away after you have been a disciple and have

listened to it for a period of time. Because, these who had turned away were all disciples. All these thousands that turned away in John, chapter 6, verse 66, were disciples. They had been following Him and listening to Him. But, now, it was too hard. They didn't like it any longer.

This is so prevalent today. Those who have heard the Word for a while, and then it becomes cumbersome to them, or they have too many cares of this world, or it's too hard for them, the Word falls on stony ground, or unprofitable ground, and they turn away.

Now, I'm going to tell you number 4. The number 4 condition AT-15 is in the New Testament. And, the number 4 condition was this: Jesus said to the Jews, He said, "Because I have come, and you have not believed Me, nor accepted Me, I will take away from you your kingdom, and I will give it to another nation, who will bring forth the fruits thereof. And He said to His disciples, "While you yet live, or in your generation, before another generation passes, all this sin in this temple that you see shall be torn down stone by stone, and nothing shall be left." And in the time of the next generation, 40 years, the country of Israel was destroyed, totally burned, ram sacked, torn down, and literally destroyed, and disappeared from the face of the earth literally. Was over ridden by others, the Romans, and later by the Arabs, Palestinians, and other mixed fractions, and the Jews were dispersed, the Israelites, the Hebrews, were dispersed throughout the world, throughout all the different cultures, as if they didn't exist, and their nation was taken from them. The horrendous thing about it was that God's wrath fell on them so bad that they ate their own children in the city of Jerusalem to stay alive. They ate their own flesh. He said, "You won't eat my flesh. Since you won't eat of My word that I give to you freely, that I break for you to eat, you eat of your own flesh." And they did. It was a literal prophecy. They ate their own flesh in the city of Jerusalem, during the seige of Jerusalem, in about A.D. 70 to 72. And, then, the country was destroyed. God allowed, and brought forth the total destruction,

annihilation, of that country, Israel. And, it was dispersed throughout the world, persecution, and it was over run. And, not for a thousand and nine hundred years did it come back together, roughly. And then, it is prophesied that in the end days that nation would come together again, and God would call His people back together, that He had called His people.

But the people that He destroyed and He let to eat their own flesh, and none of them were saved, but they were totally destroyed and lost, were the ones that rejected the Savior when He came to save them. And, what is the sin that caused God's wrath. They put Him to death? No. That was sufficient. Because they were evil? Yes. But the real reason was, because they rejected their Savior in the time that He came. They rejected their Savior when He had come for them. Now, Boy!, you listen to this, because this applies to the people today. When the hour of their salvation has come, they must not refuse it, because it may soon pass them, and be there no more. When the hour of their salvation comes, they must be listening and ready to receive it.

You have heard me ask so many people, as I have gone through in the ministry, "What would you have done if you had been here two thousand years ago when Jesus walked on the face of the earth? Would you have renounced your denomination and your religion to follow this heretic? Would you have denounced your denomination, all of the riches of your church to go out with a peasant who didn't have a formal church, who didn't have a lot of garbage on, and garb on, who spoke in a different language than you were used to in your church, who preached a different message than you had realized? You had thought that riches in flesh had meant something, and He was preaching that the need was for brokenness and humbleness of heart for the way unto God. A totally different message than the Jews had ever heard, vastly different than anything they had ever known, far different than anything that they had wanted to hear, because they believed in being rich, powerful, mighty, prideful, big, and Jesus was preaching humbleness, brokenness, giving, loneliness, servitude, totally opposite to

what they preached.

The sin that God hated and caused her destruction, as an example unto people today, it was a country who knew His word, His Word had come in the flesh, and they rejected His Word, and rejected their Savior. What other recourse did God have? What other hope is there? What other way is there? For when a man has heard the Word, and has rejected it, He has rejected Christ. When a man has heard what you must do to be corrected, to be broken, to be saved, to walk in the light of the Lord, and He has heard that word, and is before him, and he doesn't want to do it, he fails to do it, he puts off doing it, it's all the same. In any of those cases he has rejected it, he or she, and they are nigh unto death. They are near unto missing the eternity with God, and that's what happened to the Jews, and that's the lesson to be learned.

For those who each came, Jesus came to them, and laid His life down, and told them the way that they needed to go. All they needed to do was to believe in Him, and trust in Him, and to follow Him. But they said, "This is too hard for us," and so "...they turned away to follow Him no more, forever." And in the end, they were destroyed, literally destroyed, dispersed, sent out into nations, and none were saved, except those who turned to Him, and came out of her, "her", the city of Jerusalem, "her," the country of Israel. And they, the Christians, departed the city, and they parted the land, some years before the downfall of Jerusalem, because God warned His people, and they know that the time was coming, and they got out and left, leaving all their possessions, all their belongings, and all their relatives. They left the land and went into other lands. It was time they took the gospel with them - Egypt, Greece, Syria, Cyprus, and other parts of Rome and Asia. And they left, but those who rejected the Lord, and the Israelites, and the Jews that remained were destroyed, literally ate their own flesh, as prophesied they would do.

Prophecy of eating your own flesh is to mean, you will eat your own words, or you will eat the words of man. And since they didn't want to eat Jesus's flesh, which was

the Word of God, they were eating preacher's flesh, rabbi's flesh, minister's flesh, the priests who had fallen into corruption as the priests are of today. Corruption is rampant in the priests today. You ever seen such homosexuality in your life? Have you ever seen such murder, adultery, lying, stealing? Have you ever seen such money hungry people as there is in the priesthood today? Just everywhere. Where can you find an honest one? You'll never know you've got an honest one. There's none to be found. Oh, there are some, but there are none to be found, because you wouldn't even know him when you found him, unless God told you. And, it was in that day the same thing: the priests were corrupt. The land was corrupt. And, those who turned to the Lord, who believed in Him afterwards, after His death, after the preaching of Peter and the other disciples, those ones God warned, those that still lived.... Because many of them were being killed, and many of them died by the sword and by the cross. Many of the died by various means. They gave their lives as the other Jews killed them. The Jews and the Israelites killed them, the Pharisees, the Sadducees, the Herodians, and all the religious ones. They weren't killed by the Romans. They weren't killed by the people so much at that time. They were killed instead by the religious people. Later on the Romans began to kill them, too. They had great parties by killing the Christians, in their sacrifice, in their stadiums.

