

“BEING A RESTORED HUMAN”

“GOD’S DESIGN FOR LEADERSHIP” Part 5

“RESTORING THE WAY OF THE LORD”

I. THE REBELLIOUS DIVINE COUNCIL

MEMBERS CALLED TO RESTORATION

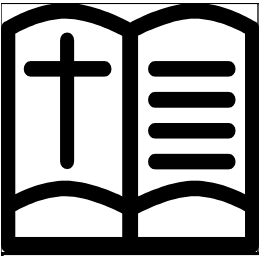
- A. *The role of the divine council from the tower of Babel* Deu 32:7-9
- B. *The failure of the divine council* Psa 82:2
- C. *God calls them to responsible restoration of the proper compassion of God* 82:3-4
- D. *The judgment of the council members* 82:6-7
- E. *The restoration of the Kingdom* 82:8

II. SINFUL ISRAEL CALLED TO REPENTANT RESTORATION

- A. *The failure of Israel in faithfulness*
 - 1. *Half-hearted, rote participation* Is 1:1-15
 - 2. *Compared to her “sister” Sodom* Eze 16:48-50
 - 3. *Phony remorse used to “seek the Lord”* Is 58:1-5
- B. *The call to repentant restoration* Isa 1:16-20
- C. *The call to proper attitudes in seeking the Lord* Isa 58:6-10, 13

III. A SINFUL KING CALLED TO REPENTANT RESTORATION Daniel 2 and 4

- A. *An ungodly king illuminated by the prophet of God*
- B. *Acknowledging but not trusting; living his own way*
- C. *A warning from the “watchers”* Dan 4:13-17
- D. *The call to repentant behavior* Dan 4:27



IV. THE PROPHETS SET COMPASSION AS THE STANDARD OF WHAT GOD REQUIRES OF HIS PEOPLE

- A. *God, through Micah, tells us what He requires of us*
- B. *From Abraham through the prophets the message is the same Ge 18:19; Isa 1:17; Ho 6:6; 12:6*
- C. *Jesus reiterates this message to further confirm this central truth for us Mt 9:13; 12:7*
- D. *Jesus is the exact expression of this truth; He is the living representation of what God requires*

V. THE CHURCH, THE RESTORATION BY GOD OF A PEOPLE WITH HIS HEART

- A. *The ministry of Jesus and the disciples*
 - 1. *Just/justice - putting things in the order in which God created them*
 - 2. *Compassion - seeing the need for mercy in bringing justice and taking the actions to meet it; Spirit-filled humility and boldness*
- B. *From the beginning the church is engaged in justice and compassion Acts 2:42-47*
- C. *Compassionate and just ministry is that for which we have been called and left here on the planet Titus 2:14 (11-14); Eph 2:10*
 - 1. *Evangelism and discipleship Mat 28:18-20*
 - 2. *Meeting needs - 3 areas Js 1:26-27; Gal 2:9-10*
 - a. *Widows*
 - b. *Fatherless*
 - c. *The poor*