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**Introduction**

As we began looking at this subject of MOCKING GOD we went back to the beginning in the Garden of Eden and saw where the very first MOCKING OF GOD took place! We saw how:

*SATAN WAS THE FIRST PERSON TO MOCK GOD...* we showed how.

*Satan’s Mocking Of God Came From His Self-Will* (his desire to be God)

*Satan Mocked God By Questioning God’s Word*

*Satan Mocked God By Challenging God’s Word*

*Satan Mocked God By Both His Lies And Half-Truths About God*

*MANKIND (EVE AND ADAM) WERE THE SECOND TO MOCK GOD*

*Eve Mocked God By Adding To His Word*

*Adam And Eve Both Mocked God By Disobeying His Word*

*Disobeying God Is Mocking Both His Word and His Authority*

*Adam And Eve Both Mocked God By Trying To Conceal Their Sin*

*Rather Than Confess Their Sin*

*Adam And Eve Mocked God By Their Attempts To Blame Others And Even God For Their Sinful Condition*

This morning I want us to see some other examples from Scripture of those who mocked God and the consequences of having done so.

Now understand that we’re **not** going to look at ALL the instances of persons trying to mock God, that would take a while.

Just in the book of Genesis alone we could look spend weeks if we looked at:

- 1) The story of Cain and Able and how Cain **mocked God** with his bloodless offering and his murder of his brother Able!
- 2) The story of how mankind mocked God with their wickedness in Noah’s day ending with the LORD bringing forth a world-wide flood and starting over with Noah’s family.
- 3) The story of the Tower of Babel and man’s rebellion there!

- 4) The story of Sodom and Gomorrah and their mocking of God that ultimately resulted in their being destroyed by fire and brimstone!

Those are four great stories of men mocking God and we wouldn’t even have made it through 1/4 of the book of Genesis!

Let’s skip over the rest of Genesis altogether and go to **Exodus 5** for our first detailed example today where we will see a heathen king, a Pharaoh of Egypt who mocked God, his Prophet Moses, and the People of God!

**I. PHARAOH MOCKED GOD! (EXODUS 5:1-2)**

**A. The Character Of Pharaoh’s Mocking:**

**This Was A Mocking Of Both God’s Person And His Word!**

*“Who is the LORD that I should obey His voice to let Israel go?”*

*“I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go.”*

**B. The Challenge Of Pharaoh’s Mocking:**

By his **actions** Pharaoh **challenged the LORD, the LORD’s Prophet Moses, and the LORD’s People.**

**Understand that mocking the LORD’s Prophet and the LORD’s People is a form of mocking the LORD Himself!**

What actions do we see?

1. **Pharaoh’s Outright Refusing! (Vs 1-2)**
2. **Pharaoh’s Obstinate Accusing!**
  - a. **Of God’s Prophet! (Vs 4)**
  - b. **Of God’s People! (Vs 9)**
3. **Pharaoh’s Overbearing Bruising! (Vs 7-8, 14, 18)**

Pharaoh took his anger out on God’s Messengers and on the People of God!

It still happens today. When someone has a problem with God, often they will take out their frustrations against the Man of God and/or the People of God!

**C. The Consequences Of Pharaoh’s Mocking:**

**1. Pharaoh’s Mocking Brought Ten Plagues Upon Egypt!**

*(Plagues of blood, frogs, lice, flies, murrain of beasts, boils and blains, hail, locusts, thick darkness, firstborn)*

Pharaoh’s response to the 10 plagues was for him to harden his heart! *(Exodus 7:23; 8:15, 19, 32; 9:7, 12, 34-35, 10:20, 27; 14:8)*

God called these plagues His “*wonders.*” *(11:9-10)*

**2. Pharaoh’s Mocking Brought Death And Destruction Upon Him And Upon His People! *(Exodus 14:23ff)***

Now we expect the heathen to mock God, especially a heathen king, such as Pharaoh, who worshiped multiple deities and didn’t know any better!

However, **what we don’t expect is for the people of God to mock God!** Nevertheless, that is exactly what we will see in this next example that I want to take a look at!

