

## Joshua 6:1 (Phillip R. Gladding) 214731

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They returned to the 6th chapter of Joshua. Joshua Thick, now Jericho was straightly shut up. Because of the children of Israel, none went out and none came in. And the Lord said unto Joshua, See, I have given into thine hand Jericho, and the king thereon, and the mighty man of men of valor, and he shall compass the city, all he men at war, and go around the \*\*\*\*\* city once Thus shalt thou do six days, and seven priests shall bear before the ark 7 trumpets of ramthorns. And the 7th day he shall compass the city 7 times, and the priest shall blow the trumpet. And as you come to pass, that when they make a long blast. With the ram of horn. And when he hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people shall shout with a great charity, and the wall of the city shall fall down flat, and the people shall ascend up, every man straight before him. And Joshua the Son of Man, called the priests, and said unto them, Take up the ark of the Covenant, and let 7 priests spare 7 trumpets of ram. For the ark of the Lord. And he said unto the people, hath on, and compassed the city, and let him let his arms pass on before the ark of the Lord. And it came to pass, when Joshua had spoken unto the people, that the seven priests bearing the seven trumpets of Ram's horns passed down before the Lord, and blew the trumpets, and the ark of the covenant of the Lord followed them. And the armed men went before the priest and blew the trumpets. And the real world came after the army, the priests going on and blowing with the trumpets. And Joshua had commanded the people, saying, He shall not shout, nor make any noise with your voice, not a shining word proceed out of your mouth until the day I envy you shout. Then ye shall shout. So the ark of the Lord compass the city, going about it once. And we came into the camp and lodged in the camp. And Joshua rose early in the morning, and the priests took up the art of the Lord. And seven priests bearing 7 trumpets of ram horns before the ark of the Lord went on continually and blew the trumpets. And the armed men went before them, but the real one warned came after the earth of the Lord the priest, going on and blowing with the trumpets. And the second day they compassed the city once, and returned into the camp. So they did six days, and it came to pass on the 7th day that they rose early about the dawning of the day. And encompassed the city of the same manner 7 times. Only on that day they encompassed the city 7 times, and it came to pass at the 7th time when the priest blew the thrombus Joshua set out of the people shout for the law has given you the city, and the city shall be accursed, even if and all that are therein to the Lord. Only way had The Alchemist. She and all that are with her in the house because she hid the messengers that we sent. And G in any way keep yourself from the accursed thing, lest you make yourselves accursed when you think of the accursed things, and make the camp of Israel across, and trouble it. But all the silver and gold, and vessels of brass and iron are consecrated unto the Lord, They shall come into the treasury of the Lord. So the people shouted when the police priests blew the trumpets. And it came to pass when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout that the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him. And they took the city, and they utterly destroyed all that was in the city, both man and woman, young and old enough and sheep, and asked with the age of a God. But Joshua had said unto the two men that had spied at the country.

