

Full Sermon Transcript:
Jesse James, The Maccabee of The Confederacy
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We know that God understands our troubles, our tribulations, and He knows what's on our mind, what's on our heart.

He knows our needs. He knows everything about what we know.

And sometimes even prayer needs to be interrupted.

He knows situations. He knows everything that we could say or ask for before we ask for it.

And our prayers can be even while we're washing dishes, our prayers can be even while we're driving the car, while we're getting dressed, while we're taking a shower.

It does not always have to be in a ritualistic manner of the eyes closed and bowed.

We pray many different ways at many different times and situations. God knows and God understands.

Heavenly Father, we thank You for Your mercy, Your grace, Your love, and Your understanding.

These services are Yours. The Word is Yours. And our lives are Yours.

In Jesus' name, we're connecting to You, Father, this service and our lives.

In Jesus' name, so be it. Amen. Praise God.

Okay, let's turn to the book of Maccabees.

In the history volume, volume number two, history volume, 1 Maccabees 1, and I turn straight to page 272.

There are so many things that I have to do to get ready. It's so hard to remember every little thing.

And I need to make a note while I'm thinking of it is I've got to change my Internet signal before I hit broadcast.

Because that can cause problems. So I have to remember to do that.

So I'm making my note for that. And I do have the third program up and running recording.

I do have that up and going. So we got all three devices recording and we're on page 272.

If you have the paperbacks of the Alpha and Omega Bible, page 272, 1 Maccabees 1.

While we're turning there, many times in our sermons and worship services and on the website as well and in social media,

we say and teach and declare things that are strange to most people because there are things they've never heard before from the traditional religious system.

False Christianity, Catholic Church, the Baptist Church, the so-called falsely called Protestant Church, other forms of fake Christianity,

traditional religion and other traditional religions around the world.

The Bible says in Revelation 12 verse nine, one of the sentences in that verse says that Satan has deceived the entire world.

I can't say that often enough. It's something that is very fundamental, but yet mind blowing that the entire world is deceived.

That verse right there is a verse that I would encourage every one of you to start using more and more and more and more

because that verse alone has the potential of getting people to start thinking.

The whole world, everyone, every religion, every religious system is all wrong. It's all wrong.

The entire world is corrupt and upside down.

How can we really, how can we really know the truth is only by truly seeking that we may know the truth.

You have to search for it. Even the father himself is searching for a people that are willing to serve him in spirit and in truth, to worship him in spirit and in truth.

He has to search for such a people because it's not everybody. Everybody thinks they're doing that, but they're not.

If everybody was doing that, the father wouldn't have to search for somebody that's doing it.

He searched the world during the time of Noah and found only one man doing that, only one.

It's no different today, no different today. Only one per nation, only one or two here and there, with the exception of Algeria, where it's like around 40 or so maybe at the time, the current time, 40 or 50. I don't know what the current number is. But in general, for the most part, for most of the world, one or two per nation. It's the same now as it was in Noah's time, basically.

So as I teach today, I encourage you to hear me out.

Allow me time to give all the points, all the principles, all the verses, everything before you make your final decision.

If you're going to disagree with me, then at least hear out my whole case so that you have a reason to disagree with me,

rather than having a knee jerk reaction, immediate reaction.

I'm excited about today's message. God is good.

And he will open our eyes to understand things better than the average person in the world if we let him.

It has to be a two way street of both sides, both him teaching and us listening.

And the problem is too many people run their mouths about what they think they know instead of listening.

Instead of listening to God, to his messages, to his prophets, to his servants, to his ministers,

people just want to run their mouth about what they think they already know when they really don't know anything.

Pride, stubbornness and rebellion, stiff-necked, as the Bible says, and hard-hearted.

History has been rewritten. We was told that Martin Luther King and Nelson Mandela and others like him, that they are heroes.

That when we search for the truth, when we study, when we examine, when we are open minded to examine the issues,

we discover that these men were communists and terrorists, that they was working for the Soviet Union, that they were liars, that they were antichrists in many ways.

They were not Christians, not true Christians. They rode the four horsemen.

They was possessed with devils. History has been rewritten by the system.

They want you to think, they want you to think. They are programming the people through TV, television, music, newspapers, the news.

They are brainwashing and programming the people. And the people are robots.

They accept the programming without resistance. They blindly follow the corrupt leaders, corrupt dictators, the New World Order, the false prophets, the false ministers, the false church, the false religion.

The people are robots, blindly, willingly accepting the programming of false knowledge, rewriting history.

Today, on this first day of Hanukkah 2022, as we read the book of Maccabees,

I will be speaking also in reference to a man that lived in the United States during the time of the Civil War and afterwards, born in the 1800s.

Most of society and most of religion, false religion, the churches, the false pastors of this world,

they want you to believe that this man, during the time of the 1800s, early 1900s, that he was an outlaw, that he was evil, that he was demonic, that he's burning in hell, that he was a murderer.

They want you to believe all of that. But when you search, when you examine, when you're willing to look at the evidence

and what really, really happened, I believe that you'll see something completely different.

His name was Jesse James.

And he fought in the Civil War, but he was not an official Confederate soldier.

He wasn't signed up with the official government of the Confederacy, but he fought in the Confederate War.

