## 07-Judges-10-Transcript

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well greetings brethren and welcome to Wednesday night Bible study just want to get confirmation that my sound is coming through here

I just need confirmation so I'll just wait 30 seconds here in fact I will go ahead and open with prayer I just need you to confirm that the sound is in fact coming through our Heavenly Father we pause as we come before you in these very tumultuous times we just thank you Father that despite all the uncertainty that surrounds us we have the certainty of your word we have the solid rock Jesus Christ and we have your promises father which can never fail we thank you for this and we thank you for giving us the opportunity and the desire to study your word father please bless us now as we continue in the book of Judges we ask your blessing on our study your blessing on our understanding and that these words that we study father would actually transform our minds our beings our souls our hearts that we would love you father entirely we praise you and thank you in Jesus Holy Name Amen very good thank you pastor Bernie got your confirmation there so let's uh let's continue now in the book of Judges we're up to judges chapter 9 and let's just here judges 9 so you'll remember we were in judges 8 last week in fact I want to just pick up that the last part of judges 8 as we continue now in judges

9 and Gideon said unto them I will not rule over you so remember this day that he was so successful in conquering the Midianites that they wanted to make him King and he said no no no I will not rule over you neither shall my son rule over you the Lord shall rule over you so he

over you the Lord shall rule over you so he definitely had the right understanding that he was just a judge he was just a savior his purpose was to bring down Midian and to release Israel from the oppression which he did but it was not to be the king God is their king so he had that right in verse 23 as the story unfolds it becomes clear that he actually did become their king so he didn't actually take on the title King Gideon but functionally he became their king so we see here that Gideon said unto them verse 24 I would desire a request of you however just just one small thing that you would give me every man the earrings of his prey for they had golden earrings because they were Ishmaelites and we know that these people were moon worshipers and they had the crescent moons as their jewelry and it probably looked spectacular and so gideon kind of got a taste for that and saw the regalia and how you know they they conducted themselves with great pride in stands and pomp and circumstance and he liked that so they they could they agreed to give him that that wealth and he became very very wealthy probably the wealthiest man in in in the area and the weight of the golden earrings that he requested was a thousand and seven hundred shekels of gold beside ornaments and collars and purple raiment that was on the kings of Midian so what would he be doing with the purple raiment so he sees how these

Kings conduct themselves and the beauty of the purple and he's like I like that so now that he's got it you think he would wear it you think he would now separate himself as the savior of Israel who's wearing these purple garments and has all of this gold how can Israel not but look to him as now they're their King and their leader and clearly from the way he behaves and the way his children behave that was functionally what happened and beside the change that were about their camels and necks and Gideon made an ephod thereof so he took all of this and he made an ephod which now not only is giving him political authority but this is also giving him religious authority so he makes this ephod and put it in his City so that the people will come come to this city now Oprah for religious functions even in Oprah as opposed to going to Shiloh and all Israel went there are whoring after it which thing became a snare unto Gideon and his house it sounds like that was not his intention but this is what happened and then in verse 30 and Gideon had seventy sons of his body begotten so he was busy because he had many wives so Gideon Gideon Oh Gideon you're so wonderful and oh you're very pretty I'll take you and I'll take you so that's Gideon and his concubine so in addition to the wives now he has a concubine in Shechem she also bear him a son so that's interesting he's got seventy wives why not have 71 oh it doesn't say sorry 70 sons but he has tons of wives why not have another one but instead of having this wife he makes her a concubine so I was reading some of the commentaries and I some of

them are saying that maybe this is not an Israelite woman that this might be a Canaanite woman because the Canaanites and the Israelites were mixing together but that that sounds reasonable to me but we don't know for some reason this woman wasn't good enough to become a wife but she was useful to him in more ways than one of for pleasure but also maybe politically to make some sort of alliance with the people in Shechem so he makes this woman his concubine and she bears him a son and he calls him my father as King a bin Malik so he's grown into this role and he finally has this child and he says okay I'm gonna call I was Gideon

it's not that she named him Gideon names him Abimelech Abby Malik this is doubt the backdrop so we're coming now to chapter 9 and Abimelech and remember we're studying this so that we can understand what's going on in our time today that that anciently what happened to israel it's a pattern and it repeats itself so here we are if you know and you know greetings to those who might be watching this in the archive this is June 2020 I don't know when you might be looking at this message in the future you so in the future there'll be other issues

right now June 2020 we want to read this and understand how does it relate to our world today so it says here and Abimelech the son of jerub-baal went to Shechem so this is the the Phi the son of the concubine he goes to Shechem which is where the concubine lived that's probably where he was born and now he's not he's going back to Shechem unto his mother's brethren so he's going now to his mother's brothers and communed with them and with all the

