



Portion:

SCRIPTURES

- Genesis 25:19-28:9
- Esther 3-7
- Matthew 12:36-37; 13:1-23; 20:20-28; 26:14-75; 27:3-5
- Luke 14:28-33
- Jonah 1:1-3; 11-12
- Numbers 12:1-16
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Title:

THE IMPETUOUS SEED

- Foot in Mouth Disease
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Impetuous: impulsive, rash, hasty, reckless, heedless, foolhardy, imprudent, injudicious, ill-conceived, ill-considered, unplanned, unreasoned, unthought-out, unthinking, precipitate, precipitous, headlong, hurried, rushed. Anything but a cautious and sober-minded decision. For years I have taught my children, "Stop...think before you do anything." At one point I had rubber bracelets made with these words on them: "What would dad think?" I'm not joking; I forced my children to wear them.

How many times have you wished you could stuff your words back into your mouth? As they leave your lips you're thinking, "please no!" I am sure Esau felt that way the moment after his belly was full. "Sure, take my entire inheritance for a bowl of soup." No more impetuous words were ever spoken. Let's take a trip through the Bible and find the many instances when man spoke too soon, without thinking, sometimes extensively. It never works out well. We will land in the modern day and see how this is playing out in our world, even now.

THEME: MAIN SCRIPTURE(S) THAT HAS INSPIRED MESSAGE

"But Jacob said, "Sell me your birthright as of this day." And Esau said, "**Look, I am about to die; so what is this birthright to me?**" Then Jacob said, "Swear to me as of this day." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. And Jacob gave Esau bread and stew of lentils; then he ate and drank, arose, and went his way. **Thus Esau despised** *[held in contempt, disdained]* **his birthright.**" Genesis 25:31-34 NKJV

OUTCOME: MAIN TAKEAWAY(S) I AM HOPING FOR PEOPLE

"Will not all these take up a proverb against him, And a taunting riddle against him, and say, '**Woe to him who increases What is not**

his—how long? And to him who loads himself with many pledges’?” Habakkuk 2:6 NKJV

“Do not hasten in your spirit to be angry, For anger rests in the bosom of fools.” Ecclesiastes 7:9 NKJV

“Also it is not good for a soul to be without knowledge, **And he sins who hastens with his feet.**” Proverbs 19:2 NKJV

But I say to you that for **every idle word men may speak, they will give account** of it in the day of judgment. **For by your words you will be justified,** and **by your words you will be condemned.”**

Matthew 12:36-37 NKJV

Let’s Set the Scene: Portion in a blurb

1. This portion begins with, *“This is the genealogy of Isaac, Abraham’s son. Abraham begot Isaac.”* (Genesis 25:19) It tells the story of the birth of Jacob and Esau and their struggle for the birthright and blessing of their father, Isaac. We also learn about Isaac’s trials and difficulties in the land of Canaan. Now that Esau has treated his birthright with disdain, matters get worse for him as Jacob seals the deal by deceiving Isaac to place the

ultimate family blessing on him, and not Esau. Looking at these events with spiritual eyes, it seems the loss of his father's blessing is the fruit of Esau's cavalier treatment of his birthright. Last year at this time, the focus of our teaching was on this controversy over birthrights. You can see the notes for that teaching here: [Birthrights for Sale](#) One must wonder if we too treat our birthright in the Lord with such indifference.

2. **The Genealogy of Issac:** Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah and she was barren until Isaac pleaded with Yahweh until she conceived.
3. Rebekah was disturbed within herself during the pregnancy, as she felt the children in her whom were wrestling, so she sought the Lord, *"If all is well, why am I like this?"* Genesis 25:22 NKJV
4. Yahweh's answer sets the stage for one of the greatest object lessons about His sovereignty that you will find anywhere in the scriptures. It is so perfect that it is precisely the subject matter Paul used to make his theological argument.
 - a) *"And the LORD said to her: "Two nations are in your womb, Two peoples shall be separated from your body; One people shall be stronger than the other, And **the older shall serve the younger.**"*" Genesis 25:23 NKJV
 - b) *"And not only this, but when Rebecca also had conceived by one man, even by our father Isaac (for the children not yet*

*being born, nor having done any good or evil, **that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works but of Him who calls**), it was said to her, “**The older shall serve the younger.** [from Genesis 25:23]” As it is written, “*Jacob I have loved, but Esau I have hated.* [From Malachi 1:2-3]”” Romans 9:10-13 NKJV*

5. **The Births of Esau and Jacob:** When Issac was sixty years old Rebekah gave birth to Jacob and Esau. Esau came first and he was very hairy, and then Jacob came out smooth holding onto Esau’s heel.
6. As they grew alongside one another, Esau became a skillful hunter and Jacob was mild, dwelling in tents. Isaac favored Esau and Rebekah favored Jacob.
7. **Esau sells his birthright for a pot of stew:** In a dramatic turn of events and seemingly a fulfillment of the prophetic word to Rebekah in Genesis 25:23, “*The older shall serve the younger.*”, Esau comes in from the field exhausted and famished and sees that Jacob had prepared a hearty stew. Jacob offers to feed him only if Esau is willing to swap birthrights; Jacob wants Esau’s firstborn position.
8. Esau simply has no sense of the magnitude of what is about to happen and, in the moment, he promises something foolish; “*I am about to die; so what is this birthright to me?*” (Genesis

25:32 NKJV) **There is likely no better display of impetuous behavior, in all of scripture, to demonstrate the danger of making hasty decisions in stressful circumstances.**

9. *“Then Jacob said, “Swear to me as of this day.” So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob.”* (Genesis 25:33 NKJV) and it’s clear that Esau will regret this hasty exchange forever! *“Thus Esau despised his birthright.”* Genesis 25:34 NKJV
10. There is famine in the land and Yahweh tells Isaac to leave, but not to go to Egypt. Isaac instead approaches Abimelech (king of the Philistines), just as his father Abraham did in the past (Genesis 20). God promises Isaac that He will provide according to the promises He made to his father Abraham, as long as he is steadfast in obedience.
11. The men of region approach Isaac, inquiring about the beautiful Rebekah and he responds from fear exactly as his father did, by telling them she was his sister. (Only in this case it is not true in any way, as Sarah was indeed Abraham’s half sister. Rebekah is not Isaac’s sister, but rather his second cousin, the granddaughter of Abraham’s brother Nahor.)
12. After quite some time, Abimelech notices Isaac’s affection for Rebekah and he realizes that she is not his sister, but his wife. This is not his first rodeo, as he’s seen this happen before with

Abraham! In repeat fashion, Abimelech rebukes Issac for putting him at risk and then warns his people about touching Rebekah.