Go into the college house, and bring out bench the woman, and all that she hath, as ye swear unto her. And the young men that were spies went in and brought out Rayhad with, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she had, And they brought out all her kindred, and left them without the hand of Israel. And they burned the city with fire and all that one they're in, all the silver and the gold and the vessels of brass and iron. They put in the treasure of the House of the Lord, and Joshua said Ray had the heart of the life. And her father's household, and all that she had, and she dwelleth in Israel even unto this day, because she hid the messengers which Joshua sent aspired Jericho. And Joshua adjured there at that time, saying, First be the man before the Lord, that riseth up and buildeth his city, Jericho. He shall lay the foundation thereof in his first form, and in his youngest son. Shall we set up the gates of it? So the Lord was with Joshua and his famous noise throughout all the country. In this chapter, Israel is about to commence aggressive warfare but is confronted by the towering walls of Jericho. But the Lord had given the Joshua the promise, he says in the second verse. And the Lord said unto Joshua, See, I have given the divine hand Jericho, and the Kingdom of, and the mighty men of valor. Part of terrible condition of things response. Everybody in the city of Jericho had shut their homes and their hearts against the messengers of God. They would not receive the message nor yet the messengers. But there was one woman, a poor woman of Harlow, living on the City Hall to open her home in her heart to the messengers of God and believe the message, and she took the messengers in. Well here in the first verse it says now Jericho was straightly shut up. What a solemn statement this is. Shut up. Man went out, and none came in. What a picture of the way in which Satan 45 is the National Heart against the Word of God. Every summons to surrender is disregarded, and although judgment is about to fall, the Sinner apparently is untouched and unknown, and does not turn to the one who can save from coming judgment. And so we find that this poor woman, what a character she was too. She opened her heart and her home to the messengers of God, and she believed the message too. Have you opened your heart for the message of God? Everyone here? Have you believed the record that God has given us his Son? Have you accept your feel that God is true? Do you believe that judgment is coming? Is your heart closed against the love and grace and salvation of God? Dear friends, if I remember, judgment is coming. Oh yes, it is. And judgment was about to fall upon this perfect city. And it did fall as we read further on. But before the judgment fell, we found the Lord gave Joshua this wonderful word of encouragement. And what a word of encouragement is. It is to the evangelist who ventures alone in the enemy's country. About to attack the strongholds of Satan. You remember what the Lord said to the very first evangelist. He says, all power is given unto me both in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore. And now the Lord gave this wonderful promise to Joshua. He says, the Lord said to Joshua, see, I have given him to thine hand, the city, and all of these areas. What a wonderful promise. And it is a promise that Joshua could rely upon because the Lord carried. In connection with that first. Declaration by the law to the very first evangelist and very scripture, beloved friends, was a wonderful source of encouragement and strengthened me. In China, I used to visit the soldiers camps every week, two camps of thousand men in each camp. And as I entered those camps, the air was filled with blasphemy, without, with purses, with filthy language. And I stood at the gate and trembled many times and said, Lord, give me courage, give me strength to go in.

And very, very frequently this very verse came before me. All power is given unto me. Go ye, therefore that's all I need. The Lord didn't say I'll give you the power, said It's all mine, both in heaven and in earth. And now you go on the strength of that. And serve his 31st. So I've just frozen has been a great source of strength and comfort to my own heart, my own experience. So I can imagine how Joshua fell within the middle when he was confronted by a towering wall to this great city and everybody in it except one person opposed to them. Enemies, enemies of the Lord and enemies of Joshua. And get the Lord to say, see, I've given you the city. And now he says, Anisha Joshua says, you shall compass the city all in many war, and go around the bath of sitting once last shalt thou do six days. Now the assembled armies of the living God going around the city of Jericho and brought no tariff or Rayham whatever, nor yet to her household. Why? Why she lived on a City Hall. No, she can look down upon the host, the back, and make yourself without fear at all. Why? Because she had the scarlet thread in the window, that's why. And because she had the word from the messenger, our life for yours. You remember in the. In the second chapter of Joshua, this poor woman says verse 12. Now therefore I pray you, she's speaking to the messengers, Swear unto me by the Lord, since I have showed you kindness, that she will also show kindness unto my father's house, and give me a true token to see. A woman was pleading for a true token. Well, the messengers gave her true token. They said our life be yours, and they stood by it. The Lord given us the true token, beloved, indeed He has. Why the resurrection of Christ? Is it not a true token? He was delivered for our offenses and raised again for our justification. What a glorious true token we have from God Himself. And so Joshua had this. This woman rather had this true token given her. And you notice what it says a little further down verse 15. Then she let them down by a cord through the window, for her house was upon the town wall, and she dwelt upon the wall. I've had the privilege of going around one of these wall cities in China, so perhaps I can picture this in some little measure. To see this four women's house on the city wall, she could see whatever was going on in the city and outside the city. And it's wonderful how far one can see when standing on this high, wide wall around the city. And there she was and says she left the messengers down by a crawled through the window. Now you remember what they said to her. Verse 18 The whole when we come into the land. Thou shalt bind this line of scholar thread in the window which thou just left us down. By now that very scarlet lion, which was the means of their salvation and deliverance from that city, was the very means by which Murray had was sheltered from cunning judgment. And that would suggest to me, your friends, that there is only one way of safety and salvation. And that's true the precious blood of Christ, which was shed of Calvary. How beautiful. The notice that is very same line which she used to let the fires down by was the very line which shelters her from judgment. And they said, when we become into the land now you put the line window. Did she wait until that moment? No, she did not. She put it in right away. Right away she was in earnest. She was not going to lose an opportunity. She took advantage of the first opportunity. And before the men had hardly left her house, that scarlet line was in the window. And so, as I remarked, she could look down upon the host about and make the assault without fear at all. The scarlet line was in the window. And she handed her the messengers word for it. Our life to yours. And so you and I, beloved, as believers on the Lord Jesus Christ.