family of the house of his mother's father saying so not only so her brothers but everybody in the father's household everybody who's descended from that father saying to them speak so so Gideon is dead speak I pray you in the ears of all the men of Shechem so he goes to them because they're related to him by blood and says hey speak to everybody in Shechem whether it's better for you notice better for you so first of all notice that this is about blood so the way Abimelech sees the world is through blood not through covenant so he doesn't care that Israel is related to him through covenant who cares he prioritizes skin ethnicity over the covenant so he goes to the people who are related to him by physical blood disregards those related to him by covenant and he says to them what is better for you let's talk about what's good for you the same way Satan went to Eve and said this is all about you God is withholding something from you because it's about you and Satan never mentions what's in it for him Satan keeps himself out of the argument and hey Eve this is about you and how you can have great benefits and so here we see abemolik coming to these people talking to them about what's in it for them on a carnal level sound familiar to what we're going through right now either that all the sons of jerubbaal which are 70 people reign over you or that one reign over you remember also that I'm your bone and your flesh it's like he's saying to them hey I'm black you're black black lives matter you know it's better for me to reign over you as a black person or do you want everybody to reign over you even if

they're in the Covenant who cares so it's a very ethnic centric argument I'm your bone and your flesh now I just want to fast-forward to chapter 12 because on Sabbath I gave a sermon entitled will you plead for Baja and in that sermon I asked the question what if the world was made up of only one race your race whatever it is would the world be a better world so there's nobody in this world except people just like you they look like you they're the exact same races you will that be paradise human nature is human nature and if I'm gonna hate vou because vou're a different race from me and then there's nobody like we kill everybody that's all different races and now there's only us left of the same race I'm gonna find another reason to hate you that's human nature

so we mustn't fall for this line that's being fed to us that somehow black people are super righteous and white people are super evil just because of the color of their skin this is so evil it is beyond the pale but look at what happened to ancient Israel fast-forward to Judges 12 and we'll be there in a couple of weeks and we can read this in context but for now let's just cut in at verse number four then Jephthah gather together all the men of Gilead so this is a particular clan within Israel and fought with Ephraim a tribe a very powerful tribe of Israel and the men of Gilead smote ephraim tribal war tribalism you know are we seeing ourselves now being plunged into tribalism instead of instead of us seeing ourselves as Western civilization and realizing we have enemies we have people who hate us and and you

know if you think of the Persian Empire and the Byzantine Empire these were powerful empires and they just kept fighting each other and fatiguing each other and the Arabs came out of nowhere and destroyed them and overtook them so we're going into this tribalism now not remembering we have enemies out there that want to subjugate us and we're just weakening our nation so here we have tribal war Gilead smote ephraim because they said because ephraim said you gileadites are fugitives of ephraim among the ephraim i'ts and among the men are sites so so they they did not accept the Gilead gileadites to dwell among them and the gileadites

took the passages of jordan before the Ephraimites and it was so that when those ephraim i'ts which were escaped said let me go over that the men of Gilead said unto him are you in ephraim life so they hate each other they're the same israelites

they're covenant people they were told to go into the promised land and inherit the promised land and enjoy the promised land now they're hating each other and killing each other they're the same race they're the same people they're all children of Israel so now they get this person from Ephraim who flees into the area of Gilead and they ask him are you in Ephraim aiight and he says no same race same people children of Israel then said they unto him say now Shibboleth and he said Cybil a--the so they say it with a Shh he said it with us say now Shibboleth and he said Cybil a--the for he could not frame him to pronounce it right you know it's like those of us in the West if we were to go to the Middle East and they say to us you know say but

all we would say Bale ball but we can't say that Baba we can't quite form that guttural sound because we weren't born with that see ation so he can't say Shibboleth cuz he could he could not frame to pronounce it right then they took him and slew him at the passages of Jordan and there fell at that time of the Ephraim i'ts 40 mm oh what a beautiful place the world will be when it's just the world of one race because our race is just so super righteous here we have the covenant children of Israel they're not just the same race they're the same family and they find how you pronounce a word reason to hate you and betray you and destroy you please let's not be so superficial to believe that the black lives matter doctrine that black somehow is superior and black somehow is super right you just have to have the skin colour I like what Martin Luther King ir. Todd that he had a dream that one day men would not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character and for us in the church that we're gonna discern the Lord's body and prioritize those in the Covenant over anybody else do God unto all men but especially of those of the household of faith so pronunciation and you know you go to I'm vipers from Jamaica they will laugh at you if they're in the city and you come from the country and you can't pronounce words correctly and you go all over the world and you see this but the human beings just have deceptive hearts and hearts full of hatred yeah my my family was also in England you you just speak a few words in England and they categorize you right away they know what class you come from just by the way you