13. Issac settles in the land and Yahweh prospers him even to the point of invoking envy in the Philistines. Their jealousy makes them fill all of Isaac's wells with dirt, creating a 'well controversy,'" much like there was with Abraham in Genesis 21:25. They do this in an attempt to force him out of the land. Abimelech tells him to move on as Issac's strength has surpassed his own.
14. Isaac does move on and reopens the wells that Abraham had dug, plus they dig another well in valley and that creates further controversy with the herdsmen of city. He digs a second well, and that too creates controversy. A third well finally causes no conflict.
15. And in the exact pattern of his father, Issac moves on to Beersheba, where God reminds him of the great blessings that are coming for his father's sake.
16. Eventually Issac signs a treaty with the Philistines, as Abimelech acknowledges Isaac's strength and that the Lord is with him and prospering him no matter where he goes. He wants there to never be conflict between them. Issac agrees. On the day of the treaty, Isaac's people strike water again!

17. Esau takes Canaanite wives who make things difficult for Isaac and Rebekah. This sets the stage for the Rebekah's scheme for Jacob to acquire the firstborn blessing instead of Esau (I guess you should not mess with your mother-in-law!)

18. Isaac Blesses Jacob—Let's set the scene:

- a) Isaac is old and ready to die and his eyes are faded. He wants to place the blessing over his firstborn son Esau.
- b) He summons Esau, tells him to go hunt and to prepare a savory meal for his father, at which time he will bless him with the firstborn blessing of a father.
- c) Rebekah overhears Isaac's instructions to Esau and she quickly calls Jacob into action. "Take two choice baby goats and bring them to me so I can prepare the savory meal for Isaac, and YOU be the one to take it into him for the blessing." Remember what God had spoken to Rebekah; *"The older shall serve the younger."* Genesis 25:23
- d) Jacob knows his dad has lost most of his eyesight, however he is rather concerned that when his father touches him he will KNOW that he is not Esau, as Esau is very hairy and Jacob has smooth skin. Jacob is worried that upon discovery, instead of a blessing, Isaac would curse him.
- e) Rebekah assures Jacob that she will bear the curse if need be; and she maneuvers a way around the dilemma. She dresses

Jacob in some of Esau's clothes, so Jacob will smell like the field, and ***she takes skin from the goats** she just slaughtered and puts them on Jacob's hands and neck, so he will feel hairy like Esau, if he is touched.

(1) *This scheme reminds me about how man was first clothed by God in animal skins, as a result of his sin in the Garden; *"Also for Adam and his wife the LORD God made tunics of skin, and clothed them."* Genesis 3:21 NKJV

f) Jacob goes in to Isaac with the food, declares that he is Esau, the firstborn, and dismisses his father's surprise over how quickly he was able to hunt and prepare the meal by saying he was "Blessed by God" on his hunt.

g) Isaac hears the voice of Jacob, but when he touches him he feels hairy Esau; and he clarifies with Jacob one final time, "Are you really Esau?" "Yes, I am." says Jacob.

h) Isaac eats the meal and drinks some wine, and towards the end kisses Jacob, and of course "smells" Esau's clothes, which smell of the field.

i) Then he places a permanent blessing on Jacob: *"Therefore may God give you of the dew of heaven, of the fatness of the earth, and plenty of grain and wine. Let peoples serve you, and nations bow down to you. ***Be master over your brethren, and let your mother's sons bow down to you.***

*****Cursed be everyone who curses you, And blessed be those who bless you!***** (Genesis 27:28-29 NKJV)

(1) Notice the prophetic blessing here; **“The older shall serve the younger.”* (Genesis 25:23) And notice the prophetic extension of Yahweh’s original promise to Abraham when he is called to leave his country; ***“I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”* Genesis 12:3 NKJV

j) Shortly after, Esau comes in with his meal and Isaac realizes what has happened, and tells Esau: *“Your brother came with deceit and has taken away your blessing.”* Genesis 27:35 NKJV

k) Esau is distraught, realizing now that Jacob has taken what is his TWO TIMES, first his birthright for a pot of stew and now his blessing. Surely he is named “Jacob” (supplanter) for a reason. *“And Esau said, “Is he not rightly named Jacob? For he has supplanted me these two times. He took away my birthright, and now look, he has taken away my blessing!”* Genesis 27:36 NKJV

l) Remember also, Jacob came out holding his brother’s heel as if he was trying to pull him back in, so he could come out first! *“Afterward his brother came out, and his hand took*

hold of Esau's heel; so his name was called Jacob." Genesis 25:26 NKJV

- m) Esau asks if there is any blessing reserved for him only to be disappointed with what he receives: *"Then Isaac his father answered and said to him: "Behold, your dwelling shall be of the fatness of the earth, And of the dew of heaven from above. By your sword you shall live, **And you shall serve your brother**; And it shall come to pass, when you become restless, That you shall break his yoke from your neck."*

Genesis 27:39-40 NKJV

- n) Esau is designated second place and is told he will always be less than his brother. He has lost a second time! First his birthright now his blessing. *"The older shall serve the younger."* Genesis 25:23

19. Esau is angered enough to to kill his brother, but withholds any retribution in respect for his dying father. He intends to take violent action once they pass the days of mourning.
20. Rebekah quickly sends Jacob away for his safety, as she hears that Esau wants to kill him once Isaac is dead. *"Flee at once to my brother Laban,"* and stay until Esau's anger subsides.
21. Plus, she cannot tolerate the idea of Jacob marrying a Canaanite woman like Esau did (No more pagan daughter-in-laws!). *"And Rebekah said to Isaac, "I am weary of my life because of the*

daughters of Heth; if Jacob takes a wife of the daughters of Heth, like these who are the daughters of the land, what good will my life be to me?" Genesis 27:46 NKJV

22. Jacob is sent off by Isaac with a blessing and also tells him not to marry a Canaanite woman, just like his father Abraham did not want him to marry a Canaanite woman. "Go to the house of Bethuel, your mother's father, and take a wife from there from among the daughters of Laban, your mother's brother—be fruitful and take possession of the land promised to Abraham." What is coming? Jacob will keep it in the family as he goes after his uncle Laban's daughter—his first cousin Rachel.
23. Esau also realizes that his father Isaac considers Canaanite women unacceptable. So, he takes two more wives, this time he marries the daughter of Abraham's oldest son Ishmael, the one "supplanted" by Isaac! Remember, Ishmael is Isaac's half brother, therefore Esau's uncle. Both Jacob and Esau marry their first cousins. Jacob ultimately marries his Mother's brother's (Laban's) daughters (Leah and Rachel) and Esau marries his father's brother's (Ishmael's) daughter (Mahalath)!
24. Think about it—Esau's uncle now becomes his Father-in-law. This union of Ishmael and Esau will produce the seeds of TWO firstborns who LOST their birthrights! STAY TUNED—THIS WILL NOT BE GOOD!