We can look down upon the judgment, so to speak, which is about to fall upon this Christ rejecting world without being moved at all. Why? Because we're sheltered by the blood of Christ and will never reach out, but all have solemn to think it's going to reach some people. It's going to fall upon the rejected of Christ civil in their sins, that awful judgment which is about to be poured out upon this Christ rejecting world. It's going to fall on those who rejected Christ, those who are not sheltered by his precious blood. But we who through grace are sheltered by the blood of the Lamb. We can. Rest unmoved while contemplating that awesome judgment which is about to fall on this world. And surely it will, and the day is appointed for it. How solemn the thought that God has appointed the very day in which judgment will fall from this world, and the one who is to execute the judgment has been appointed by God the Father to execute it. We get that in John five, do we not? I think. 22 it says, they are the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment under the sun. And in verse 27, little further down, it says, And hath given him the Son authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man. But in the three moves, two precious verses, there it is. Between the 22nd and the 27th we have that precious statement. There, verse 24, the one who is appointed to be the judge, he turns to the Sinner. And he says, verily, verily, I send to you have personal, this is verily, verily. You have noticed possibly in John's Gospel we get that double oath of affirmation 25 times. Verily, verily, it's the Son of God speaking. He says, verily, verily, as much as to say, I want you to understand that I'm speaking to you and I want you to listen. Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that heareth my word, and believe upon him that sends me half of a lasting life. And shall not come into judgment, but is passed from death unto life. We do not read, as far as I recall in Scripture that we have saved, but we do read that statement with past from death unto light. That's how the Lord puts us in His very precious food. You and I through a graceful believe that pass from death unto life. Isn't it wonderful to realize and rejoice in the night where we find them here? Now let us look at the manner in which the army of the living God approaches the stronghold of the enemy, because it's full of instruction to every soldier of Jesus Christ. There were seven priests. What a strange anomaly this is. It seems 7 priests should occupy such an important place in the arm. You're about to engage in conflict. 7 priests. What would that suggest to us? I believe that would suggest that God's soul is not being worshipped. Yes, or not. Now we find many dear Christians today who in love the. Lots of souls busy themselves with much service. How often they seem to forget that that's not the first thing that God values serves. No, God values worship You remember what the Lord says to the little Samaria The Alchemist. Now is when the true worshippers shall worship the power in spirit and in truth. For the Father seekers that to worship him, you know, beloved Saints of God, God is seeking worshippers. Not workers. God is thinking worshippers. The Lord is looking for servants. But we find that men often reverse the order and cease by working to become a worshiper. It's not the way at all. No, no. And let us not forget, beloved, that worship is the very first thing in John called in the Scripture. You turn the pieces of person, you find it there. You turn the Hebrews, you find it there. You turn the first books, all books of the Bible, you find it there.

In Genesis we find man's fallen, he's a Sinner. In Exodus man is redeemed with the blood of a lamb, we find the liver. In Leviticus man is worshipping but the numbers he served so it's in divine order and that's when God values worship more than service. They both have their place and not condemning service, but there are many today who put service 1st and it's absolutely wrong. Well, happier than these seven priests. Taking up our position just in front of the arm. And that's the place where God met worshippers, you know. Do you remember what the Lord said the most as there alive commune with thee. Now I'd like to turn a description in case I misquote it. I think it's the 25th chapter of Exodus. Yes, the 25th chapter of Exodus and verse 22. Or we could read verse 21. And that shall put the mercy seat above it on the ark, and in the ark that shall put the testimony that. Give thee, and there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat. So the ark is a place where God met worshippers, and there were these seven priests worshippers, and they had to go before the ark, and they were to blow these random horns constantly for seven days. And that was the only sound which must be heard during the whole seven days. And where was the sound? Where did it come from? Next to the ark, thus drawing attention to the Lord only. And we find here in this chapter that little farther down, perhaps we're going a little too far. I'll just refer to it now. Verse 10. And Joshua had commanded the people, saying, He shall not shout nor make any noise with your voice, neither shall any word proceed out of your mouth until the day I bid you shout. Then shall he shout. Fuel an action or anything of man coming in would have nullified the whole thing. And would have evinced

