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The Revolutionary

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Revolution (from the Latin *revolutio*, "a turn around") - An impassioned and oft-violent disposing of one governmental leadership in exchange for a new one.

The Revolutionary - The socio-political leader empowered to dispose of one government and bring about a new leadership, a new power, a new authority.

The Four Key Ingredients to Revolution

- 1. Discontent
- 2. Conviction
- 3. Repentance
- 4. Judgment

The Cry of the Revolutionary

Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Matthew 4:17

Repent, oh you discontented and convicted souls, for judgment is at hand.

Matthew 4:17 (Eric expanded edition)

Judgment

A remarkable punishment; an extraordinary calamity inflicted by God on sinners.

For the Father judges no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son . . .

John 5:22

The First Judgment

The Body of Christ

For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?

1 Peter 4:17-18

When Judgment comes to the House of God

Ananias and Sapphira

But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession, And kept back part of the price, his wife also being privy to it, and brought a certain part, and laid it at the apostles' feet. But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land? Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God. And Ananias hearing these words fell down, and gave up the ghost: and great fear came on all them that heard these things. And the

young men arose, wound him up, and carried him out, and buried him. And it was about the space of three hours after, when his wife, not knowing what was done, came in. And Peter answered unto her, Tell me whether ye sold the land for so much? And she said, Yea, for so much. Then Peter said unto her, How is it that ye have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the Lord? behold, the feet of them which have buried thy husband are at the door, and shall carry thee out. Then fell she down straightway at his feet, and yielded up the ghost: and the young men came in, and found her dead, and, carrying her forth, buried her by her husband. And great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things.

Acts 5:1-11

Trembling Before His Holiness

God is jealous, and the LORD revenges; the LORD revenges, and is furious; the LORD will take vengeance on His adversaries, and he reserves wrath for his enemies. The LORD is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked: the LORD hath His way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet.

Nahum 1:2-3

But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God . . .

Romans 2:5

The Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished . . .

2 Peter 2:9

The Judgment Seat

. . . we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.

Romans 14:10b

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad. Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences.

2 Corinthians 5:10-11

Seek ye the LORD, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the LORD'S anger.

Zephaniah 2:3

Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as He is, so are we in this world.

1 John 4:17

The Great White Throne

A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened . . . And many of them that sleep in the dust of the

earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

Daniel 7:10; 12:2

And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Revelation 20:11-5

The Opened Books

The Writings of God

1. The Old - The Law and the Prophets

And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God.

Exodus 31:18

2. The New - The Life of Jesus, The New Covenant in His Blood

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. ...

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

John 1:1-4,14

The Greater Testament (The Greater Book)

Not Written in Stone, but in a Human Body

Forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart.

2 Corinthians 3:3

This is the book of the generations of Adam.

In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him;

Genesis 5:1

The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

Matthew 1:1

And he (Jesus) came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written . . . And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. And he

began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

Luke 4:16-17, 20-21

The Lamb's Book of Life

The Word of God, The Living Book, the Living Epistle

- The Book of the Living Psalm 69:28
- The Book Daniel 12:1
- The Book of Life Revelation 3:5
- The Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world - Revelation 13:8
- The Book of Life from the foundation of the world -Revelation 17:8
- The Lamb's Book of Life Revelation 21:27
- The Book of Life Philippians 4:3

Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

Luke 10:20

And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

Ephesians 2:6

Standing Behind the Book and Agreeing with the Judge

The Armies which were in Heaven

And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

Revelation 19:11-16

The Conspiring of God unto Judgment

Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

1 Corinthians 2:8

- 1 Kings 16:25 But Omri wrought evil in the eyes of the LORD, and did worse than all that were before him. ...
- 1 Kings 16:28 So Omri slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria: and Ahab his son reigned in his stead. ...
- 1 Kings 16:30 And Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of the LORD above all that [were] before him.

- 1 Kings 16:31 And it came to pass, as if it had been a light thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, that he took to wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal king of the Zidonians, and went and served Baal, and worshipped him.
- 1 Kings 16:32 And he reared up an altar for Baal in the house of Baal, which he had built in Samaria.
- 1 Kings 16:33 And Ahab made a grove; and Ahab did more to provoke the LORD God of Israel to anger than all the kings of Israel that were before him.

Introducing the Revolutionary

And the LORD said unto him, Go, return on thy way to the wilderness of Damascus: and when thou comest, anoint Hazael to be king over Syria: And Jehu the son of Nimshi shalt thou anoint to be king over Israel: and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abelmeholah shalt thou anoint to be prophet in thy room. And it shall come to pass, that him that escapes the sword of Hazael shall Jehu slay: and him that escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha slay. Yet I have left me seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him.

1 Kings 19:15-18

Jehu, the son of Jehoshaphat

- Jehu Jehovah is HE, Himself who Exists, Himself who IS, Jehovah IS, I AM Exists, I AM IS
- Jehoshaphat And Jehovah IS Judge and Avenger, I AM Exists and WILL JUDGE!

