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## "GOD'S SURE WORD"

Intro: Laws of nature in operation in universe. Gravity, magnetism, electricity, cause and effect. There are spiritual laws governing man, cause and effect are just as sure.

### I. THE CONDITIONS, "IF YE WALK IN MY STATUTES AND KEEP MY COMMANDMENTS AND DO THEM."

- A. "If" immediately see my power of choice.
  - 1. I can walk however I please.
  - 2. God will not force me to love or obey.
- B. You may object that there are so many you cannot remember them all.
  - 1. Love the Lord thy God...
  - 2. Love thy neighbor as thyself.

### II. THE RESULTS.

- A. Plenty - verse 4, 5.
- B. Peace - verse 6a.
- C. Protection - verse 6b.
- D. Power - verse 7, 8.
- E. Posterity - verse 9.
- F. Plenty - verse 10.
- G. His presence - verse 11, 12.
- H. Things that men are striving for today.
  - 1. I want to have these things, and God wants me to have them, why don't I have them?
    - a. Result from path of obedience not strife.
  - 2. These blessings not attained by direct pursuit.
    - a. By-product.
  - 3. Some have pursued some of these with success.
    - a. What value plenty without peace?
      - 1. Solomon.
    - b. What value prosperity without protection?
    - c. "What shall it profit a man if he..."

### III. SECOND CONDITION, "IF YOU WILL NOT..." (verse 14, 15..

- A. The "if" again places the responsibility with me.
  - 1. I can turn my back on God and refuse.

### IV. THE CONSEQUENCE.

- A. Futility - verse 16b & Judges 6: 1-6.
- B. Defeat - verse 17 & I Samuel 4:10.
- C. Draught - verse 19, 20 & I Kings 17.
- D. Children devoured by beasts - verse 22 & II Kings 17:25.
- E. Pestilence - verse 25b & Numbers 16:49.
- F. Starvation - verse 29 & II Kings 6: 28, 29.
- G. Desolations - verse 31 & II Kings 25: 9.
- H. Dispersion - verse 33 & Psalm 44: 11.
- I. Seventy years captivity verse 34, 35 & Jer. 25: 11, 12.
- J. Preserved as ethnic group - verse 44.

### V. GOD'S SURE WORD.

- A. As He said, so He did.
  - 1. He said He would again make them a nation (Ezekiel 37..
  - 2. He said they would blossom and bud and fill the earth with fruit (Isaiah 27:6..
  - 3. As He said, so He did.
- B. As He said, so will He do.
  - 1. Psalm 102: 16.