

## From Last Thursday

### Outline

- I. God's Care about Marriage 24:1–4,5; 25:5-10
- II. God cares about "Mondays" and our lending. 24:6, 10–13, 17
- III. God cares about how we value life. 24:7
- IV. God cares about Justice 24:16–18
- V. God cares about our generosity and integrity. 24:19–22

Followed by..

The Memory of Amalek (Deuteronomy 25:17–19) for Sunday Night

### IV. God cares about Justice 24:16–18

A. Courts/Parents/Leaders job to justify the righteous and condemn the wicked.

24:16 The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers: every man shall be put to death for his own sin. <sup>17</sup> Thou shalt not pervert the judgment of the stranger, *nor* of the fatherless; nor take a widow's raiment to pledge:

<sup>18</sup> But thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt, and the Lord thy God redeemed thee thence: therefore I command thee to do this thing.

1. Justice is an attribute of God and the lack of justice greatly upsets Him.
2. Judgment was to be upon those who had committed the crime. 24:16
3. This does not make God unjust when He allows a curse to come upon a family for a number of generations. The problem is not God but man. As an example, if a man insists on taking drugs, it will affect his offspring for a number of generations.
4. Those in authority are not to take advantage of the lowly. 24:17
5. They should remember how they were mistreated. 24:18

B. There should be restraint shown in punishment.

25:1 If there be a controversy between men, and they come unto judgment, that *the judges* may judge them; then they shall justify the righteous, and condemn the wicked. <sup>2</sup> And it shall be, if the wicked man *be* worthy to be beaten, that the judge shall cause him to lie down, and to be beaten before his face, according to his fault, by a

certain number. <sup>3</sup> Forty stripes he may give him, *and* not exceed: lest, *if* he should exceed, and beat him above these with many stripes, then thy brother should seem vile unto thee.

1. Courts job to justify the righteous and condemn the wicked. 25:1
2. Apostle Paul benefited from them following this practice. 25:3  
The Apostle Paul refers to this practice when he mentioned the beatings he received in persecution. “*Five times received I forty stripes save one*” (2 Corinthians 11:24).
3. We (as parents) should not seem vile (morally bad; wicked) but the executive branch in which God is the legislative.

#### V. God cares about our generosity and integrity. 24:19–22

A. God wants us to make provision for the poor in our lives.

<sup>19</sup> When thou cuttest down thine harvest in thy field, and hast forgot a sheaf in the field, thou shalt not go again to fetch it: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow: that the Lord thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hands. <sup>20</sup> When thou beatest thine olive tree, thou shalt not go over the boughs again: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow. <sup>21</sup> When thou gatherest the grapes of thy vineyard, thou shalt not glean *it* afterward: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow. <sup>22</sup> And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt: therefore I command thee to do this thing.

1. God’s welfare program beats all the welfare programs of the nations.
2. The rich caring for the poor, but the poor working for what they will receive.
3. God said if you don’t work, you don’t eat (2 Thessalonians 3:10).
4. Remembering the Egyptian experience of slavery and poverty will inspire to charity for the poor and needy.

B. We should be people of integrity 25:13–16

<sup>13</sup> Thou shalt not have in thy bag divers weights, a great and a small.

<sup>14</sup> Thou shalt not have in thine house divers measures, a great and a small. <sup>15</sup> *But* thou shalt have a perfect and just weight, a perfect and just measure shalt thou have: that thy days may be lengthened in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. <sup>16</sup> For all that do such things, *and* all that do unrighteously, *are* an abomination unto the Lord thy God.

1. God is interested in integrity. Weights and measures were areas where much dishonesty occurred.

- a. They would have one weight that weighed less than the others or more.
- b. They would use it to give less product for the price.
2. In principle it says when a nation ceases to be honest, it's future is in jeopardy.
3. Cheating in this matter is unrighteous conduct and is an abomination to God.

Conclusion:

- All this should show us we are sheep in need of a Shepherd.
- Even more so sinners in needs of a Savior.
- We need to be led. We need Him to teach us.
- ***God is in the details of life. In looking to Him for guidance in all of our daily decisions about conduct we know Him more!***

## Sunday Night

Deuteronomy 25:17-19

17 Remember what Amalek did unto thee by the way, when ye were come forth out of Egypt;

18 How he met thee by the way, and smote the hindmost of thee, even all that were feeble behind thee, when thou wast faint and weary; and he feared not God.

19 Therefore it shall be, when the Lord thy God hath given thee rest from all thine enemies round about, in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee for an inheritance to possess it, that thou shalt blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven; thou shalt not forget it.

### "REMEMBER THE AMALEKITES"

I. Remember what Amalek did v.17

A. They met them just as they came out of Egypt and sought to defeat them.

1. Here were people who had been slaves in Egypt for years.
  - a. They were totally untrained in warfare.
  - b. The nation had just been born.

