

It started in the Garden



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There was a man who lost his home to a property tax snafu. He challenged the injustice of it in court. He lost in the initial and appellate court. He continued the fight. The details of the case outlined a gross criminality of injustice perpetrated on him. In the higher court hearing, the argument went that if the court ruled in favor of the victim it would mean other similar cases would have to be ruled in favor of the tax payer. That would bankrupt the government! So, of course, the tax payer must suffer.

Why Government Exists

25 If there be a controversy between men, and they come unto judgment, that *the judges* may judge them; then they shall justify the righteous, and condemn the wicked. Deuteronomy 25:1

Government has been instituted by God for the primary purpose of justifying the righteous and condemning the wicked. If it ceases to uphold this commission, it has ceased to stand on its reason for existence. The government would now be the criminal, calling down the wrath of God. The concern of a just court can only be to justify the righteous and condemn the wicked. This must include, if the criminal happened to be the government, then it will have the right to continue to exist.

Remember, God is watching and He will judge an unrighteous government. If the court ruled in favor of the righteous and condemned itself, suffering the

consequences, they would have done something very important. They would have given themselves a reason for continuing to exist in the sight of God.

15 He that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they both *are* abomination to the LORD. Proverbs 17:15

The consequences for declaring righteous justice might be hard, but God could change His stance from “pending judgment upon an ungodly government” to one of favor. Such would have a reason to exist, and such government will be of value to God. It would be a vine producing good fruit worth preserving. Don’t fool yourselves thinking the day of judgment is far off. We stand on the edge of this precipice even now.

Consider the following from King Solomon’s prayer at the dedication of the temple:

23 Then hear thou from heaven, and do, and judge thy servants, by requiting the wicked, by recompensing his way upon his own head; and by justifying the righteous, by giving him according to his righteousness. 2 Chronicles 6:23

Jehu Mirrors Our Situation Today

In the Old Testament, we are told of a man who became king in Samaria, King Jehu. He dealt in righteous judgment with the house of Ahab:

11 So Jehu slew all that remained of the house of Ahab in Jezreel, and all his great men, and his kinsfolks, and his priests, until he left him none remaining. 2 Kings 10:11

He followed this up dealing with the idolatry of Baal worship (2 Kings 10:18-28). He did some real good, condemning some of the wickedness of the land, but not all. He didn't deal with the golden calves:

29 Howbeit *from* the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin, Jehu departed not from after them, *to wit*, the golden calves that *were* in Bethel, and that *were* in Dan. 2 Kings 10:29

We see at that time, God began cutting Samaria short by sending enemy armies in the land. The beginning of the end was at hand:

32 In those days the LORD began to cut Israel short: and Hazael smote them in all the coasts of Israel; 2 Kings 10:32

As it was in Jehu's day, so we are beginning to see the invading armies gnawing away militarily, natural catastrophes, societal decay and financial trouble.

If President Trump is successful in taking care of cleanup in the deep-state and draining the swamp, the issue of wickedness in this country has only just begun to be dealt with.

What is needed to reverse this course of destruction? In Samaria, the people needed to turn back to the true and living God.

Golden Calves in the Church

Say the deep-state is dealt with, the house of Ahab and Baal are destroyed. Is that enough? It wasn't for Samaria. The people also needed to forsake the lies of those golden calves and turn back to God. Did you know they called their golden calves Yahweh? They said it was the same God who brought them out of the land of Egypt and redeemed them:

28 Whereupon the king took counsel, and made two calves of gold, and said unto them,

It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem: behold thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. 1 Kings 12:28

We are surrounded with churches who declare the name of Jesus, but substitute their own idols. Those golden calves bearing the name of the true God. With the calf idols of Samaria, it looks fairly obvious to us, but we are not so different. These churches have false descriptions of what He is like. They make Him in the character they want Him to have. When these churches see the real thing, they scornfully condemn it. It is like getting a real glimpse of Jesus and not liking what they see. At that moment, their true feelings of Jesus and His Father really show. Don't be fooled when they sing some song of how worthy God is of worship and adoration. Their god is one of their own imagination, not the true and living God of scripture.

These golden calves are everywhere. To turn God's hand of destruction back, we need to deal with them, repent and get back to His Word.