pronounce your words and they will despise you because of how you speak same race they're all the same race but we always find a reason to hate each other so let's not [ \_\_ ] let's not be easily duped and deceived now look at Philippians the Christian mind we should be immune to black lives matter we should be immune to the Klu Klux Klan and white supremacy we should be immune to any of these causes why because we have the Christian mind Philippians 2 verse 4 look not every man on his own things but every man also on the things of others so if we're passionate about our freedom and our oppression that's our own things when we see freedom being taken away from people in Hong Kong who have nothing to do with us racially but that's Western civilization and it's being destroyed and freedom is being removed from people and people are being disappeared and tortured by the hundreds of thousands maybe by the millions it's not our own thing but look the scripture says look mud is so we Satan should not be able to seduce us by putting our own things in front of us we should be immune because we have this mind look not every man on his own things but every man also on the things of others let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus who sacrificed everything who suffered patiently because he had a higher goal in mind and then he instructs us through the apostles that if we suffer because of something that we did we caused it on ourselves oh well we broke the law and we suffer oh well but if we suffer because of no wrong that we've done we suffer wrongfully but we take it patiently God takes note of this God God

is pleased with this so the Christian is able to suffer wrongfully patiently because we have a completely different agenda we have a completely different world for you we have a completely different time horizon back to judges 9 and verse 3 so these people are as carnal as a summer day as long and they are Israelites and they hate each other so here we see this man Abimelech the son of gideon or jerubbaal he's referred to as garibaldi dropped the name gideon so he's the contender it's kind of ironic he's a contender of baja and yet they're plunged into baja worship so he's appealing to these people of Shechem through their skin their their blood connection their carnal connection over and above the Covenant connection of Israel and his mother's brethren spoke of him in the ears of all the men of Shechem all these words so they began to reason with the men of Shechem to say you know what the King Gideon had 70 sons and now the seventy first son is from us but this one is just sort of the son of a concubine he's a lesser order son so he's not gonna have the voice of the others that come from the wives and the others that come from the wives don't come from Shechem so if there's 71 people trying to make decisions for Israel and ruling over Israel it's not really gonna be in our favor so they're convincing Shechem to kind of see through things through the through the eyes of Abimelech and their hearts inclined to follow Abimelech for they said he's our brother we don't care about the content of his character we just care about his skin color we just care about the kernel connection we have to him as long as

it's one of ours it doesn't matter how low he is it doesn't matter how disgusting he is it doesn't matter how evil he is Hey he's one of ours and we'd rather have that than the Covenant connection and they gave him 70 pieces of silver out of the house of baalberith so there were there were shippers of Baal and they don't care about the Covenant this is they care about the covenant with the baha so they gave him 70 pieces of silver which is interesting because there's 70 has 70 brothers wherewith Abimelech hired vain and light persons he hired vain and light persons so you know this is nothing new this is something that we see all the time if we look at this criminal record of this man that's being celebrated as the greatest thing that black people can produce if you look at his criminal record it says again it's as long as the thumber day as long he was a career criminal and yet these this is the person that clever people who are striving for power the way Abimelech was striving for power clever people of basically hired him to seduce us so hopefully we can see through Satan's devices so he says here that they hired vain and light persons so this basically means treacherous people people who don't have good character this is who they hired which followed him when people want power they don't care about character and he went unto his father's house at Ofra so now he's got Shechem with him he's got finances he's able to hire these low character people to join him and do his bidding and he went into his father's house at Ofra it's like ah the earth old George Soros ah and Tifa where they'll pay people he'll pay you \$200 light and

vain people who will kill people and destroy property for \$200 the same this patterns are the same because people don't change people don't change the patterns are the same human nature is the same the only change we can hope for is the holy spirit transforming the mind and even that is not always complete sometimes people start the process but they don't complete it we have to strive and push earnestly contend for the faith in order to complete the transformation that's the only hope we want to live in a world with people who have power but they don't have the holy ferret just because they have the same skin color as us this is insanity this is insanity for the Christian and he went into his father's house at Ofra and what did he do he slew his brothers the sons of Garibaldi stevarino fight for Israel and put down the Midianites so that Israel could be free he goes and he slays them today if I look south of the border we see Americans killing fellow Americans and forgetting that some of those Americans that they killed their ancestors fought in the Civil War to free black people so they could be freed from slavery the same way jerub-baal gideon fought for israel and 40 years later they forgotten few decades later all white people are evil and we have forgotten the high price white people paid so that black people could be free patterns are the same because human nature doesn't change and he went on to his father's house at Oprah and slew and you know people right some people are writing to me like they want to threaten me they're talking to the wrong person I don't back down you show me God's Word I stick to God's Word

so if you want to reason with me and I have people have who have written to me or who are reasoning with me from the Bible that's great let's talk you know talk to me from emotion and and vile anger mr. free is Christ wants us to be free you know it's very dangerous to cancel free speech it's gonna backfire on you allow people to be free allow people to have a different opinion from you enter into healthy debate healthy exchange of ideas that's how we grow these people who want to shut down speech