People don't realize that during the Confederate War, you did not just only have the official two armies,

the Army of the North and the Army of the South, the official armies, although they were present, and everybody focuses on those armies, there was also what they call gangs, but we could call them militias that operated outside of the official army. And they were definitely fighting the Civil War. They were fighting the Civil War even if they were not part of the official army. They were militias of the time, gangs is why they traditionally have been called, but I would say that the more appropriate term would be militia. Men that formed together with a common cause to fight the enemy. And it started even before the Civil War. There was a lot of things going on. When people talk about Jesse James and Billy the Kid and other people of that time, they leave a lot of details out. The only thing they tell you is they went about killing people and robbing people, but they leave out the context of why they were doing this. Why were they carrying guns in the first place? Why were they shooting anybody? Why were they robbing anybody? What was it really about? What happened before that fact and before that fact and before that fact? How did it all begin? They leave out all the context completely. They don't want you to know it had anything at all to do with the Civil War at all. They leave that completely out. They don't even mention the word Civil War at all. This is crazy. But it started even before the Civil War. I'm going to read the scriptures now and I will pick up the story about what happened with Jesse James and the origin of that and the details of that.

But first, let's start reading some of the scriptures about the time of the Maccabees, which was a family of, if you ask the Romans, if you ask the Greeks of the time, the Greek Empire of the time, the official government of the time, if you were to ask them, they would say that these were gangs, that these were outlaws, that they were murderers and robbers and thieves, and that you should hate them and despise them and that they're going to burn in hell. If you ask the official government of that time about the Maccabee family, that's what they would have told you.

Amen. So 1 Maccabees 1:1.

And it happened after that Alexander talking about Alexander the Great, son of Philip the Macedonian, who came out of the land of Chatham, had smitten or killed Darius, the king of the Persian Empire and the Medes, that he reigned in his stead. Alexander reigned in the place of Darius, having killed him. And this was the first over Greece, over the Greek Empire. And so this Alexander made many wars and won many strongholds, battles, and killed the kings of the land, it should say. And went through the ends of the land and took spoils of many nations. (That means he took things because of the war, when he invaded a nation, a land, a city, not only would he kill the enemy, but he would take their possessions, their items, because that's the act of war. That's what happens in war.) Insomuch that the land was quiet before him after he had defeated them, Whereupon he was exalted and his heart was lifted up. And he gathered a mighty strongholds to army and ruled over countries and nations and kings. He became tributaries or servants unto him. And after these things he fell sick and perceived that he should die. Therefore, it should say there, just mark out, just put a T over the W, just put a T over the W. Therefore he called his servants, such as were honorable, and had been brought up with him from his youth and parted his kingdom among them while he was still alive. So Alexander reigned twelve years and then died. And his servants ruled over everyone in his place. And after his death they put crowns upon themselves, so did their sons after them many years,

and evils were multiplied in the earth.

And there came out of them a wicked root, Antiochus, surname Epriches, son of Antiochus the king, who had been a hostage at Rome.

And he reigned in the 137th year of the kingdom of the Greeks.

In those days there went out of Jesrael wicked men, who persuaded many other people, saying, "Let us go and make a covenant with the heathen that are around about us, for since we departed from them we have had much sorrow."

So this device, you can cross out device, and right above there, plan or pursuit.

This plan or pursuit pleased them well.

They agreed to joining themselves to the Gentiles.

Verse 13, Then certain of the people were so forward, or bowed herein, that they went to the king who gave them license to do after the ordinances or the laws and the ways of the heathen.

The lost people, the Gentiles.

Whereunto they built a place of exercise.

We're going to cross out place of exercise.

And we're going to put Colosseum.

So they built a Colosseum at Jerusalem.

That's a place where you would have sporting events.

They built the Colosseum according to the customs of the heathen, just like the Greeks and the Romans would do to build these sports Colosseums.

Verse 15, And made themselves uncircumcised.

Some people believe that means that they had operations to undo the circumcision.

But I believe, as some people do, I believe actually it just means only that they stopped performing circumcision.

And they forsook the Holy Covenant.

They stopped keeping the Sabbath and the Holy Days.

They stopped circumcising themselves.

They stopped doing any of the old covenant laws of the time.

And changed their ways to being like the Gentiles.

Now today we know that the old covenant laws of circumcision and unclean meats, that they are no longer required.

But at the time, during the time of the Maccabee family, the old covenant law was not yet done away with.

It was still required by God for the people.

So in their day and time, what they were doing was falling away from God and going to the customs of the Gentiles.

And it would have been more than just not serving the God of Israel.

I guarantee you, it would be embracing the false gods as well.

And they joined themselves, it says, to the heathen and were sold to do mischief.

They sold their souls.

Now when the kingdom was established before Antiochus,

he thought to reign over Egypt that he might have the dominion of two realms.

Therefore, just cross out, I mean, don't cross out the W, just put a T on top of it.

Therefore he entered into Egypt with a great multitude, with chariots, elephants, horsemen, and a great navy.

And made war against Ptolemy, king of Egypt.

But Ptolemy was afraid of him and fled.

And many were wounded to death.

Thus they got the strong cities in the land of Egypt
and he took the spoils thereof, the items of the people.
And after that, Antiochus had smitten Egypt.
He returned again in the 143rd year
and went up against Jesrael and Jerusalem with a great multitude.
And entered proudly into the sanctuary, the temple,
and took away the golden altar and the lampstand of light and all the vessels thereof,
and the table, the bread of visible purpose,
and the pouring vessels, and the vials,
and the sensors of gold, and the veil, and the crown,
and the golden ornaments that were before the temple, all which he pulled down.
He took also the silver and the gold, the precious vessels,
and he also took the hidden treasures which he found.

