

Family VI

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CHILDREN	REVERENCE	SPIRITUAL	ILLS
FAMILY	FAILS	SOCIAL	AMOS
LEADERS	HOSEA	KNOWLEDGE	LACK
JOSIAH	DESTROYS	PROPHETS	ISRAEL
HEZEKIAH	SON	JEHOSHAPHAT	NATION
REASON	THINK	ACCOUNT	KINGS
LIFE	WEIGH	BALANCE	IDLE
WORD	PRAISE	COUNTENANCE	MOUTH

The Romans sometimes compelled a captive to be joined face to face with a dead body, and to bear it about until the horrible effluvia destroyed the life of the living victim: Virgil describes it thus...

The living and the dead at his command
Were coupled face to face and hand to hand.
Till choked with stench in loathed embraces tied.
The lingering wretches pined away and died.

Romans 7:7-25; 2 Tim. 2:24-26 – Without Christ the inward man is wretched, and cries for deliverance, as sin destroys.

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Welcome

It is a pleasure to have you with us this hour. Our endeavor is to worship God in Spirit and in Truth by adhering to the scriptures in all that we do and teach.

If you desire to have a private Bible Study at your convenience, let us know.

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Deut. 6:1-25; Eph. 6:4; 1 Thess. 2:10-12

I. When the Family Fails, Social and Spiritual Ills Arise:

- A. 2 Kgs. 2:23-25 – Children lack reverence for the spiritual.
- B. Amos 7:10-17; 8:11-14 – Leaders lack reverence for the spiritual.
- C. Hosea 4:1-10 – Lack of knowledge destroys.

II. When Leaders Fail:

- A. 1 Kgs. 16:29-33 – Ahab and Jezebel
- B. 1 Kgs. 18:3-4 – Jezebel killed the prophets.
- C. 1 Kgs. 18:20-21 – Israel stood on two sides.
- D. 2 Chron. 18:1; 21:1, 4-6 – Jehoram, son of Jehoshaphat married the daughter of Ahab.
- E. 2 Kgs. 8:26-27 – Ahaziah was a son of Athaliah

Weighed in the Balances

“And I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned” (Matthew 12:36-37).

Do you weigh the consequences of what comes out of your mouth? We rise at our appointed time, get prepared for the day, and out the door we go. Do we take the time to consider what lies before us, with whom we are likely to come into contact, and when speaking you “Let no corrupt speech proceed out of your mouth, but such as is good for edifying as the need may be, that it may give grace to them that hear” (Eph. 4:29)? Do we start the day cognizant of the words of the Lord, saying, “I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned” (Matt. 12:36-37)?

For our learning (Rom. 15:4), the scriptures introduce us to a king named Belshazzar who “made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and drank wine before the thousand. Belshazzar, while he tasted the wine, commanded to bring the golden and silver vessels which Nebuchadnezzar his father had taken out of the temple which was in Jerusalem; that the king and his lords, his wives and his concubines, might drink therefrom.” These festive idolators took “the golden vessels that were taken out of the temple of the house of God which was at Jerusalem; and the king and his lords, his wives and his concubines, drank from them.”

They had taken vessels that had been devoted to the sacred

things of God and “drank wine, and praised the gods of gold, and of silver, of brass, of iron, of wood, and of stone.” These actions had consequences: “In the same hour came forth the fingers of a man's hand, and wrote over against the candlestick upon the plaster of the wall of the king's palace: and the king saw the part of the hand that wrote. Then the king's countenance was changed in him, and his thoughts troubled him; and the joints of his loins were loosed, and his knees smote one against another” (Dan. 5:1-6). Belshazzar was understandably desirous to know the interpretation of the writing, to which Daniel said, “This is the interpretation of the thing: MENE; God hath numbered thy kingdom, and brought it to an end; TEKEL; thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting. PERES; thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians” (Dan. 5:24-28).

Just as Belshazzar was “weighed in the balances,” and “found wanting”, his conduct being contrary to the laws of God, we too need to weigh our thoughts and words so that we are not “found wanting.” Solomon put it this way, “Death and life are in the power of the tongue; And they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof” (Proverbs 18:21), and again “Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles” (21:23).

We have a great day, and/or week set before us, an opportunity that “whatsoever we do, in word or deed”, we must “do in the name of the Lord”, (Col. 3:17), and that will begin with our speech. As you embark upon a day in which your conduct will be weighed by those around you, remember that “A good name is better than precious oil” (Eccl. 7:1). ret