Is God Angry with Ignorance? 2 Kings 22:1-20, Pew Bible p. 329 June 16, 2024

I. The Cure to Spiritual Ignorance (V. 1-13)

A. It is impossible to fully surrender to God apart from <u>knowledge</u> of His Word.

B. The best way to know God's Word is to be <u>devoted</u> to God's house.

C. In order for the Word of the Lord to rid us of our ignorance, it must confront us about our <u>sin</u>.

II. The Consequence of Spiritual Ignorance (V. 14-20)

- A. To be ignorant of God is a dangerous <u>choice</u>.
- B. To repent and believe in God's word is our only <u>salvation</u>.

Group Discussion Questions

1. Read 2 Kings 22:1-20.

2. Have you ever tried to seek God while being ignorant of the Bible, as King Josiah was in verses 3-7? Why were you ignorant? How did that ignorance impact the way you sought God?

3. What did repairing the house of God do for King Josiah's ignorance? What does prioritizing a Bible-teaching church do for people who are seeking God today?

4. Have you ever been convicted about a sin in your life you were previously unaware of due to reading the Bible, as King Josiah was in verses 11-13? What did that make you think about the Bible and how did you respond?

5. Does anyone in the world know NOTHING about God (See Romans 1:18-20)? Why? Does anyone in the world know EVERYTHING about God? What does that say about how important it is for each of us to seek to know God through His word each and every day?

6. What did King Josiah's instant conviction at hearing the Word of God do for him? What can believing and following the Word of God today do for us?

7. Pray for our church members not to be ignorant of God's Word but follow it with a whole heart. Come to the church prayer meeting this Wednesday from 6:00–6:30 pm in Worship Center Room 103.



Revelation 15:3-4 (ESV)

³ And they sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, "Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations! ⁴ Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed."

Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting:

• Please pray for Rezwana Derbyshire as she seeks to lead our music ministry through this transition period between Pastor Brian and a new Worship Pastor.

Pray for Our Church Family Needs:

- PRAY for missions and missionaries: Andy & Lindsay M. in Spain; Luke P. in Maricopa, Arizona; Nathan & Becky F. in Indonesia; Doug & Cheryl D. in Thailand; Jules S. in Thailand; and Sylvia M. and Andrew M. at ASU West, Glendale, Arizona.
- PRAY for all our students: elementary school, middle school, high school, and college. No matter whether they are in the classroom, an online setting, or a home school setting, our students are forming minds that need to focus on Christ.
- PRAY for family & friends of church members who need salvation or to renew their relationship with Jesus:
 Sharon L. (children & grandchildren); Marge D. (son, Matthew); Rezwana D. (parents); Margaret J. (Tom & Bob); Gary & Betty B. (grandchildren & siblings); Sophia W. (husband); Charity M. (daughter); Kayla P. (nephew, Jordan); V. family (Ashley & Jesse); Michelle LaM. (son); and Debbie B. (son-in-law)
- PRAY for families who are grieving the recent loss of loved ones: Tom & Joy M. (her mother); family of LeRoy H.; family of Rita H.; and family of Don R.
- PRAY for those struggling with ongoing health and other issues: Leon V. (chemo); Jan B. (health); Marge D. (health); Kathy W. (health); Michelle LaM. (health); Laura M. (health); Susan K. (surgery recovery); Ken & Darlene R. (health); Jan O. (health); Matthew M. (housing); April H.-F. (medication); Randie A. (health); Debbie B. (radiation); Mimi M. (ongoing health issues); Debbie P. (health); Jacque B. (eye issues); Ruthie C. (health); Joy M. (surgery recovery); Jeff S. (upcoming surgery); Eric D. (recovery from small stroke); Kelly J. (surgery recovery); John P. (surgery recovery); Larry D. (upcoming back surgery); Marjorie R. (health); Mary R. (kidney issues); Greg C. (recovery form cataract surgery); Margaret J. (health); and Bonnie V. (pain & upcoming surgery)
- PRAY for others that you are aware of.