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The Gospel from God

In 1 Kings 13,

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And the LORD commanded the man of God, saying, Thou shalt not eat bread or drink at Bethel, nor come back by the way thou came. The man of God remembered this command, so he rejected the king's invitation, and he also rejected the old prophet's first invitation. But when the old prophet said to him, "I am a prophet like you, and an angel has commanded the Lord to say to me, 'Go and bring him back to your house, and make him eat and drink,' and he was deceived by these words, and he thought that the old prophet was also a prophet, and that he had more experience than I did, and that I should listen to him, so I went back with the old prophet and ate and drank in the old prophet's house. The man of God disobeyed God's command because of the words of the old prophet and was killed by a lion. The old prophet placed his body on a donkey and took him back to his city for burial. He warned Jeroboam that God would punish him and his family for not obeying God's Word. Although Jeroboam later showed signs of repentance, his kingdom was eventually destroyed.

Prophets, pastors, and preachers are able to speak for God because they know God's mind. There is an old prophet here who knows God's mind! Brothers and sisters, don't think that being a good person is loving. Like the old prophets, many people have confused and sick eyes, they don't see anything that offends God, and this kind of deceiver often mixes into the church, corrupts people's faith, and leads people away from the word of the Lord. The reason why they can deceive people is because they also pretend to be spiritual, they pretend to love the Lord, they also say things like "God's revelation," "God's will," and so on, and they also preach specious things. A man who serves the Lord should never listen to any old prophet who has received a clear command from God to say that is inconsistent with him.

Galatians 1:8, "Cursed be we, the angels from heaven, and if he preaches to you a gospel different from that which we have preached to you."

The same principle applies to Paul's words to the believers in Galatia. Paul's gospel was not of human intent, but was revealed by Jesus Christ, and Paul advised the Galatian believers not to be disturbed by what seemed to be spiritual in the name of those who deceived them, so he warned the Galatians with very strong words. He said, "Whatever we are," which means, "Even if I, Paul, myself come to you, do not believe the gospel I preach today if it is different from the one I have preached." You should believe only the gospel revealed from Jesus Christ.

Here are some Bible verses that emphasize believing only in the gospel given by God:

Galatians 1:6-9: "I marvel at how quickly you have left him who called you by the grace of Christ to obey another gospel." But there is nothing but some who are troubling you to change the gospel of Christ. But whosoever preaches to you is different from what we have passed on to you, whether he is himself or an angel, let him be accursed."

1 Corinthians 15:1–4

Now, brethren, I have shown you the gospel which I preached to you, and you have received it

and stood on it,

2 But if ye hold fast to the word which I preach unto you, ye shall be saved: otherwise ye shall believe in vain

Finish. (Only your faith)

3 For what I received and passed on to you, first of all, Christ was for us, according to the scriptures

of sins died,

4 And he was buried, and rose again on the third day, according to the scriptures.

## Ephesians 1:13

When you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and you have believed in Christ, you have believed

Believing in him, you receive the seal of the promised Holy Spirit,

Galatians 2:16: "No one is justified by works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, and even we have faith in Christ Jesus, that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, for no flesh is justified by the works of the law." "

I Timothy 6:3-5: "If anyone preaches paganism and does not obey the sound word of our Lord Jesus Christ and the godly word, he is puffed up and ignorant, but he is sick with strife and contention, and among words is suspicion, jealousy, strife, slander, delirium, and the strife of those who have lost their hearts." "

Galatians 5:7-9: "You have always been good runners. Who hinders you from obeying the truth? A little leaven will make the whole dough rise."