FOOT IN MOUTH DISEASE

1. Woe to him who loads himself with many pledges!

A. Promises without thinking!

(1) I'm dying over here, I'll give you anything for some soup!

(a) "But Jacob said, "Sell me your birthright as of this day."

And Esau said, "**Look, I am about to die; so what is this birthright to me?**" Then Jacob said, "Swear to me as of this day." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. And Jacob gave Esau bread and stew of lentils; then he ate and drank, arose, and went his way. **Thus Esau despised** *[held in contempt, disdained]* **his birthright.**" Genesis 25:31-34 NKJV

(2) Bad news for those who make hasty promises!

(a) ""Will not all these take up a proverb against him, And a taunting riddle against him, and say, '**Woe to him who increases What is not his—how long? And to him who loads himself with many pledges**'?" Habakkuk 2:6 NKJV

B. Slow down before you speak!

(1) Stop...Think first

(a) "The simple believes every word, But **the prudent considers well his steps.**" Proverbs 14:15 NKJV

(b) "A wise man fears and departs from evil, **But a fool rages and is self-confident.**" Proverbs 14:16 NKJV

- (c) “**A quick-tempered** man acts foolishly, And a man of wicked intentions is hated.” Proverbs 14:17 NKJV
 - (d) “The simple inherit folly, **But the prudent are crowned with knowledge.**” Proverbs 14:18 NKJV
 - (e) “**Do not hasten in your spirit** to be angry, For anger rests in the bosom of fools.” Ecclesiastes 7:9 NKJV
 - (f) “Also it is not good for a soul to be without knowledge, **And he sins who hastens with his feet.**” Proverbs 19:2 NKJV
- (2) Listen more...speak less
- (a) “So then, my beloved brethren, let every man **be swift to hear, slow to speak**, slow to wrath; for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God.” James 1:19-20 NKJV
1. **Summary:** Foot and Mouth Disease
 2. Over-exaggerating the plight of your situation may lead to some very poor choices.
 3. Don't make promises that you should not keep!
 4. Be prudent and consider each word before you speak.
 5. As a matter of course, listen a lot and speak very little!

IMPETUOUS WORDS; HORRIBLE OUTCOMES

2. Impetuous choices always come back to bite you...

A. Haman's Hatred

(1) Kill the Mordecai; Kill the Jews

(a) "After these things King Ahasuerus **promoted Haman**, the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, and advanced him and set his seat above all the princes who were with him. **And all the king's servants who were within the king's gate bowed and paid homage to Haman**, for so the king had commanded concerning him. **But Mordecai would not bow or pay homage**. Then the king's servants who were within the king's gate said to Mordecai, **"Why do you transgress the king's command?"** Now it happened, when they spoke to him daily and he would not listen to them, that they told it to Haman, to see whether Mordecai's words would stand; for Mordecai had told them that he was a Jew. **When Haman saw that Mordecai did not bow or pay him homage, Haman was filled with wrath**. But he disdained to lay hands on Mordecai alone, for they had told him of the people of Mordecai. Instead, **Haman sought to destroy all the Jews who were throughout**

the whole kingdom of Ahasuerus—the people of Mordecai.” Esther 3:1-6 NKJV

(2) Rash words that will come back to bite Haman!

- (a) **“Then Haman said to King Ahasuerus,** “There is a certain people scattered and dispersed among the people in all the provinces of your kingdom; their laws are different from all other people’s, and they do not keep the king’s laws. Therefore it is not fitting for the king to let them remain. **If it pleases the king, let a decree be written that they be destroyed,** and I will pay ten thousand talents of silver into the hands of those who do the work, to bring it into the king’s treasuries.””
Esther 3:8-9 NKJV

(3) Hatred and bitterness inspire rash decisions

- (a) “So Haman went out that day joyful and with a glad heart; but when Haman saw Mordecai in the king’s gate, and that he did not stand or tremble before him, **he was filled with indignation** against Mordecai. Nevertheless **Haman restrained himself** and went home, and he sent and called for his friends and his wife Zeresh. Then Haman told them of his great riches, the multitude of his children, everything in which the king had promoted him, and how he had advanced him

above the officials and servants of the king. Moreover Haman said, “Besides, Queen Esther invited no one but me to come in with the king to the banquet that she prepared; and tomorrow I am again invited by her, along with the king. **Yet all this avails me nothing, so long as I see Mordecai the Jew sitting at the king’s gate.**” Then his wife Zeresh and all his friends said to him, **“Let a gallows be made, fifty cubits high, and in the morning suggest to the king that Mordecai be hanged on it;** then go merrily with the king to the banquet.” **And the thing [with little forethought] pleased Haman; so he had the gallows made.”** Esther 5:9-14
NKJ

- (4) The King is reminded that Mordecai saved his life
- (a) “That night the king could not sleep. So one was commanded to bring the book of the records of the chronicles; and they were read before the king. And it was found written that Mordecai had told of Bigthana and Teresh, two of the king’s eunuchs, the doorkeepers who had sought to lay hands on King Ahasuerus. Then the king said, **“What honor or dignity has been bestowed on Mordecai for this?”** And the king’s servants who attended him said, “Nothing has been done for

him." So the king said, "Who is in the court?" **Now Haman had just entered the outer court of the king's palace to suggest that the king hang Mordecai on the gallows that he had prepared for him.** The king's servants said to him, "Haman is there, standing in the court." And the king said, "Let him come in." So Haman came in, **and the king asked him, "What shall be done for the man whom the king delights to honor?"** **Now Haman thought in his heart, [impetuously]** "Whom would the king delight to honor more than me?" And Haman **answered [hastily and never considering anyone but himself]** the king, " For the man whom the king delights to honor, let a royal robe be brought which the king has worn, and a horse on which the king has ridden, which has a royal crest placed on its head. Then let this robe and horse be delivered to the hand of one of the king's most noble princes, that he may array the man whom the king delights to honor. Then parade him on horseback through the city square, and proclaim before him: '**Thus shall it be done to the man whom the king delights to honor!**' " Then the king said to Haman, "Hurry, take the robe and the horse, as you have suggested, **and do so for Mordecai** the Jew who sits

within the king's gate! Leave nothing undone of all that you have spoken." So Haman took the robe and the horse, arrayed Mordecai and led him on horseback through the city square, and proclaimed before him, **"Thus shall it be done to the man whom the king delights to honor!"** Afterward Mordecai went back to the king's gate. **But Haman hurried to his house, mourning and with his head covered.** When Haman told his wife Zeresh and all his friends everything that had happened to him, his wise men and his wife **Zeresh said to him, "If Mordecai, before whom you have begun to fall, is of Jewish descent, you will not prevail against him but will surely fall before him."** *[more fuel for the fire clouding Haman's thinking]* While they were still talking with him, the king's eunuchs came, and hastened to bring Haman to the banquet which Esther had prepared." Esther 6:1-14 NKJV

(5) Haman's Payoff for Impetuous Actions!