the spirit of willfulness so contrary to a man walking the power of his consecration. In obedience and depends on God. Now there are two things that characterize these seven priests and it was that dependence upon God and obedience to his word. They need have no fears about the results. They were not armed at all. They were not the fire shot they would just walk around the city in the car that consecration because the Rams horn the ram was the animal killed at. Of the priests, often rather at the consecration of the priests, of course killed food. And the horn denotes power. So these seven priests would walk around the city in the power of their concentration, independence upon God, and in obedience to His Word. And what a glorious result. They didn't fire a shot, they didn't have to fight. They were not depending upon their souls and Spears and guns. No, they were just depending upon the word of God. And you remember what Joshua said to the children of Israel and Joshua 3 verse 10. He says the living God is among you. What the cheer this must have been to them. They were in the land and they had seven enemies to fight and overcome before they could enjoy the land. Now you and I through into the grace, we have no set of enemies to overcome. When we get into glory, there'll be no enemies there. But when they enter the land, they still have 7 enemies to overcome before they could take possession and enjoy the land. And I'll just read the verse in the third chapter of Joshua. It was so encouraging to the children of Israel. Verse 10, the third chapter. And Joshua said, Hereby ye shall know that the living God is among you. What would the power involved in Jericho mean? And the numerous enemies, what would they mean to the living God? Nothing, no, the living God could overcome them and begin. But what a word of encouragement this must have been to Joshua, the living God of among you. What a precious word of encouragement. And so he says, and that he will without fail drive out from before you the Canyon ice. Count them the hicies, these private ice, the parasites, the Gerbesites, the Amorites, and the Jebusites. What a precious word of encouragement. The living God is among you, and the love of thanks of God. Have we not the same promise? Is not the Lord Jesus with us every step of the journey? Indeed He is. He's promised never to leave us more to faith. Shall we need not fear the enemies? We can go on the strength of the Lord God, not in our own strength.

These seven priests didn't go on their own strength now they had the word of the Lord, and they were to walk in dependence upon His word without any fear whatever and. Seven, it's very remarkable of many times we find the number seven mentioned in this chapter and seven really expresses the perfection, the perfection of all the resources we have in the living God. And so they would just walk around the city once every day for six days in the power of their consecration. Nothing to fear, nothing to fear. They hadn't got a fire shot at all, just to walk around and blow the round form. And although the ram thorns might be the subject of ridicule to the people in the city, they were walking in the power of their consecration. The Rams formed in those power, and there's the Ark of the Covenant of the Lord followed them, and the armed men went before the priest. That blew the trumpet and the rearward came after the ark. The priests going on and blowing of the trumpets. Yes they were to blow the lambs horns every day for seven days. The 7th day when this day arrives, this wonderful baptism. Joshua rose up early in the morning and they started off around the city 7 times and you can imagine the really cold with the people in the city would make. Possibly. Call them fools. Look at those people walking around the city just blowing around for them. What good will they do? Yes, but then had the word of the Lord for it, and the Lord was going to give them the victory on the strength of their obedience and dependence upon Himself. And so now the seven players arrived. Now they go around the city 7 times. On the lowering Miranda's own trumpet, and the 7th time Joshua gave the word to all the people to scout. Now we find God's palm manifested in answer to the shout of faith. All the people shouted, and you can imagine what a shouted must have been will not hold how many people there were there, but the most of being, I suppose hundreds or thousands. They all shouted as loud as they could. And what happened? The walls of the city fell down flat, yet God, how manifested announces of the shout of faith. And your dear friends is another shout to take place. We are reading about it today. Are you ready for that shout? Will that be a shout, a signal for you to be delivered from coming Judson? Or will it be a signal for your destruction? It'll be one or the other. Are the Lord shall descend from heaven with a shout. And dear friends, we might hear the shout tonight. I say we, we who are believers, I do not believe the unbelievable here to shout. Remember going around the camp in Shanghai was in one of the soldiers house. And the bill goes down and all the soldiers jump into the uniforms and ran out on the parade grounds as quickly as it could. And one soul who passed me gave me a little nudge and said, look at that guy. He pointed to a young officer. And being the service long, you can look at him. He doesn't know what it means. All the other men heard the sound of the trumpet and they responded to it N they went to the parade ground. This young officer stood there looking bewildered, didn't know what it meant. I often thought of that since he was attached to the Army. But as far as he was concerned, there is no combustion. He didn't know what it meant. He didn't respond to it. Those who heard it responded to it, and they are way in the moment. And dear friends, soon we're going to hear the trumpet sound. Yes, they'll be a wonderful shout. And we who are ready will hear the shout and respond. Good. Be gone in the moment. Leave the scene behind forever. Are we all ready for the shout? Well, the blessed thing it is to be like the way he had the harlot, and isn't it striking that God should call of the harlot on every occasion? Why would she saved and not be honest in this June city, whether it tells us in the 11Th chapter of Hebrews?

