

The “Knock Them Off Their High Horse and Blind Them” Anointing!

O Lord, fight those who fight with me! Attack those who attack me! (Psalms 35:1 NET)

What do you do when you are innocent of charges against you, and someone, or a group of people, attack, smear, slander, speak evil, give false testimony, and attempt to destroy your life? The temptation is to take vengeance into your own hands.

“Let’s crack some heads!”

Wrong decision!

Even though it may feel good to get a baseball bat and beat them to a pulp for their slander against you, there is a better and more productive way. There is a God in heaven that despises it when the righteous are harassed and persecuted. It angers God when people try to attack and hurt the innocent, and He will take vengeance into His own hands and repay the accusers.

Do not avenge yourselves, dear friends, but give place to God’s wrath, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay,” says the Lord. (Romans 12:19 NET)

Yes, Paul wrote about this truth. Give room for God to get angry (have wrath) about it. Let Him have His vengeance. Believe it. Trust Him in it.

Paul said even more about this little-taught subject.

For it is right for God to repay with affliction those who afflict you. (2 Thessalonians 1:6 NET)

God will repay those that afflict you! That frees you up. Let God be the “heavy” in it. You can pray for those that persecute you and you can bless them (Romans 12:14-21). Why? Vengeance is not yours. No worries here. Vengeance is the Lord’s. He gets angry about it and pays them for the evil they have brought against you. Leave it in His hands.

Yes Lord, get them! I can hear the sacred cows screaming in agony. Religious ideas are dying right now.

I’ll pray for my enemies, and even give them a glass of water when they are thirsty. I will pray for those that persecute me, but I will also pray that God take vengeance on my behalf if they won’t repent. Trust God in this, because if your false accusers won’t repent, they are headed for HUGE and VERY UGLY trouble! They will not be facing

you and what you can do, but they will come face-to-face with God's wrath, and it *ain't* going to be pretty! There was no way to say that in proper English!

If anybody knows what "affliction" means for your enemies, the Lord knows exactly what that is. He knows exactly what will hurt and defeat them. Don't get sanctimonious on me. I like the fact that God will take vengeance against my unrepentant enemies. Honestly, I REALLY like that, especially if an enemy continues their evil smears, slander, or false testimonies. Go ahead and lie up a storm. Just remember, God is listening and watching, and nothing escapes Him.

He who touches you, touches the apple of His eye (Zechariah 2:8 NASB).

No one gets away with trying to poke God's eyeball. That would be dumb, dumb, and very much dumber!

He permitted no man to oppress them, and He reproved kings for their sake: Do not touch my anointed ones, and do my prophets no harm. (Psalms 105:14, 15 NASB)

Pharaoh and his entire army drowned in the Red Sea by the hand of God when they came against Israel (Exodus 14). God delivered Israel from Egyptian bondage, and not even the mightiest army at the time was able to stop it. What a glorious vindication and vengeance against the enemies of the Lord and Israel for the years of slavery and bondage. This subject can be found all over the Bible. God will have His vengeance upon the enemies of His people!

Don't fuss with me about this.

I didn't come up with it.

We are not left without protection and without vengeance for the wrongs of others against us. Thank God!

For this is God's will: that you become holy, that you keep away from sexual immorality, that each of you know how to possess his own body in holiness and honor, not in lustful passion like the Gentiles who do not know God. In this matter no one should violate the rights of his brother or take advantage of him, because the Lord is the avenger in all these cases, as we also told you earlier and warned you solemnly. For God did not call us to impurity but in holiness. (1 Thessalonians 4:3-7 NET)

The Lord is the avenger? Yes he is. Believe it. No one gets away with anything year after year. The ONLY way out of facing the Avenger (the Lord) is through repentance!

But I have this against you: You tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, and by her teaching deceives my servants to commit sexual immorality and to eat food sacrificed to idols. I have given her time to repent, but she is not willing to repent of her sexual immorality. Look! I am throwing her onto a bed of violent illness, and those who commit adultery with her into terrible suffering, unless they repent of her deeds. Furthermore, I will strike her followers with a deadly disease, and then all the churches will know that I am the one who searches minds and hearts. I will repay each one of you what your deeds deserve. (Revelation 2:23-26 NET)

Jesus let the church of Thyatira know what would happen to Jezebel and her followers: sickness, death, and destruction. The ONLY thing that would change the terrible outcome was repentance. They were given time to repent, but they refused. Bad idea! No, VERY bad idea! Never refuse the One with the two-edged sword in His mouth with eyes like a fiery flame!

From his mouth extends a sharp sword, so that with it he can strike the nations.
(Revelation 19:15 NET)

Jesus' sword has a purpose! He knows how to use it! At times, His sword is for vengeance and war against the enemies of the faithful. Thank God!