So Antiochus and his army stole from God
and from the people of Israel and from the nation of Israel.
So Antiochus and his army,
you could say that they were murderers and thieves.

In verse 24,
And when he had taken all away, he went into his own land,
having made a great massacre and having spoken very proudly.
Therefore there was a great mourning in Jerusalem
and in every place where they were.
So that the princes and elders mourned,
the virgins and the young men were made feeble,
and the beauty of women was changed.
Every bridegroom took up lamentation,
and she that sat in the marriage chamber was in heaviness.
The land also was moved for the inhabitants thereof,
and that all the house of Jacob was covered with confusion.
And after two years fully expired,
the king sent his chief collector of tribute or taxes
unto the cities of Judah,
who came into Jerusalem of a great multitude,
and spoke peaceful words unto them, but all of it was deceit.
And when they had given him credence,
he fell suddenly upon the city and smote it very sore
and destroyed much people of Jerusalem.
He tricked them.
He came speaking peaceful words,
and the people listened to him and fell for the trick,
and he came and murdered the people.

These were not good people.
The king and his army, they were not good people.

And then it says in verse 34,
And when he had taken the spoils of the people,
he set it on fire and poured down the houses
and walls thereof on every side.
But the women and the children took their captives

and possessed the cattle.
Then they built the city of David.
They is, I'm not sure who it is, let's keep reading.
They built the city of David with great and strong wall
and with many mighty towers,
and made it a stronghold for them.
And they put therein a sinful nation.
So that would be the enemy's army did that.
And they put in their own population into Jerusalem,
wicked men, and fortified themselves therein.
And they stored it also with armor and victuals.
And when they had gathered together the spoils of Jerusalem,
they laid it there, them up there,
and so they became a sore snare.
For it was a place to lie in wait against the sanctuary, an evil adversity to Jesrael.

Thus they shed innocent blood on every side of the sanctuary and defiled it,
insomuch that the inhabitants of Jerusalem fled because of them,
whereupon the city was made a habitation of strangers
and became strange to those that were born in her
and her own children left her.
Her sanctuary was laid waste like a desert.
Her fiestas were turned into mourning,
her holy days into reproach,
her honor into contempt.
As had been her glory,
so was her dishonor increased,
and her excellency was turned into mourning.

Moreover, King Antiochus wrote to his whole kingdom
that all people should be one people
and everyone should leave their laws,
so all the heathen agreed to the commandment of the king.
Yes, many also of the Israelites
consented to his devotion to his false gods,
his religion, and sacrificed unto idols
and profaned the holy day.
For the king had sent letters by messengers
into Jerusalem and the cities of Judah
that they should follow the strange laws,
foreign laws of the land.
And they forbid the burnt offerings
and the sacrifice and the drink offerings in the temple,
and that they should profane the holy days
and the fiesta days,
and pollute the sanctuary and the holy people.
They set up altars to false gods
and groves, religious groves,
religious gardens, and chapels of idols,
and sacrificed swine's flesh and unclean bees,
that they should also leave the children uncircumcised
and make their souls abominable

of all manner of uncleanness and profanation.
To the end, they might forget the law of God
and change all their ordinances.
And whosoever would not do
according to the commandment of the king,
he said he should die.

In the same self-manner wrote he to his whole kingdom
and appointed overseers over all the people,
commanded the cities of Judah
to sacrifice to pagan gods city by city.
Then many of the people gathered unto him
to rid everyone that forsook the law,
so they committed evils in the land,
and drove the Israelites into secret places,
even wheresoever they could flee for succor.
You can cross out that last word of verse 53, succor,
and we're going to replace it with the word safety.
They fled for safety.
Now on the fifteenth day of the month,
Casleu, which is the ninth month,
that's this month,
in the hundred and forty-fifth year,
they set up the abomination of desolation upon the altar
and built idol altars throughout the city of Judah on every side.
And they burnt incense at the doors of their houses
and in the streets.

And when they had ripped in pieces the scrolls of the law,
which they found, they burnt them with fire.
They burnt the scriptures.
And whosoever was found with any scroll of the testament,
the Old Testament, or if any committed to the law,
the king's commandment was that they should be put to death.

Thus they did by their authority upon the Israelites every month
to as many that was found in the cities.
Now on the twenty-fifth day of the month, that's today,
they did sacrifice upon the idol altar,
which was upon the altar of God,
on which time, according to the commandment,
they put to death certain women that had caused their children to be circumcised.
And they hanged the infants about their necks
and raffled their houses and killed them that had circumcised them.
Howbeit, many in Jesrael was fully restored and confined in themselves
not to eat any unclean thing.
Therefore they accepted death in order that they might not be defiled with meats
and that they might not proclaim the Holy Covenant.
And so they died.
And there was very great wrath upon Jesrael.

Chapter two.

In those days arose this man named Maccabeus,
Matthew, the son of John, the son of Simon,
a priest to the sons of Joarib from Jerusalem and dwelt in Modin.

And he had five sons,
Jonannan, called Caddiss, Simon, called Thassi,
Judas, who is called Maccabeus,
and Eleazar, called Avaran,
and Jonathan, whose surname was Apphus.

I know I'm not pronouncing those correctly.
It's just the best I could do.

And when he saw the blasphemies that were committed in Judah and Jerusalem.
He said, woe is me.

Why?

Instead of therefore, in this particular verse,
we're going to change wherefore to the word why.