- (a) "So the king and Haman went to dine with Queen Esther. And on the second day, at the banquet of wine, the king again said to Esther, "What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request, up to half the kingdom? It shall be done!" Then

Queen Esther answered and said, "If I have found favor in your sight, O king, and if it pleases the king, **let my life be given me at my petition**, and my people at my request. **For we have been sold, my people and I, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated** **[Esther 3:9]*. Had we been sold as male and female slaves, I would have held my tongue, although the enemy could never compensate for the king's loss." So King Ahasuerus answered and said to Queen Esther, "**Who is he, and where is he, who would dare presume in his heart to do such a thing?**" And Esther said, "**The adversary and enemy is this wicked Haman!**" So Haman was terrified before the king and queen. Then the king arose in his wrath from the banquet of wine and went into the palace garden; **but Haman stood before Queen Esther, pleading for his life**, for he saw that evil was determined against him by the king. When the king returned from the palace garden to the place of the banquet of wine, Haman had fallen across the couch where Esther was. Then the king said, "Will he also assault the queen while I am in the house?" As the word left the king's mouth, they covered Haman's face. Now Harbonah, one of the eunuchs, said to the king,

“Look! The gallows, fifty cubits high, which Haman made for Mordecai, who spoke good on the king’s behalf, is standing at the house of Haman.” Then the king said, “Hang him on it!” So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the king’s wrath subsided.” Esther 7:1-10 NKJV

1. **“If it pleases the king, let a decree be written **that they be destroyed, and I will pay ten thousand talents of silver** into the hands of those who do the work, to bring it into the king’s treasuries.”” Esther 3:9 NKJV*

B. Quick results; no roots

(1) No Depth—“He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”
Matthew 13:9 NKJV

- (a) “Some [*seeds*] fell on stony places, where they did not have much earth; and **they immediately sprang up because they had no depth** of earth. But when the sun was up they were scorched, and **because they had no root** they withered away.” Matthew 13:5-6 NKJV

(2) No Roots

- (a) “But he who received the seed on stony places, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; **yet he has no root in himself**, but endures only for

a while. For when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, **immediately he stumbles.**"

Matthew 13:20-21 NKJV

C. You have no idea what you are asking!

(1) You do not know what you ask (Matthew 20:22)

(a) "Then the mother of Zebedee's sons came to Him with her sons, kneeling down and asking something from Him. And He said to her, "What do you wish?" She said to Him, "Grant that these two sons of mine may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on the left, in Your kingdom." **But Jesus answered and said, "You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink,** and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They said to Him, "We are able." **So He said to them, "You will indeed drink My cup,** and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with; but to sit on My right hand and on My left is not Mine to give, but it is for those for whom it is prepared by My Father." And when the ten heard it, they were greatly displeased with the two brothers. But Jesus called them to Himself and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those who are great exercise authority over them. Yet it shall not be

so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant. **And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave—** just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”” Matthew 20:20-28 NKJV

D. Judas and Peter—an exercise in impetuous decisions!

- (1) What will you give me for my impetuous choice?
 - (a) “Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said, **“What are you willing to give me if I deliver Him to you?”** And they counted out to him thirty pieces of silver. So from that time he sought opportunity to betray Him.” Matthew 26:14-16 NKJV
- (2) Woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed
 - (a) “Now as they were eating, He said, “Assuredly, I say to you, **one of you will betray Me.**” And they were exceedingly sorrowful, and each of them began to say to Him, “Lord, is it I?” He answered and said, “He who dipped his hand with Me in the dish will betray Me. The Son of Man indeed goes just as it is written of Him, **but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed!** It would have been good for that man if he had not been born.” Then Judas, who was betraying Him,

answered and said, “**Rabbi, is it I?**” **He said to him, “You have said it.”**” Matthew 26:21-25 NKJV

(3) Peter inserts himself into the conversation with his own impetuous behavior...

(a) “Then Jesus said to them, “All of you will be made to stumble because of Me this night, for it is written: ‘I will strike the Shepherd, And the sheep of the flock will be scattered.’ But after I have been raised, I will go before you to Galilee.” **Peter answered** *[impetuously—we see it happens even with good intention]* **and said to Him, “Even if all are made to stumble because of You, I will never be made to stumble.”** Jesus said to him, “Assuredly, I say to you that this night, before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times.” Peter said to Him, “Even if I have to die with You, I will not deny You!” And so said all the disciples.” Matthew 26:31-35 NKJV

(4) Judas follows through on his impetuous decision and Peter continues his impetuous behavior...

(a) “And while He was still speaking, **behold, Judas**, one of the twelve, with a great multitude with swords and clubs, came from the chief priests and elders of the people. **Now His betrayer had given them a sign,**

saying, **“Whomever I kiss, He is the One; seize Him.”**

Immediately he went up to Jesus and said, “Greetings, Rabbi!” and kissed Him. But Jesus said to him, “Friend, why have you come?” Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and took Him. And suddenly, ***one of those who were with Jesus** [**Peter—see John 18:10*] stretched out his hand and drew his sword, struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear. But Jesus said to him, “Put your sword in its place, for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Or do you think that I cannot now pray to My Father, and He will provide Me with more than twelve legions of angels? How then could the Scriptures be fulfilled, that it must happen thus?””

Matthew 26:47-54 NKJV

1. **“Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest’s servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant’s name was Malchus.”* John 18:10 NKJV

(5) Judas’ impetuous promise comes back to bite him...

