

“God Means What He Says”

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“And thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters, which the Lord thy God hath given thee, in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee: And toward her young one that cometh out from between her feet, and toward her children which she shall bear: for she shall eat them for want of all things secretly in the siege and straitness, wherewith thine enemy shall distress thee in thy gates.”

Deuteronomy 28:53, 57

Do we understand that what God says He will do? Many people don't seem to accept that, even though it is shown throughout the Bible. Here is a scripture that sounds horrible; yet, God told the people that if they turned from following Him this would happen. Did they think, like many people today, that God wouldn't let such a thing come to pass?

If you know anything about the Word of God, you know that

God doesn't tell things that He isn't prepared to do. He doesn't bluff or use idle threats as many people do. When God promises anything, good or bad, you can count on it to happen. Each person must make a choice, we either believe that God keeps His Word, or that He says things that He doesn't mean.

Some say that God will not remove a person's name from the book of life. They say that it cannot happen, no matter what a man may do. Yet, God said (Ex.32:33, Psalms 69:28, Rev. 3:5), that He would blot (erase) names from His Book. Nowhere does God say that a sinner who tramples the blood of Jesus under foot by sinning will go to heaven even if he calls himself a Christian.

Consider this scripture for an example and see if God was serious about what was said. **2 Kings 6:28-29**, “And the king said unto her, What aileth thee? And she answered, This woman said unto me, Give thy son, that we may eat him to day, and we will eat my son to morrow. So we boiled my son, and did eat him: and I said unto her on the next day, Give thy son, that we may eat him: and she hath hid her son.” It sounds terrible because it was. They had disobeyed

God's laws many times even though He sent prophets to warn them and gave them chances to repent. They would not repent and they brought the punishment upon themselves. If they had obeyed God's commands this would never have happened to them.

Today we see that many things happen to people because of what they do and how they live. People don't like to hear it but it is true. For example a person may go out drinking and have a wreck then say, “Why did God let this happen to me?” Are people really that foolish? God has told us that we will reap what we sow. It happens just as God said it would. After 9-1-1 someone said that America was reaping what it had sown, or something to that effect. He was condemned for saying it. Why? People like to think that America is close to God and that He will take care of us. Will God always bless a nation where He is “unconstitutional,” abortion is legal; gambling, drugs, homosexuality, fornication, adultery and every kind of wicked thing is promoted as rights of the people? It is God's Word that says, “The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.” **Psalms 9:17.**

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“...AND HE ROLLED A LARGE STONE ACROSS THE ENTRANCE...”
MATTHEW 27:60

TOMBS LIKE THIS ONE ARE STILL TO BE FOUND NEAR JERUSALEM. IT WAS IN SUCH A ONE AS THIS THAT JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA UNDOUBTEDLY LAID JESUS TO REST.

THE LARGE CIRCULAR STONES WHICH SEALED THE TOMBS WERE ROLLED INTO A GROOVED SLOT. ONE MAN COULD EASILY ROLL IT DOWN - BUT, BECAUSE OF THE GREAT WEIGHT, IT WOULD ALWAYS NEED MANY VERY STRONG MEN TO PUSH THE STONE UP OUT OF ITS SLOT, IN ORDER TO OPEN UP A TOMB!

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