We need to start in the Garden of Eden, this is the story of Adam and Eve:

15 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. 16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: 17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die. 18 And the LORD God said, *It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him.* 19 And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought *them* unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that *was* the name thereof. 20 And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him. 21 And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; 22 And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the

man. 23 And Adam said, This *is* now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. 24 Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. 25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

3:1 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? 2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: 3 But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. 4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: 5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. 6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. 7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. 8 And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden. 9 And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where *art* thou? 10 And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself. 11 And he said, Who told thee that thou *wast* naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldst not eat? 12 And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest *to be* with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. 13 And the LORD God said unto the woman, What *is* this *that* thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat. 14 And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou *art* cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: 15 And I will

put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel. 16 Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire *shall be* to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee. 17 And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed *is* the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; 18 Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field; 19 In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou *art*, and unto dust shalt thou return. 20 And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living. 21 Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them. 22 And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: 23 Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. 24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life. Genesis 2:15-3:24

This is where everything went haywire and definitions started to be turned upside down.

I just wanted to insert here that what Eve fell for the temptation in Genesis 3:4-6, we are told of her desire. Desire is covetousness. It is sin when it is desiring what is not for us. This kind of desire we are told in Colossians is idolatry - Golden Calves:

5 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: Colossians 3:5

Eve was tempted to eat the forbidden fruit, and did. Adam followed, and so the fall began. This core of the fall is in Christianity today. Eve was tempted

to eat the fruit, for she saw it would give her knowledge. That knowledge looked really good to Eve. She knew it contradicted God's word, but her desire overrode obedience. It justified disobedience in her mind. Adam, on the other hand, wasn't deceived in the way Eve was, he simply set his wife's will ahead of God's. This remains the same today and this is the key that will define whether we really serve and worship a golden calf or the true God.

The Choice of the Women

It started with Eve listening to the serpent. He understood how Eve thought and made use of her nature. Unless this nature is dealt with, women will make the same choices Eve did.

↳ I know a Christian woman who was confronted with the error of choosing a feminist church - Assemblies of God (they ordain women pastors). What they taught was new and exciting for this woman. She said she didn't care if it was wrong, with woman leadership, because she was learning so much.

Stop and mull this over. Wasn't that the sin laying at the heart of Eve's temptation. Eve couldn't afford to pass off something forbidden, because she saw an opportunity to gain knowledge. Oh, Eve gained knowledge, but at what cost! You can know, such will not be blessed.

↳ Truly, I could list an endless number of examples of women taking over and breaking out of the position God has placed them in. It has swept through the land like an undeniable plague. I will call your attention to one other example, most will not have thought of, women hymn writers. I recently wrote an article covering this extensively. (For further study see "Women Hymn Writers" on the www.basedintheword.org web site.) Women writing the worship songs for the church has become standard. It is only one of the ways women teach and lead men in the church. There are only a few churches, I am aware of, who don't use women produced hymns. One being certain Presbyterian churches which only sing songs from the Psalter (the Psalms put to English meter). Second, Old Order Plain churches (their hymnal is about 500 years old). I know of no others who take a stand in this.

This forbidden fruit has grown and blossomed in the churches. Just as it got a hold of Eve's heart in the garden, it rages still, striving to change everything in a desperate attempt to attain to that false deity the serpent promised, "ye shall be as gods". Do you see the glint of the golden calf in that call? A false, substitute god to be passed off as the true God. Granted, they would NEVER admit that was their goal, for they lie to themselves, but the heart is deceptively wicked and will do everything to protect itself. Remember how the blame game started going in the Garden of Eden when God called them out on their sin?

How do we know that same spirit is at work in the churches today? In Eden, the woman started the journey of disorder in the family. Adam followed in knowing submission, for the woman was his heart's desire. It is the plot of Satan, as it was in the garden, to keep this scheme prospering. He makes it look spiritual for the Eves to rise up and the Adams to meekly follow. This is dangerous and disgusting.

It turns the men into woman want-a-bees. Not openly effeminate, but in the sense of being the submissives. The woman's nature, from God, is to be nurturing, that of a mother in caring and raising her children. The nature of a man, from God, is to be less intuitive and more logical. I know men and women will vary in how "logical" and "intuitive" they might be, but that nature of logic in the man is what helps him be a good leader for his family and her intuition, and nurturing nature, is what helps her be a good raiser of her children.

The Choice of the Men

When a man starts to follow and submit to women leadership in church, he is disobeying God and walking into Satan's trap. When a man reverses the order, being in submission to the woman, Satan will push this, breaking his manhood. Satan wants to reverse and disrupt everything of God's design. When this confusion lies at the core of the family and the church, the same rebellion of the fall in Eden remains in place. This will destroy both men's and women's lives. This root of confusion will continue to call for God's wrath to eat away at the land. I.E. the invaders will destroy in the land for the "church" has nothing more than some golden

calves of its own fantasy world.

I plead with the men to reverse this. We must rise up, taking our God-given position as head of our house and heads in our churches.

