

## RADIO TRANSCRIPT #54

singing : "Thy mercy my GOD" #11

### **Welcome friends to another broadcast of "Morsels for Zion's Poor"**

Men love fanfare and a sweeping panorama of activity and oratorical magnificence which amazes all with its grandeur and causes large numbers of people to sit up and take notice. Yet GOD has always been pleased to manifest HIS most profound messages to men through the most obscure of messengers and circumstances which are as unpredictable as they are hidden from the multitudes.

We see this in the case of Noah, who found grace in the eyes of the LORD, being singled out as one in whom the mercy of GOD would be displayed. We see it in Abraham as the LORD called him out of the heathen darkness of Ur of the Chaldees and appeared to him in the plains of Mamre, delivering to him the word of HIS promise and HIS determination to destroy Sodom and Gomorrah. We see it as HE moved Abraham to send his servant to his home country to fetch a wife for Isaac, (Rebekah), who would bear both the son whom the LORD loved, (Jacob) and the one whom HE hated (Esau). In this chain of events HE would demonstrate HIS everlasting love of those whom HE has chosen in CHRIST and his unchanging rejection of those who HE has ordained unto destruction, so that both the glory of HIS grace and mercy and HIS sovereign prerogative to make some vessels unto honor and some to dishonor might be seen.

We see it in the events which caused Joseph to be sold into slavery. We see it in the LORD's appearance unto the stuttering shepherd, Moses, in a burning bush. We see it in HIS purpose to destroy the Philistines with a handful of men, led by Gideon.

We see it as HE raised up a young shepherd boy to destroy the mighty warrior, Goliath, with nothing but a sling and a stone. We see it in the bringing of the very forerunner of the LORD JESUS CHRIST, to break upon the scene clothed in a leathern girdle, eating locusts and wild honey, and pointing out the ONE who is the CHRIST. Then we see our LORD HIMSELF, being born of a virgin mother in a cattle stall.

Elijah, who is considered as the epitome of the prophets is brought forth without noble birth, without formal education, and without a title of any kind, being known simply as, Elijah the Tishbite. We see Elijah break on the scene completely unannounced and without introduction into the presence of King Ahab to pronounce the fact that the LORD would withhold the rain from Ahab's kingdom for three and a half years.

The LORD had a widow in Zarephath, upon whom HIS special love was to be demonstrated, as the LORD sent HIS messenger, this, Elijah the Tishbite, to eat the very last morsel of her food. Yet he who was sent to eat her food was also the same one who was sent to bring her a message of hope which she could not have imagined since she was ready to perish. Who made her to differ from another, and what did she have that she did not receive? The LORD always makes provision for HIS people though HE often sends it in a form that would defy human understanding.

Who among men could have ever devised the unfolding of redemption through the death and resurrection of the Eternal SON of GOD? Who could have even imagined it, let alone participated in its efficacious power.

Those Jews to whom CHRIST spoke despised the declaration of GOD's sovereign right to show mercy to whom HE wills even as the men of religion do this very day. Yet, they could not destroy HIM then nor can any religious men, in the present day prevent the obscure messengers of HIS grace and mercy from declaring it from the housetops and the lowest valleys in which the poor in spirit lay hungering and thirsting.

Elijah was exactly what the LORD made him to be, and no power in earth or hell could change the purpose for which he was sent, even as the LORD JESUS CHRIST, is ordained as the SAVIOR of the LORD's people whom HE loved before the foundations of the Earth were ever laid. *"Who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption" (1Cor 1:30)*

*"Thy free grace alone," #11* **If you would like a free transcript of this broadcast email us at [forthe poor@windstream.net](mailto:forthe poor@windstream.net) ,**