20 Years of "Repent ye, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand!"

From 1st Kings chapter 16 to 2nd Kings chapter 9

- Elijah the witness of God
- The Long Drought
- The Fire From Heaven
- The Return of Rain
- Mercy from Immediate Judgment
- Victory in Battle over and again
- Michaiah the witness of God

The Four Ingredients of Destruction

- 1. Indifference
- 2. Self-Justification
- 3. Hardness of Heart

4.Judgment

Jehu, The Witness

The witness to the Naboth Incident and the Hearing of the Word of God unto Ahab (1 Kings 21:19; 2 Kings 9:25-26), The witness to the "Licking Dogs" (1 Kings 22:38).

Jehu, the Man for Such a Time as This

Jehu, The Anointed

And Elisha the prophet called one of the sons of the prophets, and said to him, "Get yourself ready, take this flask of oil in your hand, and go to Ramoth Gilead. "Now when you arrive at that place,

look there for Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat, the son of Nimshi, and go in and make him rise up from among his associates, and take him to an inner room. "Then take the flask of oil, and pour [it] on his head, and say, 'Thus says the LORD: "I have anointed you king over Israel." 'Then open the door and flee, and do not delay." So the young man, the servant of the prophet, went to Ramoth Gilead. And when he arrived, there were the captains of the army sitting; and he said, "I have a message for you, Commander." Jehu said, "For which one of us?" And he said, "For you, Commander." Then he arose and went into the house. And he poured the oil on his head, and said to him, "Thus says the LORD God of Israel: 'I have anointed you king over the people of the LORD, over Israel. 'You shall strike down the house of Ahab your master, that I may avenge the blood of My servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the LORD, at the hand of Jezebel. 'For the whole house of Ahab shall perish; and I will cut off from Ahab all the males in Israel, both bond and free. 'So I will make the house of Ahab like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah. 'The dogs shall eat Jezebel on the plot of ground at Jezreel, and there shall be none to bury her.' " And he opened the door and fled.

2 Kings 9:1-10

Then Jehu came out to the servants of his master, and one said to him, "Is all well? Why did this madman come to you?" And he said to them, "You know the man and his babble." And they said, "A lie! Tell us now." So he said, "Thus and thus he spoke to me, saying, 'Thus says the LORD: "I have anointed you king over Israel." Then each man hastened to take his garment and put it under him on the top of the steps; and they blew trumpets, saying, "Jehu is king!" So Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat, the son of Nimshi, conspired against Joram. (Now Joram had been defending Ramoth Gilead, he and all Israel, against Hazael king of Syria.

2 Kings 9:11-14

Jehu, The Man of Swift Obedience

So Jehu rode in a chariot and went to Jezreel, for Joram was laid up there; and Ahaziah king of Judah had come down to see Joram. Now a watchman stood on the tower in Jezreel, and he saw the company of Jehu as he came, and said, "I see a company of men." And Joram said, "Get a horseman and send him to meet them, and let him say, 'Is it peace?' " So the horseman went to meet him, and said, "Thus says the king: 'Is it peace?' " And Jehu said, "What have you to do with peace? Turn around and follow

Me." So the watchman reported, saying, "The messenger went to them, but is not coming back." Then he sent out a second horseman who came to them, and said, "Thus says the king: 'Is it peace?' "

And Jehu answered, "What have you to do with peace? Turn

around and follow me." So the watchman reported. saying, "He went up to them and is not coming back; and the driving is like the driving of Jehu the son of Nimshi, for he drives furiously!" Then Joram said, "Make ready." And his chariot was made ready. Then Joram king of Israel and Ahaziah king of Judah went out, each in his chariot; and they went out to meet Jehu, and met him on the property of Naboth the Jezreelite. Now it happened, when Joram saw Jehu, that he said, "Is it peace, Jehu?" So he answered, "What peace, as long as the harlotries of your mother Jezebel and her witchcraft are so many?" Then Joram turned around and fled, and said to Ahaziah, "Treachery, Ahaziah!" Now Jehu drew his bow with full strength and shot Jehoram between his arms; and the arrow came out at his heart, and he sank down in his chariot. Then Jehu said to Bidkar his captain, "Pick him up, and throw him into the tract of the field of Naboth the Jezreelite; for remember, when you and I were riding together behind Ahab his father, that the LORD laid this burden upon him: 'Surely I saw yesterday the blood of Naboth and the blood of his sons,' says the LORD, 'and I will repay you in this plot,' says the LORD. Now therefore, take and throw him on the plot of ground, according to the word of the LORD." But when Ahaziah king of Judah saw this, he fled by the road to Beth Haggan. So Jehu pursued him, and said, "Shoot him also in the chariot." And they

shot him at the Ascent of Gur, which is by Ibleam. Then he fled to Megiddo, and died there.

