Ye Are Witnesses

by Linville Dunaway, Corinth Christian Church

"And the people said unto Joshua, Nay; but we will are witnesses against yourselves that ye have chosen you the LORD, to serve him. And they said, We are witnesses." -- Joshua 24:21-22

with God and to keep the commandments. They were told to reject the gods of the other nations and to would bring their idols into Israel. He told them that form. they couldn't serve the Lord, meaning that they could served and were serious about living for God. They said that they would serve the true and living God.

one of another, that they had said that they would serve the Lord and him alone. No one made them deforsake all idols. They said it in front of the thousands keep that which he vowed. A lot of times someone our words, actions, and the life we live.

promise to only worship God.

We do a similar thing today when we stand before take it lightly. serve the LORD. 22 And Joshua said unto the people, Ye a congregation and confess the Lord as savior and and there are many witnesses. We are to encourage Joshua had just challenged the people to walk life. Even as we desire the help of others, we are to believer made the decision to come to the Lord Jenot marry into the idol worshipping peoples as they helps those who come his way that need help in some our own actions and words when we did this. Our

Ultimately we are witnesses against ourselves if and we will have to account for them. not unless they put away the idols that their fathers we do not follow through on our promise to serve God. This is a serious matter and we had better take it plead ignorance before the Lord. For we do know that seriously. It deals with both our souls and God. In Ec- it was ourselves that said that we would serve the Joshua's answer was that they were witnesses, **clesiastes 5:4** we read, "When thou vowest a vow unto Lord and put him first in our lives. If we don't then God, defer not to pay it; for he hath no pleasure in fools: we lied to ourselves, and to God. Others will also have pay that which thou hast vowed." If a person makes witnessed our life as to our obeying the Lord, or our cide and say that they chose to serve the Lord and to a vow, a promise, unto God he had better be sure to turning our back on God. Truly we are witnesses as to

of Israel and so all of them witnessed the confession promises another person something and then forgets of all the others. So in the future any who broke their it, or does not intend to keep it in the first place. That vow to serve God would do so in open denial of the is bad, but if he treats God in the same frivolous way he is headed for an accounting with God who does not

We know the difference between right and wrong, promise to live for him. A public confession is made or at least we should. If we profess to be a Christian then at some point in time past we decided to confess and help each other as we go through the days of our sins and ask the Lord to save us. The repentant do what we can to help others as well. The person is sus. It is not a decision that anyone else can make for in error who only takes help from others and never you, but is between you and God. So we witnessed thoughts and deeds are our personal responsibility

We will not be able to say that we didn't know and

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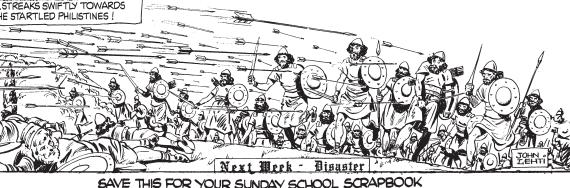
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