

THE IMPORTANCE AND THE POWER OF “ONE”

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1. **The Importance of One:**

Luk 4:23 And he said unto them, Ye will surely say unto me this proverb, Physician, heal thyself: whatsoever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in thy country.

Luk 4:24 And he said, Verily I say unto you, No prophet is accepted in his own country.

Luk 4:25 But I tell you of a truth, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elias, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the land;

Luk 4:26 But unto none of them was Elias sent, save unto Sarepta, *a city* of Sidon, unto a woman *that was* a widow.

Luk 4:27 And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian.

2. **God’s Search for One Man:**

Eze 22:30 And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.

Eze 22:31 Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord GOD.

3. **We Serve a Big God that is Concerned about each Individual:**

Isa 57:15 For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name *is* Holy; I dwell in the high and holy *place*, with him also *that is* of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.

Psa 138:5 Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the LORD: for great *is* the glory of the: LORD.

Psa 138:6 Though the LORD *be* high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly: but the proud he knoweth afar off.

Psa 138:7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me: thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

Psa 8:4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

Psa 8:5 For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour.

IN HISTORY

1. **One man that changed England:** John Knox

The thundering voice could only whisper now. As death moved closer he had his wife read and re-read his favourite scripture passages, always concluding with John 17, "the place where I cast my first anchor." At the grave a mourner remarked, "Here lies one who neither flattered nor feared any flesh."

2. **One man turned the tide against Hitler's Storm troopers:** Winston Churchill

We shall not flag nor fail. We shall go on to the end. We shall fight in France and on the seas and oceans; we shall fight with growing confidence and growing strength in the air. We shall defend our island whatever the cost may be; we shall fight on beaches, landing grounds, in fields, in streets and on the hills. We shall never surrender

3. **Patrick Henry:**

Why stand we here idle? What is it that gentlemen wish? What would they have? Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!

4. **John Paul Jones:**

I heard a minute account of his engagement with the Seraphis in a small circle of gentlemen at a dinner. It was delivered with great apparent modesty and commanded the most respectful attention. Towards the close of the battle, while his deck was swimming in blood, the captain of the Seraphis called him to strike. No, Sir, said he, I will not, we have had but a small fight as yet.

5. **Daniel**: Purposed in His heart not to defile himself:

Dan 1:8 But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.

6. **Might Men of David**:

2Sa 23:8 These *be* the names of the mighty men whom David had: The Tachmonite that sat in the seat, chief among the captains; the same *was* Adino the Eznite: *he lift up his spear* against eight hundred, whom he slew at one time.

2Sa 23:9 And after him *was* Eleazar the son of Dodo the Ahohite, *one* of the three mighty men with David, when they defied the Philistines *that* were there

2Sa 23:10 He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clave unto the sword: and the LORD wrought a great victory that day; and the people returned after him only to spoil.

2Sa 23:11 And after him *was* Shammah the son of Agee the Hararite. And the Philistines were gathered together into a troop, where was a piece of ground full of lentiles: and the people fled from the Philistines.

2Sa 23:12 But he stood in the midst of the ground, and defended it, and slew the Philistines: and the LORD wrought a great victory.

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1. God Judged the world by one man called Noah
2. David stood against the champion of the Philistines
3. God could not send Judgment upon Sodom because of one man, Lot. "Haste thee escape thither; for I cannot do anything till thou become thither.
4. Moses stood against all the powers of Pharaoh with a stick a call and name "I AM"
5. Elijah stood against the prophets of Baal.

6. Jehu stood against the whoredoms of Jezebel
7. It was Peter addressing the Sandhedrin and rulers of the people with divine power and anointing.

Act 4:6 And Annas the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem.

Act 4:7 And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name, have ye done this?

Act 4:8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,

Act 4:9 If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole;

Act 4:10 Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, *even* by him doth this man stand here before you whole.

Act 4:11 This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.

Act 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

8. By one man's disobedience many were made sinners, but it was by the obedience of one that many were made righteous.
9. It was by one man's prayer that stopped the sun
10. It was by one man's stand that God shut the lion's mouth.
11. The power of one man's Prayer: (Elijah)

Jas 5:17 Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months.

Jas 5:18 And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.

12. Five Sparrows sold for one cent: "Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God?"

13. It was the one man on the Jericho road that was stripped of his raiment and left half dead. That the Good Samaritan ministered unto him. (Luke 10:30-35).
14. The one Women of Samaria that Jesus ministered unto.
15. Ten Lepers cleansed: But only one returns to give thanks
16. One Lost Sheep; One Lost Coin; One Lost Son (Takes over a half of chapter to tell the story) Luke 15
17. One man Abraham interceding over the city of Sodom:
18. One Thief on the Cross: (This day shall ye be with me in paradise.)
19. One cloud the size of a man's Hand
20. One mediator between God and man; the man Christ Jesus.
21. One chance to do his will.
22. One day to find salvation: "today is the day of salvation"