# We pray

God the Father,

In the last days of Christ, we come to you and ask you to give us wisdom and insight to discern and resist the temptations and fallacies of the Antichrist. Give us a strong faith that will always be rooted in your truth, free from false information and deception. May your Holy Spirit lead us to be sensitive to your voice and walk with you at all times. Protect our hearts from the forces of evil so that we may be steadfast in our faith and live for your name. In the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

- 13:1 At that time, a man of God came from Judah to Bethel at the behest of Jehovah. Jeroboam was standing by the altar to burn incense.
- And the man of God cried unto the altar at the command of Jehovah, saying, Altar, altar. Thus saith Yahweh, "A son shall be born in the house of David named Josiah, and he shall burn the priests of the high places on thee, and shall burn incense upon thee, and shall burn upon thee, and the bones of men shall be burned upon thee.
- 13:3 And the man of God set a sign on that day, saying, This altar shall be broken, and the ashes shall be sprinkled upon it, which is the sign of the words of Jehovah.
- When King Jeroboam heard the words of the man of God crying out to the altar of Bethel, he stretched out his hand from the altar and said, "Take him." And the hand which the king stretched out to the man of God withered, and could not bend back.
- 13:5 The altar was broken, and the ashes were poured out, as the omen of the man of God had given at the command of Jehovah.
- 13:6 And the king said unto the man of God, Pray for me, and restore my hand by grace to Yahweh, thy God. So the man of God prayed to the Lord Howa, and the king's hand was restored to its original place, and it remained as it had been.
- 13:7 And the king said unto the man of God, Come back with me to eat and strengthen thy spirit, and I will give thee a reward.
- 13:8 And the man of God said unto the king, Thou shalt give me half of thy house, and I will not go with thee, neither shall I eat or drink water in this place.
- 13:9 for the word of Yahovah has commanded me, saying, Do not eat or drink at Bethel, nor come back the way you came.
- 13:10 So the man of God returned by another way, not by the way from which Bethel had come.
- An old prophet who lived in Bethel came and told his father all that the man of God had done in Bethel that day, and of what he had said to the king.
- 13:12 The father asked them, "Where did the man of God go?" And the sons complained to him. For they saw the way of the man of God from Judah.

- 13:13 And the old prophet said unto his sons, Prepare for me donkeys. And when they had prepared their asses, he mounted them.
- 13:14 And when he went after the man of God, and found him sitting under an oak tree, he asked him, "Are you a man of God from Judah?" He said, Yes.
- 13:15 The old prophet said to him, Come home with me and eat.
- 13:16 And the man of God said, I shall not go back with thee into thy house, nor shall I eat and drink with thee here.
- 13:17 for the word of Yahweh has commanded me, saying, Thou shalt not eat or drink water there, nor come back the way thou came.
- 13:18 The old prophet said to him, "I am also a prophet, just like you." And the angel of heaven said unto me, by the command of Yahweh, Go and bring him back to thy house, and let him eat and drink water. this is all the old prophet coaxing him.
- 13:19 So the man of God returned with the old prophet and ate food and drank water in his house.
- And it came to pass, while they were seated, that the words of Jehovah came unto the prophet who brought the man of God back,
- 13:21 And he said unto the man of God that came from Judah, Thus saith Yahwehwa, Because thou hast transgressed the word of Jehovah, and hast not kept the commandments of Jehohua thy God,
- But come back and eat and drink in the place where Yahwa forbade you to eat and drink water, so that your body may not go into the graves of your fathers.
- When he had finished eating and drinking, the old prophet prepared donkeys for the prophet he had brought back.
- 13:24 So he went, and a lion met him on the road, and killed him, and the body fell on the road, and the donkey stood beside the body, and the lion stood by the body.