Why was I born to see this misery of my people and of the holy city and to dwell there when it was delivered
into the hand of the enemy and the sanctuary into the hand of strangers?

Her temple is become as a man without glory.

Her glorious vessels are curried away into captivity.

Her infants are slain in the streets.

Her young men, they are slain with the sword of the enemy.

What nation has not had a part in her kingdom and gotten of her spoils?

All her ornaments are taken away.

Of a free woman, she has become a bond slave.

And behold, our sanctuary, even our beauty and our glory,
is laid waste, and the Gentiles have profaned it.

To what end, therefore, shall we live any longer?

Then Mattathias and his sons ripped their clothes and put on sackcloth
and mourned very sore.

In the meanwhile, the king's officers, such as compelled the people to revolt,
came into the city Modin to make them sacrifice.

And when many of Jesrael came unto them,

Mattathias also and his sons came together.

Then answered the king's officers and said to Mattathias on this wise,
on this account, in this manner, he said,

You are a ruler and an honorable and great man in this city,
and strengthened with sons and brother.

Now, therefore, come you first and fulfill the king's command.

It really should say command, not commandment.

Like as all the heathen have done, yes, and the men of Judah also,
and such as remain at Jerusalem, so shall you and your house be
in the number of the king's friends, and you and your children
should be honored with silver and gold and many rewards.

In other words, the pagan king tried to get Mattathias, the man of God,
to sacrifice on a pagan altar in front of the people,
to be an example to the people, to get everybody else to also serve pagan gods.

And if you do so, then I'll be your friend and you'll have safety
and I will give you gold and silver and reward.

Verse 19, and Mattathias answered and spoke with a loud voice,
though all the nations are under the king's dominion, obey him.
This is what he said, though all the nations are under the king's dominion
and obey him and fall away everyone from their devotion to God,
of their fathers, and give consent to his commands.
Yet I and my sons and my brethren walk in the covenant of our fathers.
Theos forbid that we should forsake the law and the ordinances.
We will not listen to and obey the king's words to go from our devotion to God,
either on the right hand or on the left.

Now when he had left spoken, stopped speaking these words.
There came one of the Judeans in the sight of all to sacrifice on the altar.
So one of the people in the audience, since Mattathias was not willing
to sacrifice on the altar of pagan in front of the people,
one of the men in the audience stood up and said, I'll do it.
Evil bastard.
In sight of all the people, the altar which is at Modin,
according to the king's command.

When Mattathias saw this, he was inflamed with zeal,
with passion, and his reigns trembled.
Neither could he forbear to show his anger according to judgment.
Therefore, he ran and killed him upon the altar.

This was not murder.
Mattathias, the man of God, absolutely did the right thing to kill this heathen,
betrayed who was committing treason against God and his nation and his people.
He was committing treason.
This was an act of war that Mattathias was defending God and the nation
and the people against this man committing treason right in front of them.

People today are programmed that anytime anyone dies,
by the hand of another person, it's murder.
And that war is evil and that war is wrong.
But the reality is throughout the scriptures,
there was wars where God said to Israel, I want you to fight this war.
I want you to fight these people. I want you to kill these people.
They're heathen, they're lost, they're ridiculous, they're insane.
They are evil. Do away with them.
This was what Mattathias was doing. He knew what was right.
This was the right thing to do in the situation,
in the context of everything that was happening.
Verse 25, also the king's commissioner, who compelled me into sacrifice.
He killed at that time and the altar, he poured it down.
And thus dealt he zealously, passionately for the law of Theos,
like as also this man Phinehas did unto Zambri, the son of Salom.

And Mattathias cried throughout the city with a loud voice,
saying, whoever is zealous of the law and maintain of the covenant,
let him follow me.
And he and his sons fled into the mountains,
and left all that ever they had in the city.

Then many that sought after justice and judgment went down into the desert to dwell there,
both they and their children, their wives and their cattle,
because of the afflictions increased sore upon them.

Now when it was told to the king's servants,
and the host or the army that was at Jerusalem, the city of David,
that certain men who had broken the king's command were gone down into the secret places in the desert,
and they pursued them there, a great number having overtaken them,
and they camped against them and made war against them on the holy day.
And they said unto them, let that which you have done hither to suffice.
Come forth and do according to the command of the king, and you shall live.
But they said, we will not come forth, neither will we do the king's command to profane the holy day.
So then they gave them the battle with all speed.
Howbeit they answered them not, neither cast they a stone at them, nor stopped the places where they lay hid.
They did not seal up the places where they laid hid.

They said, let us die all in our innocence.
Heaven and earth will testify for us that they put us to death wrongfully.
So they rose up against them in battle on the holy day, and they killed them, the evil people,
killed the good people at that particular village in a secret place with their wives and children and cattle,
to the number of a thousand people.

Now when Mattathias and his friends understood thereof, they mourned for them right sore.
And one of them said to another, if we do as our brethren have done to not fight on the Sabbath
and fight not for our lives and laws against the heathen, they will now quickly root us out of the earth.
At that time, therefore, they decreed, saying, whosoever should come to make battle with us on the holy day,
we will fight against him.
Neither will we die, all of us, as our brethren that were murdered in the secret places.
Then came there unto him a company of Assideans who were mighty men of Jesrael,
even all such as were voluntarily devoted unto the law.
Also all they that fled for persecution joined themselves unto them.
And it says a stay, they were a stay unto them.
We're going to mark out the words a stay and we're going to put the word added.
They were added unto them. They stayed with them.
They were added into their group of soldiers.
So also they fled for persecution, joined themselves into them and were added unto them.