Hebrews 11. Verse 30 and 31 by faith. By faith. Mind you, the walls of Jericho fell down after they were accomplished about seven days. I think the Harlot Ray had perished not with them that believed not. When she had received the spies with feet, it was not the case of the spies receiving her. It was a case of Ray had receiving the spying, the messengers of God and their message. Yes, she received it. All of the houses and homes and parks in that city were closed, he said. It was shut up because of the children of Israel. But her home, and possibly a wicked home, she was in the heart of his days. Her home, her ears, her harbor open, received the the voice of the messengers and the solemn message. And she believed it. And they told her of one way of escape from judgment which was coming upon the city. And dear friends, there only is one way of escape from coming judgment upon this world. Mr. Be sheltered by the precious blood of fight to put your faith in Christ and the shed blood. There's no other way of safety or shelter whatever. And working took advantage of that, that God prayed. She put it in a window even before the men had popped and left her home. As soon as had been let down by that cord off the city wall, she put it in her window. That is the sign of her confidence in the God of Israel and His Word. Where is your confidence, friend, is in yourself. Is it in anybody in this world or is it in Christ? Or how precious to have your confidence in faith? In God, in the Son of his love, the Lord Jesus. You know, we find a scholar thread running throughout Scripture from Genesis to Revelation, and we need to turn just for a moment, to the 31St chapter of Proverbs. It's in connection with a virtuous woman first hand. Father 3110, who confined the virtuous woman for her price, is far above Ruby, the heart of her husband, that safely trusting her, so that he shall have no need of spoil, she will do him good and not evil all the days of her life. Verse 21 She is not afraid of the snow for her household. Why? For all her households are clothed with God, all beloved. How fresh as it is when the whole household of a family clothes with God. That is shelved by the precious blood of Christ. She was not afraid of the snow. She was not afraid of that which is to come, the storms of winter. No, a household of scarlet. And we get in the Song of Solomon. I think it's chapter 4. My turn doing the case I'm wrong. Chapter 4. Verse 3. Thy list are like afraid of scholars. This surely prefigures the confession of the Sinner, the confession of Christ as the sinners only hope. Scarlet instructor speaks of dignity and Sharia. A name of dignity is mentioned in Roman 79. The name of the Lord Jesus Christ is satchel confessed to thy lips by mouth the Lord Jesus. By lifting like a Freddie's column, If

thou shall confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and believe in mine heart that God was raising from the dead, thou shalt be saved. Well, how precious it is to be clothed in scarlet, that is, to be sheltered by the precious blood of Christ, Or when we find a whole family sheltered by the blood of Christ and happy it is what a precious thing it is. Well, how is it without? Tonight? Are we close with scarlet?

