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Shabbat Message

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[Numbers 16:1-18:32](#)

My Way or Yah's Way

Beware of False Teachers and Rebels

Introduction

Numbers 16 is a significant chapter in the Bible as it communicates God's sovereign judgment and His divine authority. It shows how God strikes a balance between mercy and judgment, demonstrating that defiance against His divine order results in dire consequences. The chapter addresses a rebellion led by Korah against Moses and Aaron, God's chosen leaders, which led

to severe punishment. This profound chapter calls for deep theological evaluation and understanding.

The Rebellion Initiated

Numbers 16:1-3

1. Korah was a Levite who had charge as a Kohathite to be able to carry the furniture of the Tabernacle. They were of the highest clan of the Levites so Korah thought that Moses and Aaron weren't the only ones with rights to serve as Priests.
2. Korah can be symbolic a False Priest or a False Anointed One! Be careful of False Priests.(2 Peter 2:1; 1 John 4:1; Matthew 24:24;Isaiah 8:20; 1 Timothy 4:1).
3. Korah is a symbol of what is happening in these last days and that it will continue to be getting worse. (Jeremiah 14:14; Ephesians 4:14).

The Response of Moses

Numbers 16:4-11

1. When Moses heard this He fell on His Face.
2. He Immediately took Korah and the rebels to Yehovah and allowed Yehovah to deal with them. (Psalm 2:2; 1 Samuel 15:22-23; 1 Samuel 12:14-15).

3. There will be certain signs that will verify who is the genuine priest and who isn't.

The Confrontation between Dathan and Abiram

Numbers 16:12-15

1. Even after they went to confront them they refused a directive from the Lord.
2. They then said isn't enough that you took us out of a land flowing with milk and honey only to go into the wilderness? Since when was Egypt considered a land flowing with milk and honey for Israel? It was a land of bondage.
3. Lesson: Sin starts looking rosy and looks good until it puts you in bondage.

The Judgement of Elohim

Numbers 16:16-33

1. He challenged them to take censers and put incense in the pan who ever has Yehovah answer with fire in his censer is the chosen one. Did Fire come out?
2. First according to vs. 29 the earth opened up and swallowed the men then in vs 35 it says fire came out of the Tabernacle and incinerated and consumed the 250 men offering the incense.
3. Lesson: Yehovah will not be mocked! (Galatians 6:7).

Atonement for the people

Numbers 16:41-50

1. When the people saw what happened they went to literally storm the Tent of Meeting to confront Moses and Aaron the Glory of Yehovah appeared in front of them.
2. in vs. 47 Yehovah struck the people of Israel with a plague and Moses and Aaron had to intercede again for the people.
3. Lesson: Not everything requires a confrontation sometimes there has to be prayer and a peaceful resolution. Come let us reason together says Yehovah.

Take Away

1. There are many False Messiahs and False Teachers that have gone into the world.
2. Yehovah will deal with rebels who come against Him
3. Sometimes the best solution is to pray before you speak.

Application

1. Today I will not operate in a spirit of rebellion but in a spirit of humility.
2. I will not challenge Yehovah as He gave us a Word I will keep it.

3. I will continue to pray and support our spiritual leaders.

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