2 Kings 9:15-27

Jehu, The Man of Decision

Now when Jehu had come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it; and she put paint on her eyes and adorned her head, and looked through a window. And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, Had Zimri peace, who slew his master? And he looked up at the window, and said, "Who is on my side? Who?" So two or three eunuchs looked out at him. Then he said, "Throw her down." So they threw her down, and some of her blood spattered on the wall and on the horses; and he trampled her underfoot. And when he had gone in, he ate and drank. Then he said, "Go now, see to this accursed woman, and bury her, for she was a king's daughter." So they went to bury her, but they found no more of her than the skull and the feet and the palms of her hands. Therefore they came back and told him. And he said, "This is the word of the LORD, which He spoke by His servant Elijah the Tishbite, saying, 'On the plot of ground at Jezreel dogs shall eat the flesh of Jezebel; 'and the corpse of Jezebel shall be as refuse on the surface of the field, in the plot at Jezreel, so that they shall not say, "Here lies Jezebel."

2 Kings 9:30-37

Jehu - The Bringer of Judgment

Now Ahab had seventy sons in Samaria. And Jehu wrote and sent letters to Samaria, to the rulers of Jezreel, to the elders, and to those who reared Ahab's sons, saying: Now as soon as this letter comes to you, since your master's sons are with you, and you have chariots and horses, a fortified city also, and weapons, choose the best qualified of your master's sons, set him on his father's throne, and fight for your master's house. But they were exceedingly afraid, and said, "Look, two kings could not stand up to him; how then can we stand?" And he who was in charge of the house, and he who was in charge of the city, the elders also, and those who

reared the sons, sent to Jehu, saying, "We are your servants, we will do all you tell us; but we will not make anyone king. Do what is good in your sight." Then he wrote a second letter to them, saying: If you are for me and will obey my voice, take the heads of the men, your master's sons, and come to me at Jezreel by this time tomorrow. Now the king's sons, seventy persons, were with the great men of the city, who were rearing them. So it was, when the letter came to them, that they took the king's sons and slaughtered seventy persons, put their heads in baskets and sent them to him at Jezreel . . . So Jehu killed all who remained of the house of Ahab in Jezreel, and all his great men and his close acquaintances and his priests, until he left him none remaining.

2 Kings 10:1-11

And he arose and departed and went to Samaria. On the way, at Beth Eked of the Shepherds, Jehu met with the brothers of Ahaziah king of Judah, and said, "Who are you?" So they answered, "We are the brothers of Ahaziah; we have come down to greet the sons of the king and the sons of the queen mother." And he said, "Take them alive!" So they took them alive, and killed them at the well of Beth Eked, forty-two men; and he left none of them.

2 Kings 10:12-14

Jehu - The Condemner of Idolatry

Now it happened, as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, that Jehu said to the guard and to the captains, "Go in and kill them; let no one come out!" And they killed them with the edge of the sword; then the guards and the officers threw them out, and went into the inner room of the temple of Baal. And they brought the sacred pillars out of the temple of Baal and burned them. Then they broke down the sacred pillar of Baal, and tore down the temple of Baal and made it a refuse dump to this day. Thus Jehu destroyed Baal from Israel.

2 Kings 10:25-28

Jehu - Who's With Him?

- Are you with Ahab and his House? Or are you with Jehu and His House?
- Are you behind Ahab, hiding in the false security of a wicked King? Or are you behind Jehu, the anointed of Jehovah, and the true power of Salvation?

Jehu - His Judgment is Furious, but Right

And the LORD said to Jehu, "Because you have done well in doing what is right in My sight, and have done to the house of Ahab all that was in My heart, your sons shall sit on the throne of Israel to the fourth generation."

2 Kings 10:30

The Proclamation

The Old Man is Judged, His End is sure! Join the Revolution of Light!

Judgment Begins in the House of God

For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?

1 Peter 4:17-18

Climbing in Jehu's Chariot

Now when he departed from there, he met Jehonadab the son of Rechab, coming to meet him; and he greeted him and said to him, "Is your heart right, as my heart is toward your heart?" And Jehonadab answered, "It is." Jehu said, "If it is, give me your hand." So he gave him his hand, and he took him up to him into the chariot. Then he said, "Come with me, and see my zeal for the LORD." So they had him ride in his chariot. And when he came to Samaria, he killed all who remained to Ahab in Samaria, till he had destroyed them, according to the word of the LORD which He spoke to Elijah.

2 Kings 10:15-17

Are We Ready for the Day of Judgment?

Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as He is, so are we in this world.

1 John 4:17

Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because we ride in The I AM's Chariot, so are we in this world.

1 John 4:17

A Few Pertinent Questions

- Is your heart towards Him, the same as His heart towards you?
- Have you taken His hand and entered His Almighty Chariot of Fire and Judgment?
- Are you participating in the judging of the Old House in order to establish His New House?
- Are you in His Judging company, in full agreement with His Agenda? Or are you the object of His Judgment?

- Have you painted your face and come to the window, feigning that you are justified and clean in your wickedness?
- Are are you willing to join the Revolution and toss wicked Jezebel out the window?
- Are you willing to serve up the 70 heads of Ahab's sons to Jehu and declare Him your King?
- Do you agree with Jehu in His great zeal?