This I do believe proficiency sentence compassion of Christ as his only hope of salvation. Christ, the only one who can felt like an incoming judgment by his precious blood. Well to get back to oncaster. It says in brought 16 and it came to pass at the 7th time when the priest blew the trumpet Joshua set unto a Beatles shout for the Lord that's giving you the city and the city shall be encouraged, even it and all that other into the Lord only bring him to harmony to live. She and all that are with her in the house because she hid the messages. That we spent twice. We're told that in this chapter. Hid the messenger which we sent. Yes, she had room for them. Your friend, you have room for God's message tonight, the message of powerful peace and salvation. Blue faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Remember that child is coming. This is a mighty shout result lost the whole city collapse. And then the whole city was devoted to judgment. Yes, it was a picture of this world, and this world is going to come under the judgment of God. But there is a way of escape tonight. And it's faith in the Lord Jesus and when he sheds love. And there's no other way of escape, friends, none other escape at all. And so how informed that is to have this matter settled tonight. Where will you spend eternity? Where you go? We all know that we are on a journey. We cannot dispute the fact we're all traveling together. But where are we going? We're going to one of two places. Everyone in the hall tonight is going to one or two places. By the heaven or hell for everyone here tonight, let's make no mistake about it. We need to speak plainly these days, you know. People are really not disturbed at all by the gospel. If you Thunder at them with the back of judgment of God, it makes no difference. If you speak to them of a wondrous love of God, it makes no difference. But all the things that the moon is coming, when such so disregard gone off of mercy and grace and salvation now will stand before that blessed one, the Lord Jesus in faith to be judged for their sins and tossed into hell finally. What a terrible caution in the blackness of darkness. Forever tormented day and night. Thinking as friends, tormented day and night. We have a picture of that in Luke Gospel. The rich man in here that says he was tormented but Lazarus was confident. What a difference. Is going to be comfortable for all eternity or tormented for all eternity? It will be one or the other, friends with everyone of us, or see to it that will not. Tormented day and night, forever and ever in the blackness of darkness, away from God, where there's no salvation, no second chance, no blood, no Christians, no hope, nothing but judgment. All the terrible caution, and yet men, women and children are going on today heedless, regardless, regardless of their eternal destiny. No acting as if there's no Christ, no hell, no salvation, no heaven. But there is. There is an heaven and a hell. And I say again, you and I, dear friends, are going to one of those two places, and we may reach that stronger than we realize. Yes, the coming of the Lord may take place tonight. Are we ready for it? Dear young ones, Are you ready for Lord's coming? He may come tonight. Daddy and Mummy gone to heaven. What about you? Johnny left behind the gods Guzman that's the thing that's gone mentally when I was a youngster about your age and you might your father, mother was crazy and they are going to be with the Lord Jesus Christ. And I used to go and listen to King Hall of their bedroom at night. If I couldn't hear mummy's voice or daddy's voice, I thought oh, has the Lord come and taken them and left the judgment and that tremendously the whole night through. But all in the morning, like when I heard them getting up, watering meets and now they were still there. And I knew and the Lord had not found. But if the man came tonight, you be a young ones. Are you ready for it? Have you received the Lord Jesus Christ? You will say again, I am sheltered by the blood of the Lamb, which for a woman she deserved nothing else but eternity in hell. She is a wicked woman.