**II. JUDAH MOCKED GOD! (2 CHRONICLES 36:11-21)**

A little history first about what we find leading up to this point. Israel, the northern 10 tribes had been taken captive by Sennacherib, the ruthless king of Assyria. God had allowed this to take place because Israel turned a deaf ear to the prophets God had sent them!

Remember, when you turn a deaf ear to the LORD, you MOCK Him!

God had been good to Judah and what had been their good king, Hezekiah, in delivering them from Sennacherib the Assyrian king who was quite a God mocker himself!

Sennacherib had railed against the LORD, against King Hezekiah, and against all of Judah and Jerusalem. *(2 Chronicles 32:22-23)*

After Sennacherib’s demise, King Hezekiah got sick and look at what it says in *2 Chronicles 32:24*. God had been good to King Hezekiah, but we see that this previously “*good king*” developed a pride problem! *(32:25-26; Cf. 2 Kings 20:12ff)*

After Hezekiah died, his 12 year old son, Manasseh began his 55 year reign and **undid all the good that his father had done!** *(33:1-10)* Until the LORD brought affliction to him and he repented! *(33:11-13)*

Manasseh attempted to undo all the evil he had done in the early part of his reign *(33:14-19)*, but the damage was done in the heart of his son, Amon who succeeded him and followed the evil he saw in dear old dad! *(33:20-25)*

Next we see that Amon’s son, the young King Josiah reigned over Judah and for a little while (31 years) there seemed to be hope for Judah! Understand that Josiah was only 8 years old when he came to power! However, he began to destroy everything to do with idolatry and then he had the house of the LORD repaired! *(34:1-13)*

During this time Hilkiyah the priest found a book of the Law of the LORD given by Moses and it was brought to King Josiah. *(34:14-18)*

When it was read before King Josiah, he rent his clothes at what he heard in God’s Law because he knew that the kingdom he reigned over, Judah, was in trouble with the LORD! *(34:19)*

So King Josiah sent to enquire of somebody that might know just how much trouble they were in. (34:20-23)

The message he received back was bad. Judah WAS in a heap of trouble with the LORD for their transgression of His Law! (34:24-26)

But there was some good news for King Josiah himself. (34:27-28)  
God’s retribution would not happen in King Josiah’s days!

There was somewhat of a revival during Josiah’s day! (34:29-33)  
I say somewhat, because a lot of it didn’t come from the heart—they were made to serve the LORD their God!

After Josiah was killed in battle, the people quickly got out of the way again! Jehoahaz only reigned 3 months and then was carried away captive into Egypt and was replaced by his wicked brother Jehoiakim. (36:1-5)

Jehoiakim reigned 11 years and was the one who was bound in fetters and carried off into Babylon by King Nebuchadnezzar along with the vessels of the house of the LORD.

Jehoiakim’s son Jehoiachin was the next to reign and he was also evil! He was the next one to be carried off into Babylon in the next wave of King Nebuchadnezzar!

Zedekiah was his replacement and that brings us to  
(2 CHRONICLES 36:11-21)

A. **They Mocked The Messengers Of God!**

B. **They Mocked The Word Of God!**

1. **Despising His Word!**

2. **Disobeying His Word!**

C. **They Paid A Price For Mocking God!**

The Word of God that came to them by the Prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled just as the LORD said!

(i.e. 70 years of Babylonian captivity!)

**Conclusion**

Listen...we are many years beyond these few examples of mocking God that we have examined both last week and this week! There are so many more examples that we could take a look at! But one thing is true in each case!

**God is NOT successfully mocked by anyone!**

**Over the years there have repeatedly been those who have mocked God and thought they could get by with it! No one has yet and no one will!**

I’m talking about **unbelievers who have blatantly mocked God and believers in their unbelief!** (e.g. The folks such as Biologist Richard Dawkins and the late Physicist Stephen Hawking.)

And I’m talking about believers who don’t see it as such, but who nevertheless **mock God by their lack of faithfulness and lack of obedience to God!**

Has the Holy Spirit shown you some sin in your life that you need to confess and forsake today? Don’t put it off! Do it now!

If you are lost in need of salvation, don’t put that off! Come get some help today!