The following is a list of some of the areas that show our delinquency with this:

↳ It is for the husband to either approve or disapprove on things like the Bible version she reads. Before God, the husband holds the responsibility in watching over her spiritual well-being and safety. It is the husband's job to say, "Dear, I don't want you reading 'The Living Bible' or the 'New International Version'; I have researched them and found they are treacherous versions. You need to read a good, reliable version. There may be a number of good versions out there, I will research that. For now I want you to read the King James Version. I know it is based on good manuscripts and they did a reasonably good job in translation." Such a snippet of conversation shows some of the husband's responsibility.

↳ What about other influences she brings into her life and home? The husband has responsibility with these. Many housewives take a side business to bring in extra income. Not all side businesses are good or safe. Something like being a food container saleswoman may be fine, but not all companies are as innocuous as that. I have seen one that brings Satan right into the home: Young Living Essential Oils is a company that promotes a form of witchcraft. Essential oils, in and of themselves are fine, but Young pulls in a menagerie of religious teaching. Young claimed to have gotten formulas and information about some of his oil mixtures "via downloads from God". He shows scripture in his manual, but also the use of "chakras" and using essential oils to give one "forgiveness", "inner healing", "to get deeper sense of spirituality", "enhances spiritual journey and meditation experience", "created to enhance the frequency of our magnetic harmonic energy field that surrounds us". Young (on his audio lesson, Young Living Training Tape #28), says to use certain oils to increase spiritual communication and that strong physical health is needed to properly communicate with God. "Sharing Oil energy connections. . . you hold the oil in your hand and project your thoughts. . . the fact that you direct your energy into that substance. .

. focus thought without words and making things happen. . .". These are the teachings that Young promotes. These are principals of witchcraft!

Looking at their essential oil called "The Gathering" we find it claims it, "keeps you on the path to higher achievement". Essentially their oils make the claim they will fill you with the fruit of the spirit - love, forgiveness, peace, joy, even financial burdens will go away!

You may wonder, "How is a man to know if his wife is involved with such a company?" The answer is simple: research. With the internet, such information is not hard to find. I could see it by reading the dealer's handbook. I knew the company was bad before I got to page 100. A husband needs to keep an eye on things his wife gets involved in and give the approval or disapproval. **THAT'S HIS RESPONSIBILITY!**

↳ What about the music she brings into the home? I'm not talking about style necessarily, but what's it teaching. There is "Christian" music today many embrace, but a closer look reveals it's fraught with dangerous doctrine. The average husband may think this is good worship music. Beware, it is far from that! Hillsong and groups who come out of churches such as Bethel Chapel in Redding, CA (Bethel Music and Jesus Culture) are wolves in sheep's clothing. They use their music to indoctrinate and proselytize. A responsible husband will take action to protect his wife from getting involved with these. His wife might not appreciate his oversight, she may accuse him of "micro-managing", but a godly-woman will appreciate the care and guidance of her husband.

↳ Literally, education and entertainment of every kind needs to be examined. The likes of TBN present every wind of false doctrine. A man has the responsibility to protect his wife from such sources of error. If you don't do it now, you may see the time when you will have sorely wished you had. By then, it may be too late.

↳ We must not say, "Honey, we will go to whatever church you want". It is for the head of the house to stand as the leader who makes such decisions. (How that decision is made is another topic altogether.)

When the man takes the road of, “I just want my wife to be happy, I let her make her own spiritual decisions” he has turned aside from his God-appointed responsibility as head in his house. The devil loves this! Not only is it playing into his court, Satan gets a stronger control over that man and will continue making him more feminine. With such success, God is mocked in this turned-upside-down family and church structure. Such chaos calls for God to remove such from His sight.

A side note on the thought, “I just want to make my wife happy”. Would a man say the same for his children? Would he simply provide for them based on this reasoning? Think of the junk food such a man would feed his children because that made them happy. How about buying them everything they want, because that made them happy? A man has just as much responsibility in the care of his wife as he does for his children.

The Journey Downward

I encountered a man who had gone down the road of feminization. What he did saddened my heart. He did seem to have some fervor for God, but had the weakness of not being the logical leader. He continues down this path of femininity.

He doesn't stand firm in opposition to women preachers. This alone opens the door for a total apostasy. Eventually, time finds him going through some kind of submersion ritual. He compared it to the Jewish practice of being cleansed in a “mikvah”. A woman lays hands on him and prays over him. I do believe something significant took place, but not something good. If he had fallen from a cliff and lay there broken at the bottom and a Christian woman came upon him, it would certainly be appropriate for her to lay hands on him calling upon God to help. However, when a man undergoes some kind of ‘mikvah,’ (which he ‘felt’ he was suddenly supposed to do), then allows a woman to take the position of authority with the laying-on of hands and prayer, this is dangerous. This is taking another step into being the submissive to the woman.

