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TOPIC: Standing on the promises of God.

Text Numbers 23:19

Introduction

The text we are considering is better understood by considering the back ground.

In Genesis 15: we see Abram being assured not to be afraid, and why was he afraid

Because he was childless and aged . GOD assures him not to be afraid that God is his shield and his exceedingly great reward . God assures him against all his worries of his servant inheriting his estate.

Vs 6 Abraham believed God and it was accounted to him for righteousness.

Vs 13-21. Abram's descendants would go to captivity but come back and possess the very land.

Now captivity has ended they are on their way to the promised land. The bible says then the children of Israel moved and camped in the plains of Moab on the side of the Jordan from Jericho (Numbers 22:1-6).

On their way to the promised land which God had promised Abraham and his descendants, they had encountered major obstacles, troublesome nations who tried to oppose them, whom they defeated and this caused fear.

Like many of us fear drove him to witchcraft and sorcery.

And Balak saw what Israel had done to the Amorites it terrified him. He sent messengers to Balaam a senior witchdoctor to help him curse the seed of Abraham. Whom God had made a promise.

Did it work ?

Numbers 23 from vs 1 –

Balaam said to build for me seven altars and sacrifice on each a bull and a ram seven in total one on each altar.

God responded against Balak's expectation God commanded Balaam to bless instead of cursing.

Thus vs 23;19 GOD IS NOT A MAN THAT HE SHOULD LIE.

So we can trust HIS PROMISES . He promised Abraham That land which craft could not stop it.

No wicked sacrifice could stop it. What ever the LORD says it becomes a law no body can reverse it

When we received Jesus Christ as Lord and saviour we became partakers of the same promise.

The promise of

Land

Children

Education

Eternal security name it.

Although trials come, some things delay God's promises will stand.

No witchcraft will hinder it

No hatred

No jealousy

No lack.

Romans 8:31-39. If God is for us who can be against us , God did not spare His own son who died and raised from dead. Amid challenges keep in their he come for you.

This is a caution for all of us.

You can easily disqualify yourself through

Gambling some missed the promised land.

Through sex immorality Samson missed his assignment and died with Philistines. Judges 16: 25-31.

Through idolatry many died in the wilderness. 1cor 10;1-19.

Lets avoid fear because it fear that caused Balak to consult witchdoctors. For God has not given us a spirit of fear , but of power and of a sound mind. 2Timothy 1;7.

Lets persevere because we whom we have believed and we are persuaded that HE is able to keep that which we have committed to Him against that day 2timothy 1;12.

I call up on everybody to trust God His promises are yes and amen in Christ Jesus.