# "A Nation Mightier" Unconditional Promise Of God's Covenantal Love Deuteronomy 9: 1 - 29 April 21, 2013

# God's Call For His People To Be A Treasured Possession Requires Faithfulness To God's Gospel Purposes, (vs. 1 - 29)

God's Divine Purpose Is To Demonstrate His Mercy To The Rebellious As Illustrated In His People, (vs. 13 – 29)
 Only A Reverent Fear Of God's Authority To Judge Man's Wickedness Will Incline His Ear To Our Petitions, (19)

#### 19.1) Many Do Not Fear The Lord's Sovereignty

### "Afraid (Perf) Of Anger & Hot Displeasure The

Lord Bore (Perf)"- "It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household. "So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven." (Matthew 10:25–33, ESV)

### 19.2) Many Do Not Fear The Lord's Judgment

# "Ready (Inf) To Destroy You"-

""When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.'" (Matthew 25:31–43, ESV)

## 19.3) Many Do Not Seek The Lord's Mercy

"Lord Listened"-

"Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For he says, "In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you." Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way..." (2 Corinthians 6:1–4, ESV)

- 1) "And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. 2) Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. 3) Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit. 4) My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins." (James 5:15–20, ESV)
- 1) The prayer of faith can heal; physical & soul sickness.
- 2) We are to pray in faith for one another & confess our sins through righteousness.
- 3) God has given us an example of prayer in faith from a righteous person.
- 4) The prayer of faith will save the wandering soul from death.

How have you no fear for the Lord's authority in judgment and forgiveness?

- 8. Only The Pious Intercession Of God's People Will Stem God's Judgment Enacted Upon Those Who Lead, (vs. 20)
- 9. Only A Radical Cutting Off Of Wickedness Is The True Measure Of Genuine Repentance, (vs. 21)