

YOUTH WORSHIP

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Text: Deuteronomy 33:22-23

Title: "Full of the blessing of the LORD"

INTRODUCTION

1. A comparison of texts

a) Necessary

b) Helpful

2. Comparison of Prayers

a) Jacob's prayer for Dan and Naphtali

b) Moses' prayer for Dan and Naphtali

PRAYER FOR DAN

1. Concerning Dan: Jacob

¹⁶ "Dan shall judge his people
As one of the tribes of Israel.

¹⁷ Dan shall be a serpent by the way,
A viper by the path,
That bites the horse's heels
So that its rider shall fall backward.

¹⁸ I have waited for your salvation, O LORD!

Genesis 49:16-18

- a) Prayer reflects the intercessor (Jacob)
- b) Prayer reflects the relationship between Jacob and his sons
- c) Jacob's Concerns about Dan
 - i) He would one day play an important role "as a judge"
This is a positive
 - ii) Compared to a serpent/ viper
 - iii) Warns of Treachery
- d) Jacob waited on the Lord for His salvation

2. Concerning Dan: Moses

And of Dan he said:

“Dan *is* a lion’s whelp;
He shall leap from Bashan.”

Deuteronomy 33:22

- a) There is a change of metaphor
- b) Dan would not be as Jacob had imagined
- c) Dan would become as strong as a lion
- d) His territory was in Bashan (a wealthy region)
- e) Do prayers affect our ultimate personal destiny?
- f) Yes and No!
- g) It helps to know the person praying for you
- h) Moses was the Intercessor!

PRAYER FOR NAPHTALI

1. Concerning Naphtali: Jacob

“Naphtali *is* a deer let loose;
He uses beautiful words.”

Genesis 49:21

- a) Jacob did not have too many hopes for Naphtali
- b) He noted basic skills that he possessed

2. Concerning Naphtali: Moses

And of Naphtali he said:

“O Naphtali, satisfied with favour,
And full of the blessing of the LORD,
Possess the west and the south.”

Deuteronomy 33:23

- a) He would be satisfied with the favour of the Lord

- b) He would enjoy the full blessings of God
- c) He would be to enjoy the blessing of God from on high

EVERY ENCOURAGEMENT TO PRAY

1. Prayer is not Prophecy
2. Personal Prayer to be encouraged
3. Pray in Hope
 - a) There is Hope to be found in God
 - b) We can pray in Hope
4. Pray with Faith
 - a) Trust in God is vital
 - b) Be steadfast in trust
3. Seek Intercession
 - a) From godly people
 - b) From people who are mature spiritually
 - c) Their prayers may yet be heard and answered
4. Exercise Patience
Time may be needed for God to hear and answer prayers

CONCLUSION

1. Jacob's Prayer
 - a) Not very positive
 - b) Not very hopeful
2. Moses' Prayer
 - a) He saw Potential
 - b) He saw Hope
 - c) He prayed with faith

3. Our challenge

- a) To learn more about Prayer
- b) To learn through the practice of Prayer
- c) To pray for people in need
- d) To pray earnestly and humbly