PRAYER MEETING

8 August 2016

Text: **Numbers 22:14-22**

REPORT TO KING BALAK

"Balaam refuses to come with us" Numbers 22:14

SECOND DELEGATION SENT TO BALAAM

- 1. More princes
- 2. More honourable than the previous ones

(Numbers 22:15)

- 3. Message to Balaam
 - a) Please let nothing hinder you from coming to me
 - b) I will certainly honour you greatly
 - c) I will do whatever you say to me
 - d) Please come, curse this people for me

(Numbers 22:15-17)

BALAAM'S REPLY TO THE SECOND DELEGATION

- 1. Though Balak were to give me his house full of silver and gold
- 2. I could not go beyond the word of the LORD my God to do less or to do more
- 3. Stay here tonight
- 4. That I may know what more the LORD will say to me

(Numbers 22:18-19)

GOD'S WORD TO BALAAM

- 1. If the men come to call you
- 2. Rise and go with them
- 3. But only the word which I speak to you- that you shall do (Numbers 22:20)

BALAAM'S RESPONSE

- 1. He rose in the morning
- 2. Saddled his donkey and went with the princes of Moab (Numbers 22:21)

GOD'S ANGER

- 1. His anger was aroused because he went
- 2. Why was God angry?
 - a) That Balaam had gone to curse Israel
 - b) That he was covetous of the reward that Balak had promised
 - c) That he was turning out to be a renegade prophet
- 3. He expected better from Balaam
 - a) He should have known better
 - b) God had already told him not to go in the first place