it's gonna backfire these people who say only black lives matter which is really like black and brown lives matter the white life doesn't matter the way life has unfolded is the white nations are primarily the Christian nations they're the nations of the Bible you have a few African nations left that are still biblical but even they are being destroyed and being wiped out because the Middle East in North Africa was the hub of Christianity and all of our spiritual ancestors that were in the Middle East in North Africa they've been wiped out they've been destroyed they've been subjugated they've been tortured so that that religion now is replaced with Islam Islam is the brown man's religion Islam is the black man's religion so when we say black lives matter and no one can speak no white man can speak and everybody has to speak with one mind and if you disagree with the one mind you'll be destroyed your business will be destroyed you'll be cancelled we've got to think a few steps ahead where is this going it's going where Islam can come in and the Communists will support it because they hate Christ so much and we

will not be able to speak Christ apart without pain of death and we will see our brothers and sisters in Christ just because they're a different skin color come to a sorry end and their blood will be on our shoulders because we supported the cancelling of free speech we supported the promotion of one thought and that's that black lives matter anything else is cancelled gonna come back and bite us and he went to his father's house at Ofra and he slew his but when people want power they don't care they don't care about you and they don't care about me and you can go ahead and support them and I can go ahead and support them it's gonna backfire and he went into his father's house at Oprah and slew his brothers the sons of Garibaldi Evan T people upon one stone not withstanding yet Jotham or yatha the youngest son of Djerba all yoruba all was left for he hid himself okay so one one son the youngest got away that's gonna come back later now he slew his brethren what does the scripture say what can we learn from judges that can apply to our day today Matthew 24 verse 10 and then shall many not a few read the text with me then shall many be offended and shall betray one another and shall hate one another

so if we can't sit down and talk as Christians in the Covenant love maybe we have a different opinion but we love each other and we can listen to each other and I love the Brethren that have reached out to me in this loving spirit to say hey I don't fully see how you see things but I wouldn't mind talking to you and this is what I'm seeing and oh okay I get to see we're here and that's wonderful that's how we grow iron

sharpens iron but when we see seeds of hatred and complete disrespect and it's like you know no respect for the fact that what one has been appointed as an elder none at all and just a seething hatred oh oh oh that's something that can be tapped that's something that can be fed that's something that can be leveraged if we feel that if we have this this intense emotion we need to check ourselves quickly because the emotion is how Satan operates moods and attitudes and emotions then shall many be offended and shall betray one another like the men of Shechem and shall hate one another like a bin Malik and many false teachers will arise that's necessary and shall deceive many that's critical we have to have a doctrine come into our head that is separate and apart and in opposition to the doctrine of the word of God because then if we follow the doctrine of the word of God it says to discern the Lord's body it says to a to esteem your brother higher than yourself it says to do good to all men but especially those of the household of God it doesn't say do good to all men especially your own race so there's got to be another doctrine that creeps into our minds and takes over and we get very emotional about it and we can't see anything else this has to happen false leaders have to come in promoting this false doctrine that creeps into the mind and suddenly we find ourselves hating each other and that's the seed then for the killing or at least the support of the killing these riots that are taking place in the states we've got to look at that and say my brothers and sisters in Christ can easily get caught up in that somebody's driving there just

happened to be the wrong race and the pulling out a gun and shoot them in the head for no other reason then they're the wrong race and they want to defund the police remove the police our brothers and sisters in Christ will suffer if this continues we cannot give our voice to support this or the blood of these little ones will come upon us and God will not hold us guiltless as we're going to see here with Abimelech God did not hold him guiltless and because lawlessness defund the police take people out of prison that are hardened criminals and let them roam the streets put people who are law-abiding citizens who are just protesting that hey this is my small business I have to make a living put them in jail and let the hardened criminals out because lawlessness is going to abound and we're gonna get caught up with the doctrine that enables this the love of many the agape of many Christians shall wax cold so we can read judges not with oh this is interesting history but these are patterns of thinking and being that are patterns that just repeat their cycles that repeat themselves what's the same adversity makes men and affluence makes monsters we have known tremendous affluence we don't study history if we could only look down through time and see how most human beings have lived and how the poorest of us in the West how we live we are we're truly all of us even the poorest we have affluence compared to how most human beings billions of human beings have lived through time and even today live on the planet adversity makes men affluence makes monsters so here and this is you see this pattern in Israel this you know when God steps in and

saves them and releases them from oppression they become affluent they become monsters until they suffer again and then we can start to get some men out of that population and all the men of Shechem gathered together and all the house of milho and went and made a Bimala cang you know many of us think of saul as the first king of israel watch the Abimelech was Israel's first foray into having a king anything quite get all of Israel but that he was thirsty he wanted all of Israel you could even say Gideon was really the first King although he was functionally a king he was not declared king he actually turned it down but a bimolecular the point of killing everybody all of his brothers and so these men of Shechem in the house of milho they made a bimolecular the pillar that was in Shechem so there's some pillar there and that's where they made him King and when they told it T Gotham were Yatim he went and stood in the top of Mount Gerizim and lifted up his voice and cried and said unto them hearken unto me ye men of Shechem I'm just thinking that Mount Gerizim I didn't get a chance to study that but it's ringing a bell I don't know costomer if you're listening if you know anything about wanta Gerizim or somebody in the chat

