

“Israel and the Strongman Over the Americas”

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“If you take this seriously and act on it you are going to run into a type of spiritual opposition that you have never yet encountered. You are going to find you’re treading on the devil’s most sensitive corns, and he will react. So, don’t say I didn’t warn you.

I want to talk about the situation of American Indians. I’m not an American Indian. I have very little contact. I don’t know much about it. A few years ago, Ruth and I decided we ought to know more about the history of the American Indians, so we were going on vacation in North Carolina. We borrowed two books from the library about the history of the American Indians. After reading them for about three days, we were so depressed, we said if we go on this we will ruin our vacation. So what I know about the situation, which is minimal, basically I’ve had from fellow Americans who I consider legitimate representatives, lawyers and other people with real academic legal background. I think we all agree, that basically time and time again the American government has broken its solemn commitments to the American Indians. Time and time, and time again, with the most pitiful consequences. And today for the most part American Indians are some of the least prosperous, happy people in the continent. And much of the responsibility for that lies at the door of the white man. Not all of it, but a lot of it.

I want to read you a brief passage from 2 Samuel 21. This is an incident in the reign of King David. And rain had been withheld for three years. For those of you who know Israel know that’s a major disaster. The country absolutely has to have rain. So after three years David said I’ve got to find out from God what the reason is. I’ll read this and try and condense it:

2 Samuel 21:1 During the reign of David, there was a famine for three successive years; so David sought the face of the LORD. The LORD said, “It is on account of Saul and his blood-stained house; it is because he put the Gibeonites to death.”

Now those of you who know Bible history, the Gibeonites were Amorites. Originally the inhabitants of that area, but they were very cunning and they deceived Joshua and persuaded him to make a covenant with them by which he made peace with them. Once the covenant was made, the Lord demanded that Israel honor that covenant. But Saul, who was something of a fanatic in various ways thought he’d prove his zeal for the Lord by seeking to exterminate the Gibeonites. And he succeeded to some extent which we don’t know. So David said we have to do something about this.

The point of this is that where a government or nation has made a covenant and broken it, there has to be atonement.

{2} The king summoned the Gibeonites and spoke to them. (Now the Gibeonites were not a part of Israel but were survivors of the Amorites; the Israelites had sworn to spare them but Saul in his zeal for Israel and Judah had tried to annihilate them.) {3} David asked the Gibeonites, “What shall I do for you? How shall I make amends so that you will bless the Lord’s inheritance?” {4} The Gibeonites answered him, “We have no right to demand silver or gold from Saul or his family, nor do we have the right to put anyone in Israel to death.” “What do you want me to do for you?” David asked. {5} They answered the king, “As for the man who destroyed us and plotted against us so that we have been decimated and have no place anywhere in Israel,

{6} let seven of his male descendants be given to us to be killed and exposed before the LORD at Gibeah of Saul—the Lord’s chosen one.” So the king said, “I will give them to you.”

Without going into the details, David found seven men descended from Saul and handed them over to the Gibeonites. And the Gibeonites killed them and hanged them up before the Lord. And I don’t think we need to go into the details, there’s a certain amount of what happened.

In the closing verses, David also realized that Jonathan and Saul’s bones were not buried. He recovered the bones and buried them in a tomb and together with them they buried these seven men who had been executed and hung up before the Lord. And it says in verse 14:

{14} They buried the bones of Saul and his son Jonathan in the tomb of Saul’s father Kish, at Zela in Benjamin, and did everything the king commanded. After that, God answered prayer in behalf of the land.

And it says at the end of the account, “After that, God heeded the prayer for the land.” In other words, God would not listen to prayer until the breaking of the covenant had been atoned for.

Now the way that atonement is done for today is not the way it was done then. **But I have become convinced that there is a barrier to answer for prayer on behalf of the United States which will never be removed until atonement has been made for the unjust sufferings of the American Indians.** (emphasis mine, R.T.)

You know I am not American born, (Mr. Prince is British and has been a noted Bible scholar for many years internationally), you can question the historicity of this, but it’s Americans themselves that have told me these facts. So I believe it’s up to the intercessors to step into this gap. And I am now going to relate something subjective, which I want to acknowledge as subjective so you can say it was just a dream.

About five or six years ago When I was in Ft. Lauderdale, in Broward County, in Florida, I was praying, I don’t know about what, and I had a mental picture of an Indian Chief somewhere up in the sky over Broward County. He was in has full chief’s regalia, and I had the impression he was blowing smoke out of his mouth. And as I looked at him, he communicated to me, he didn’t speak to me, he said, “I was here long before you came, and I’ll be here long after you’re gone.” And he looked at me with utter contempt. And I thought, that’s the strong man over Broward County. And it is interesting because he is breathing out tobacco smoke, which is a kind of anesthetic. And one of the things we’d noticed, and I’d lived in that county for nearly thirty years now, is that whenever there is a move of God, something happens and it becomes anesthetized, it never goes into fulfillment. And I began to think, this is the influence of that strongman over Broward County.

