

2 Kings Overview Part 5 - The Era Of Man-Made Inheritance That Destroyed Israel

The revelation of the Books of the Law = Most Blessed -> Inherit this (No exceptions to fulfillment, what you eat is what you will "output" even though the bible is the same)

Destruction of Israel, All 19 Kings without exception or mercy: God's emphasis on Inheritance of Books of the Law

1,2Kings talks about Inheritance

Correct Inheritance

- 1) *Death, root of sin, bounded by demons <fundamental problem>*
- 2) *Christ <Ro5:8>: D&R*
- 3) *Born again: Loved, blessed, favoured, called*
- * *Relationship (iff) --> Become Alive! (COG, MIP)*
- 4) *Promise (Make Covenant)*
- 5) *Perfect Will*
- 6) *Converse (Love, hope, victory, restore "my Lord")*
- 7) *Walk with God (Evidence)*
- 8) *Evangelism (Important persons)*
- 9) *Raise up disciples*

Man-made

- 1) *Many problems <=> Fundamental problem*
- 2) *Religion <=> D&R*
- 3) *No root and foundation (coincidental) <=> Relationship (COG, MIP)*
- 4) *Worship Idols (World) <=> Promise (Make covenant), Perfect Will*
- 5) *Receive Only Curses <=> Converse, Walk, Evangelism, Discipleship*

8 Usurpations Among 19 Kings: Ministers of this era change by without root and foundation, usurped by own trusted followers

1) Ahab

- 1) *Ahaziah: Worldly abundance, insurance and blissfulness and sudden wrath*
- 2) *Joram: usurped by Jehu, treachery by trusted followers*
- 3) *Jezebel: Force of darkness, Baals and Asherahs, lead astray people yet easily discerned with a sound mind, God's emphasis by dramatic death*
- 4) *70 sons: killed by own teachers, ministers who appease everyone, takes just one mistake to cause all "relationships to be coincidental" <=> true coworkers by rooting and founded on confirmation process of God's instrument*

Conclusion

- 1) *Throw away man-made inheritance -> start correctly, root/foundation = identity, promise*
- 2) *Build up foundation -> Be rooted and founded in Christ*
- 3) *Continue*

I discovered that our church is very special. People who come to this church will leave if they do not want to follow the preacher to follow the Lord. I do not look at any other, even if you are weak, but I look at whether there are works of God in your life. However, there is actually one thing I ask of those who come for this meeting, that you eat up the word of God that is spoken in this meeting. If you hear the word of God at this meeting, immediately pray and you will be healed right after the meeting. When you go back home, you must ask yourself, "What have I eaten?" For some people, they hear how much God has loved them. Even if the message is about the discipline of God, they acknowledge the discipline because they are dearly loved. For some, they anticipate everything because they believe God has given them everything, even though they have nothing to start with. However, some people come to the meeting and are hurt, "Where is the blessing of God? Why does it never come to me?" If you hear the word of God correctly, and you receive freedom and hope, you will surely be prosperous after the meeting. What do you think of Qiufen? She is really weak and petty towards me a lot of times, though she is generous towards you all. However, I notice that she hears the message during discipleship training most attentively. Therefore, when I tested and approved that in her weaknesses, there are traces of the grace of God in them. For those who hear the message half-heartedly or

are half-asleep, they will not only not receive, but also come to be disappointed in God. And wherever they go, they will not receive anything from the Lord.

Bible Overview

Books of the Law

The Bible Overview series starts with the books of the law. They are not about the law. They tell all peoples that they are sinful, and whoever acknowledges this, they are blessed when their sins are resolved. From then on, every good thing follows them. Therefore, the books of the Law are the books of Promise. From how you understand the books of the Law, you will understand the whole bible. Some people like to read the New Testament because they feel that the God in the Old Testament is too strict. But the bible is one.

Genesis

Genesis narrates about one very person.

<Gen 1-11> The background to which **Abraham** is blessed and called

<Gen 12-50> How the promise is practically fulfilled in the lives of **Is, Jc, Js**

=> **4 gospelizations** (I will definitely bless you, your household, your region, and the world) Therefore, the name of Abraham is "4 gospelizations". This is the **Promise**.

Exodus

One person became a nation. The promise is given, but the **method** by which the promise is fulfilled is the **5 mysteries**:

Exodus (Born Again)

Cross Red Sea (Victory) wash / die -> RSYRJG purpose - there is no exception to this method of having victory in every situation

Tabernacle (Converse) - Leviticus

Wilderness (Walk with God) - Numbers

Fixed Perspective (Conquer Canaan Evangelism) - Deuteronomy

=> **Joshua**

All peoples, even Presidents of every nation, need this. God continually seeks for people who understand these. How will we know if we have eaten correctly? This is by the result, by the expressions on our faces, by the attitude we face each challenge, etc. And from the result, we will know if we have eaten correctly.

