ON EAGLES' WINGS Exodus 19:4

GOD RULES IN THE AFFAIRS OF MEN.

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2024 Important Broad Promises Revealed

Psalm 23: 1-6

God is our shophard

God is our shepherd, He will position us and make our cup overflow. Exodus 19:4

God will carry us on eagles' wings, no matter what comes up.

Ecclesiastes 12:13

Our only role is to fear God, listen to the Holy Spirit, in us, and obey His command.

Exodus 19:4, God recounts how He has carried Israel on eagles' wings:

4 'You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself'.

VS 5-6

" ⁵ Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, ⁶ you will be for Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation."

What did God do for the Israelites?

First: the promise: Exodus 3: 7-8 (AMP and NIV)

⁷ The LORD said to Moses, "I have in fact <u>seen</u> the affliction (suffering, desolation) of My people who are in Egypt, and have <u>heard</u> their cry because of their taskmasters (oppressors); for I <u>know</u> their pain and suffering." "⁸ So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites".

Exodus 6: 4 "4I also established covenant with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob to give them the land of Canaan, where they resided as foreigners."

Second: the actions for fulfilment of promise (journeying to Canaan) – carrying them on eagles' wings:

- The exodus out of Egypt after 430years in slavery/bondage: Exodus 12:31-50... they left with silver/gold
- God brought Israelites out of Egypt with a mighty hand (Daniel 9:15)
- Crossing the red sea & killing the Egyptians without Israel's efforts Exodus 14:1-31
- Leading Israel through the wilderness: Exodus 15:22 Ex 18 (bitter water became sweet, manna & quail from heaven, water from the rock, etc.)

Third: the request to stay SANCTIFIED/OBEDIENT in order to become God's special ones: Exodus 19:5-6 " ⁵ Now if you obey me <u>fully</u> and keep my covenant, <u>then out of all nations</u> you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, ⁶ you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.'

From the beginning of creation, God has paid special attention to man.

For instance, while God created every other thing, on earth, by speaking His Word (Genesis 1: 3-25), man was created by God's artistic work.

In **Genesis 1: 26-28**, God changed His strategy of creation from 'speaking' to 'making' as He said: "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over."...²⁸ **God** blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over....."

Genesis 2:7 says "7 the LORD God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

----God did not just create man; He immediately assigned man a job description.

In **Ephesians 2:10**, Paul said: "We are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

Haven taken the time to give us job description, there is expectation for good performance and accountability. Therefore, God follows through with man.

Genesis 2: ¹⁸ The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."...²¹ So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and then closed the place with flesh. ²² Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib He had taken out of the man, and He brought her to the man.

Having created man by His handiwork and given him a job description (each person gets his or her own), He rules in the affairs of men and promptly rewards those who perform well and punishes those who don't.

For example,

1. Genesis 2:15-23 says "¹⁵ The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. ¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; ¹⁷ but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die."

Genesis 3:6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.

⁸ Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as He was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?"

¹⁰ He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid." ¹¹ And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?" … ²³ So the LORD God banished him from the Garden of Eden…

2. God rules in the affairs of men and He is interested in every detail of our life - moment by moment.

In Exodus 16, ² the whole Israel community grumbled against Moses and Aaron.

- 3 ... you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death."
 God heard them immediately!
- ⁴ Then the LORD said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way, I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. ⁵ On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days."
- Moses said to them, ¹⁶ This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Everyone is to gather as much as they need. Take an omer (possibly about 3 pounds or about 1.4 kilograms) for each person you have in your tent." ¹⁷ The Israelites did as they were told; some gathered much, some little. ¹⁸ And when they measured it by the omer, the one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little. Everyone had gathered just as much as they needed. ¹⁹ Then Moses said to them, "No one is to keep any of it until morning."

²⁰ However, some of them paid no attention to Moses; they kept part of it until morning, **but it was full of maggots and began to smell**. So Moses was angry with them. ... ²² On the sixth day, they gathered twice as much—two omers for each person ²³ Moses said to them, "This is what the LORD commanded: 'Tomorrow is to be a day of sabbath rest, a holy sabbath to the LORD. So bake what you want to bake and boil what you want to boil. **Save whatever is left and keep it until morning.'**" ²⁴ **So they saved it until morning, as Moses commanded, and it did not stink or get maggots in it.**

Brethren, God rules in the affairs of men. The same manna that "was full of maggot and began to smell by morning was now "saved until morning and it did not stink or get maggot."

---- The difference is not in the manna but in obedience to God's instruction.

²⁷ Nevertheless, some of the people went out on the seventh day to gather it, but they found none. ²⁸ Then the LORD said to Moses, "How long will you^[c] refuse to keep my commands and my instructions?

3. Daniel 4:17 says "The Most High rules over the kingdom of men"

Daniel 4: 1-end gives us a story of Daniel who had the spirit of the holy God in him.

Even when Nebuchadnezzar changed his name to Belteshazzar, after the name of Nebuchadnezzar's god, Daniel did not allow the change of name to affect his spiritual life.

⁹ Nebuchadnezzar said, "Belteshazzar, chief of the magicians, I know that the spirit of the holy gods is in you, and no mystery is too difficult for you. Here is my dream; interpret it for me. ¹⁹ Belteshazzar answered, "My lord if only the dream applied to your enemies and its meaning to your adversaries! ²⁰ The tree you saw, ... ²² Your Majesty, you are that tree! .. ²⁴ "This is the interpretation, Your Majesty, and this is the decree the Most High has issued against my lord the king: 25 You will be driven away from people and will live with the wild animals; you will eat grass like the ox and be drenched with the dew of heaven. Seven times (7 years) will pass by for you until you acknowledge that the Most High is sovereign over all kingdoms on earth and gives them to anyone he wishes.

In conclusion, God rules in the affairs of men and looks at every detail of our life - moment by moment.

Ephesians 5:16 Paul tells us to "make the best of every moment".

2 Chronicles 16:9 says: "The eyes of the LORD search the whole earth in order to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to Him."

Hebrews 4:13 confirms that:

"Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight; everything is uncovered and exposed before the eyes of Him to whom we must give account."

Psalm 105:15 says God warns every force concerning us:
"Do not touch my anointed ones; do my prophets no harm."

Deuteronomy 31:8 says "The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."

Let's live life holding tight to God's instructions.

God Bless You!

