

Three Pertinent Biblical Stories for Today (sjm11-13-15)

Prophets, Political pundits, Media offering projection on the election:

- Only one sure word of prophecy (certain word) : The word of God "**2 Peter 1:19**"

Prov 10:24 The fear of **the** wicked shall come upon him: but **the** desire of **the righteous** shall be granted

Prov 11:6 The **righteousness** of **the** upright shall deliver **them**: but transgressors shall be taken in **their** own naughtiness.

Prov 12:7 The wicked are overthrown, and are not: but **the** house of **the righteous** shall stand.

Prov 13:9 The light of **the righteous** rejoiceth: but **the** lamp of **the** wicked shall be put out.

Prov 14:19 **Amphd** The evil will bow down before the good, And the wicked [will bow down] at the gates of the righteous.

Ps 1 – Read

Is 46:10 Remember the former things of old, ... Declaring **the end from the beginning**, and **from** ancient times **the** things **THAT ARE NOT YET**

1 Cor 10:11 Now all these things happened unto them by way of example, and are written for our admonition (advice – council-instruction))

THREE PERTINENT BIBLE STORIES

Jehoshaphat

* **2 Chron 2:12** O our God, wilt Thou not judge them? For we have no might against this great company that cometh against us, neither know we what to do; **but our eyes are upon Thee**

15 And he said, Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem, and thou king Jehoshaphat, Thus saith the LORD unto you, Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; **for the battle is not yours, but God's.**

17 Ye shall not need to fight in this battle: set yourselves, stand ye still, and see the salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: fear not, nor be dismayed; to morrow go out against them: **for the LORD will be with you.**

21 And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the LORD, and that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say, Praise the LORD; for his mercy endureth for ever.

22 And when they began to sing and to praise, the LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they were smitten.

Summary: They won the battle, recovered all and obtained great spoil!

David at Ziklag

1 Samuel 30: 1) Ziklag burned 2) women & children taken captives 4) they wept 6) David distressed as there was talk of stoning. David encouraged himself in the Lord his God 7) to high priest, bring me my ephod 8) David inquired of the Lord for a plan: Pursue and overtake and recover all. ¹⁷ And David smote them ¹⁸ And David recovered all that the Amalekites had carried away: and David rescued his two wives. 19) and there was nothing lacking, and they recovered all

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Esther – Tale of Evil & Good:

Esther belongs to the period after the Babylonian exile, when Persia had replaced Babylon as the ruling power. King Ahasuerus reigned over 127 provinces. King made major feast over all the provinces. Tremendous riches and excellent majesty. Many hanging colors silver rings pillars of marble, beds of gold and silver, and pavements of red, blue, and white and black marble. And "Vash-te" the queen made a feast for the women in the royal house

- 1) ON the 7th day the king called for Vashti to show her beauty – she refused to come:
- 2) King to choose another queen: Sought fair young virgins. Included was Ester.
- 3) After 12 months of purification the virgins were brought before the king
- 4) Esther was given favor and the king loved her more than any other & made to be queen
- 5) There was an insurrection against the king & Mordecai told the king of the matter
- 6) Hammam was promoted above all princes: All princes bowed except Mordecai.
- 7) When Hamman saw that Mordecai bowed not to him, he was full of wrath and sought to destroy Mordecai and all the Jews.
- 8) Hamman goes to King & says the Jews do not keep the laws.
- 9) King said – do what seemeth good to thee. Letter written to cause death to the Jews.
- 10) There was great mourning among the Jews and prayer and fasting.
- 11) On a night that the king can't sleep he has chronicles read to him.
- 12) Remembered that Mordecai saved him and desired to promote him.
- 13) Haman and Mordecai now lead rulers under the king but decrees against the Jews still in effect
- 14) Mordecai asks Esther for Help.

Read Esther 4:14

- 15) Esther goes into the king (against customs) and obtains favor of the king
- 16) Plot exposed and Hamman hung on the gallows he had built to hang Mordecai.
- 17) The King takes his ring he had given to Hamman and gave it to Mordecai.
- 18) Mordecai was promoted to 2nd in command to the king.

Summary: What Satan meant for Evil God turned around for good