Verse 44. So they joined their forces and smote sinful men.
They struck and killed sinful men in their anger and wicked men in their wrath.
But the rest fled to the heathen for safety.

Verse 45.

Then Mattathias and his friends went round about and pulled down the pagan altars.
And what children, soever they found within the borders of Jesrael,
that they found that had not been circumcised yet,
whatever children of Israel that they found uncircumcised,
those they circumcised valiantly.
They pursued also after the proud men and the word prospered in their hands.
So they recovered the law, the scriptures, out of the hand of the Gentiles
and out of the hand of kings.
Neither also they, the sinner, they did not allow the sinner to triumph, to have victory.
Now when the time drew near that Mattathias should die,
he said to his sons,

Now has pride and rebuke gotten strength,
and the time of destruction and the wrath of inundation.
Now therefore, my sons, be you zealous, passionate for the law,
and give your lives for the covenant of your fathers.
Amen.

I will stop there and when I pick back up,
we're going to go immediately to verse 64, after I do some talking about Jesse James.

Now what happened with Jesse James,
is even before the Civil War and during the Civil War,
the Union government that was evil in many ways,
was overtaxing the people, commanding tribute, commanding taxes,
that were unfair taxes, that were high taxes that the people couldn't afford,
and they was building the railroads.
The railroads for the first time was coming through many different states and cities,
expanding westward, northward, southward, eastward in every direction.
And it was taking people's land and houses and farms from the people.
Sometimes they would give them a dollar an acre,
only one dollar an acre, which even in that day and time was a low amount.
It was not a fair amount.
And many times if the people resisted, they would be arrested or killed,
their houses burned, and many different atrocities,
many different crimes were committed against the people of the land,
especially in the south, especially.
Including in Missouri, where Jesse James and his family was from, in Missouri.
A lot of that was going on.
Not only by the official union government,
but the banksters and the railroad officials,
the people that worked for the railroad, the people that worked for the banks,
they were all in conjunction together, cooperation together.
They were all treating people evil, in an evil manner.
People were being murdered,
and people were being robbed of their land and their livelihoods.

Jesse James, even his family, was attacked by these people, the railroad people.
And as I said, the railroad people worked in conjunction with the banksters.
They were together in what they were doing against the people,
taking the land away from the people and so forth, by force.
Now, they could have just built the railroad farther out of town.
I mean, there wasn't a lot of civilization.
There was forests, there was still plenty of forests that they could have taken the railroad.
They could have went around people's lands.
But they were extremely greedy and forceful and demonic in what they were doing.
And they tried to hang Jesse James when he was only 16 or 14, something like that, 14 or 16 years old.
They tried to hang him, but it was not successful.
But they did throw a bomb into his mom's house and killed his half-brother,
which greatly angered him, of course.
He had rope burns around his neck the rest of his life, scars from that.
So that was always fresh in his mind, how they had done his mom, his half-brother, himself,
other people in his family, his brothers and his neighbors, his community.
He saw firsthand evil dictatorship and greed, demonic activity.

And he knew that he needed to be a man and to protect his family and himself and his neighbors. He had to protect the people.

In the Civil War, the militias, the gangs from Kansas, who were on the side of the Northern Union, they would come into the villages in Missouri and massacre the people, kill the people, murder the people rather, rob them, steal from them, take their cattle, and many other tragedies and crimes were committed by the militias in Kansas against ordinary citizens in Missouri. The militias in Kansas had the backing politically and financially had the backing of the official union, military and government.

Jesse James and his brothers and the men of the community in Missouri, they had to join forces, come together and fight the evil bandits from the North and from Kansas.

This was a necessity of life, necessity.

It wasn't a crime. It was a sin that they would gather together and protect their community and fight back and even fight on the side of the Confederacy and make deals with the Confederate soldiers to help them in their own local activities against the militias of Kansas.

Again, even though they were not official soldiers of the official army, they were fighting the war, even before the war officially started

and even after the war officially ended, they continued to fight the war.

Many people think that a war starts and ends on an official day of when somebody signs a piece of paper.

But the reality is that war starts and ends before and after a president signs a piece of paper.

The reality on the ground is much different than the reality of what's in the brains of the politicians and what's on paper.

The reality of real life is the reality. Amen.

In the account of the Maccabees, the people's land was being taken away from them, forced against their will to pay high taxes

and their way of life was greatly threatened. That's just the fireplace.

Their lives were being ruined by a dictatorship that did not respect their way of life.

The same thing was happening in the state and time of Jesse James.

Jesse James, in my opinion, was the Maccabee of his time and of his situation.

He was a man who believed in Jesus, believed in the Holy Scriptures and read his Bible often.

He was a man of honor and respect. He was a gentleman.

He treated people with kindness when they deserved it. And when they deserved anger, he gave them anger. Amen.

You've got to understand that in that day and time, in that civilization of the time, people had to take the law into their own hands the majority of the time.

Yes, there was a sheriff and the sheriff had a gang of men that he hired, but they didn't have cars that could go 100 miles per hour. Amen.

And they didn't have a sheriff's department ever a few miles apart from each other, spread equally across the land.

No, they didn't have that yet. It would take a much longer period of time to get communication to the law officials that we need help.

And by the time they would arrive, your mom would be dead, your children would be dead, your wife would be dead.