- (a) “Then Judas, His betrayer, **seeing that He had been condemned, was remorseful** and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying, **“I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.”** And they

said, “What is that to us? You see to it! ” Then he threw down the pieces of silver in the temple and departed, and went and hanged himself.” Matthew 27:3-5 NKJV

- (6) Peter’s impetuous promise comes back to bite him—I do not know the man!
- (a) “Now Peter sat outside in the courtyard. And a servant girl came to him, saying, “You also were with Jesus of Galilee.” But he denied it before them all, saying, “**I do not know what you are saying.**” And when he had gone out to the gateway, another girl saw him and said to those who were there, “This fellow also was with Jesus of Nazareth.” But again he denied with an oath, “**I do not know the Man!**” And a little later those who stood by came up and said to Peter, “Surely you also are one of them, for your speech betrays you.” Then he began to curse and swear, saying, “**I do not know the Man!**” Immediately a rooster crowed. And Peter remembered the word of Jesus who had said to him, “Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times.” **So he went out and wept bitterly.**” Matthew 26:69-75 NKJV

E. Count the Cost

- (1) No one takes on a project impetuously—count the cost

(a) “For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and **count the cost** [*the opposite of impetuous*], whether he has enough to finish it — lest, after he has laid the foundation, and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish’? Or what king, going to make war against another king, **does not sit down first and consider** [*the opposite of impetuous*] whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? Or else, while the other is still a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks conditions of peace. **So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple.**” Luke 14:28-33 NKJV

F. Jonah

(1) Jonah’s impetuous behavior...

(a) “Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying, “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it; for their wickedness has come up before Me.” **But Jonah arose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the LORD.** He went down to Joppa, and found a ship going to Tarshish; so he paid the fare, and

went down into it, to go with them to Tarshish from the presence of the LORD.” Jonah 1:1-3 NKJV

(2) Jonah’s impetuous behavior comes back to bite him...

- (a) “Then they said to him, “What shall we do to you that the sea may be calm for us?”—for the sea was growing more tempestuous. And he said to them, “Pick me up and **throw me into the sea**; then the sea will become calm for you. **For I know that this great tempest is because of me.**”” Jonah 1:11-12 NKJV

G. Miriam and Aaron— Impetuous accusations against God’s anointed

(1) Who made you boss? (full account Numbers 12:1-16)

- (a) “**Then Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses** because of the Ethiopian woman whom he had married; for he had married an Ethiopian woman. So they said, “**Has the LORD indeed spoken only through Moses?** Has He not spoken through us also?” And the LORD heard it.” Numbers 12:1-2 NKJV

(2) Impetuous behavior always come back to bite you...

- (a) “**So the anger of the LORD was aroused against them,** and He departed. And when the cloud departed from above the tabernacle, suddenly **Miriam became leprous,** as white as snow. Then Aaron turned toward

Miriam, and there she was, a leper.” Numbers 12:9-10
NKJV

H. A Journey with Job—a story of impetuous behavior!

(1) Job’s Question

- (a) “**Why** is light given to a man whose way is hidden, And whom God has hedged in? For my sighing comes before I eat, And my groanings pour out like water. **For the thing I greatly feared has come upon me**, And what I dreaded has happened to me. I am not at ease, nor am I quiet; I have no rest, for trouble comes.” Job 3:23-26
NKJV

(2) Impetuous Answers—But who can withhold himself from speaking?

- (a) “Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said: “ If one attempts a word with you, will you become weary? But who can withhold himself from speaking?” Job 4:1-2
NKJV

- (b) **NOTE: They were patient at first but then could not resist telling him all about why this was happening!**

“Now when Job’s three friends heard of all this adversity that had come upon him, each one came from his own place—Eliphaz the Temanite, Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite. For **they had made an**

appointment together to come and mourn with him, and to comfort him. And when they raised their eyes from afar, and did not recognize him, they lifted their voices and wept; and each one tore his robe and sprinkled dust on his head toward heaven. **So they sat down with him on the ground seven days and seven nights, and no one spoke a word to him, for they saw that his grief was very great.**" Job 2:11-13 NKJV

- (3) Quick to accuse—it's simple Job, "You are the cause of your own trouble!"
- (a) ""Remember now, **who ever perished being innocent? Or where were the upright ever cut off?** Even as I have seen, **Those who plow iniquity And sow trouble reap the same.** By the blast of God they perish, And by the breath of His anger they are consumed." Job 4:7-9 NKJV
- (4) Eliphaz—you are being a fool Job, what I would do...
- (a) ""Call out now; Is there anyone who will answer you? And to which of the holy ones will you turn? **For wrath kills a foolish man, And envy slays a simple one...** "But as for me, I would seek God, And to God I would **commit my cause**— Who does great things, and unsearchable, Marvelous things without number." Job 5:1-2, 8-9 NKJV

- (5) Bildad—Job, how long will you question what’s happening? It is clear that it is your fault!
- (a) “Then Bildad the Shuhite answered and said: **“How long will you speak these things,** And the words of your mouth be like a strong wind? **Does God subvert judgment? Or does the Almighty pervert justice?”** Job 8:1-3 NKJV
- (6) Zophar—Job, you clearly need to be corrected. All your talk is empty and you need to be rebuked for trying to reason through this.
- (a) “Then Zophar the Naamathite answered and said: **“Should not the multitude of words be answered? And should a man full of talk be vindicated?** Should your empty talk make men hold their peace? And when you mock, should no one rebuke you?” Job 11:1-3 NKJV
- (7) Eliphaz—Job, if you were wise, you’d shut up!
- (a) “Then Eliphaz the Terminate answered and said: **“Should a wise man answer with empty knowledge,** And fill himself with the east wind? Should he reason with unprofitable talk, Or by speeches with which he can do no good?” Job 15:1-3 NKJV
- (8) Job reproaches his impetuous friends for their miserable advice!

- (a) “Then Job answered and said: “I have heard many such things; Miserable comforters are you all!” Job 16:1-2 NKJV
- (9) Bildad the Shuhite after Job prays for relief! We will talk after you admit why all this is happening!
- (a) “Then Bildad the Shuhite answered and said: “How long till you put an end to words? Gain understanding, and afterward we will speak.” Job 18:1-2 NKJV
- (10)Zophar—“I would be negligent if I did not preach to you Job, about wickedness, in response to your rebuke of us, because the spirit of understanding is burning in me!”
- (a) “Then Zophar the Naamathite answered and said:
“**Therefore my anxious thoughts make me answer, Because of the turmoil within me.** I have heard the rebuke that reproaches me, And the spirit of my understanding causes me to answer.” Job 20:1-3 NKJV
- (11)Job defends himself about wickedness (ch 21)
- (12)Eliphaz accuses Job of wickedness for continuing to maintain his innocence in the matter. “Job, you are only good in your own eyes and Yahweh finds no value in your righteousness.”
- (a) “Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said: “Can a man be profitable to God, **Though he who is wise may**

be profitable to himself? Is it any pleasure to the Almighty that you are righteous? Or is it gain to Him that you make your ways blameless?" Job 22:1-3 NKJV

(13) Job defends his integrity

- (a) "Moreover Job continued his discourse, and said: " As God lives, who has taken away my justice, And the Almighty, who has made my soul bitter, As long as my breath is in me, And the breath of God in my nostrils, **My lips will not speak wickedness, Nor my tongue utter deceit.**" Job 27:1-4 NKJV

(14) Elihu—Even truth can be impetuous. Be careful!