just seems to ring a bell like it should be significant um but he went and stood in the top of Mount Gerizim and lifted up his voice and cried and said unto them hearken unto me you men of Shechem that God may hearken unto you this is an interesting character now this is the one surviving son of Gideon and he's now going to the men of Shechem who have made a bimolecular slaughtered all of his brothers except

for this one so he now goes to these men of Shechem and he says you gotta listen to me so that God will listen to you or take notice of you and then he speaks this parable or this fable or this metaphor or I should say analogy and he says the trees went forth on a time to anoint a king over them and they said unto the olive tree reign over us so when we found the best tree the olive tree sort of the symbol of the Holy Spirit in their abundance but the olive tree said unto them should I leave my fatness wherewith by me they honor God and man and go to be promoted over the trees and so thanks so fast Amari I just got your note that Mount Gerizim was the holy location for the Samaritans that's that so that's why I was ringing a bell thank you very much but the olive tree said unto them should I leave my fatness wherewith by me they honor God and man and go to be promoted over the trees like what that's a bad dad no I'm not interested and so the trees said to the fig tree come you and reign over us but the fig tree said unto them should I forsake my sweetness and my good fruit and go to be promoted over the trees so happy the fig tree isn't interested I've got a I've got a lane I've got a function that I'm responsible for III will stay there so they're not the fig trees not interested then said the trees unto the vine come you and reign over us so we're kind of going lower in quality here a lower in benefit and the vine said unto them should I leave my wine which Cheers God and man and go to be promoted over the trees then said all the trees unto the bramble now they've gone to the bramble come you and reign over us so so we can't find anybody to reign over us

will you the bramble reign over us and the bramble said unto the trees if in truth you anoint me king over you then come and put your trust in my shadow so what yah 'some is saying to the Shechem i'ts is you have chosen the lowest of the low to be your leader and and this is you know not unlike what we see today with the political machinations that are taking place where they will take the lowest of the low and put them in front of us so so today when we what we see is suddenly a career criminal is made an angel that we have to take this person who has zero character and we're very very sorry for how he died that that was totally wrong that was immoral how he was killed how he was murdered but there's no it's egregious there's no excuse for it but why are we being fed this individual as our hero why can we just not say no justice needs to be done this officer are these officers that did this the justice needs to be done but he's not our hero we're gonna choose people who have tremendous character as our heroes we want our young people to look up to a Martin Luther King you should to look up to someone who's who's built character and struggled and made the world a better place don't don't give us heroes that have zero character that's that's an insult to our children and to our legacy so here now Yatim is saying to the Chicot mites the lowest quality has come to you that's the only that's the only person that's going to accept the role that you're looking for and the brambles said unto the trees if in truth you anointed me this is really a bimolecular in you anoint me king over you then come and put your trust in my shadow and if not so trust me not God

and if not let fire come out of the bramble and devour the Cedars of Lebanon so the bramble is nothing the Cedars of Lebanon are glorious but if you don't give me your full adherence if you don't hand over your full allegiance to me then I will destroy everything that you hold dear this is what the lowest character bed this is what they do because they're so hungry for power we are being manipulated to give them our Allegiance and if we don't give them our full Allegiance they will burn up everything they will burn up everything now therefore so this is now he comes out of the parable or out of the fable and he says to them talking to the Shechem ight now therefore if you have done truly and sincerely in that you have made

Abimelech King and if you have dealt well with durable and his house so remember what somebody did for you in the past

to free you from oppression so if you have integrity and in your integrity you are now going to swear allegiance to Abimelech that's one thing and if you have dealt well with gerbil and his house and have done unto him according to the deserving of his hands remember because my father fought for you and adventured his life far he put his life on the line for you and delivered you out of the hand of Midian and again what's the pattern today white men white women white children sacrificed everything they paid the ultimate price so that black people could be freed from the Midianites from the hand of slavery from the oppression so you know if you're gonna swear allegiance to black lives matter in your integrity remembering the price that was paid the

ultimate price how many people were slaughtered white people so that you could be free if you're acting in your integrity that's one thing but if you're now going to swear allegiance to say that all white people are evil and you have forgotten the sacrifice this is another matter for my father fought for you and adventures his life far and delivered you out of the hand of Midian and you are risen up against my father's house this day and you have slain his sons threescore and ten persons upon one stone and you've made a bimolecular it's the concubine king over the men of Shechem why because he's your brother you put carnal relations over and above the Covenant you judged just by the color of skin over and above the spiritual bond the bigger picture and you chose the lowest of the law to lead you if you then have dealt truly and sincerely with jerub-baal and with his house this day then rejoice you in a bin maalik I hope it works well for you if you've acted in integrity and let him also rejoice in you I hope it all works out really well because you were acting it was integrity and you did not forget the sacrifices of old you don't erase history you remember and you will never you will never be ungrateful for the ultimate price that was paid but if not listen to what listen to the curse of Yatim upon the Shechem i'ts because he said you know the bramble that the fire will come from the bramble and destroy even the Cedars of Lebanon but if not let fire come out from the lowest of the law if not let fire come out from abemolik and devour the men of Shechem he is he's he lost all his brothers and so he sees very clearly the the treachery and it's like he's inspired by