It was necessary with the limited technology and the limited law enforcement that they had at the time.

It was necessary for every family, every man, every head of household to be the sheriff of his own land and of his own community.

That was their way of life. Every man had to have a gun. Every man had to have a gun just simply to stay alive. There was many people robbing and murdering because the police were not there. Crime was rampant because police were not there. Every man had to have a gun.

So that's the society that he grew up in and seeing the tragedies and seeing victims and people falling dead in front of him and neighbors being victimized and his own family being victimized. He had no choice but to fight back.

Not only against Union soldiers, but even against the railroad people and the bank people who were criminals. They were murderers, they were robbers, they were thieves.

Jesse James had to fight back not only against Union soldiers, but against the banks and the railroad people.

So history says he robbed banks and he robbed trains.

They leave out the context that actually what he was doing was taking back the money that those banks and railroad people had already stolen from his own family and his neighbors and community. He was taking back what was theirs.

He did not live a rich lifestyle.

The documentation shows that he took the money and helped his neighbors and helped the poor people and helped the people in need.

He helped the victims who had been robbed.

Even though the Sheriff's Department and the government was putting posters around saying, warn it dead or alive, this is a criminal, this is a murderer, this is an outlaw.

But even though that was the official report, the people, the citizens honored and respected Jesse James.

He was considered a hero, a man of God and a man of honor.

That is the way that the population of the land saw him and they would defend him.

If the police came looking for him, they would hide him, say, hey, come hide under my bed, hide in my closet, hide in my house, eat supper with my family, sleep in my bed.

They would treat him as family and they would hide him and protect him.

The citizens, the population of the land did not see him as a criminal, but rather as a hero.

He never murdered anybody. What he did was kill the murderers.

He was a law man without a badge.

Today, we are taught that that's wrong, that you can't take the law into your own hands.

And if you do, you go to prison. And that's simply not right.

And that's not the way of God to send a man to prison for doing what's right.

That's not God. That's not God's life. That's not God's will.

Society and people's way of thinking today is corrupt and upside down and they have rewritten history to make the real heroes criminals and the real criminals heroes.

Everything is upside down. Jesse James is not the only one that was like that.

Learning and reading and researching about other men, like perhaps Billy the Kid, which I haven't read enough about yet.

But at first glance, it looks like it's the exact same situation.

Let's continue to read about the Maccabees here. Let's go to verse 64.

We're going to put a T there at the start. Therefore, you, my sons, be valiant, meaning courageous and manly and show yourselves to be men in the behalf of the law, the law of God, not the law of the Greek Empire.

Mattathias was not teaching his sons to respect the law of the government, but rather the law of God.

Amen. And to be men. Amen. This is exactly what Jesse James was doing, being a real man.

And it says, for by it, by God's law, shall you obtain glory. And behold, I know that your brother Simon is a man of counsel.

Give ear to him always. He should be a father and to you.

As for Judas Maccabees, he has been mighty and strong, even from his youth up. Let him be your captain and fight the battle of the people.

Interesting that it says Judas Maccabees was mighty and strong, even from his youth up, and he should be your captain and fight the battle because Jesse James was only 16 years old when a lot of these events occurred. Started very young and men back then would start very young, back in the time of the Bible and even in the 1800s.

Men were men from an early age. Today, with the upside down society, people programmed to think that a 14 year old and a 16 year old, that they're just kids.

If they be kids, it's only because the parents allowed them to play video games too often and watch sports too often and play games too often and act childish too often.

People look at people that are 14 and 16 years old and they say, see, this and this, the way they think, the way they act is childish. They're children. But the reality is they're acting childish because you have raised them childish.

You have treated them like a baby. That's why they're acting like babies.

Back in the 1800s and earlier and throughout generations, throughout all the thousands of years of humanity, they treated a 14 year old and a 16 year old, they treated them as adults and therefore they acted like adults.

This 16 year old Jesse James, he was a man acting as a man. He didn't act childish.

He was very manly, an alpha male because society was different and his parents did not treat him as a baby.

If you don't treat them like a baby, they won't act like a baby.

In verse 67, take also unto you all those that observe the law and avenge you the wrong of your people.

That was what Jesse James was doing. Amen.

That's what Jesse James was doing. He was avenging the wrong of the people.

The people say, oh, but God said, do not seek your own revenge.

Yes, it does say that more than once. Absolutely.

But there are exceptions. Absolutely. Amen.

The Bible also says honor your father and your mother.

But yeah, then over in Luke 14, is it verse 46, 26, verse 26, Luke 14, verse 26, it says that if you're not willing to forsake your father,

your mother, your brother, your wife, whatever, all these different people that it says,

if you're not willing to forsake them, then you're not worthy of me.

So the context is everything. Context, context, context, context.

What if your what if your dad was Hitler?

What if your dad was the leader of the Soviet Union, the leader of Russia, the leader of China, the leader of Syria,

the leader of Venezuela, the leader of Iran, so on, so on, so on.

There are exceptions to the law.

The law might say, do not run the stop sign, do not run the red light.

But there's exceptions to that. If that's what you've got to do to get out of the way of the big truck right behind you,

that is going to run into you. You've got to get out of the way.

You better get out of the way and run that red light.

There's exceptions to the law. Context is everything.

The lesson of Hanukkah is that the Maccabee family fought back against the government.

Amen. And against the law of that government.

I guarantee you they did more than just fight soldiers.

They also didn't pay their taxes. Do you think they paid their taxes while fighting the government?