She saw lying she was a harmless or she deserves an eternity in hell. But God had mercy on that dear woman. And the lame is recorded in the lens of Hebrew as a face chapter and it requires the old fashioned mind to remind you of the wondrous grace of God of such a person. Yes, God's grace and glass of the violence it has done in my own case. And the grace of God can go after you, and it does. What are we going to do about the grace of God tonight? He's offered pardon, pardon for all our sins, behold in the glory of Christ Himself and to escape the judgment of God. All this is a free gift for those who put that trust in the Lord Jesus Christ and receive in the best Savior. Well, if the shout took place tonight, Henry would be left beyond his feet. If the Lord gave us doubt within the next 5 minutes, who will be left here? In the books of challenge on her, would it be me? Would I be left behind? Would mine be a daddy and mummy be gone and me lashing behind the gods judgment? What an awful thought. And there's no need for it. Though there is a way of escape. There is a way of escape for that wicked woman. A solid. Rahan yes, there's one way of escape. The message of judgment came before she received that. She believed that, and she escaped adjustment because she received the message. She believed it. Are you going to receive a message of God waiting for forgiveness tonight through faith in Christ and escape God's government? You can. The salvation is available right now. It may not be tomorrow. I dare not stand here and say, well, friend, you can be saved tomorrow. No, I would not say that because I have no authority to say so. Have this authority from God's word to say you can be saved right now, this moment. God uses that little word so frequently in instructions that falls. Now is the accepted time to hold. Now is the best salvation. Come now, have this reason together, acquaintance with him, and be at peace. It's now, my dear friend. It's now when she says, if you're gone to me, do not put it off another moment. We're not sure the next moment why? When they hear the fact, we will know the Lord will be gone. What about you? He left behind and nowhere to stay from God's awful Johnson and you could not say I'd never heard the gospel. I'd never heard the word salvation. You be young people here at the. I suppose every week faithfully put and so you have no excuse. Why haven't you accepted Christ. You remember what we get in the 14th of Louis it says when. This great couple of after two and they all with one consent began to make excuse. I hadn't one ready, but I too made one and it's amazing how people can make excuses. Nor indeed it is if they do not want to come to Christ, and we find in that very Chapel that man does not want to come into close quarters with God. Suffer salvation is offered, the invitation goes out to all and sundry, And they all, with one consent, began to make excuse. And what foolish and poultry excuses they were. They were just polite refusal. What exclusive? You made this and the friends are not coming to Christ. Why haven't you received Him? He's available. He loves you, He dies for you. He wants to save you and to bless you, and He will if you let Him. He wants to do it now. Do not put it off. Do not go out of the door on your sins. You invent your parody in hell. What a terrible thought, and it's true. It's calm to be able to believe it, but nevertheless it's the truth of God's word. These are not our own concoctions or thoughts or opinions. God words. So we find here than the whole city was devoted to judgment when the shark was made, the city's house left in answer to faith. And there's but all the silver and gold, investors of brass and iron are consecrated unto the Lord. They should come into the treasury of the Lord. So the people shouted. When the priest flew, the compass came to fall from the people, heard the sound of the trumpet, the people shouting, the Gray shark that the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city, and they actually destroyed.

All of us in the city, not one, escape the plant from Rahab the harlot and her family. The father of Harry, not one escape. All right which would bear the action of the fire was consecrated under the law. The silver, the gold above the line, and so on. There are good be put in the treasure for law. They stood with fire, but the other didn't know. They perished. Everybody perished, and it says he has. They were slain with the edge of the saw. The first time we hear the saw being mentioned in this shall we call the great battle? And yet it wasn't. Then the storm

was not used until the city fell flat. So the sword was not used in order to execute or to gain the victory rather. No, it wasn't. The Lord gained the victory. He gave the word and he stood by him and befriends. God will forever stand by His word. What He says he will do. When He says He'll appeal to give you on the ground to what Christ has done, he means it. He tells you He'll save your soul through this simple faith in Christ. You need it, and He will do so. All others rely upon this Frankish word. How thankful we should be beloved that we have His Word to rest upon. What a foundation when everything around us is going to pieces. We still have a solid foundation of the immutable Word of God, that which can never pass away. All have questions again and his fearing word is being attacked to down every hand, disbelieve, rejected and constituents worthless of all how valuable it is to us and should be when we realize it's the voice of God from my heart and soul. And be your stood or how is your friend God for His Word? We can turn to it now and read it and I'll measure and enjoy the truth of it and comfort of it, assurance of it. But Joshua said unto the two men of despised that the country going to the harvest house. And bring us dance to women, and all that he hath. And she swear unto her. And the promise was made, and it is to be paradise. And the young man that was fired went in and brought out Rahab and her father, and her mother and her brethren, and all that she had. They brought out all her kindred, and left them without the camp of Israel, and they burned the city with fire. And all that was there in what a terrible end to this wicked city. And it affected their friends of the end of this world. It's going to be burned up. Where are your interests tonight? Are we in this world? If so, they're going to Paris with us. Yes, this world, you find this tool to come under the judgment of God, people will not believe it. You know the possible for this. All things continuously work on the beginning. There's no change. Everything is going on just the same. And people say, and naval artists have said to me, why don't you burn your Bibles? What good are they? Burn them, get rid of them. Well, we have to remind that, naval officer, what the Lord says in John 12:48. He that rejected me and receiveth not my word hath won. The judges him. The word that I have spoken the same shall judge him in the last day. It's a solemn thought, you know, to think of the word of Mendes 5 is going to judge them. God bless her member leading a young soldier on the street in Cape Town. I was giving a gospel, the gospel according to Saint John. There were thousands of young soldiers. Walling Streets and I had lots of thousands of these gospels. The Lion haven't had one to a youngst older who's alone and looked at it and said, you know, I used to print these in England. I said, did you? That's very interesting. He said yes, I did these very books I printed in England and said, do you mind if I ask you a question about them? Sure, he said.