God to give this this parable to the men of Shechem and then to say you need to examine your heart and if you have truly acted in integrity everything's gonna be fine but if you've acted out of treachery then let fire come out of the very person you made King over you let fire come out from abemolik and devour the men of Shechem and the house of milho and let fire come out from the men of Shechem and from the house of Miller and devour Abimelech what a lovely union you have what a tremendous unity you have you and Abimelech you just love each other so if you really do love each other then may it be a long-lasting union but if it's a carnal union made out of treachery then may you destroy each other this is the curse of yatha on the shack amides and yon ran away and fled and went to beer and he dwelt there for fear of Abimelech his brother his brother you could say his brother in the Covenant but they had the same father and brother shall betray brother Ben Willett just wanted power didn't care about anything else and would use everybody in anybody to get the power when Abimelech had rained three years over Israel then God Jehovah then God sent an evil spirit so God endorses the curse of Yatim because Yatim was inspired by God to pronounce that curse to give the the metaphor of the bramble and then to say to these men I've acted in integrity everything's gonna be fine but if you've acted out of treachery and ingratitude it's not gonna go well for you and it's not gonna go well for a bimolecular because the bond is not a true bond the only true bond we can have is the covenant bond then God sends an evil spirit between Abimelech and the

men of Shechem so let's ask this question let's ask this question so God sends an evil spirit he sent it could that happen today is it possible that God could send an evil spirit today well take a look at patrisse cullors who is patrisse cullors she is the founder one of the cofounders of black lives matter patrisse cullors is an american artist and activist she's an advocate for prison abolition in Los Angeles and co-founder of black lives matter so she doesn't want any criminals in prison they should all be on the street she also identifies as a queer activist okay we know that people who are submerged in this lifestyle they don't like the Bible and so if she gets power she's not gonna be happy about the Bible being around or Christians being around so if this is an Abimelech and we support her in our integrity I hope it all works out well but if we support her and it is in ingratitude then she's gonna destroy us and it's especially fear in America and you have the Second Amendment you may destroy her and her followers as well so it's not it's gonna be a civil war and it's not going to be

her biography says what she grew up and I just wanted to find something here just go back and I'm looking for a particular here it is okay so she grew up in Pacoima Pacoima low-income neighborhood she became an activist she later earned a degree in religion so this is not someone who does not know religion she studied it she earned a degree in religion and philosophy and so she was forced from home at 16 when she revealed her queer identity to her parents she was involved in the Jehovah

good now

Witness as a child but became disillusioned with it and she developed an interest listen to this can God send an evil spirit today to activate this destruction she developed an interest in the Nigeria's Nigerian religious tradition of Aoife incorporating its rituals listen to this please incorporating its rituals into political protest events did you hear that did you hear that that if we are involved in her political activist events she has designed them in such a way that she incorporates the religious tradition of Aoife into these events so what is Aoife what does that mean that she incorporated this into her events so eva is a euro Yoruba religion and system of divination I'm just stunned that we don't do our research we will not condemn this evil movement simply because it claims the same skin color this is a Yoruba religion and system of divination I think the Torah is pretty clear about divination it's literary corpora sorts Bible is the ODA Oh Dewey fuh orang Milla is identified as the grand priest as he

is who revealed divinity and prophecy to the world so it's not Christ this mist is the Spirit of Christ is the spirit of prophecy that's what revelation tells us that's not that's not what they believe they believe that this grand priest Arun milah

is the is the originator of prophecy so this religious system is a Yoruba religion so let's drill down on man the Yoruba people are an ethnic group that inhabits western Africa mainly Nigeria and Benin and I if you I did a study on tongues if you're looking at in the archive for Acts to to see what tongues is and how this voodoo spilled over into

the West so that's in the archives acts to the Yoruba constant 40 to 4 million people there are 9 thick groups they talk about this let's just go down here let's go to the mythology and you'll see here the artifacts these sort of you can see right away the paganism the sexual because these bowel worshipers are all sex worshipers so this is the oral history of the Oh yo Europa recounts that oh do do ah to be the progenitor progenitor of the Yoruba and the reigning ancestor of their crown Kings hopefully we detect that right away that's Nimrod this Nimrod from NIM from from Babel they spread all over the earth and they took their religion with them and they just called him different names so here we go Nimrod is the progenitor of the Yoruba and the reigning ancestor of their crown Kings he came from the east sometimes understood from if a traditions to be okie Ora and by other sources as the vicinity true east on the cardinal points but more likely signifying the religion of these different folks okay let's go on after the death of oh dude wha

