

## Tuesday Family Night - 2/4/25

Welcome

Prayer

Review;

On Sunday we examined the scriptures of some of the men who were powerful leaders in their day. We looked at Pharaoh of Egypt, Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon, and Cyrus of Persia. None of these men were Israelites, but we saw how God used them to accomplish His plan for His people and to bring glory to His holy name.

God can use anyone He chooses because He's sovereign. No one can out smart, out wit, or out maneuver Him because He's omniscience. No one can question His power, authority, or reasoning because He created all things.

God rules and reigns in the kingdom of men.

Even Satan Can only do what God allows concerning God's children.

That's why everyone ought to know who Jesus is...

Everyone ought to know Jesus is the only one who can save their soul...

That's why everyone needs to consider how they render to God, the saved and the non-believer.

We began our teaching again in;

**Lu 20:25** And he said unto them, Render therefore unto Caesar the things which be Caesar's, and unto God the things which be God's.

Just as a reminder, we know that the children of God need to serve and render unto GOD ACCORDING TO HIS WORD.

But it also behooves everyone, Black, white, rich or poor, male or female, no matter your ethnicity, your color, or birth rite to acknowledge their own sinful nature and depravity, that they may come to a saving knowledge of who Jesus is...

God's not going to force his love on you...

He's not going to force the free gift that He's provided down your throat...

Nor will He deny himself and His divine nature (his holiness, justice, righteousness...)

and let you into heaven just the way you are...

Everyone has got to come through Christ if they want to see the God the father.

Even Jesus said in ;

**John 10:37** If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not.

**38** But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe, that the Father *is* in me, and I in him.

Even Nicodemus confess Jesus as God sent;

**Jn 3:2** The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him.

**3** Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

**v7** Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

**John 14:6** Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

On Sunday we looked at three kings/rulers who God used to exact his Glory from.  
Pharaoh of Egypt

Nebuchadnezzar a Babylonian

Cyrus the great a Persian

All three of these menace not only found in the biblical account but also in world history as well. But of course our focus remains on the biblical account.

Throughout the Old Testament, there are many instances of God delivering Gentiles. (Naaman delivered from leprosy

**2Kings 5:1** Now Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master, and honourable, because by him the Lord had given deliverance unto Syria: he was also a mighty man in valour, *but he was* a leper.

**2** And the Syrians had gone out by companies, and had brought away captive out of the land of Israel a little maid; and she waited on Naaman's wife.

**3** And she said unto her mistress, Would God my lord *were* with the prophet that *is* in Samaria! for he would recover him of his leprosy.

Once Naaman arrived at the man of God's house and found out the process, he was wrought and wasn't going to do it.

Jump down to verse 13

**13** And his servants came near, and spake unto him, and said, My father, *if* the prophet had bid thee *do some* great thing, wouldest thou not have done *it*? how much rather then, when he saith to thee, Wash, and be clean?

**14** Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like

unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

**15** And he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and came, and stood before him: and he said, Behold, now I know that *there is* no God in all the earth, but in Israel: now therefore, I pray thee, take a blessing of thy servant.

One need only look to Jesus' genealogy at Matthew 1, to find evidence of Gentiles taking prominent places in Israel's history.

There are stories of Gentile conversions also are scattered throughout the Bible.

Rahab, a Canaanite; who hid the spies

Ruth, a Moabite;

The wife of Uriah the Hittite (Bathsheba)

These women were incorporated not only into Israel, but also into the lineage of kings and the lineage of the Son of God.

They demonstrated faith in God, were incorporated into Israel, and participated in bringing God's salvation to the world.