

## “Jezebel alive and well”

*Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; 9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. 10 Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. Mt 4:8-10*

You cannot acquire the sort of wealth and fame, which attracts 100 of millions to you in this world, without becoming an high priest, or priestess for Satan. The price begins with success and always ends with tragedy.

Oprah Winfrey has started an online “school” for teaching people about the works of Meister Tolle called “A New Earth.” Someone on Godtube had put together a short video of some of the online study’s content and some commentary of their own. It’s a horrifyingly dark set of teachings. During the video, Oprah includes a word of personal testimony including how the idea of a jealous God repulsed her. Ex 20

“God... in the essence of all consciousness... isn’t something to believe. (“Oh No?” John 5:24) “God is. God is. And God is a *feeling* experience, not a believing experience. And, in fact, if your religion is a believing experience... if God for you is still about a belief, then it’s not truly God.” --Oprah Winfrey

So much for her earlier comment in this video, where she defended the idea that there is not one true way to God but that all paths lead there. All paths except belief in a personal, sovereign God who reveals himself in the Word of God and calls all men everywhere to repent and believe. “ Obviously, Oprah’s online “school” is unhealthy stuff. It’s cross-denying and therefore leads only to death and eternal woe. “Thabiti Anawabli”

To speak critical of Oprah Winfrey is almost sacrosanct in many circles. But I am amazed at the deception of professing Christians, about this woman, and their understanding of the gospel, and their vain attempt to reconcile her blatant denial of the true and living God, and her feverish promotion of the neo Baal worship of the new age god, earth, self! Only the elect will see the truth! All others will be sucked into it! This is the lesson of Jehu!

*For there shall arise false Christ’s, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. 25 Behold, I have told you before. Mt 24:24*

**PRAYER SERVICE 7:30PM TUESDAY’S HERE WITH THE PASTOR**

# Pastor’s Commentary And Outline

*If a prophet or a dreamer of dreams arises among you and gives you a sign or a wonder, and the sign or wonder that he tells you comes to pass, and if he says, “Let us go after other gods,” which you have not known, “and let us serve them, you shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams. For the Lord your God is testing you, to know whether you love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. (Deuteronomy 13:1-3) JPiper*

### Notice five things:

*First*, Moses tells us that signs and wonders in the service of heresy really happen. They are not tricks. “If a prophet . . . gives you a sign or a wonder, *and the sign or wonder that he tells you comes to pass. . . .*” They really do come to pass. It is not smoke and mirrors. These are supernatural, but not in the service of truth.

*Second*, some miracle workers aim to draw believers away from the true God. “If he says, ‘*Let us go after other gods . . .*’ you shall not listen to the words of that prophet.” In other words, some heresies (“let us go after other gods”) are endorsed with miraculous signs and wonders.

*Denial of the Trinity/ Christ death alone not enough to justify you / Extra biblical revelations / Lies*

*You can lose your salvation / There are other ways to god / All roads lead to the same place. PJesse*

*Third*, God has a design in these deceptive signs and wonders, and he has purposes for the heresies they support. He mentions one of these designs and purposes: “*For the Lord your God is testing you, to know whether you love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.*” When temptation happens from man, a test is happening from God. This is God’s design in the deceptive signs and heresies.

*Fourth*, love for God is what God is testing. “Your God is testing you, *to know whether you love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.*”

*Fifth*, I conclude from this that the heart that loves God sees through miraculous deception. Love for God is not based mainly on miraculous power. It is based on seeing through miraculous power to true divine beauty. Therefore, love for God is a powerful protection against heresy, even when it comes with miraculous confirmation.

Understanding these five things from Deuteronomy 13:1-3 helps protect us from deceptive signs and wonders and from heresies. But understanding is not enough. *Love for God* is both the aim of God’s testing and the means by which his tests are passed. *Understanding* awakens us to our need to love him. But *love for God* sees through deceptive signs and wonders to the falsehood they support and flees to Christ. *Love for God* sees through the heresy and holds fast to him. May God deepen our love to him so that it has this kind of penetrating, protecting power.

## Outline for the Sermon: “ He will deliver His people”

(1) **Satan’s kingdom in the church: Politico/religio complex.** Deut 17:20 / Hosea 12:9-11 / John 19:7-5

(2) **Jehu is God’s response of both punishment / Preservation:** Meaning / He is Jehovah: Ps 9:16 / Ezek 6:7 / 20:12 / 37:6

(3) **Baal Worshipers - deceived / destroyed, through worship** 12-14 / 24,25 - 1 Cor 6:9 / Gal 5:19-21 / Eph 5:3-6 / Col 3:5,6 / Rev 21:8/22:15

(4) **The elect separated before the destruction: MERCY!** 2 Peter 2:9 / Lot “He had mercy” 2Kg 10:15,16 / 23. Jehu / Jehonadab : God is, and He is gracious

(5) **A faithful family:** A type of Christ, and His true Church: Jer 35:Jer 35:1-5 Test, “ *Drink wine! The faithfulness* - 6-10. *God’s astonishing plea.* 14,15

They were Jethro’s family: Judges 4:11/1:16 / Num 10:29/1Sam 15:6 They were scribes: 1 Chron 2;55 - Mt 13:52

They were faithful to Dad. Jer 35:5-7- 18,19 They represent Christ, faithful to his Father. John 8:29 / 1Jon 3:5,6

“ The mystery/ blessing and fellowship of union” 2 Cor 5:21 Spiritual qualities signified by their sober / pilgrim status

“ Abraham seed” Heb 11;12-16

**Application:** Heb 13:13-17

## “ We Are a Blessed People ”

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ: The Father Thought it, The Son bought it, And the Spirit wrought it! Blessed trinity !*

*4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:*

He chose us. We did not choose Him. We would not, until he showed himself as our Savior! And by the time he manifested His glory to us, we were already His. In Christ, before the world began!

*5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, Our destiny has been pre-determined. There is a bus ride of faith for every believer. It is headed to glory, and our right to entrance, is adoption. We are sons. We have this right in Christ. And we shall exercise it, with all of it’s intended authority and blessings , now and then.*

*6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved. 7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;*

Salvation is for God’s glory, Christ honor, and the Spirits praise. We are the objects of his grace, by which all the angels will marvel at God’s love for His chosen people. Undeserved mercy!

His plan is best. In it my soul shall rest. Whatever comes my way, I know I’ll see Him in that day. And stand before him without fear, For in his Son, I’m just as dear, for He has made us, always acceptable, in Him!