You're crazy if you think they were paying taxes to the very government that they were fighting.

That would be lunacy. Amen. That would be insane.

This was a holy family. This was a holy family of men.

And this man, dying, he's telling his children to avenge the people,

the society, the town, the citizens, the population. Amen.

If we keep Hanukkah, then we have to realize we're honoring what the Greek government, the Greek ruler of the time would have called outlaws.

We're honoring a gang of men that was killing, but it was not murder.

There's a difference between killing and murdering.

They were killing evil people that was taking their land and their way of life.

That's Jesse James, my friends. That's Jesse James.

He was the Maccabee of the Confederate time era.

In verse 68, recompense, repay fully the heathen and take heed to the commandments of the law.

So he blessed them and gathered to his fathers, meaning that he died and was taken to the cemetery.

And he died in the 146th year and his young sons buried him or his sons buried him in the tombs of his fathers at Modin.

And all of Jesrael made great lamentation for him.

Chapter three, verse one.

Then his son, Judas, called Maccabees, rose up in his place.

And all his brethren helped him and so did all they that helped held with his father.

They fought with cheerfulness the battle of Jesrael.

So he got his people great honor and took on the breastplate as a giant and gird his warlock harness about him.

He made battles, protecting the host, protecting the people with his sword.

In his acts, he was like a lion and like a lion's whelp roaring for his prey.

For he pursued the wicked and sought them out and burnt up those that vexed his people.

Therefore, the wicked shrunk for fear of him.

And all the workers of iniquity were troubled because salvation prospered in his hand.

Boy, that reminds me of Jesse James. It really does.

He grieved also many kings and made Jacob glad with his acts and his memorial is blessed forever.

Moreover, he went through the seat of Judah, destroying the ungodly out of them and turning away wrath from Jesrael.

So that we so that he was renowned unto the utmost part of the land, it should say land rather than earth.

And he received unto them him such as were ready to perish.

Then Apollonius gathered the Gentiles together and a great host army out of Samaria to fight against Jesrael, which thing when Judas perceived, he went forth to meet him and smooth him and killed him.

And many also fell down slain, but the rest fled.

Therefore, Judas took their spoils and Apollonius sword also therewith he fall all his life long.

So we see that Judas Maccabees did more than fight. He also took the spoils.

He took the possessions of the enemy. That's the act of war. That's what Jesse James did.

And a lot of people would say, oh, but even after the Civil War ended, Jesse James continued to rob banks and chains.

Yes. But even though the war ended on paper, the banksters, the bank officials and the railroad officials, they were still taking people's land. They were still robbing from the people.

They were still, I'm sure, killing the people. They were still destroying the way of life of the people, taking their farms and so forth.

Even after the Civil War ended, the war was still going not by the soldiers,

but by the bank people and the railroad people were still fighting the Southerners and the people of the land, both north and south.

The people were still being victimized in that.

So Jesse James pretty much just taking back the money that had already been stolen.

And like I said, helping the people with that money.

So we're going to put this on the website with some documentation and some facts and some references. We're going to put all this on the website. Eventually, we've got a lot of different works to do. A lot of things are happening that we're trying to get this information out there for you.

Let's turn to chapter four, verse 52, page 279, chapter four, verse 52.

Now, on the 25th day of the ninth month, which is called the month Casleu, that's this month, the 24th and eighth year, they rose up early in the morning and offered sacrifice, according to the law, upon the new altar of burnt offerings, which they had made.

Look at what time and what day the heathen had profaned it.

Even in that same day, it was dedicated by the people of God.

The Maccabees had taken back the temple, taken back Jerusalem and the people on this same day,

I think three years later, on the 25th day of the ninth month, which is today,

they dedicated the altar, they had cleaned it up, they had removed all the pagan stuff,

and they dedicated it with songs and citherns, musical instrument, and harps and cymbals.

Then all the people fell upon their faces, worshiping and praising the Theos of heaven, who gave them good success.

And so they kept the dedication of the altar eight days and offered burnt offerings for gladness and sacrifice to sacrifice of deliverance and praise.

They decorated also the forefront of the temple with crowns of gold and with shields, and the gates and the chambers they renewed and hanged doors upon them.

Thus was there very great gladness among the people, for that the reproach of the heathen was put away.

Moreover, Judas and his brother, with the whole congregation of Jesrael,

declared that the days of the dedication of the altar should be kept in their season from year to year by the space of eight days from the 25th day of the month of Casleu with mirth and gladness.

At that time also they built up the Mount Zion with high walls and strong towers around about, unless the Gentiles should come and tread it down as they had done before.

And they set up there a garrison, a unit, military unit, to keep it, to guard it,

and fortified Bethsura to preserve it, that the people might have a defense for Jesrael. Amen.

So the theme of Hanukkah is victory against our enemies.

Ultimately, the victory against the Antichrist, the king of Syria.

I will guarantee you that a war is coming. And even though it is not everybody's job to fight back against the invaders in this coming war,

it would definitely be the job of some men to step up, become men for the first time, and to fight back.

Each one to their own calling.

The Bible promises in the final year, especially in the final month, final days of the Great Tribulation,

there will be a turnaround in the war, and Israel, America, the British Empire,

will be given a victory in that final time against the Gentile nations,

Russia, China, Syria, Iran, Venezuela, Cuba.

And for that victory to happen, it's going to be much more than just God waving the wand.

It's going to be more than just God giving the word.

