

Who And What Do You Support?

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"And Jehoshaphat the king of Judah returned to his house in peace to Jerusalem. 2. And Jehu the son of Hanani the seer went out to meet him, and said to king Jehoshaphat, Shouldest thou help the ungodly, and love them that hate the LORD? therefore is wrath upon thee from before the LORD." 2 Chronicles 19:1

It is very important that we know and understand who and what we support. Not only these verses but the whole word of God shows this truth. We can be one of those who can turn a blind eye to the faults of those we like and admire, as well as relatives. The question is, can a Christian support some sinner who promotes wickedness and be right in the sight of God?

King Jehoshaphat was a good man and a king who had sought to walk in the ways of God. He didn't go after the idols and the Lord blessed him. He took away the high places where the people had sacrificed to idols and he sent people to teach the law. There was much good in him and he was one of the better kings of Judah.

For some reason he joined up with Ahab, the king

of Israel. Ahab was one of the most wicked men to rule in Israel. I don't know what Jehoshaphat saw in Ahab that caused him to help him, but for whatever reason, he did. When he returned home, God sent a prophet to meet him who rebuked him for doing anything to help wicked Ahab, who led Israel to sin. Ahab and Jezebel killed Naboth and took his land, as well as many other wicked things that they did during their rule. This was the kind of man that Jehoshaphat felt like helping, the man who was doing the same things that Jehoshaphat had stopped in Judah.

It is the same today when people who say that they live for the Lord support those who do things that God condemns. There are those who want to be leaders who stand for every unclean and wicked sin and good people support them. This is not about politics but about right and wrong. Can a man stand before the Lord when he has helped to put wicked leaders in office? Some openly support homosexual 'rights', as well as gambling, abortion, which is killing babies. They say it is a woman's right, but is it? Some of these support full term abortion of which it is said that some babies are stabbed in the head with a pair of scissors. If you can support and try to justify that, I don't see how you can call yourself a Christian.

It is pathetic to see someone try to support some sin with a flimsy excuse. As one person told me years ago when a sinful leader was elected, which he supported, "When they're in office I have more money in my pocket." Will this person, or anybody else, stand before God and say such a thing? If so, then Judas made money, after all, it was just a business deal, wasn't it?

Then there was the time when a national leader was noted for his affairs. That didn't bother many of his supporters, even if they were church folks. One said, "Oh, he's a man, and a man will do things like that." Really? Is that a response that a Christian should make? Does a person's loyalty to their political party mean more than their loyalty to the Lord? Friends, a politician can't save you, but the Lord can. But if he is going to save any of us we have to live for him and not play the fool and put men before him.

If we were as dedicated to the Lord as many of us are to our politics we would see a change in lives. I don't know that I've ever seen many as worked up and excited about the Lord as some who talk about their political party. Put your faith in the Lord and not in any man, politician, preacher, or anyone else. Salvation comes not in the elephant, or the donkey, but in the Lamb of God.

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TELL KING SAUL THAT I SHALL DO AS HE HAST REQUIRED OF ME!

WE SHALL DELIVER THY MESSAGE TO THE KING, DAVID!

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AND THIS IT WAS THAT DAVID SPAKE!

NOW LET THE YOUNG MAN FALL BY THE SWORD OF THE PHILISTINE, AND MINE OWN HANDS SHALL BE INNOCENT OF HIS BLOOD!

AND EVEN AS SAUL IS SPEAKING, AND DAVID IS PREPARING TO LEAVE FOR THE FIELD, FURTHER TO THE EAST, A VAST COMPANY OF PHILISTINES ARE GETTING OUT TO BRING WAR TO THE ISRAELITES...

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