During this conversation he showed “his hand” as it were, of this feminizing in action. At this point, I need to be purposely vague. He told of a place he had been where he claimed to “know”, from some deep inner feeling, of something histori-

cal having taken place on the spot he had stood on. He said no one could tell him otherwise, to him, that “feeling” made it an historical fact. I was shocked! A man may sense things, but his logical nature will hold a check on bold declarations of historical fact (which information and evidence has disappeared from history). A man might suspect, but he wouldn't “know”. That is something of the feminine trait.

I felt kind of dumbfounded. I saw myself as standing on a rock in several feet of water, looking for verifiable fact and Biblical teaching. He being next to me floating on the waves, feet not touching that rock. We no longer had common ground. He flowed with the waves, content and secure.

I don't think he was always so “feeling” bound. At least, I hadn't seen anything as clear as that. This was all part of that ‘mikvah, hands-laying-on experience’ that bears a striking resemblance to a ceremony of conversion commitment, like water-baptism, only in this case the conversion showed acceptance of feminist leadership and submission to women.

A Call to Action

We need to take care of both ends of the spectrum for our countries to be of value to God. We need to continue praying for God to protect leaders who are facing the devil in high places. It is not that they are perfect but God uses even the unsaved to fulfill His will.

On the other end of the spectrum, we are involved in the battle of our homes and churches. We need to deal with all golden calves that replace the true God. Feeling or no feeling, we must be faithful to God's Word in obedience and fulfilling our responsibilities.

Men need to rise and be the men and leaders God intends them to be in the family and church.

Women need to humble themselves in submission to their husbands. These will start dealing with the root of the fall and the return to something worth God's sparing. We have the deep-state at one end and the church and home at the other. Both ends need to be dealt with.



I know there will be people reading who will be completely unfamiliar with the instructions of scripture on these issues. For this reason I felt I should include the following scripture for consideration:

20 Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; 21 Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God. 22 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. 23 For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. 24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in every thing. 25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; 26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, 27 That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish. 28 So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. 29 For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church: 30 For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. 31 For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. 32 This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church. 33 Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence *her* husband.

Ephesians 5:20-33

1 And Moses spake unto the heads of the tribes concerning the children of Israel, saying, This *is* the thing which the LORD hath commanded. 2 If a man vow a vow unto the LORD, or swear an oath to bind his soul with a bond; he shall not break his word, he shall do according to all that proceedeth out of his mouth. 3 If a woman also vow a vow unto the LORD, and bind *herself* by a bond, *being* in her father's house in her youth; 4 And her father hear her vow, and

her bond wherewith she hath bound her soul, and her father shall hold his peace at her; then all her vows shall stand, and every bond wherewith she hath bound her soul shall stand. 5 But if her father disallow her in the day that he heareth; not any of her vows, or of her bonds wherewith she hath bound her soul, shall stand: and the LORD shall forgive her, because her father disallowed her. 6 And if she had at all an husband, when she vowed, or uttered ought out of her lips, wherewith she bound her soul; 7 And her husband heard *it*, and held his peace at her in the day that he heard *it*: then her vows shall stand, and her bonds wherewith she bound her soul shall stand. 8 But if her husband disallowed her on the day that he heard *it*; then he shall make her vow which she vowed, and that which she uttered with her lips, wherewith she bound her soul, of none effect: and the LORD shall forgive her. 9 But every vow of a widow, and of her that is divorced, wherewith they have bound their souls, shall stand against her. 10 And if she vowed in her husband's house, or bound her soul by a bond with an oath; 11 And her husband heard *it*, and held his peace at her, *and* disallowed her not: then all her vows shall stand, and every bond wherewith she bound her soul shall stand. 12 But if her husband hath utterly made them void on the day he heard *them*; *then* whatsoever proceeded out of her lips concerning her vows, or concerning the bond of her soul, shall not stand: her husband hath made them void; and the LORD shall forgive her. 13 Every vow, and every binding oath to afflict the soul, her husband may establish it, or her husband may make it void. 14 But if her husband altogether hold his peace at her from day to day; then he establisheth all her vows, or all her bonds, which *are* upon her: he confirmeth them, because he held his peace at her in the day that he heard *them*. 15 But if he shall any ways make them void after that he hath heard *them*; then he shall bear her iniquity. 16 These *are* the statutes, which the LORD commanded Moses, between a man and his wife, between the father and his daughter, *being yet* in her youth in her father's house.

Numbers 30:1-16