I received summons for my car parking 2 times, but when I tested and approved, I saw that the 2 meetings I went when I received summons were the most important meetings. I confirmed that this is where most of my life must be spent. However, another person may think on the other extreme, "I served the Lord so much, but why have You given me summon?" and mourn.

If the Lord did not reveal Himself to me so blessedly, I will become a barbarian. A barbarian is one who only lives for the flesh. The westerners scold the Chinese as barbarians as they live just for the moment of temporary gain. We should stand up and tell all the peoples of the world that they are barbarians.

=> **The history of Israel**

Reason for Israel's destruction

There were 19 kings, and all of them failed. Have we asked why God did not have mercy on all of them, and why not even one was blessed? This is an important question. We must remember that God wants to emphasize the Books of Promise in history, so that there shall be no exception.

This happened even in the book of Joshua. 7 tribes and 31 kings were all won with no exception. In just 40 years, Israel failed. There were 12 judges, but they represented 12 generations of failure. At the end of Judges, even the

pastors were shown to be weak. In the weakest period, Ruth, a Gentile woman was chosen. During the time of Eli, when his 2 children committed adultery in the temple, God chose Hannah, who bore Samuel, to anoint David. God used such extreme methods, such as women, and foreign and unknown women, to emphasize His word.

Judah's Exile

It seemed that the people of Judah were also the same as those in Israel, who compromised with the world. However, Judah was not destroyed, but only temporarily exiled. Did you ever ask the question why God led Israel and history like this, in a seemingly unfair way?

God led the whole history for the "blessed me"

God is the editor of the bible. He will not involve man's ideas and philosophies. He is the Originator. Some of the 19 kings were so zealous for the Lord, but no matter how much they served the Lord, they were not blessed and chosen. God chose even women who were rejected by people. We must understand the extreme love of the Lord. Some people read the bible and continued to dwell in predestination in increasing disappointment. Upon continual studying, they misunderstood God and left the Lord because God is the Originator - they think that there is no longer any reason to believe in a life that seems robotic and unfair. However, predestination is about God fixing His love for those He has chosen, and therefore, there is no condition that God will reject anyone who is in Him. Everyone who is loved is under His mercy even if all men reject Him. Though this theory is so simple, we need a bit of meditation. Those who are loved by God, they will never be rejected. Those who are not loved by God, they will also not love the Lord. God is the fairest. This is how we must read the Bible.

*** Inheritance**

1 Samuel talks about how David was registered to be a king. **2 Samuel** talks about David's biography, about how he succeeded, sinned, was sanctified and held on to the promise for inheritance. Adoniah wanted to rise up to be the successor to David. However, Solomon succeeded. How do we know who will succeed? This is by looking at what faith they inherited from their father David.

1 Kings

1) Succeeded

2) Failed (Gentiles, idols)

3) Division

4) Ahab vs Elijah

2 Kings

5) Prophets and the Era

The Prophets that inherited Elijah and the Era that inherited the worst of Ahab.

6) Destruction of Israel: The era that caused the destruction of Israel.

7) Exile of Judah: The prophets and Judah.

God is very absolute between blessedness and non-blessedness.

Passage Reading: 2 Kings 17:5-23

2Kg. 17:5 The king of Assyria invaded the entire land, marched against Samaria and laid siege to it for three years.

Israel was brought to intermarriage, and they were no more.

2Kg. 17:6 In the ninth year of Hoshea, the king of Assyria captured Samaria and deported the Israelites to Assyria. He settled them in Halah, in Gozan on the Habor River and in the towns of the Medes.

2Kg. 17:7 *All this took place because the Israelites had sinned against the LORD their God, who had brought them up out of Egypt from under the power of Pharaoh king of Egypt. They worshipped other gods*

2Kg. 17:8 *and followed the practices of the nations the LORD had driven out before them, as well as the practices that the kings of Israel had introduced.*

2Kg. 17:9 *The Israelites secretly did things against the LORD their God that were not right. From watchtower to fortified city they built themselves high places in all their towns.*

2Kg. 17:10 *They set up sacred stones and Asherah poles on every high hill and under every spreading tree.*

Look at this, Israel was so adulterous!

2Kg. 17:11 *At every high place they burned incense, as the nations whom the LORD had driven out before them had done. They did wicked things that provoked the LORD to anger.*

2Kg. 17:12 *They worshipped idols, though the LORD had said, "You shall not do this." [Exodus 20:4, 5]*

2Kg. 17:13 *The LORD warned Israel and Judah through all his prophets and seers: "Turn from your evil ways. Observe my commands and decrees, in accordance with the entire Law that I commanded your fathers to obey and that I delivered to you through my servants the prophets."*

We must hear the word of the Lord. The Lord has already given us a lot of words and admonishment even now. We must be spiritually discerned.