- c. The Amalekites came with their well trained army to seek to destroy them.
  - 2. This is that battle where Moses and Aaron and Hur went up into the mountain overlooking the battle field.
  - 3. The Amalekites had attacked them at their weakest position.
    - a. They came up behind them where the older and more feeble were trying to keep up with the others.
    - b. They came laid in wait for the weak. 1 Sam 15
- B. Moses was commanded to record this event in a book. Exodus 17:14-15 And the LORD said unto Moses, Write this *for* a memorial in a book, and rehearse *it* in the ears of Joshua: for I will utterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven. 15And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it Jehovahnissi:
  - 1. Moses made an altar to the Lord and called the name of the place, Jehovah Nissi (The Lord our banner).
  - 2. For the Lord will have war with Amalek from generation to generation. v.16

## II. Saul deals with Amalek

- A. We read that Samuel came to Him and said:
  - 1 Samuel 15:1-3 The LORD sent me to anoint you as king over his people, over Israel: now therefore hearken thou unto the voice of the words of the LORD. Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I remember what Amalek did to Israel, how he laid wait for him in the way, when he came up from Egypt. Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass.
- B. God ordered the utter and complete destruction of Amelek. v.3
- C. What do we know about the story of Saul?
  - 1 Samuel 15:9 But Saul and the people spared Agag, and the best of the sheep, and of the oxen, and of the fatlings, and the lambs, and all that was good, and would not utterly destroy them: but everything that was vile and refuse, that they destroyed utterly.
    - 1. The thought is that there is no need to utterly destroy everything of the flesh life, there is some good there, so save the best.
    - 2. This is where we learn obedience is better than sacrifice.

### III. David deals with Amalek (25 years later)

A. David and his men have joined with Achish to go to battle. 1 Samuel 28:1 And it came to pass in those days, that the Philistines gathered their armies together for warfare, to fight with Israel. And Achish said unto David, Know thou assuredly, that thou shalt go out with me to battle, thou and thy men.

1. When David and his men get home they discover that the Amalekites have taken advantage of all of the men being gone.

2. True to form, they attacked at the time of weakness.

3. This proves that Saul did not utterly wipe them out as he had claimed to do.

### IV. Queen Esther deals with Amalek. (500 years later)

A. We know her story of the beauty contest for the Persian King.

C. Mordecai was a cousin to Esther. He refused to bow.

D. Haman devised on a plot to destroy all of the Jews so as to destroy Mordecai.

E. Haman was an Agagite, or a descendant of King Agag whom Saul refused to kill. Esther 3:1 After these things did king Ahasuerus promote Haman the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, and advanced him, and set his seat above all the princes that were with him.

1. This teaches us an important truth about dealing with the flesh life of which the Amaleks were an example.

2. If you do not destroy it, it will rise up and seek to destroy you.

### V. We are given this story as an ensemble for us.

A. 1 Cor 10:1 Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.

1. Their slavery in Egypt was a type of our slavery to sin.
2. Pharaoh represents Satan.
3. Christ was the rock from which the water of life flowed.
4. Amalek is a type of the warfare we have with sin.
  - a. We have been made free from Amalek. Romans 8:2  
For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.
  - b. The mind seems to be the battlefield. James 1:13 Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man: 14 But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. 15 Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and

sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.

c. Sin begins in my thoughts. This is where the “drawing away” happens. Alpharetta #8 city in Ashley Madison

d. Paul wrote that I must bring every thought into captivity unto obedience to Jesus Christ.

B. God said that He will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.

1. Do you ever deal with Amalek?

2. When you wage war on sin how aggressive are you?

## V. Victory against Amalek explained in the New Testament Romans 6

### A. Know

9 Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. 10 For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

1. What are these doctrinal truths we are to KNOW.

a. As Adam plunged us into death.

b. Christ promises us life.

c. I am new!

i) I am no longer under tyranny

ii) Old man is put off Col. 3:8 But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy

communication out of your mouth.

2. We do not and cannot have two masters. Romans 6:22 But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.

## B. Reckon (v.11)

11 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. 12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

1. In “likewise” manner. With all the truth we have learned in the first 10 verses lets hold on to them and continue to the next truth.

2. Our “duty” is always founded on doctrine. What we believe should and will effect our behavior.

3. Deals with the Heart

a. “Know” dealt with the mind.

b. Reckon: Conclude, affirm, believe all these truths.  
Grandfather under bus.

## III. Yield

13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God. 14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

A. Know - Mind, Reckon - Heart, Yield - The will.

B. NEITHER YIELD- we are dead and we know it -- don't let sin reign.

## C. Yield to the REAL YOU

1. I Peter 2:11 Chosen generation - ABSTAIN from fleshly lusts. 11 Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;

2. Romans 7:17 - It is no longer I do this. Who is it? Sin that dwells in me. 17 Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin

that dwelleth in me.

## D. Yield to this truth - Sin will not have dominion over you

14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

## E. When we remember Amalek

1. We we think about our past we praise God for the victory.

2. When we face the Amalek today we can but certain the victory has been secured for us.

**3. WHEN WE LOOK TO THE HILL - we do not see Aaron and Hur holding the hands of Moses to secure our victory. We see a Savior who had His hands nailed to a Cross who will never drop his hands on us. He has overcome the grave so we could have victory over this sin!**

Conclusion:

1. We have seen that our God cares about Marriage, “Mondays”, life, justice and integrity.
2. We also see He cares about sin.
3. He can see the residual consequence of the sin that we are not dealing with. He is warning us.
4. Your victory has been won - act like it!