- (a) "Now because they were years older than he, **Elihu had waited** to speak to Job." Job 32:4 NKJV
- (b) "**Indeed I waited** for your words, I listened to your reasonings, while you searched out what to say." Job 32:11 NKJV
- (c) "**And I have waited**, because they did not speak, Because they stood still and answered no more." Job 32:16 NKJV
- (d) "So these three men ceased answering Job, because he was righteous in his own eyes. Then the wrath of Elihu, the son of Barachel the Buzite, of the family of Ram, was aroused against Job; **his wrath was aroused**

because he justified himself rather than God. Also against his three friends his wrath was aroused, because they had found no answer, and yet had condemned Job. Now because they were years older than he, Elihu had waited to speak to Job. When Elihu saw that there was no answer in the mouth of these three men, his wrath was aroused. So Elihu, the son of Barachel the Buzite, answered and said: **“I am young in years, and you are very old; Therefore I was afraid, And dared not declare my opinion to you. I said, ‘Age should speak, And multitude of years should teach wisdom.’** But there is a spirit in man, And the breath of the Almighty gives him understanding. **Great men are not always wise, Nor do the aged always understand justice.** “Therefore I say, **‘Listen to me, I also will declare my opinion.’** Indeed I waited for your words, I listened to your reasonings, while you searched out what to say. **I paid close attention to you;** And surely not one of you convinced Job, Or answered his words— Lest you say, ‘We have found wisdom’; God will vanquish him, not man. Now he has not directed his words against me; So I will not answer him with your words. “They are dismayed and answer no more; Words

escape them. **And I have waited, because they did not speak, Because they stood still and answered no more.**

I also will answer my part, I too will declare my opinion. **For I am full of words; The spirit within me compels me.** Indeed my belly is like wine that has no vent; It is ready to burst like new wineskins. **I will speak, that I may find relief; I must open my lips and answer.** Let me not, I pray, show partiality to anyone; Nor let me flatter any man. For I do not know how to flatter, Else my Maker would soon take me away." Job 32:1-22 NKJV

(15) Elihu oversteps—"My lips utter pure knowledge."

- (a) "'But please, Job, hear my speech, And listen to all my words. Now, I open my mouth; My tongue speaks in my mouth. My words come from my upright heart; **My lips utter pure knowledge.** The Spirit of God has made me, And the breath of the Almighty gives me life. If you can answer me, Set your words in order before me; Take your stand. **Truly I am as your spokesman before God;** I also have been formed out of clay." Job 33:1-6 NKJV

(16) Elihu Proclaims God's justice

- (a) "Elihu further answered and said: "Hear my words, you wise men; Give ear to me, you who have knowledge.

For the ear tests words As the palate tastes food. Let us choose justice for ourselves; Let us know among ourselves what is good. “For Job has said, ‘I am righteous, But God has taken away my justice;” Job 34:1-5 NKJV

(17)Elihu Condemns Self-righteousness

- (a) “Moreover Elihu answered and said: “Do you think this is right? Do you say, ‘My righteousness is more than God’s?’” Job 35:1-2 NKJV

(18)Elihu Proclaims God’s Goodness

- (a) “Elihu also proceeded and said: “Bear with me a little, and I will show you **That there are yet words to speak on God’s behalf.**” Job 36:1-2 NKJV

(19)Elihu Proclaims God’s majesty

- (a) ““Listen to this, O Job; Stand still and consider the wondrous works of God.” Job 37:14 NKJV

(20)Now Yahweh Speaks — Seemingly referring to the three boobs, plus Elihu and Job!!! “Who is this who darkens counsel?”

- (a) “Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said: “**Who is this who darkens counsel By words without knowledge?**” Job 38:1-2 NKJV

(21)How on earth do ANY OF YOU pretend to speak for Me?

- (1) "Do you know the ordinances of the heavens? Can you set their **dominion** over the earth?" Job 38:33 NKJV
- (2) "Moreover the LORD answered Job, and said: "**Shall the one who contends with the Almighty correct Him?** He who rebukes God, let him answer it.'" Job 40:1-2 NKJV

(22) Job Acknowledges where he was off...It was not that he was wrong in believing that all these calamities came upon him for no fault of his own. But, it was the questioning of God that was his problem.

- (a) "Then Job answered the LORD and said: "I know that You can do everything, **And that no purpose of Yours can be withheld from You.** You asked, 'Who is this who hides counsel without knowledge?' Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, Things too wonderful for me, which I did not know." Job 42:1-3 NKJV

(23) But those advisors of yours...they tried to capitalize on what Yahweh was doing by EXPLAINING why this was happening! They all spoke impetuously!

- (a) Yahweh to the three impetuous self-righteous "Friends":
My wrath is aroused against you and your two friends,
for you have not spoken of Me what is right!
- (b) "And so it was, after the LORD had spoken these words to Job, that the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, "**My**

wrath is aroused against you and your two friends, for you have not spoken of Me what is right, as My servant Job has. Now therefore, take for yourselves seven bulls and seven rams, go to My servant Job, and offer up for yourselves a burnt offering; and My servant Job shall pray for you. For I will accept him, lest I deal with you according to your folly; **because you have not spoken of Me what is right**, as My servant Job has. """ Job 42:7-8 NKJV

(24)Bottom line!

- (a) “**Do not grumble** against one another, brethren, lest you be condemned. Behold, the Judge is standing at the door! My brethren, take the prophets, who spoke in the name of the Lord, as an example of suffering and patience. Indeed we count them blessed who endure. **You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end intended by the Lord**—that the Lord is very compassionate and merciful.” James 5:9-11 NKJV

(25)Slow to speak— don't be so quick to open your mouth and say things you will regret later!

