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Sermon Outline for Sunday, January 16, 2022

Sermon: "Call Out Historical Lies!" - What's Wrong With You People? Pt. 36

I Text:

Old Covenant: *Judges 11:12-25*

New Covenant: *Revelation 2:12-17*

II Doctrine:

The Ammonites attempt historical revisionism and declare Israel lived on stolen land. Controlling the historical narrative allows an adversary to attain a moral high ground in battle. This will also demoralize your army if they feel guilty for engaging in conflict.

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Jephthah invokes the name of Balak in his final appeal to the King of Ammon. Jephthah insinuates the Ammonites will be defeated again just like in the days of Balak if they pursue this war. The Ammonite leadership will not heed his warning and the war will begin.

III Comparing Scripture With Scripture:

1) The Ammonites attempt historical revisionism and declare Israel lived on stolen land. Controlling the historical narrative allows an adversary to attain a moral high ground in battle. This will also demoralize your army if they feel guilty for engaging in conflict. (*Judges 11:12,13*; <https://www.oxfordreference.com/view/10.1093/oi/authority.20110810105729649>)

2) Jephthah knows he cannot allow his enemy to control the narrative of the impending conflict. God gives him wisdom to confront the enemies lies. Jephthah sends messengers to proclaim the true history of how Israel gained the land, and convince the King of the Ammonites to not defy God. (*Judges 11:14-24*)

3) Jephthah invokes the name of Balaak in his final appeal to the King of Ammom. Jephthah insinuates the Ammonites will be defeated again just like in the days of Balak if they pursue this war. (*Judges 11:25-28*; *Joshua 24:1-13*)