- 13:25 And when they passed by, and saw the body lying in the road, and the lion standing by the body, they came to the city where the old prophet lived, and told the story.
- When the prophet who had brought the man of God heard of this, he said, "This is the man of God who has broken the command of Jehovah, so Jehohua delivered him to the lion." The lion scratched him and bit him to death, which was the fulfillment of what Jehovah had said to him.
- 13:27 And the old prophet said unto his sons, Prepare for me donkeys. So they prepared donkeys.
- 13:28 He went, and saw the body of the man of God lying in the road, and the donkey and the lion standing beside the body, but the lion did not eat the carcass, nor scratch the donkey.
- 13:29 And the old prophet took the body of the man of God on a donkey and brought it back to his own city, to weep over him, and to bury him.
- 13:30 And he buried his body in his own grave, and wept upon him, saying, Alas. my brother .
- 13:31 And it came to pass, after the burial, that the old prophet said unto his sons, I am dead, and ye shall bury me in the sepulchres of the man of God, and bring my bones near his bones.
- 13:32 For the words which he spoke, commanded by Jehovah, concerning the altars of Bethel, and the houses of high places in the cities of Samaria, shall be fulfilled.
- 13:33 After these things Jeroboam did not depart from his wicked ways, and made all the people priests of the high places. And whosoever willeth he shall be sanctified, and shall be made priest of the high places.
- And this made Jeroboam's house fall into sin, so that his house was destroyed from the face of the earth.
- In 1 Kings 13, God sent prophets to deliver a message to Jeroboam, king of Israel. The prophets prophesied that God would divide King David's house into two kingdoms, but Jeroboam would continue to reign in one of them. God also commanded the prophet not to eat or drink in this place, but to turn back.

When an old prophet heard this message, he lied that God had commanded him to invite the prophet back to his home to eat and drink. When the prophet was on his way home, the old prophet met him and invited him home for dinner. However, as they had dinner, God told the old prophet that the prophet had disobeyed God's command and would meet a tragic fate on the way home. The prophet left when he encountered a lion and was killed.

The old prophet placed his body on a donkey and took him back to his city for burial. He warned Jeroboam that God would punish him and his family for not obeying God's Word. Although Jeroboam later showed signs of repentance, his kingdom was eventually destroyed.

# Some important verses from 1 Kings 13:

13.1-10: God sent a prophet to King Jeroboam to warn him of his wicked deeds and idolatrous sin. The prophet also prophesied that a future king named Josiah would make more changes in Israel.

13.11-34: After God sent the prophet to warn King Jeroboam, he commanded the prophet not to eat or drink there, nor to return to the way he came. But another false prophet lied and tricked him into coming back to eat and drink, so God's warning came upon them, and this prophet died on the side of the road, while another false prophet was also punished by God.

These verses emphasize the importance of loyalty and obedience to God, as well as the consequences of disobedience. It also demonstrates God's wondrous and mystical ways, using His prophets and miracles to warn people and protect those who are faithful to Him. It also foreshadowed future events and figures, foreshadowing the coming of Josiah and the sins of the false prophets.

First Kings 13 tells the story of God sending prophets to rebuke Jeroboam. This prophet sent by God came by God's will to rebuke Jeroboam for his wickedness at the altar at Bethel. In this story, the prophet prophesied about the false god worship of Jeroboam and at the same time a peculiar miracle occurred. However, the prophet suffered a terrible end because he did not listen to God's instructions and disobeyed God's commands. Here are the main ideas of this chapter and what you can learn from reading it:

### Central:

The central idea of this chapter is to describe the story of God sending prophets to rebuke Jeroboam, emphasizing the importance of faithful obedience to God and warning of the dire consequences of disobeying God's commands.

# After reading:

Obedience to God's commands: In this story, God sent prophets to rebuke Jeroboam for his wickedness in the will of God. This reminds us of the importance of obeying God's commands, faithfully following God's will, and not stray from God's ways.

Warning against false god worship: Jeroboam set up an altar of false gods at Bethel to lead the Israelites away from God's way. This tells us to be wary of the temptation of false god worship and to hold fast to our faith in the one true God.

Obedience to God's Will Brings Miracles: This prophet sent by God received the message of prophecy, and a strange miracle occurred. This reminds us that when we obey God's will, God may manifest His signs and wonders in our lives.

Consequences of Disobedience: The prophet suffered a terrible end because he did not obey God's instructions and disobeyed God's commands. This warns us of the consequences of disobeying God's will and that we should fear God and avoid going down the path of unrighteousness.

Overall, 1 Kings 13 presents the story of God sending prophets to rebuke Jeroboam, stresses the importance of faithful obedience to God, and warns us to turn away from the temptation of false god worship. It also reminds us that obedience to God's will can lead to signs and wonders, and that disobedience to God's

commands can have dire consequences. We should keep God's commandments, fear God, be guided by His ways, and avoid going down the ways of unrighteousness.