

## THE BIBLICAL HOUSEHOLD – Part 5

### COVENANT OF THANKSGIVING...Celebrate Jesus!

#### TODAY – THE BIBLICAL HOUSEHOLD – PART 5

#### 3 ELEMENTS OF FELLOWSHIP WITH THE PRESENCE OF GOD

1. *Word of God*
2. *Prayer*
3. *Worship*
  - a. To know the heart of God.
  - b. To express and experience the Love of God.

#### 1 SAMUEL 16:1-13

#### JOHN 4:23-24

- God is looking for the family worshipper.
- God is looking to visit your family, your household. Invite Him with true worship.

#### INTRODUCTION

- At this time, God is desperate, tired, and annoyed, not just because of King Saul, but because His ultimate agenda to bring His people back to the intimate presence as was in Eden is being stalled.
- So, God begins his reset, looking for a man after His own heart, one who understands His presence and true worship.
  - **From Part 1: The standard of a Biblical Household is the Presence of God.**
- God is in the process of rewriting the story of the entire nation of Israel.
  - God is looking to fix the error in the foundation – because the people demanded a king.
  - This time God is choosing His own king.
- I have been sent, much like the prophet Samuel, to tell you: You are God's choice.

#### Verse 1

- Many of us are still crying over Saul – old relationships, churches, possibilities.
  - **PHILIPPIANS 3:13**
- God has already made His choice.
  - **1 PETER 2:9**

#### Verse 1, 10-11

- Many of us are still mourning what our father did, family did when they rejected or forgot about us.
- Truth: God already made up His mind before your family misbehaved.
  - You are already chosen
  - Forgive them because whatever they did, did not stop God's plan for you.

#### Verse 2-5

- It seemed that God was covering up the main purpose with a sacrifice. It seemed God was protecting Samuel from being killed by Saul.
  - First, God is not afraid of Saul.
  - I believe God was revealing HOW He chose David out of all of Israel:
    - **MICAH 5:2, MATTHEW 2:6**
  - While everyone is concerned about Saul, self-preservation, walking in fear, concerned about the outward appearance, God was looking for a Sacrifice of Worship.
    - David was glorying God not his pain, glorifying God through His pain.
    - David was offering up His life for the sheep – foreshadowing of Jesus.
    - David worshipped hard whether people were looking or not.

### Verses 6-10

- Change your mind about REJECTION. It only meant God did not choose them for this job.
  - If people reject you, localize it: I am not rejected, I just do not fit this role in their life.
  - You still have a purpose and plan – just not this one. [Don't miss next week].
  - Embrace rejection as God's hand redirecting what you or others think. God still knows.

### Verse 11

- Taking care of sheep – ministering to the lowest of lows, is how God examines the heart.
- Your WORSHIP must needs go through Samaria.
- Will you worship with and around the least of all, because you care about the heart not the outward show, about your outfit, or about how it sounds?

### CONCLUSION:

- For God to heal our households, He choose one, or two (however many are willing), strips them of the family pride, spews them out through rejection, so they will know His heart.
  - GOD HAS CHOSEN YOU FOR THIS JOB
- God is attracted to genuine, passionate, non-pretending, sacrificial, heartfelt worship. He has been searching through the land, and the churches, and the people for one after His heart.
  - GOD HAS CHOSEN YOU FOR THIS JOB
- God has a bigger plan He is working on. Beyond saving your family or bringing honor and redemption to you, He has a longing to restore His presence in the hearts of all people.
  - GOD HAS CHOSEN YOU FOR THIS JOB

## **PRAYER & COMMUNION IN FAMILIES**

**[Keep or Bring children in]**

### **Start now – Build a Biblical Household.**

- Discuss, pray, and worship with your families at least once this week – SUNDAY NIGHT
- Resources coming to help and encourage – Ask Minister Kirby