- (a) “So then, my beloved brethren, let every man **be swift to hear, slow to speak**, slow to wrath; for the wrath of

man does not produce the righteousness of God.” James
1:19-20 NKJV

(26) For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks!

(a) ““Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or else make the tree bad and its fruit bad; for a tree is known by its fruit. Brood of vipers! How can you, being evil, speak good things? **For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. A good man out of the good treasure of his heart** brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things. **But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment. For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.**”” Matthew
12:33-37 NKJV

1. **Summary:** Impetuous Words; Horrible Outcomes
2. Haman is promoted and he wants to be honored by EVERYONE.
3. Mordecai will have no part of bowing to a man.
4. Haman, in his wrath, then wants to kill all the Jews.
5. Haman convinces the king that the Jews are living in his kingdom under their own laws and they should

be annihilated. These are harsh words that will come back to bite him.

6. Haman encounters Mordecai and again is filled with indignation, as Mordecai will simply not reverence him.
7. Haman restrains his anger as he knows what is coming.
8. Haman, literally, cannot enjoy a single one of his accomplishments as long as Mordecai sits at the king's gate!
9. And, in a moment of truth, these impetuous words leave the lips of his wife and friends, words that will come back upon him as hasty words often do; *"Let a gallows be made, fifty cubits high, and in the morning suggest to the king that Mordecai be hanged on it."*
10. Haman's agreement to hang Mordecai at the impetuous advice of his friends will not end well!
11. Haman is then summoned to give advice to the king. *"How shall I honor a man in whom I delight?"*
12. Haman's impetuous nature has him assume the king is referring to him, so he describes an elaborate procession through the city in which the man to be

honored is clothed in the king's robe and wearing the king's crest.

13. When the king reveals that the man of whom he speaks is Mordecai, Haman is crushed under the weight of envy and hatred.
14. And again Haman receives impetuous advice from his wife who feeds his hatred; *"As long as this Jew Mordecai is alive, you will never prevail!"*
15. Mordecai had been invited to a banquet with the King and his queen Esther, thinking that it was because he was so special to the King.
16. It is at this banquet that the queen reveals the plot to kill all the Jews, her own people, and she requests that her husband reverse the ruling.
17. She then reveals that it was Haman who plotted against the Jews and convinced the king to kill them all.
18. **Bottom line:** The king is livid and Mordecai is hanged on the very gallows that his impetuous behavior produced!
19. We moved on to learn that nothing that springs up quickly, and has no roots, will ever produce good fruit.

20. We also witnessed the mother of James and John ask Y'shua to put her sons in a special place of honor. Y'shua assures her she **knows not what she is impetuously asking**. "Trust Me, you don't want your boys drinking from my cup. Besides, whoever desires to be first will be last."
21. Then we broke down the impetuous behavior of Judas and Peter.
22. Judas sells out Y'shua for a little cash and in the end hangs himself on his sword over his guilt and shame.
23. Peter is certain he would never betray his Lord, but he too, even with all his zeal, enough to strike his enemy with a sword, cannot live up to his impetuous promises.
24. We learn that before you open your mouth or promise anything, you ought to count the cost!
25. We see that Jonah impetuously ran the other way when called by God and he wound up in the belly of a fish.
26. We witnessed Aaron and Miriam question God's choice to make Moses the boss, and how that ends badly for Miriam who becomes leprous.

27. And then we took a journey with Job and heard the incessant rhetoric spewing from the mouth of his friends, all from which poured forth their impetuous wisdom and advice, after they tried to bite their lips for seven days. Each one of them, in the end, was thoroughly rebuked by Yahweh!

- a) *“Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said: **“Who is this who darkens counsel By words without knowledge?”** Job 38:1-2*
- b) *“Do you know the ordinances of the heavens? Can you set their **dominion** over the earth?” Job 38:33 NKJV*
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- d) Yahweh to the three impetuous self-righteous “Friends”: *“My wrath is aroused against you and your two friends...for you have not spoken of Me what is right!” Job 42:7-8*

28. **Bottom line:** don't be so quick to open your mouth and say or promise things you will regret later! You will be held accountable for every word!

QUICK TO CLAIM DOMINION—THE IMPETUOUS SEED

3. The counterfeit of true dominion and the remedy

A. True Dominion

(1) Dominion

- (a) “Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; **have dominion** over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”” Genesis 1:28 NKJV

(2) Authority

- (a) “And He said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, **I give you the authority** to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.” Luke 10:18-19 NKJV

(3) Sons

- (a) “For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for **the revealing of the sons of God.**” Romans 8:19 NKJV

B. Counterfeit Dominion

(1) The Father of Lies

- (a) “Why do you not understand My speech? Because you are not able to listen to My word. **You are of your father**

the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, **because there is no truth in him.** **When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.** But because I tell the truth, you do not believe Me.” John 8:43-45 NKJV

- (2) The Lie— “Dominion” software!
- (a) “Think how much the word “dominion” is going to be said and written in the media for the next months at least. The thing that we were ordered to do, the original commandment, the prime directive. Repeated over and over and over again. What a merciful Father He is. Yes, everyone WILL be “without excuse” in the time of judgement!” *Chaim Goldman*
- (b) “Just imagine. They named it “Dominion”. I’ve been thinking about that. The absolute counterfeit to take dominion with complete injustice to steal our most basic right to self determination (choice, voting) and enslave the planet, while WE have been absolutely derelict in our prime directive to righteously take dominion and free all of creation! The other side COMPLETELY understands Yahweh’s plan, while the

church seems to have no clue. And the Almighty has an awesome sense of humor. Praise His holy name!!”

Chaim Goldman

C. The Consequences of Impetuous Behavior

(1) Be utterly astounded!

(a) ““Look among the nations and watch— Be utterly astounded! For I will work a work in your days Which you would not believe, though it were told you.”

Habakkuk 1:5 NKJV

(2) How can we identify the counterfeit?

(a) “For indeed **I am raising up** the Chaldeans [*Biden, Radical Left*], **A bitter and hasty nation** [*angry and impetuous people*] Which marches through the breadth of the earth [*presents itself to the world*], To possess dwelling places that are not theirs [*to hijack an office they did not earn*]. They are terrible and dreadful; Their judgment and their dignity proceed from themselves [*they are self-appointed and supported by treasonous promoters*]. Habakkuk 1:6-7 NKJV

(b) ““They all come for **violence** [*violent and destructive protests*]; Their faces are set like the east wind. They **gather captives** like sand [*garner support of mindless millions*]. They scoff at **kings** [*have attacked our*

president endlessly], And **princes are scorned** *[all the president's leaders]* by them. They deride every stronghold *[the express hatred and contempt for anyone with an opposing opinion]*, For they heap up earthen mounds and seize it *[the steal what is not theirs]."*

Habakkuk 1:9-10 NKJV

(3) Why are you allowing this Yahweh?