2Kg. 17:14 *But they would not listen and were as stiff-necked as their fathers, who did not trust in the LORD their God.*

2Kg. 17:15 *They rejected his decrees and the covenant he had made with their fathers and the warnings he had given them. They followed worthless idols and themselves became worthless.*

They imitated the nations around them although the LORD had ordered them, "Do not do as they do," and they did the things the LORD had forbidden them to do.

2Kg. 17:16 *They forsook all the commands of the LORD their God and made for themselves two idols cast in the shape of calves, and an Asherah pole. They bowed down to all the starry hosts, and they worshipped Baal.*

2Kg. 17:17 *They sacrificed their sons and daughters in [Or They made their sons and daughters pass through] the fire. They practised divination and sorcery and sold themselves to do evil in the eyes of the LORD, provoking him to anger.*

2Kg. 17:18 *So the LORD was very angry with Israel and removed them from his presence. Only the tribe of Judah was left,*

2Kg. 17:19 *and even Judah did not keep the commands of the LORD their God. They followed the practices Israel had introduced.*

Judah seemed to be the same with Israel, but God differentiated them very clearly. One was punished and destroyed, the other was disciplined because of love.

2Kg. 17:20 *Therefore the LORD rejected all the people of Israel; he afflicted them and gave them into the hands of plunderers, until he thrust them from his presence.*

2Kg. 17:21 *When he tore Israel away from the house of David, they made Jeroboam son of Nebat their king. Jeroboam enticed Israel away from following the LORD and caused them to commit a great sin.*

2Kg. 17:22 *The Israelites persisted in all the sins of Jeroboam and did not turn away from them*

2Kg. 17:23 *until the LORD removed them from his presence, as he had warned through all his servants the prophets. So the people of Israel were taken from their homeland into exile in Assyria, and they are still there.*

*** Man-made**

This is the worst that can happen. The most important is the start. Elisha told the kings of Israel this and that, but there was no use. When Sabbath came, they returned back to the man-made worship. Taking drugs is bad but having no antidote is worse than taking drugs. Having no light is worse than being in darkness. Therefore, we must build up correctly.

*** Correct Inheritance**

1) Death, root of sin, bounded by demons <fundamental problem>

No solution can solve this. God is the revelator. Unless He reveals, man cannot do anything about it. This is predestination, as man is predestined to fail in every way in the fundamental problem without God.

2) Christ <Ro 5:8>: D&R

"Moses, leave Egypt and go to Canaan."

3) Born again: Loved, blessed, favoured, called

No one can, unless God gives. This is called **blessed**. Therefore, for a person who knows that he is born again, there is a **relationship**.

*** Relationship -> Become Alive! (COG, MIP)**

If I give my son money, he will receive it gladly. If others give my son money, he will have thoughts of suspicion. This is because of the keyword "relationship". Therefore, if there is a relationship, he becomes alive. When God takes something away from us, do we immediately lose the heart of blessedness? If so, think about your relationship with God. Therefore, the confession of Job, "Everything is from the Lord". Therefore, this is the reason of our emphasis of being "the child of God".

4) Promise (Make Covenant)

After the relationship is set up, God tells Abraham, "Do not be afraid! You will surely bear children! Believe in Me!" I will give everything to you!

5) Perfect Will

When you test and approve, God will surely reveal. Some continue to ask God, "What is Your perfect will, God?" I am not God, so I cannot answer you, but I know why you have not heard the perfect will of God. If you have not made covenant with God by His promise, you will not be able to test and approve His perfect will.

"Why am I still in a lot of problems even though I am a child of God?" Those who do not know his real problem, or do not know the root problem will have such a life. He does not know that his state is a result of him not being in God. Therefore, if you understand the only problem and the only solution, you can then be rooted and built up in Christ, which starts from being born again.

6) Converse (Love, hope, victory, restore "my Lord")

If we see the perfect will of God, we will be able to converse. In prayers, we must hear love. If not, do not stop. If we do not have hope today, it does not mean we will not have it tomorrow. I discover that saints will suffer tomorrow because they are suffering today. If saints only hope in God and not be affected by situations, they will surely be happy tomorrow. In prayers, no matter what disturbance, accusations, or fear we experience, have victory. When others tell you that you are an idiot when they are angry, you are so hurt. However, when God tells you that you are loved, you do not want to listen. Why shall we listen to things that are not true? We must filter. If you do not filter, there will be sufferings in whatever you do, even though you may be a pastor. Do away with the unnecessary thoughts. Then, restore the Lord. If the Lord tells me to be strong and courageous in that situation, be so.

