

Good to Remember

⁸Take heed in the plague of leprosy, that thou observe diligently, and do according to all that the priests the Levites shall teach you: as I commanded them, so ye shall observe to do. ⁹Remember what the LORD thy God did unto Miriam by the way, after that ye were come forth out of Egypt.”

(Deuteronomy 23:8-9 KJV)

Take heed in the plague of leprosy: Leprosy is a sickness and it affect the skin of man in which man looked disfigured and ugly from what God created him. Leprosy was particularly mentioned in the bible and it was the responsibility of the people to report that leprous person to the priest office who will be the one to deal with the person who is leprous. After being examined by the priest the person will be either put under observation for one week and to examine again after to confirm or not the leprosy in that person. When it is confirmed the person will be exclude and will be put outside the city or the camp of the people of God till he is free from his leprosy. And when he is cleansed he will be allowed to be back with the people only after the priest will perform on him certain procedures that are mentioned in the Law of Moses.

Observe diligently: The plague of leprosy is linked with the office of the priest because it is having something to do with sin. Therefore it is so important to deal with it properly because it is dealing with sin.

Do according to all that the priests the Levites shall teach you: Therefore it is so important to follow up the instructions of

the priest who is responsible in the management of the leprous person.

Remember what the LORD thy God did unto Miriam: Miriam the Sister of Moses was also inflicted with leprosy after she had been speaking insolently with Moses. ⁴And Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses because of the Ethiopian woman whom he had married: for he had married an Ethiopian woman. ²And they said, Hath the LORD indeed spoken only by Moses? hath he not spoken also by us? And the LORD heard it. ³(Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth.) ⁴And the LORD spake suddenly unto Moses, and unto Aaron, and unto Miriam, Come out ye three unto the tabernacle of the congregation. And they three came out. ⁵And the LORD came down in the pillar of the cloud, and stood in the door of the tabernacle, and called Aaron and Miriam: and they both came forth. ⁶And he said, Hear now my words: If there be a prophet among you, I the LORD will make myself known unto him in a vision, and will speak unto him in a dream. ⁷My servant Moses is not so, who is faithful in all mine house. ⁸With him will I speak mouth to mouth, even apparently, and not in dark speeches; and the similitude of the LORD shall he behold: wherefore then were ye not afraid to speak against my servant Moses? ⁹And the anger of the LORD was kindled against them; and he departed. ¹⁰And the cloud departed from off the tabernacle; and, behold, Miriam became leprous, white as snow: and Aaron looked upon Miriam, and, behold, she was leprous. ¹¹And Aaron said unto Moses, Alas, my lord, I beseech thee, lay not the sin upon us, wherein we have done

foolishly, and wherein we have sinned. ¹²Let her not be as one dead, of whom the flesh is half consumed when he cometh out of his mother's womb. ¹³And Moses cried unto the LORD, saying, Heal her now, O God, I beseech thee. ¹⁴And the LORD said unto Moses, If her father had but spit in her face, should she not be ashamed seven days? let her be shut out from the camp seven days, and after that let her be received in again. ¹⁵And Miriam was shut out from the camp seven days: and the people journeyed not till Miriam was brought in again.” (Numbers 12:1-16 KV)

That what had been done to Miriam, even she was the Sister of Moses, but never mind; when she did what is wrong and got leprosy, then she needed to be excluded from the camp.

God had no respect to a person, beside that He love His people, and when anyone of them sin and do wrong then they needed to be corrected and disciplined till then repent, then they will be allowed to enter the camp and be with the people of God.

In our Christian walk with God, being in the community of the church, there will be people who will behave insolently as Miriam behaved with Moses, and they will sin and cross their border and limit. Therefore we need to remember the instruction that we received of how to deal with the leprous person, the person who committed sin, in order for him to repent and in order that he will not infect others and affect their lives with sin.

God wants us to be responsible people and to deal properly with sins. God love His people and He loves His church and he want his church to be clean. Therefore we need to work with God for this particular purpose.

My Prayer

Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord I thank you for your Word that is helping me to understand your will. Lord I commit myself to the principle of your word. Lord I am willing to stand with you to deal with sin inside your church and to follow the instruction that is needed for the leprous to be cleansed. Lord I fear you and will not show respect to a person in dealing with sin. Gives me Lord the strength and the courage to do that.. This is my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.

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