there was a dispersal of his children from Aoife to found other kingdoms so they leave Nimrod they leave Babel and they found other King he comes from the east and then they leave there and they found other kingdoms each child made his or her more this is what this woman believes this is her religion each child made his or her mark in the subsequent urbanization and consolidation of the Yoruba confederacy of kingdoms with each kingdom tracing its origin due to them - Afiya fee Ilia fee after the dispersal and read this carefully with me the Aborigines became difficult so they

left and then they became difficult and constituted a serious threat to the survival of if ii thought to be survivors of the old occupants of the land before the arrival of the oh do do ah these people now turn themselves into Marauders they would come to town in costumes made of raffia with terrible and fearsome appears appearances and burn down houses and loot the markets does that sound familiar burning down houses and looting the markets and goes on that then came a Remy on the scene she was said to have played a significant role in the quelling of the Marauders advances but this was at a great price having to give up her only son

lulu hogg beau the reward for her patriotism and selflessness her swearing of allegiance was not to be reaped in one lifetime as she later passed on and was thereafter deified and the eddy festival celebrates this feast among her Yoruba descendants so it's not the reward is not to be reaped in one lifetime

so this religion as they celebrate they're constantly looking forward but but God sends an evil spirit and duties do we see that what this woman is into is divination divination which is something that God has no tolerance with he told the people of Israel you see somebody involved in divination you put them to death and these people were involved in all sorts of looting and shooting and you see today all of this looting and marauding and and they say at the same time she had to swear allegiance that she could not have all the benefits immediately so she had to swear allegiance in order to have the benefits but it wouldn't come in her

lifetime and you see today these folks having to be humiliated because they're part of this same strange cult and so these folks have to humiliate themselves and you see recently for some reason dressing up in African Kente cloth cultural appropriation and having to bow the knee having to worship and humiliate themselves publicly and and maybe even sacrifice their own flesh and blood as they swear allegiance and sacrifice their own brothers and sisters fellow Americans as they bow down to this but all and they contain they they're involved in this but all worship and they just have to be humiliated publicly God Himself sent an evil spirit and that evil spirit came into the land and caused civil war caused massive bloodshed and we're seeing today this evil spirit sweeping through the land and the the activism behind it the rituals incorporated in it it's all voodoo it's all divination and people don't know what they're doing they're bowing down on the knee and they're involved in these rituals and they don't know the design the architecture of these protests that they're being swept up in and if we as Christians how is it that we as Christians are going along with the whole world in every country every major corporation the major technic technicality shion's we all agree with will hey we're in sync with everybody red flag red flag and so the scripture shows us here that it was God who sent an evil spirit between Abimelech and the men of Shechem so within the Israelites God sent this evil spirit between them to fulfill the prophecy of the author and the men of Shechem dealt treacherously even though they made him

King because of this evil spirit they dealt treacherously with their own brother and then we see here in the scriptures one take a minute and read this in Matthew 7 he says if you then being evil know how to give good gifts unto your children how much more shall your father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him therefore listen to this

for all things whatsoever you would have that men should do to you do you even so to them so if your ancestors sacrificed everything to free somebody else's people would you want those people to be grateful to you to acknowledge at least that they made this sacrifice well if that's how you want to be treated that's how you should treat others would you want to be judging you you you are a unique person you have a unique identity you have unique experiences that have shaped you would you want somebody just a broad-brush you and say oh yeah you know your this race or your this color you're from this country therefore you're like this and they've never spoken a word to you they have no idea what you think would you want to be treated like that therefore all things whatsoever you would that men should do to you do you even so to them this is a command from God for this is the law and the prophets enter you in at the strait gate for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction so if we're on a path and there are so many others on the same path with us and everybody agrees with us and if we say the correct thing everybody Pat's us on the back okay I begin to feel a little bit nervous if it's easy oh yeah I I you know if somebody says one thing we just

condemn them and everybody agrees and cancels them I'd be a little nervous because Christ says that broad is the way that leads to destruction and many there be that go which go in thereat but narrow is the gate Strait is the gate and narrow is the way which leads unto life and few there be that find it so I'd be much more comfortable having a position where the whole world disagrees with me but it's the right position and it's how I would want others to treat me because Christ tells me treat others the way you would want them to treat you so I'm gonna take that position and I don't care if the whole world disagrees with me because Christ tells me that it's a narrow way most people are not gonna find this way beware of false teachers or remember that lawlessness will abound because there's gonna be false teachers and they're gonna support the lawlessness and deceive many to go along with the walnut the lawlessness and then many are going to hate and many are going to betray so beware of false prophets which come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly they are ravening wolves Abimelech was a ravening wolf inside even though he came saying hey I'm your brother wouldn't it be better for you if I cuz we're the same people well you shall know them by their fruits so we need to examine fruits everybody has an opinion everybody has an opinion and some people can be very articulate Satan is full of rhetoric so if we listen to rhetoric we can get swept up anywhere we need to back away from the rhetoric I'll listen to the rhetoric but first I want to examine your fruit what have you done for the church lately what have you done for those in the body of

