

ONTARIO WINTER SCHOOL

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- Who will rise up for me against the evil-doers?
who will stand up for me against the workers of
iniquity? (Psa 94:16)
- But when righteous Lot was sore distressed by
the gross misconduct of immoral men He
rescued him.
- (For their lawless deeds were torture, day after
day, to the pure soul of that righteous man-all
that he saw and heard whilst living in their
midst.) (2Pet 2:7-8 Weymouth)

Malachi 3:6**For I am the LORD, I change not;****WHAT GOD REQUIRED OF HIS PEOPLE**

- If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or the wife of thy bosom, or thy friend, which *is* as thine own soul, entice thee secretly, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which thou hast not known, thou, nor thy fathers;
- Thou shalt not consent unto him, nor hearken unto him; neither shall thine eye pity him, neither shalt thou spare, neither shalt thou conceal him:
- (Deut 13:6-8)

THE NEED TO SEPARATE FROM EVIL

- Thou shalt not raise a false report: put not thine hand with the wicked to be an unrighteous witness.
- Thou shalt not follow a multitude to *do* evil; neither shalt thou speak in a cause to decline after many to wrest *judgment*:
- (Exod 23:2)

ENOCK

Walking with God in challenging times
-condemning the ungodly



LEVI – STANDING WITH GOD

- Then Moses stood in the gate of the camp, and said, Who *is* on the LORD'S side? *let him come* unto me. And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together unto him. (Exod 32:26)
- And of Levi he said, ...
- Who said unto his father and to his mother, I have not seen him; neither did he acknowledge his brethren, nor knew his own children: for they have observed thy word, and kept thy covenant. (Deut 33:8-9)



Jeremiah's Grief Over the False Prophets



Mine heart within me is broken because of the prophets; all my bones shake; I am like a drunken man, and like a man whom wine hath overcome, because of the LORD, and because of the words of his holiness. Jer. 23:9



Jeremiah 23

The Sin of False Prophets

The prophet that hath a dream, let him tell a dream; and he that hath my word, let him speak my word faithfully. What is the chaff to the wheat? saith the LORD. **Jer. 23:28**



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Is not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?
 Therefore, behold, I am against the prophets, saith the LORD **that steal my words every one from his neighbour.**
 Behold, I am against the prophets, saith the LORD, that use their tongues, and say, He saith. **Jer. 23:29-31**



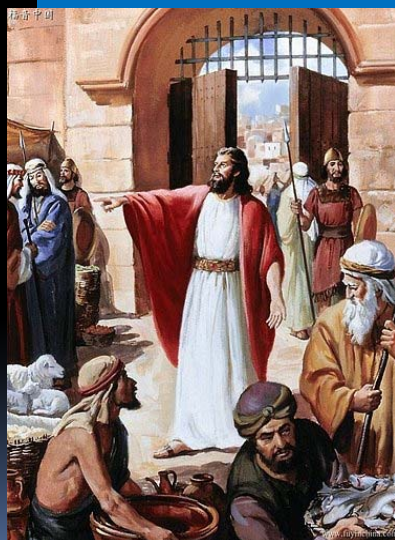
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Behold, I am against them that prophesy false dreams, saith the LORD, and do tell them, and **cause my people to err by their lies**, and by their lightness; yet I sent them not, nor commanded them: therefore they shall not profit this people at all, saith the LORD. **Jer. 23:32**

NEHEMIAH-A MAN OF ACTION



JOSIAH HEARING THE WORD



ERROR CANNOT BE IGNORED

Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them.

For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.

(Rom 16:17-18)

WE NEED TO CONTEND FOR OUR UNIQUE FAITH

- Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which **was once delivered** unto the saints. (a faith delivered once – it is not evolving)
- For there are certain men crept in unawares

JUDE v3-4

THE SIN OF ELI- toleration

- For I have told him that I will judge his house for ever for the iniquity **which he knoweth**; because his sons made themselves vile, and he restrained them not. (**1Sam 3:13**)
- Wherefore the LORD God of Israel saith, I said indeed *that* thy house, and the house of thy father, should walk before me for ever: but now the LORD saith, Be it far from me; for them that honour me I will honour, and **they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed**. (**1Sam 2:30**)

THE WARNINGS OF JESUS

*But I have a few things against thee,
because **thou hast there** them that hold **the
doctrine of Balaam**,*

*So hast thou also them that hold the
doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I
hate. Repent; or else I will come unto thee
quickly, and will fight against them with
the **sword** of my mouth.*

Revelation 2:14-16

WHO WILL STAND UP FOR ME AGAINST EVILDOERS ?

PHINEHAS -ZEALOUS FOR YAHWEH

- Slew Zimri and Cozbi Numbers 25:8
- Avenge Israel against Midian Numbers 31:6
- Slew Balaam Numbers 31:8
- Fought corruption in Israel - Josh 22:13, Jud20:28
- Zealous for his God Numbers 25:13

THE REWARD FOR PHINEHAS

- Given covenant of peace

Numbers 25:12, Malachi 2:5-7

- Promised everlasting priesthood

Numbers 25:13

- Zeal counted to him for righteousness

Psalm 106:31

- Yahweh was with him

1 Chronicles 9:20



THE ZEAL OF PHINEHAS

ZEAL - is a consuming passion to elevate God
- it involves both loving righteousness and hating evil

“... he was **zealous** for his God, and made an atonement for the children of Israel.” Num 25:13

ZEAL - Phinehas passed on to the sons of Korah a devotion to holiness, a love of purity and a hatred of corrupting influences

AVOID UNPROFITABLE DEBATES

- But foolish and ignorant questionings refuse, knowing that they gender strifes.

(2Tim 2:23 RV)

- O Timothy, guard that which is committed unto *thee*, turning away from the profane babblings and oppositions of the knowledge which is falsely so called; (1Tim 6:20 RV)

THE CORRECT SPIRIT IN CONTENTION

- And the Lord's servant must not strive, but be gentle towards all, apt to teach, forbearing,
- in meekness correcting them that oppose themselves; if peradventure God may give them repentance unto the knowledge of the truth, (2 Tim 2v24-25 RV)

BE SURE TO JUSTIFY THE RIGHT

- It is not good to be partial to the wicked or to deprive the righteous of justice.
- (Prov 18:5 ESV)
- He who justifies the wicked and he who condemns the righteous are both alike an abomination to the LORD.
- (Prov 17:15 ESV)

We must rigorously defend our brethren against false accusations and slander

BEWARE THE FLESH DOES NOT TAKE US OVER

- Which of you is a wise and well-instructed man? Let him prove it by a right life with conduct guided by a wisely teachable spirit.
- But if in your hearts you have bitter feelings of envy and rivalry, do not speak boastfully and falsely, in defiance of the truth.
- That is not the wisdom which comes down from above: it belongs to earth, to the unspiritual nature, and to evil spirits. (James 3:13-15 Wey)

THE CORRECT ATTITUDE IN TIMES OF CONTENTION

- For where envy and rivalry are, there also are unrest and every vile deed.
- The wisdom from above is first of all pure , then peaceful, courteous, not self-willed, full of compassion and kind actions, free from favouritism and from all insincerity.
- And peace, for those who strive for peace, is the seed of which the harvest is righteousness.
- (James 3:16-18 Weymouth)