

No Remedy

Linville Dunaway, Corinth Christian Church

"And the Lord God of their fathers sent to them by his messengers, rising up betimes, and sending; because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling place: But they mocked the messengers of God, and despised his words, and misused his prophets, until the wrath of the Lord arose against his people, till there was no remedy," (2 Chronicles 36: 15).

How sad to see a person, or nation, that has no hope, help, or remedy for the condition that it is in. Even the nations of Israel and Judah would find themselves in such a state when they departed from the law of God. Through the years and repeated calls for repentance the people made light of their sins and laughed at the thought of returning to God. Does anyone seriously think that they can debate, change, or ignore the Word of God?

God has sent his messengers to warn the people of their

sin and the punishment to come. In the Old Testament it was the prophets. In the New Testament it is the preachers of the gospel. In either case the Lord is serious about his Word and the way that we live. There are several scriptures that show that when God brought punishment to his people they cried unto the Lord to save them. **Jeremiah 2:28** is one of the scriptures where God said, "But where are thy gods that thou hast made thee? let them arise, if they can save thee in the time of thy trouble: for according to the number of thy cities are thy gods, O Judah."

Isn't it sad to see the people of today basically doing the same thing? Many people live according to the flesh, they deny God, and then call on him when things are not going well. Then they blame God for their troubles. They will not even consider that their choices and sinful conduct is to blame for their condition. They often fight against God and refuse to serve him, but think that if, and when, they call the Lord should help them. There is no remedy, or help, other than the Lord. "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given

among men, whereby we must be saved," (Acts 4:12).

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." (John 14:6). These are two of the scriptures that show that there is no other route to heaven - Jesus is the only way. If we walk with him we will have all the help that we need and the Lord will guide us every step of the way.

On the other hand if a person rejects the Lord and the plan of salvation, then that person faces life, death, and an eternity alone without God. That is an horrible future that need not happen. God sent his Son to save us from sin and told us how to be saved. It is up to each of us whether we receive his salvation or not. "For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe," (1 Corinthians 1:21). If anyone does not accept the grace of God and have his sins washed away by the blood of Christ, there is no help or remedy for sins. Judgment is coming, where will you stand?

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HAVING GONE BACK ON HIS WORD TO LET THE ISRAELITES GO, PHARAOH AND ALL EGYPT CONTINUE TO SUFFER FROM NUMEROUS PLAGUES...

OUR CATTLE LIE DEAD! BUT THE CATTLE OF THE ISRAELITES CONTINUE TO LIVE!

IT IS THE WORK OF THE GOD OF ISRAEL!

I SUFFER FROM BOILS - TELL THE PRIESTS AND MAGICIANS TO HEAL ME!

THEY CAN NOT, O PHARAOH, FOR THE MAGICIANS SUFFER FROM THESE SAME THINGS ALSO!

THE LAND IS IN RUIN, O PHARAOH - LET THESE PEOPLE GO - FOR THE SAKE OF EGYPT!

AND NOW STORMS OF HAIL AND LOCUSTS AND FIRE SWEEP OVER EGYPT - BUT STILL PHARAOH WILL NOT GIVE HIS CONSENT!

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