So do you believe what you printed? Really, can I printed them? I said yes, but do you believe what you friended? I said, you know, in that very book you printed now these words, my quote of that first John 12:48, The very word you print is going to judge you if you do not believe it and receive it. The very word you printed and come to judgment and it's a fallen thought really is, but it's true. But what is your attitude to the word of God tonight? What is your attitude of the Christ? The only save your sinners. He's gonna receive him by faith into your heart tonight. He's going to say no to him. Are you going to be like this condition of things here? Jericho is straightly shut up. Is your heart closed against God's salvation, beyond people, against His grace and love? Remember, judgment is coming. If you'll shut up or shut your heart up to Him, you'll be shut in hell for all eternity. You'll be shut up and shove in, shut out of heaven, and shut in hell for the loss of loss. But it's true. It's really too strong to think about and talk about. Well, there's much more than this in the chapter, but there's about 25. And Joshua stayed. Raha Ray had the hall of the lion and the Father's household and all that he had, and he dwelleth in Israel even unto this day, because she hid the messengers which Joshua sent us by Jericho. Well, there was a way of escape from the judgment for 1/2. There's a way of escape for the Senate tonight. And if you take the same advantage of the remedy for God was provided like very handed through the state of judgment of God. But if you despise the remedy or the place of safety and shelter, you'll have to perish in your sins and the Lord beg himself if you believe not that. And ye shall die in your sins. And remember dear friend, if you die in your sins, you will be raised in your sins to be judged for your sins and finally cast into hell. What a terrible thought isn't it? It's the Paul. Terrible things are by the swamp we have in the word of God. This is the simple truth in heaven system. He perished not within the belief, not because. He received the spies and feet, yet she received them. Didn't turn them away and the other people did. I wouldn't have to find him. They shut them up, says there goes straightly shut up. There wasn't another family that opened our home and passed with the messengers that she did. His poor wicked woman who deserved nothing else from eternity in hell. And yet the Lord had mercy on us and brought her out of that terrible city. She escaped the judgment that fell upon us. And the city was brought to fire and level through aligned with slavery of the soil for the terrible condition of things. And all this was accomplished without firing shots, yet not one shot of fire on this occasion. It was the word of the Lord. And remember, you and I have the same as Ray has. We have the blood to shelter us from coming judgment, and we have the word of the Lord to withdraw our hearts. As we are sheltered, all have questions. Appears it's all the children of Israel had. They were sheltered by the blood of the lamb. And I had these words from the Lord himself. When I see the blood, I will pass over you. Was this sufficient? Falling indeed. Why indeed? It was sufficient for me. Yes. Thank God. That's all I have. That's all I need. That's all you need to be sheltered by the brothers. The precious blood of clay. It's the only blood in Scriptures, both of us. Precious blood. Thorough has precious of the eggs. Because it's the blood of heights. And so we have the blood of Christ to shelters. We have the word of God to assure our heart that we are sheltered. A man brings peace, double peace to the heart and conscience. Well, just a shout to play place tonight. How will it find you? Are we ready for this house? Will there be the signal for our destruction or signal speed to be delivered from Jackson taken home? It must be one or the other.

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