But the sin was: Jesus came to save them, and they rejected Him, because He didn't fit their image. He didn't seem to fit their image. I guess they couldn't read upon Him the He was God, that He was the Word, that He was the Savior. They couldn't understand. It was too simple, because they were looking for a great king riding on a horse. How many people today are looking for Jesus to come in the clouds on a horse, and that's the only thing they are waiting for? They are going to see Him in the clouds on a horse, and when they see Him, then they are going to know that that's Him, and say, "Here we are, Lord, I'm ready now." But they're not ready to go. They're not worshipping God. They're not broken. They're not humble and contrite people. They

are not given over to worship of God. They're worshipping themselves and their creation. They're worshipping in sin. They're living in religion, and they're waiting for this great rapture that they are going to see, and then they'll be left, because they're not ready.

I've always told you. Don't believe in the rapture. Don't let anybody tell you such a thing as that. Though there may be something coming, I won't go into that, but I've told you, God will cause that to come to pass when the right time, but not now. Now is another time, and a time now is when you need to be with a broken and a contrite heart. You need to take a look at all these different sins that I've given you. You need to look at these four condition that God hated so much, the ones that He refused to forgive, and overlook.

He says in 1 John, "There is a sin that is not unto death." There is sin not unto death. A thief is not unto death. A murderer may not be unto death. Adultery may not be unto death, but there is a sin unto death. And that sin unto death is when you fail to worship God as the Creator, as the Almighty God. It's when you don't worship God as God, as The God, One and Only God with all reverent respect and humbleness and brokenness and weeping and sorrow, and repentance. Secondly, is when you do that which is vile and debased, that when you begin to worship the lust of your body, and you're given over to a debased mind and a debased body, vileness sets in, and men begin to lie with men, and women with women, and they began to be corrupt in all other ways. Read the first chapter of Romans, relative to that.

The next one was with Korah, was the sin of rebellion against the authority of God's anointed. How would you know that it was God's anointed. You better not take a chance. Why would you need to take a chance? Why would you need to rise up against anyone? If it doesn't fit you and doesn't match what God has told you, He will warn you. He will not keep you from knowing. He'll keep you from being hurt. You're not going to believe some garbage from someone who's going to lead you astray. So

why would you want to rise up, and say, "Huh, I've had enough of this person. I don't want them leading me and telling me, directing me, and guiding me no more. Who gave them authority to tell me what to do? What makes you Moses so great that you're going to tell us what to do? WE KNOW GOD, TOO!," they said. "Who are you, Moses? We know God also!" It's a very familiar verse, and words that I've heard from people. Sounds like a great religious fanatic, doesn't it? Like a real Baptist. Woe unto them.

And the fourth sin that God would not condone, nor turn away from, was when He had sent His Word, His Salvation, and the day of your salvation, but didn't receive Him nor accept Him. And so, He rejected them, and gave them over to destruction. So is that today. It is applied for everyday since. For, God comes in a person's life, and it says in the Scripture, "Beware. Be waiting. There comes a time when there is that day of your salvation. Behold this is the day of your salvation." In other words, that is the day that the knowledge of the Word of God has come unto you. That is the day that the Scripture has arrived to you, and that's the day that you have to make your decision. What will you do? What will you accept?

And they, when they rejected it, even though they were the Jews, the chosen people, and they were Jesus's brothers, his kinfolks, as far as kinfolks is concerned, in the land in which he dwelt. He came in the flesh as an Israelite, from the line of Judah, in the tribe of Judah, therefore they rejected Him, saying, "Who are you? You don't have any title. You don't have any great power. Man hasn't bestowed anything big upon you." And not being humble and broken, they rejected their Savior, because He didn't fit their image, in the time of their salvation.

These are four conditions that are very important to understand. You watch people today. Have compassion for them, because you're going to meet, and you're going to have need to discuss these things with different ones that you would meet. But they fall into one of these four categories, because it is the greatest sins of America, and of the world today. One of these four, or all of these four, in any group, church, country,

nation, and family. It is a teaching of this day. It is the nature of man this day, to have fallen so far, yet all these things are prevalent, and prevail, in modern man today, more so than ever before in history, and never shall be again, like unto today.

Know them. Search them out. Study them. Write them down. Memorize them. Pray on them. Repent on them. Be broken on them, and don't let them be found within you, in any form. But be found instead, as it says in Psalms 51:17, be found with a broken and contrite heart first. Secondly, and a broken spirit. Two things, two conditions, two separate entities within you: one in your heart, and one in your spirit, so that you will not rise up against anyone, and including, and especially, the leadership of the Holy Spirit within you. Do not have a condition that would rebel against the Holy Spirit in you.

These four conditions begin in the heart, begin in the heart of man. And these four conditions were exercised from His heart by His spirit into action, to His death, in all these four cases I've just given you. Read them and understand them. Learn them. Write them down. Know them. Pray about them. Fast on them. Break them within you. Declare on them. Weep on them. Be sorry for them. Seek them out. Search them out with inside your own heart so that you're not found with a trace of them, lest you be judged, because God is not partial to any man, lest you be judged as they were judged, those who lived in those conditions, in those cities, in those times, in those countries. Any questions?