Well, we were in Jerusalem a year or two later and as I was thinking about this, I felt that God showed me the only way that this can be dealt with is if significant Christian leaders in Broward County will come together to seek God and pray about it together they will have the authority. God showed me very clearly I didn’t have the authority. So we went on that. Then there was another situation in which we began to pray about this and the phrase came to me, “superpower”. I said to myself, “That’s nonsense”. One Indian chief over Broward County is not super power. But then this is what I feel the Lord showed me, and I’m asking you to check it.

I realized that from Canada to Argentina, through North and South and Central America, the original inhabitants, as far as we know were Indians and they all worshipped Satan. Lets call it by the right name. And you see, what generates spiritual authority is worship. Whatever is worshipped in any area gains authority over that area. This is a very important truth for us as Christians. Because as we worship Jesus, we are establishing His spiritual authority. If we don't, we have very little authority. So I thought to myself, that is true. This really is the superpower over the Americas, It's the power that has been enthroned by centuries of Indian worship. And I don't know that much about Indian worship, but let me tell you it is very powerful. Their ceremonies are extremely powerful. Don't run into them unless you're well armed, because you'll come out a casualty. And we have quite a lot quite close to us still in Broward County and in Florida. So then I thought to myself, well, what's to be done about this? And I thought, I'll just read the suggestions that I have, and there's six:

1. Significant Christian leaders must seek God together about this.
2. They must go through repentance and self humbling on behalf of our ancestors. And let me say, I have to include my ancestors, alright, because it wasn't the Americans, it was the British first.
3. Then as representatives of the Christian community, they have to ask forgiveness of the Indian leaders.
4. And then this is my thought but I believe God gave it to me, they have to make a gesture donation, they have to contribute something to the Indian community that says, "Listen, we acknowledge we have done you harm that we can never undo, but accept this as a token." Maybe a school, a hospital, I don't know what.
5. Then I believe we can pray for a move of the Holy Spirit among the Indians. Basically they are the least impacted of all the denizens of America. What a tragedy that is. They are slaves of alcohol, dope and poverty, and hopelessness. And brothers and sisters, some of the responsibility for that lies at our door. If we, through our ancestors, had acted differently, it wouldn't be that way today.
6. And after that I believe we can claim the overthrow of that superpower, but until we go through the necessary steps, we have not right to claim it.

Now, I had thought to do it in Broward County, and I'm in contact with one of the main pastors, a Baptist pastor of a very large church in Ft. Lauderdale. I thought, I'll talk to him, we have not a close relationship but a good relationship. The day I arranged to meet him, I had incredible sciatica. I mean can't, if you haven't had sciatica, you don't know what it's like. I mean, I couldn't walk, I had to crawl. So I cancelled my appointment, and then I had to go to Israel. So I said to myself, well, maybe God didn't want me to contact that man. And then when I was invited here and Gary contacted me, I thought maybe that's the place. Because if there's anywhere it should be done, it should be in the Washington area.

So brothers and sisters, this is what I am putting before you and I ask you not to accept it just because I say it. **But give it serious consideration because I think there is a limit to what the Holy Spirit will do in the Americas until that superpower has been dethroned. And I'm sure that many of you intercessors know we can't just say we dethrone that power.** (emphasis mine, R.T.)

We have to fulfill God's conditions. And one condition that is very clear in the Bible for intercessors, is we begin by confessing our sins. The perfect pattern is Daniel in chapter 9. He was one of the most righteous men in the Bible, in fact no sin is recorded of Daniel. But when he prayed for Israel, he didn't say, "They have done wickedly.", he said, "We have done wickedly. To us belongs shame of face, etc." And I believe God is looking all over the world for intercessors who will come under the responsibility of the crimes of ancestors, and offer atonement. And I believe that when atonement is accepted by God, God will hear prayer for the land. Now we don't offer atonement the same way that David did. The only atonement is Jesus, but we have to meet the conditions before we can claim the release of His grace and His power. So I want to ask you sincerely to give serious consideration to that. I have a feeling that God withheld me from saying this. I've mentioned it in Kansas City and one or two other places, but I have never specifically outlined the steps I believe God showed me until I came here. Because you are intercessors, and this is the capitol city of this nation, or the area of the capitol city. I wonder whether God isn't asking something of you. And then we say if you get into this, put your armor on, you have no idea what you're running up against because there is one thing that Satan hates, it's having his tactics disclosed.

Let me tell you, I spoke this on one of our update cassettes a few years ago, just in brief, not in length, and it went to the family of the young woman I spoke about, whose father is 1/4 Indian and she's 1/8 Indian, and they have been followers of my ministry for years. Every tape I've produced, they've listened to. And this young woman and her mother told us the same. When that cassette came to our house, nobody in the house could behave normally. The young woman, who's a committed believer said, "For one week I couldn't listen to that cassette. Every time it was switched on I had to say turn it off." And the father, in a sense, went berserk for a month. They said we're not dealing with our father, this is a different person. Why? Because Satan was extremely angry that his tactics had been disclosed. So I am warning you, buckle your seatbelt before you go any further, 'cause there'll be turbulence.

So God bless you for listening so patiently. You've been a wonderful audience."