7) Walk with God (Evidence)

8) Evangelism (Important persons)

People who love to hear how God loves them are important people.

9) Raise up disciples

When disciples are raised, everything has come to them. If John, the young believer in our church can, if those who are so ugly in the past can, if a single parent can, so can I, right?

People tell me that they love my Penang messages because they are very practical. How can we talk about practical messages? It is only those who have failed before and received the most absolute answers that are able to give practical messages.

*** No inheritance (Man-made)**

1) Many problems <=> Fundamental problem

There are people who dwell in the many problems of the lives. They always say, "If only I have money", "If only my family is good", etc.

2) Religion <=> D&R

Paul wrote in the book of Romans, "How wretched I am!", but religious people will think, "I must think of a method, I want to solve", therefore many ideas of man come about. Only when there is death and resurrection, man will know Jesus.

3) No root and foundation (Coincidental) <=> Relationship (COG, MIP)

Actually this is very dangerous. Without root and foundation, man will use their bias, their past hurts, their feelings, etc. Therefore, they use the relative things of the world, that will surely change with time and situation, to judge everything. They buy stocks based on people's speculations. Without root and foundation, everything therefore becomes coincidental.

4) Worship Idols (World)

Colossians 2 Humanism/Legalism/Mysticism => Lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes, pride of life

Some people lead religious lives. Therefore they emphasize on circumcision, zealotry, and holiness. There are surely loopholes in religion. They can do everything, but they will surely be under the clutches of lusts: the lust of flesh, the lust of the eyes and pride of life. Do you know that Catholic priests and monks cannot overcome such lusts? Therefore, a lot of ideas came out, that monks now begin to drive BMWs and Mercedes.

5) Receive Only Curses

These 5 points are the inverse of the 5 gospel messages.

8 Throne Usurpations Among 19 kings

Look at the churches and fellowships of this era. There are "usurpations". Therefore, without root and foundation, whoever has wisdom, knowledge, glib of the tongue, with more talents, etc can be pastors. Their chairmen and pastors change again and again.

1) Ahab

(1) Ahaziah

How did Ahab's son Ahaziah die? One day, he was looking at the sceneries. Then suddenly he fell, was hurt, and died on the bed quickly. This is like a person who gives his wife a kiss before he goes for work, but he returns home as a corpse. This reminded me of an insurance advertisement. A couple lives on the 30th storey of a condominium, and they carry a cute child in their arms. They say that they have no worries because they have bought a million dollar insurance that will insure their child's lifetime study and happiness. They think of holding such a life for their lifetime. This has in fact deceived so many people! For me, I have no time to really enjoy any scenery although I stay on the

19th storey. Sometimes, there is a bit of anxiousness and lack because of the need to fight and to serve in ministries, but I know there is the protection of the Lord.

(2) Joram

(3) Jezebel

Why did Ahab love such a vixen? This is the force of darkness! I see that there are some believers who are so blessed. However, they inevitably choose some partners who give them a lifetime of regrets. I really pity such people. Jezebel brought Baals and Asherahs, who even have prostitutes serving in front of the temple. A person with a sound mind will know this is wrong. Therefore, Jesus Christ said, "See for yourselves whether this is correct or not".

Look at how Jezebel died. She was thrown down, and her body was broken into pieces. Then horses came and trampled over her dead body. Then dogs came, licked and ate the blood and flesh.

(4) 70 sons

There are some leaders of the church who try all sorts of ways to appease everyone. However, because of one mistake that they do, they are driven away by the elders of the church.

What is our relationship? If there is root and foundation, it should be that we receive blessedness from each other. How can there be a moment when people ended up spitting at each other one day, and then say that everything is a coincidence? Look at Paul's disciples, who were willing to lay their necks for Paul. If you are going to be used by the Lord, I can also help you block bullets.

Look at the divisions of the church nowadays. One group has their reasons, and the other group has their reasons for the cause of quarrel. However, when I tested and approved, I see that this happened because their relationships were not founded and rooted in God.

For me, I have already confirmed the relationships I have with all of you. Therefore, I will not curse you. When I hear you out, I am submitting to the words of the Lord, not because I want to win the favour of man.

2) Jehu

3) Among 19 kings, usurpations repeatedly happened

There is a reason for our relationships. We do not know the future, but those at the front shall be at the back, and those at the back will be at the front. However, such anointing will be clear to all, so that there is respect in every way. This is joining together. The church system must restore this.

Therefore, as a summary of today's message,

1. Throw away -> Restore identity, promise

2. Foundation -> Be rooted and founded in Christ

3. Continue

If there is no continuation, there are no disciples. Only when there is continuation, disciples will be risen up. Judah was exiled because there were no disciples. No matter how beautiful the gospel can be spoken, there is no use if there are no disciples to continue on the work of God.

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