But He's going to raise up young men in the land that will fight back, that will fight battles,

just like it was throughout the Bible, just like it was throughout the Bible.

That's the way it's going to be again.

And there will be a lot of different tactics used.

You have to do more than just one way, lots of different ways to fight, lots of different tactics.

Society is so extremely corrupt because of the lack of men willing to fight.

The lack of men fighting back against evil.

People thinking that all they've got to do is sit on the couch or sit in the computer desk

and just send an email and vote once a year, once every four years, and that's it.

That's why there's so much evil in this world, because the people are not fighting back.

I honor a man like Jesse James and the men of the Maccabee family that they would fight back without fear and do their job, their duty, their responsibility to fight evil wherever it exists.

So as we continue these eight days in Hanukkah, let us think that the time in the Maccabees was not the only time of war and battles and injustice, criminal activity.

Every generation has their time. Every generation has their war.

Vietnam, Korea, World War I, World War II, the Revolutionary War.

Every generation has their war, their battles. The Civil War was one of those times.

And much of what we was told about the Civil War was simply not true.

Whatever they want you to believe as the official status, the opposite is usually the truth.

Maybe not always, but often.

God guarantees us that even though we're going to win some battles and lose some battles, we will be given by God the ultimate victory

that we also must get off our knees, shut up our mouths from praying, and do something.

Pray, yes, pray, pray, pray, pray, but get up off your knees and then do something.

Be the change. Be the change. Amen.

Thank you for listening to this Hanukkah message.

Like I say, we'll try to get information about Jesse James up on the website whenever we can.

We'll get today's sermon transcribed.

This is going to take longer than usual because of all these names and locations and people that I'm sure that the transcription is not going to be accurate

without going through it in fine detail.

So it's going to take longer than usual to get this transcription accurate and up and going for you.

So it might be a couple of days in this.

Happy Hanukkah, everybody. I hope that you're I hope that you're able to celebrate and to have a special meal, whatever it may be.

Don't forget to burn your candles in the evening each night of Hanukkah and whatever length of time, 30 minutes, several hours,

whatever you can afford to do, depending on the expense, the cost of the candles and how fast they burn and how many candles you have.

There's no requirement that it has to burn for a certain amount of time.

If it's just five minutes every night, if that's all you can afford, if you have small candles, if they burn fast, then that would be sufficient.

Five minutes a night. But if you have larger candles or more candles or if they're cheap, then you can burn them several hours a night.

However, you need to do it, depending on your situation.

Be careful about curtains and pets and cats and dogs and alligators, whatever kind of pet you may have.

So be careful. Do not burn your house down. Amen. Praise Jesus.

Brother Jared, you got anything? Chat room is open if anybody has any questions.

Jared: "I was just thinking of the timing of the removal of the Apocrypha from the Bible because of how Judah and the Maccabees are within those books."

Exactly. So, you know that they removed the Book of Maccabees from the Bible.

I wonder why a book that tells you to fight back.

Also, I had ordered a book written by Jesse James' grandson.

And it says that Jesse James did not actually die on the date of the official death.

Actually, he faked his death and he gives very convincing proof, including pictures of Jesse James at a birthday party when he was over a hundred years old.

I forget his age, like one hundred and five or something like that.

And we know that the entire world is full of false religion. He was raised in the Baptist Church.

He read the Bible. He was a man of prayer. He was a man of religion and devotion to God.

All of his life. But of course, it was a Babylonian church.

Nevertheless, nevertheless, we have to deal with the the facts of the situation of the background and the context of everything he was doing.

Despite what church he was raised in.

Sometimes we have to honor people that don't have all the truth.

We wouldn't follow a Baptist preacher to church every Sunday, but we can honor a man that defends his family and defends his neighbors and defends his community.

We can honor that.

It's very interesting to me that I did not know what day this book was going to arrive.

And yet I don't know, Jared, if it arrived or if we just realized it had arrived during the movie.

Which one was it? Was it sitting on the porch? Did you see the delivery man?

Jared: "I don't even remember whether I pulled it out of the mailbox or the porch."

OK, so we don't know for sure whether it actually came while we was watching the movie or if we only realized that it was left on the porch or mailbox or whatever it was.

But nevertheless, it's very, very, very interesting to me that we was watching a movie about Jesse James, a movie made in 1939.

I've not finished the movie yet, but I had not planned to watch it that day.

That was not my plan. We just ended up watching it.

And while we was watching it, Jared came in with the book and said, it's here.

That timing seems to me to not be coincidence.

Also, as I was reading about the Maccabees in the context of the Maccabee War last night on the Internet when I was doing some research,

it's interesting to me that the websites, more than one website, use the word guerrilla warfare, guerrilla warfare.

That means that the Maccabee family, that they were fighting by hiding and ambushing the enemy and using guerrilla warfare tactics,

not necessarily always the tactics of an official army, but more like a militia, more like a gang operating in a more secretive manner,

which is the same term that you see on websites describing the actions of Jesse James

and the men that he was with and how that was a guerrilla warfare uses the same terms, same phrases, same words.

So that was very interesting to see as well, as well as the theme of young men fighting,

men that were devoted to God in their own minds, their own hearts, their own actions, their own reasonings, devoted to God in that way and trying to do the right thing.

They did not have evil intent and Jesse James did not have evil intent. Amen.

So there's a lot of similarities. Very interesting.

All right. So I'll let you go now. Thank you for listening.

I'll see you all on Saturday. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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