A SINGLE EYE TOWARD GOD

1. HAVING A SINGLE EYE.

- 1. *If thy eye be single...*(Mat 6:22 KJV) The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.
- 2. *A double-minded man.* (James 1:8 KJV) A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.
- 3. Single focus.
 - 1. Why halt ye between two opinions?
 - 2. Cannot love the world and God at the same time.

2. KEYS TO OUR INHERITANCE.

1. Our destiny.

- 1. Land that flows with milk and honey; land of provisions and plenty.
- 2. A...and he shall bless thy bread, and thy water.
- 3. A...and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee. @
- 4. AThere shall nothing cast their young, nor be barren, in thy land:...
- 5. A...the number of thy days I will fulfil. @
- 6. AI will send my fear before thee, and will destroy all the people to whom thou shalt come, and I will make all thine enemies turn their backs unto thee. @
- 7. AAnd I will send hornets before thee, which shall drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before thee. @

2. The means to obtain our destiny. (Keys to our inheritance).

- 1. Keys are given to responsible people.
- 2. I send an Angel before thee.
 - 1. To keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared.
 - (1) Beware of him.
 - (2) Obey him.
 - (3) Provoke him not.
 - 2. But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak...
 - 3. I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries.
- 3. Mine angel shall go before thee, and bring thee in unto the Amorites, and the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites:...
- 4. And I will cut them off.

3. THE ONE THING THAT HAS BROUGHT THE CURSE OF GOD.

- 1. *Serving other gods*; thou shalt have no other gods before me.
- 2. God=s command to the Israelites.
 - 1. <u>Thou shalt not bow down</u> to their gods (giving in; co-existing; condoning; compromising).

- 2. <u>Nor serve them</u>.
- 3. <u>Nor do after their works</u> (copying, emulating; imitating; conforming; admiring; being influenced by them).

4. THOU SHALT UTTERLY DESTROY THEM.

- 1. Thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor with their gods.
- 2. *They shall not dwell in thy land.* Lest they make thee sin against me: for if thou serve their gods, it will surely be a snare unto thee.
 - 1. Breaking all ties with the old life.
 - 2. Separating yourself from evil associations and influences.
- 3. *How to deal with wrong associations*.
 - 1. Make up your mind that you are going to make the right decisions.
 - 2. Take a stand; and stick with it.
 - 3. Resist all temptations.
 - 1. Don=t put yourself in a compromising position.
 - 2. Break all ties; have no contact.
 - 4. Strengthen good relationships that exist.
 - 5. Find new righteous and wholesome associations.
- 4. *Any enemy that should be destroyed and isn=t can come back to haunt you*; will be a constant snare; a thorn in your side; and prick in your eye.

5. TWO BIBLICAL EXAMPLES OF LEADERS WHO DESTROYED FALSE GODS.

- 1. Asa. (1 Kings 15:11-15).
 - 1. <u>Did that which was right</u>. (1 Ki 15:11 KJV) And Asa did that which was right in the eyes of the LORD, as did David his father.
 - 2. <u>Took away the sodomites in the land</u>. (1 Ki 15:12 KJV) And he took away the sodomites out of the land, and removed all the idols that his fathers had made.
 - 3. <u>No respect of persons</u>. (1 Ki 15:13 KJV) And also Maachah his mother, even her he removed from being queen, because she had made an idol in a grove; and Asa destroyed her idol, and burnt it by the brook Kidron.
 - 4. <u>Still a small part left</u>. (1 Ki 15:14 KJV) But the high places were not removed:
 - 5. <u>A right heart</u>.
 - 1. Nevertheless Asa's heart was perfect with the LORD all his days.
 - 2. (1 Ki 15:15 KJV) And he brought in the things which his father had dedicated, and the things which himself had dedicated, into the house of the LORD, silver, and gold, and vessels.
- 2. *Jehu*. (2 Kings 10:18-31)
 - 1. Jehu sets Baal worshipers up.
 - 1. (2 Ki 10:18 KJV) And Jehu gathered all the people together, and said unto them, Ahab served Baal a little; but Jehu shall serve him much.
 - 2. (2 Ki 10:19 KJV) Now therefore call unto me all the prophets of Baal, all his servants, and all his priests; let none be wanting: for I

have a great sacrifice to do to Baal; whosoever shall be wanting, he shall not live. But Jehu did it in subtlety, to the intent that he might destroy the worshipers of Baal.

- 2. <u>The house of Baal was full</u>. (2 Ki 10:21 KJV) And Jehu sent through all Israel: and all the worshipers of Baal came, so that there was not a man left that came not. And they came into the house of Baal; and the house of Baal was full from one end to another.
- 3. <u>The slaughter</u>.
 - 1. (2 Ki 10:25 KJV) And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, that Jehu said to the guard and to the captains, Go in, and slay them; let none come forth. And they smote them with the edge of the sword; and the guard and the captains cast them out, and went to the city of the house of Baal.
 - 2. (2 Ki 10:26 KJV) And they brought forth the images out of the house of Baal, and burned them.
 - 3. (2 Ki 10:27 KJV) And they brake down the image of Baal, and brake down the house of Baal, and made it a draught house unto this day. (2 Ki 10:28 KJV) Thus Jehu destroyed Baal out of Israel.
- 4. <u>Howbeit</u>.
 - (2 Ki 10:29 KJV) Howbeit from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin, Jehu departed not from after them, to wit, the golden calves that were in Bethel, and that were in Dan. (2 Ki 10:30 KJV) And the LORD said unto Jehu, Because thou hast done well in executing that which is right in mine eyes, and hast done unto the house of Ahab according to all that was in mine heart, thy children of the fourth generation shall sit on the throne of Israel.
 - 2. (2 Ki 10:31 KJV) But Jehu took no heed to walk in the law of the LORD God of Israel with all his heart: for he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam, which made Israel to sin.

6. WHAT WILL YOU DO?

- 1. Where is your heart?
- 2. What is your choice?
- 3. Have you decided to follow Jesus?

I have decided to follow Jesus.