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Godly Advice and Trust

Exodus 18:13-24

This morning devotions touted the virtue of Godly advice and the courage it takes to give it and the grace it takes to receive it. The scripture used however left me with a different perspective, based upon the whole counsel of God. The text of Exodus 18:13-24 reveals Jethro, the father in law of Moses watching his son-in-law adjudicating the causes of all of the people. Jethro gave Moses what on its face appeared to be good sound advice. However, two verses lead me to seek the truth. They are verse twenty three where Jethro told Moses that God commanded this action and verse twenty four where Moses hearkened to his father in law.

"Jethro gave Moses what on its face appeared to be sound advice"

*"If thou shalt do this thing, and God command thee so, then thou shalt be able to endure, and all this people shall also go to their place in peace. So Moses hearkened to the voice of his father in law, and did all that he had said." **Exodus 18:23-24***

My problem was Moses a man whom God spoke to mouth to mouth according to Numbers 12:5-8 never consulted God and what's more Moses Father in law according to scripture was an idol worshipper, a Midianite priest.

*"When Jethro, the priest of Midian, Moses' father in law, heard of all that God had done for Moses, and for Israel his people, and that the Lord had brought Israel out of Egypt" **Exodus 18:1***

As such he could give worldly not godly advice. It did not matter how many men Moses selected, they would not be able to satisfy God or give Moses the rest he needed. These men lacked two things: The Spirit and the sanction of God. This is

borne out in the word of God. Moses later found he continued with the same problem.

*"Then Moses heard the people weep throughout their families, every man in the door of his tent: and the anger of the Lord was kindled greatly; Moses also was displeased. And Moses said unto the Lord, Wherefore hast thou afflicted thy servant? and wherefore have I not found favour in thy sight, that thou layest the burden of all this people upon me? Have I conceived all this people? have I begotten them, that thou shouldest say unto me, Carry them in thy bosom, as a nursing father beareth the sucking child, unto the land which thou swarest unto their fathers?" **Numbers 11:10-12***

Check the scripture

1. *Exodus 18:13-24*
2. *Numbers 11:10-12*
3. *1 John 4:1*

This time we see that Moses took the issue to God. God then gave Moses, Gods solution which is similar to yet decidedly different from Jethro's solution.

God sanctions a mere 70 men to do the job that hundreds possibly even thousands chosen in Exodus 18 were unable to accomplish.

Many might say how can you go about ignoring sage advice? I say that God by His Spirit will give us discernment and the word of God says to try the Spirit to see if it is of God.

*"Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world." **1 John 4:1***

We must hear Godly men, and then trust God to not lead us into evil. Our God is Able.

If no one has told you yet today please allow me to be the first to say that I love you all and you can't do a thing about it.

Serving Christ

Andre' L. McGuire

Ministry Needs

Praise God:

I believe as God said, He will supply our need according to His riches in glory. That you might be made aware of those present needs please find listed below the needs of ALM's Ministry International, Inc. as we know them.

It is my intention to fulfill the ministry God has placed in my heart. I am prayerful that God would touch those whom He has anointed to be a blessing or participant in this ministry. I have nearly completed the business plan inclusive of a blueprint of the facility wherein the halfway house would be located. If God has so ordained it would be a blessing to receive your assistance in the development of this ministry. Please contact us in the event God has led you to assist and/or forward this to any which you believe may through prayer be interested in assisting in the following areas:

- Prayer
- Secure 501 C3
- Assist in completion of business plan
 - a. Cost Analysis
 - b. Secure Financing and/or Grant Writer
 - c. Staff Development
- Web Site Development (concept provided)
- Typeset manuscripts and/or secure publisher or agent for manuscripts
- Secure copyright of manuscript(s)
- Prayer

I do thank you for having taken the time to review this information. I pray that God will open your heart to being a blessing to his kingdom by assisting in the development of this ministry.

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