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“ THE CURE FOR HYPOCRISY ”

Discovering the Salvation of the Lord Jesus Christ in the Prophecies of Isaiah

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Introduction to the Text;

Isaiah 29:1-24

In Noah Webster's 1828

Hypocrisy

HYPOC'RISY, noun [Latin hypocrisis; Gr. simulation; to feign; to separate, discern or judge.]

1. Simulation; a feigning to be what one is not; or dissimulation, a concealment of one's real character or motives. More generally, hypocrisy is simulation, or the assuming of a false appearance of virtue or religion; a deceitful show of a good character, in morals or religion; a counterfeiting of religion.

Webster's cites Luke

Luke 12:1-2

In the meantime, when an innumerable multitude of people had gathered together, so that they trampled one another, He began to say to His disciples first of all, **“Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy. 2 For there is nothing covered that will not be revealed, nor hidden that will not be known.**

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We must begin at the end of this chapter

Verse 24

These also (the jewish people) who erred in spirit will come to understanding, and those who complained (the jewish people) will learn **doctrine**."

doctrine heb. leqach, leh'-kakh;
that which has been given. instruction transmitted and received. The learning. Having been given the course, the path, the knowledge to move forward.

2 Timothy 3:16

All Scripture (full doctrine) is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 2:15

Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. (full doctrine)

Acts 20:26-28

Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all men. 27 For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God (full doctrine) 28 Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

Matthew 5:17-18

"Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. (full doctrine) I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. 18 For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.

THE CURE FOR HYPOCRISY

1.) God will parent His children

vv. 1-6

1 "Woe to Ariel, to Ariel, the city where David dwelt! Add year to year; Let feasts come around. 2 Yet I will distress Ariel; There shall be heaviness and sorrow, And it shall be to Me as Ariel. 3 I will encamp against you all around, I will lay siege against you with a mound, And I will raise siegeworks against you. 4 You shall be brought down, You shall speak out of the ground; Your speech shall be low, out of the dust; Your voice shall be like a medium's, out of the ground; And your speech shall whisper out of the dust. 5 "Moreover the multitude of your foes Shall be like fine dust, And the multitude of the terrible ones like chaff that passes away; Yes, it shall be in an instant, suddenly. 6 You will be punished by the LORD of hosts with thunder and earthquake and great noise, with storm and tempest. And the flame of devouring fire.

Notice how / what God has in His tool box !

"So pastor Jack, who sinned in Louisiana or in Italy these past few weeks?"

#1 – everyone's sinned in Louisiana and Italy and Chino Hills.

"So how can we know what's really going on in our lives?"

#2 – we must look at our national situation from God's perspective.

"So why are things going crazy in my life these days?"

#3 – we then must look at our personal/private lives before GOD.

Verse 1

"Woe to Ariel, to Ariel, the city where David dwelt!

The meaning to the name "Ariel" has been debated by scholars because it can be translated in two ways;

(1) it means "Lion of God"

and it's a name that the God of the Bible has given to the city of Jerusalem.

(2) but it can also mean "The Altar of God"

as it appears in **Ezekiel 43:16** regarding the millennial temple that is to become the epicenter of the universe once Christ returns to Jerusalem.

*(its interesting that C.S. Lewis combined both meanings in his classic
"The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe"
where Aslan is Jesus Christ, The Lion from the Tribe of Judah who was Slain
upon an Altar)*

We saw last time that God does not delight in bringing upon His children discipline and punishment for the wrong that they have done.

We need to carefully dissect the difference between
(#1) what the world throws at us, from temptations to tornadoes (#2) from what our sinful actions bring upon us from judgment to sickness to (#3) what hardships all believers must endure from disasters to heartbreak to poverty.

1 Peter 4:12-14

Beloved, do not think it strange concerning **the fiery trial which is to try you**, as though some strange thing happened to you; **13** but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy. **14** If you are **reproached** (because of likeness to Him) **for the name of Christ**, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. On their part He is blasphemed, but on your part He is glorified.

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2.) God will defend His nation

vv. 7-12

7 **The multitude of all the nations** who fight against Ariel, Even all who fight against her and her fortress, and distress her, shall be as a dream of a night vision. 8 It shall even be as when a hungry man dreams, And look—he eats; But he awakes, and his soul is still empty; or as when a thirsty man dreams, And look—he drinks; But he awakes, and indeed he is faint, And his soul still craves: So **the multitude of all the nations** shall be, who fight against Mount Zion."
Why? Because when you fight against Ariel, against Zion, you are actually fighting against the LORD of Hosts.

Verse 9-10

9 Pause and wonder! Blind yourselves and be blind! They are drunk, but not with wine; They stagger, but not with intoxicating drink. 10 For the LORD has poured out on you The spirit of deep sleep, And has closed your eyes, namely, the prophets; And He has covered your heads, namely, the seers.

They have become drunk on false doctrines & manmade traditions
(touch a man' s false doctrine and he' ll argue with you but touch a man' s tradition and he' ll kill you for it)

Mark 7:13

You make the word of God of no effect through your tradition which you have handed down. And many such things you do."

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but we have a New Testament measuring rod as well –

It' s God' s final word to mankind.... It' s

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!!! Come Upon Us Dear Holy Spirit - Come !!!

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