

*"The Possibilities Of 2016!" - Part 2*

"Little Is Much When God Is In It"

INTRO: The meteorologists give us long range predictions we ignore because how often have they not been able to accurately forecast the weather for tomorrow. Like them, we do not know what is coming tomorrow, let alone for the rest of the year. Yet we know that God already has this year perfectly planned, and as we face it at the start, the possibilities are as incredible as He is! Remarkably, it seems He often uses the little things, like Maranatha, to do His mighty works.

I. THE RECORD OF HIS USING LITTLE THINGS TO DO THE MIGHTY  
II. THE RESOLVE FOR HIS USING LITTLE THINGS TO DO THE MIGHTY

\*\*As Illustrated from Nehemiah

1. Passion - 1:4; 2:1-3
2. Purification - 1:5-11
3. Prayer - 1:5-11 (Momentous) 2:4 (Moment) & Many, Many More!!
4. Plan - 2:4-11
5. Perspective - 2:12-20
6. Partnership - 3:1-32
7. Perseverance
  - (1) Vs. Troubles From Without - 4:1ff.; 6:1-14
  - (2) Vs. Troubles From Within - 5:1ff.
8. Production - 6:15-16
9. Put Things In Order
  - (1) Organizing 7:1-69
  - (2) Offering 7:70-73
  - (3) Obeying - 8:1 - 9:37
10. Presentation - 9:38 - 13:3
  - (1) Giving A Godly Priority To Their Testimony
  - (2) Giving A Godly Priority To Their Time
  - (3) Giving A Godly Priority To Their Talents
  - (4) Giving A Godly Priority To Their Treasures
    - 1a To The Weak Of God
    - 2a To The Work Of God
11. Purification - 13:4-31

CONCL: The old spiritual is so true, "Little is much when God is in it." Abolitionist Frederick Douglass put it this way: "One and God make a majority." So we meet 2016 confidently knowing that while we do not know what tomorrow holds, we do indeed know Who holds tomorrow!

*"Has The Worship Of Molech Come To America?!"*

Ezekiel 16:20-21

INTRO: King Solomon for all of his wisdom, did many unwise things—all summarized under the heading "disobedience to the Word of God." Not the least of his disobedient acts was the set up other religions in Israel. One of the most horrific was the worship of Molech (the God of the Ammonites) or Chemosh (as the Moabites called him). Thankfully godly king Josiah, stopped it. But sadly it appears such worship has come to America.

I. THE STRANGE STORY SUGGESTING IT - 1 Ki 11:5-7, 33; 2 Ki 23:10,13  
Ek. 16:20-21; Le. 18:21; 20:2-5

II. THE SCARY STATISTICS SUPPORTING IT

III. THE SACRED STRATEGY STRIKING AGAINST IT

1. Godly Virtue - 1 Thessalonians 2:7-8; 4:3-5; Hebrews 13:4; Isaiah 49:15
2. Godly Vision - Proverbs 29:18; 2 Timothy 3:1-17; Matthew 28:18-20
3. Godly Voting - Romans 13:1; Matthew 5:16; Philippians 2:12-16

CONCL: As Charles Ryrie stated, "Our job is not to win America, but to win Americans." As we do, one by one we create another pro-life advocate. While doing so is not our motivation to be witnesses of Jesus, it is nevertheless one of the great side effects of a soul won to the Lord. But we must also speak up for the innocent and the defenseless. Remember the call to those who are pro-life: "Psalm 82:3-4 Defend the poor and fatherless: do justice to the afflicted and needy. Deliver the poor and needy: rid them out of the hand of the wicked." And the call to those who are pro-death: "Deuteronomy 27:25 Cursed be he that taketh reward to slay an innocent person. And all the people shall say, Amen."