(a) "You are of purer eyes than to behold evil, And cannot look on wickedness. **Why do You look on those who deal treacherously, And hold Your tongue when the wicked devours A person more righteous than he?"**

Habakkuk 1:13 NKJV

(4) I will wait for an answer as to why you have allowed this Yahweh...

(a) "I will stand my watch And set myself on the rampart, And watch to see what He will say to me, And what I will answer when I am corrected. Habakkuk 2:1

(5) Pay attention; here's why! Write this down in plain and simple language; what I am about to tell you WILL ABSOLUTELY HAPPEN!

(a) Then the LORD answered me and said: "**Write the vision** And **make it plain** on tablets, That he may run who reads it. For the vision is yet for an appointed time;

But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. **Though it tarries, wait for it; Because it will surely come,** It will not tarry. “**Behold the proud,** His soul is not upright in him; **But the just shall live by his faith.**” Habakkuk 2:2-4 NKJV

(6) WOE TO HIM!

- (a) ““Indeed, because **he** [*Joe Biden and the radical left*] transgresses by **wine** [*fools people by causing them to become intoxicated with lies*], He is a proud man, And **he does not stay at home. Because he enlarges his desire** [*he leaves his home and goes to take what is not his, the presidency*] as hell, And he is like death, and cannot be satisfied, **He gathers to himself all nations** [*he has accepted the congratulations of world leaders even though NOTHING is official*] And heaps up for himself all peoples [*he garners support of radical people who cannot think for themselves*]. “**Will not all these take up a proverb against him,** And a taunting riddle against him, and say, ‘**Woe to him who increases What is not his—how long? And to him who loads himself with many pledges**’? [*In the end, those who came alongside him will turn on him as they will not want to go down with him! They will accuse him of taking what*

is not his and acting with authority he did not have!]...

“Woe to him who covets evil gain for his house [*foreign deals for personal gain*], That he may set his nest on high, That he may be delivered from the power of disaster!... “Woe to him who builds a town with bloodshed, Who establishes a city by iniquity! [*using violence and lies to gain power*]... “Woe to him who gives drink to his neighbor, Pressing him to your bottle, Even to make him drunk, That you may look on his nakedness! [*intoxicating promises and deceitful media*]... Woe to him who says to wood, ‘Awake!’ To silent stone, ‘Arise! It shall teach!’ Behold, it is overlaid with gold and silver, Yet in it there is no breath at all.”
[They hate Yahweh and Y’shua and love false gods]

Habakkuk 2:5-6, 9, 12, 15, 19 NKJV

D. Impetuous choices—disdaining your birthright

(1) Really dying or impetuous behavior?

- (a) “But Jacob said, “Sell me your birthright as of this day.” And Esau said, “**Look, I am about to die; so what is this birthright to me?**” Then Jacob said, “Swear to me as of this day.” So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. And Jacob gave Esau bread and stew of lentils; then he ate and drank, arose, and went his way. **Thus**

Esau despised [*hold in contempt, disdain*] **his birthright.**" Genesis 25:31-34 NKJV

(2) The evil will bow before the good, And the wicked at the gates of the righteous." Proverbs 14:19 NKJV

(a) "And the LORD said to her: "Two nations are in your womb, **Two peoples** shall be separated from your body; One people shall be stronger than the other, And **the older shall serve the younger.**"" Genesis 25:23 NKJV

(3) Don't you have any blessing remaining for me, even though I impetuously gave away my birthright?

(a) "Then Isaac his father answered and said to him: "Behold, your dwelling shall be of the fatness of the earth, And of the dew of heaven from above. By your sword you shall live, **And you shall serve your brother; And it shall come to pass, when you become restless, That you shall break his yoke from your neck.**""

Genesis 27:39-40 NKJV

1. **Summary:** Quick to Claim Dominion—The Impetuous Seed
2. True dominion and authority come from Yahweh and are to be expressed by the mature "sons of God".
3. Counterfeit dominion and authority come from the Devil, the father of lies.

4. We see the battle over “Dominion” playing out in our world right now in a season in which the enemy does not even attempt to hide what he is doing.
5. “Dominion Software” vs. “The Dominion of the Sons”
6. We see that God is about to do something in the earth so wondrous, that even if He told us what it was, it is too magnificent for us to believe!
7. If we take a modern prophetic view of the prophet Habakkuk, he is easily describing events that are transpiring right now in the earth.
8. We see that the enemies of God and of God’s people will pay a heavy price for their impetuous sinful behavior.
9. We learn that we must relax, be patient, and wait on Yahweh to do what He promised He would do. “Woe to all who come against Him or His people, in any way!”
10. **Bottom Line:** from Esau to the modern-day “despisers” of God, impetuous choices will lead to a loss of birthright and blessings, and for many will end in destruction. Watch what you stand for and promise; they will bite you in the end!

11. *““Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or else make the tree bad and its fruit bad; for a tree is known by its fruit. Brood of vipers! How can you, being evil, speak good things? **For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.** A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things. **But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment. For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.**”” Matthew 12:33-37 NKJV*

QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION

1. **Have you ever spoken too soon, before thinking?**

- A. Were there long-term consequences?
- B. What were the long-term consequences for Esau when he flippantly gave up his birthright?

2. **Discuss the modern-day application of Habakkuk's words:**

- A. *“Indeed, because he transgresses by wine, He is a proud man, And he does not stay at home. Because he enlarges his desire as hell, And he is like death, and cannot be satisfied,*

He gathers to himself all nations And heaps up for himself all peoples.” Habakkuk 2:5

- B. *“Will not all these take up a proverb against him, And a taunting riddle against him, and say, ‘Woe to him who increases What is not his—how long? And to him who loads himself with many pledges?’” Habakkuk 2:6*

3. What was ironic about Haman’s words against the Jews and Mordecai?

- A. What inspired his impetuous behavior?
B. Do you ever say the wrong thing for the wrong reason?

4. Job’s friends had plenty to say to him:

- A. What did the approach of Job’s three older friends (Eliphaz, Bildad, Zophar) have in common?
B. What was different about Elihu’s advice? What was the same?
C. What was God’s ultimate reaction to all of Job’s friends?

5. Compare and contrast true dominion from counterfeit dominion.

- A. How is this playing out in our world today?
B. What will God’s ultimate response be?
C. What role will you play?