Christ do good unto all men but especially those in the body of Christ how demonstrate for me how you discern and make a distinction between the Lord's body and everybody else and show me your passion for the Lord's body versus everybody else I want to see the fruit and then I'm gonna listen to the rhetoric and and I like to listen to good rhetoric but if it's good rhetoric with no fruit I have a concern let's have good rhetoric but let's have the fruit to back it up because that's what Christ tells us to look at this this is the antidote to deception you shall know them by their fruits so black lives matter show me your fruit what have you built because all I'm seeing is destruction and an evil spirit from the Lord that is leading to civil war in the slaughter of many show me your fruit and and then I'll listen to your rhetoric side-by-side with your fruit you shall know them by their fruits do men gather grapes of thorns or figs from thistles even so every good tree brings forth fruit brings forth good fruit but a corrupt tree brings forth evil fruit a good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit so we put a Bimala can power does he have the ability to bring forth FIGS does he have the ability to bring forth grapes does he have the ability to bring forth olives these would be good fruit but he's bramble he it's inputs it's it's genetically impossible for him to bring forth good fruit what he can bring is destruction so let's give these people our power let's give them our support and if all they can bring is destruction if they dare touch a hair on the head of anybody

in the Lord's body and we supported them oh my now we have to face Jesus Christ and now he's gonna show us the loss loss of life loss of limb loss of property loss of peace of mind that his body suffered and when one part of the body suffers all bought are all parts of the body suffer and we supported that we did not speak out it we had the opportunity to say no this is evil this is divination the whole world is going this way we don't support it we had the opportunity to speak up but we didn't in fact if we spoke up we supported it oh boy oh boy oh boy I hope it works out you know what if the Shechem i'ts supported abemolik in their integrity then may it all work out well for them but if there was ingratitude and betrayal then may they destroy each other and God will send an evil spirit to make sure it happens every tree that doesn't bring forth good root is hewn down and cast into the fire therefore by their fruits you shall know them this is what Christ says don't listen to the rhetoric first look at the fruit first examine the fruit both inside and outside the church these politicians they can have good fruit so you know somebody can be clumsy they can be awkward they can be crude but they work they work for their people and they produce fruit and other people that can be smooth and suave and they say all the right things and beautiful rhetoric but they do nothing no fruit no results in fact the opposite they destroy their people that's outside in the church people can have great rhetoric but there's no fruit think about it Christ says the the antidote to getting swept up with the Broadway the antidote to being swept up by deception

look at the fruit that's how you'll know so we'll just come back here I just read this last verse more pause for tonight so the cruelty so because of this evil spirit that God sent to break the bond between a bimolecular shakka mites that the cruelty done to the 70 sons of Djerba all might come and their blood be laid upon a bimolecular brother which slew them and upon the men of Shechem which aided him in the killing of his brethren so God does not take treachery lightly and these men did not have the Holy Spirit but they were the Covenant people and looking we're gonna see as we follow through next week to finish this we're gonna see the end of Abimelech and the Shechem i'ts and we need to take warning that if any body any brother or sister in the body of Christ is harmed by this evil movement and if we have given our support our allegiance our encouragement our social media posts if we have supported this in any way and any blood is shed by a brother or sister just going about their business but get getting caught up in this this sweeping violence this contagion if their property is damaged in any way if their livelihood is damaged in any way if they suffer any loss God is watching and we'll see here how God deals with this so I'm just warned I'm pleading pleading God can send an evil spirit into the world and that evil spirit can sweep through society and change society that suddenly were just bloodthirsty and violence is everywhere because that's what the devil is all about so this book of Judges it's thousands of years ago but it lays down patterns for covenant people and if these things are written for our example so praise God that we have these

examples so that we should not lust after evil things let's set our sights on the kingdom there there is nothing we can do to make this world a better place it's full of evil men it's full of men with deceptive hearts we need men full of the Holy Spirit and we need Christ on earth and this is not a pipe dream this is reality

so let's study from the ancient covenant communities see the patterns how they transpired and let's not follow the bad examples let's follow the good examples and let's demonstrate our loyalty to Christ by first showing him that we can't see him well we can see our brother and we don't see the skin color we see we discern our brother in Christ our sister in Christ and we love them we go out of our way we we fervently love one another and we're going to be a peculiar people on the earth people are not gonna understand us but that's what the Holy Spirit will do and as the violence and wicked men wax worse and worse

the Holy Spirit should get stronger and stronger so that the polarization between God's people and the devil's children becomes more and more pronounced and God's people are gonna seem insane

they're gonna seem crazy because everybody's marching to the drummer of the the chill did the the children of the devil but we know what we're doing because we have the examples and we have the Word of God we stand on the solid rock Jesus Christ is Lord he's a wonderful his yoke is easy he's a beautiful God he is perfection and true beauty don't go after the ugly go after the beautiful Jesus Christ is Lord I love you

God loves you let's love one another and let's fulfill our roles faithfully in the Covenant you