

Remember! - Study 4 “Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.” Phil. 2: 4

Remember - the Lord God Whom I am serving!

The Israelites followed Joshua, crossing the Jordan, and battling to settle the Promised Land.

“The years passed, and **the LORD had given** the people of Israel rest from all their enemies. Joshua, who was now very old, ² called together all the elders, leaders, judges, and officers of Israel. He said to them,

“I am now a very old man. ³ You have seen everything **the LORD your God has done for you** during my lifetime. **The LORD your God has fought for you** against your enemies.” ...
Each one of you will put to flight a thousand of the enemy, for **the LORD your God fights for you**, just as **He has promised**. ¹¹

So be very careful to **love the LORD your God**. ¹²

But **if you turn away from Him** and **cling to the customs** of the survivors of these nations remaining among you, and

if you intermarry with them, ¹³ then know for certain that **the LORD your God** will no longer drive them out of your land.

Instead, the survivors of these nations remaining among you **will be a snare and a trap to you**, a whip for your backs and thorny brambles in your eyes, and

you will vanish from this good land the LORD your God has given you. ¹⁴

Soon I will die, going the way of everything on earth.

Deep in your hearts **you know that every promise of the LORD your God has come true**.

Not a single **promise of the LORD your God** has failed! ¹⁵

But as surely as **the LORD your God has given you the good things He promised**,

The LORD your God will also bring disaster on you if you disobey Him.

The LORD your God will completely destroy you from this good land He has given you. ¹⁶

If you **break the covenant of the LORD your God** by worshiping and servicing other gods, **His anger will burn against you**, and

you will quickly vanish from this good land the LORD your God has given you.”

Josh. 23: 1 – 3; 10- 16

“So **fear the Lord. Serve the Lord in faith and truth**.

Put away the gods your fathers served on the other side of the river and in Egypt.

Serve the Lord. ¹⁵

If you think it is wrong to **serve the Lord**, **choose today** whom you will serve.

Choose to serve the gods your fathers worshiped on the other side of the river OR

Choose to serve the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living.

But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”

Josh 24: 14 – 15

And the devil, the accuser Satan, said to **Jesus**,

“All these things I will **give You if You will** fall down and worship me.” ¹⁰

Then **Jesus said** to Satan,

“Away with you, Satan! For it is written,

‘You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only shall you serve.’ ”

¹¹ Then the devil **left Jesus**, and angels came and **ministered to Him.**” Matt. 4: 9 – 11

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“How could you worship two gods at the same time?

No one can serve two masters at the same time!

*You will have to **hate one and love the other** or be **devoted to one and despise the other.***

You cannot worship the true God while serving as a slave to the god of money!”

Matt. 6: 24

“Jesus gathered His apostles together and said to them,

“Those recognized as rulers of the people and those who are in top leadership positions rule oppressively over their subjects, but this is not the example you are to follow. ⁴³

You are to lead by a different model.

If you want to be the greatest one, then live as one called to serve others. ⁴⁴

The path to promotion and prominence comes by having the heart of a bonded slave who serves everyone. ⁴⁵

*For even **the Son of Man** did not come expecting to be served by everyone, but*

*to serve everyone and **give His life as the ransom price** in exchange for the salvation of many.”*

Mark 10: 42 – 45

“The one who loves his life will lose it, and the one who ‘sets aside’ his life in this world will keep true life for an eternal life. ²⁶

*If anyone serves Me, let that one **follow Me**; and **where I am, there My servant will be** also.*

*If anyone serves Me, that one **My Father will honor.**” John 12: 25 – 26*

Three young men were delivered from the fiery furnace – servants of the One True God

“Nebuchadnezzar spoke, saying,

“Blessed be **the God** of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, who sent **His Angel and delivered His servants who trusted in Him**, and they have frustrated the king’s word, and yielded their bodies, that they should not serve nor worship any god except their own God!”

Dan. 3: 28

Daniel was ‘thrown into the lion’s den’ after King Darius was ‘tricked’ into signing a proclamation -

“Now King Darius went to his palace and spent the night fasting; and no musicians were brought before him. He could not sleep. ¹⁹Then the king arose very early in the morning and went in haste to *the lion’s den*. ²⁰And when he came to the den, Darius cried out with a lamenting voice to Daniel.

*“Daniel, servant of the living God, has **your God, Whom you serve continually**, been able to deliver you from the lions?” ²¹*

Then Daniel said to the king,

*“O king, live forever! ²² **My God sent His angel** and shut the lions’ mouths, so that they have not hurt me, because I was found **innocent before Him**; and also, O king, I have done no wrong before you.” ²³*

Now the king was exceedingly glad for Daniel, and commanded the guards take Daniel out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no injury whatever was found on him, because

Daniel believed in his God.”

Dan. 6: 18 - 23