

I Have Found the Book of the Law X

2 Kgs. 22:1-20; 2 Chronicles 28:1—34:33

VII. The New Testament:

- A. Good News/Bad news:
 - 1. Rom. 5:17 – “Trespass of the one, death reigned through the one”
 - 2. Rom. 5:19 – “Through obedience of the one shall the many be made righteous.”
- B. Gospels: Glad news
 - 1. Psa. 40:9-10 – (Said of the Messiah) “I have proclaimed glad tidings of righteousness...Lo, I will not refrain my lips.”
 - 2. Isa. 52:6-7 – “How beautiful are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings.”
 - 3. Jn. 16:8-11 - To those who rejected the good tidings, the Holy Spirit would convict the world in respect of:
 - a. Vs. 8 – Will “convict,” i.e., bring the convicted person to shame (Vines) “of sin, because they believed not on me”
 - 1) Jn. 12:37 – "yet they believed not on him"
 - 2) Acts 2:22-23 – Result
 - 3) 2 Cor. 7:10 - A man will not be brought to repentance without being convicted of sin.
 - b. Vs. 10 – “of righteousness” The righteousness of Christ.
 - 1) Acts 2:22-37 – Convicted of the righteousness of Christ

- 2) Mk. 14:62-65 – The high priest had accused him of blasphemy.
- 3) Matt. 9:34 – “The Pharisees said, By the prince of the demons “
- 4) Acts 2:37 – They no longer saw Him as a blasphemer and agent of the prince of the demons.
- c. Vs. 11 – “of judgment”
 - 1) “because the prince of this world hath been judged”
 - 2) Heb. 2:14 – “might bring to nought, (i.e. put him out of commission), him that had the power of death,” (i.e., was the cause of it).
 - 3) Rom. 1:4 – by the resurrection Jesus was declared the Son of God...with power
 - 4) Jn. 12:30-32 - The judicial judgment pronounced upon the prince of this world and power over the hearts of men shall be cast out.
 - 5) Jn. 17:4 - This book reveals the knowledge of God’s working though Christ.
 - 6) Acts 17:31 - And also reveals the judgment to come upon the whole world to motivate repentance.



There is an Evil Which I Have Seen
Ecclesiastes 6:1

One thing about evil ... there is plenty to go around. Evil can be defined as something bad or hurtful. We readily see the effects of evil in our society.

When Jehovah spoke to Israel through the prophet Isaiah, He described a society whose moral base was corrupt. In chapter 5, verses 20 and 21, Jehovah said, "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet,

and sweet for bitter!" What a description! These, so steeped in iniquity, are also described as "them that are wise in their own eyes and prudent in their own sight!"

In Ecclesiastes 6:1, the writer says, "There is an evil which I have seen under the sun ... " How many evils have you seen "under the sun:" actions and attitudes that are hurtful to those they influence? As there is not just one evil under the sun, we could no doubt list a great many that influence our lives.

"There is an evil which I have seen under the sun" which would do us well to consider. This evil is one "heavy upon men" because it affects every society, every home, and everybody in Christ. It is evil because it is hurtful to those who practice it, and also to those influenced by it. It is the evil of rebellion. Rebellion is defined as, "bitterness, i.e. (fig.) rebellion" (Strong's), and "is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as idolatry and teraphim" (1 Samuel 15:23). The rebellion in 1 Samuel was a rejection of the word of Jehovah. The term rebellion describes the act, and its definition describes the condition of the heart.

Considering the term, individuals are brought to the realization that several circumstances may promote rebellion, i.e., the individual may be forbidden to do something they want to do. This happens with children. In Deuteronomy 21:18, a son refuses to "obey the voice of his father, or the voice of his mother." Such a child is described as being stubborn and rebellious." A bitterness exists within the heart of the child. The opposite of such is described in 2 Chronicles 30:8, which says, "be ye not stiff-necked, as your fathers were; but yield yourselves unto

Jehovah ... " As opposed to bitterness, which is hurtful, one yields to Jehovah. Rebellion, whether against Jehovah, one's father and mother, or the government (as Jehovah's minister), is an expression of the bitterness emanating from the heart. And, just as this bitterness was passed on from father to son when Israel refused to hear the word of Jehovah, so it is today. Rebellion, as any characteristic, is as a seed that is planted. It is often passed from father to son, generation to generation, until it finally reaches maturity and destroys the one it possesses: for the scriptures reveal, "for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he also brought into bondage" (2 Pet. 2:19).

As the writer of Ecclesiastes saw "an evil," so we also have seen the planting and the reaping of rebellion in the heart: When a son or daughter comes home from school, having been disciplined by a teacher, and the parent expresses outrage, marches into the principal's office demanding satisfaction, the seed has been planted in the heart of the child. When a family member is incarcerated by the authorities, as a result of a violation of the law, and the parents verbally deride the authorities for so doing, the seed is planted, and when that seed reaches maturity, it will reap a harvest of bitterness and anguish.

"There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, and it is heavy upon men." ret



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his eyes), then I beheld all the work of God, that man cannot find out the work that is done under the sun: because however much a man labor to seek it out, yet he shall not find it; yea moreover, though a wise man think to know it, yet shall he not be able to find it" (Ecclesiastes 8:16-17). ret

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With Him is

Plenteous Redemption

Psalms 130:7

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Weekly Reading

Psalm 18:1-50; 19:1-14

John 11:1-45; 16:1-16; 17:1-26



Luke 16:19-31

Your Choice
Choose Wisely



Revelation 4:4

Illusive

What is it about knowledge that laughs in your face? The words of "the preacher," remind us that learning is toilsome: "And further, because the Preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yea, he pondered, and sought out, and set in order many proverbs. The Preacher sought to find out acceptable words, and that which was written uprightly, even words of truth" (Eccl. 12:9-10).

He "pondered," he "sought out," and "he sought to find," words which convey to the mind a diligent effort to find and utilize the truth.

"When I applied my heart to know wisdom, and to see the business that is done upon the earth (for also there is that neither day nor night seeth sleep with

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