At no time am I saying that God will protect and take vengeance on one's behalf when one is guilty. If you are guilty, REPENT, and trust God for His help and a way out. Here, I am telling you about God getting angry and taking vengeance against those who falsely and for no reason afflict you. The entire 35th Psalm deals with this subject of praying that God take vengeance against those that accuse and defame us falsely. They have no good reason for their accusations and the traps set against you. They are deceivers and liars that are looking to hurt and destroy you.

¹O Lord, fight those who fight with me! Attack those who attack me! ²Grab your small shield and large shield, and rise up to help me! ³Use your spear and lance against those who chase me! Assure me with these words: "I am your deliverer!" ⁴May those who seek my life be embarrassed and humiliated! May those who plan to harm me be turned back and ashamed! ⁵May they be like wind-driven chaff, as the Lord's angel attacks them! ⁶May their path be dark and slippery, as the Lord's angel chases them! ⁷I did not harm them, but they hid a net to catch me and dug a pit to trap me. ⁸Let destruction take them by surprise! Let the net they hid catch them! Let them fall into destruction! ⁹Then I will rejoice in the Lord and be happy because of his deliverance. ¹⁰With all my strength I will say, "O Lord, who can compare to you? You rescue the oppressed from those who try to overpower them; the oppressed and needy from those who try to rob them." ¹¹Violent men perjure themselves, and falsely accuse me. ¹²They repay me evil for the good I have done; I am overwhelmed with sorrow. (Psalms 35:1-12 NET)

Wow! Send your angels to chase these liars and deceivers! Have you ever prayed like that? It almost makes you feel sorry for the false accusers, but don't you do it. Join the Psalmist and rejoice because your God is at work on your behalf, and He will vindicate you.

If I were going to be nominated for any high visibility public service job, if I was guiltless (innocent, blameless), and the false accusers came out of the woodwork against me, I would be praying this "pronto". Actually, in today's national environment of demon-inspired leftist "crazies" getting a political voice, I would pray this before I applied for the job!

Here is more from Psalms 35:

15 But when I stumbled, they rejoiced and gathered together; they gathered together to ambush me. They tore at me without stopping to rest. 16 When I tripped, they taunted me relentlessly, and tried to bite me. 17 O Lord, how long are you going to just stand there and watch this? Rescue me from their destructive attacks; guard my life from the young lions! 18 Then I will give you thanks in the great assembly; I will praise you before a large crowd of people! 19 Do not let those who are my enemies for no reason gloat over me! Do not let those who hate me without cause carry out their wicked schemes! 20 For they do not try to make peace with others, but plan ways to deceive those who are unsuspecting. 21 They are ready to devour me; they say, "Aha! Aha! We've got you!" 22 But you take notice, Lord! O Lord, do not remain far away from me! 23 Rouse yourself, wake up and vindicate me! God and Lord, defend my just cause! 24 Vindicate me by your justice, O Lord my God! Do not let them gloat over me! 25 Do not let them say to themselves, "Aha! We have what we wanted!" Do not let them say, "We have devoured him!" 26 May those who want to harm me be totally embarrassed and ashamed! May those who arrogantly taunt me be covered with shame and humiliation! 27 May those who desire my vindication shout for joy and rejoice! May they continually say, "May the Lord be praised, for he wants his servant to be secure." 28 Then I will tell others about your justice, and praise you all day long. (Psalms 35:15-28 NET)

"Aha, Aha," so you think you got me? Do you think you are going to devour me because you have what you want with your ambush? Let me give you a head's up: the Lord takes notice, He vindicates me, and He defends my just cause! You will be totally ashamed, humiliated, and embarrassed! Those that desire my vindication can shout for joy and rejoice. The Lord WANTS (it is His will) for me to be secure (protected, prospered, healthy, victorious, vindicated). Do you believe that? If you reject and refuse this truth, don't be concerned about it because you will never see it. It will ONLY happen for the believing and trusting person. Pray like that.

Does anybody see what some government officials face today from haters when they come up Senate committees? We just saw it happen to a federal judge (September 2018). I have never seen such ambushes, destructive attacks, wicked schemes,

gloating, and taunting arrogance in my life. Sounds familiar doesn't it? It's exactly what the evil people did against the righteous in Psalms 35. It's amazing how people believed false accusations with NO corroboration or proof. The wicked news media regurgitated it repeatedly in an attempt to destroy an innocent man. MANY people who knew the judge professionally and during his school years came to his defense. Yet, the deranged and lying leftist devils raged on against him, even though there were crater-sized holes in the accuser's story. The accuser didn't know where it happened or the time, and many other details were sketchy at best. Now, other facts have emerged that cast doubt on her story. However, the judge was considered guilty by leftists without proof or evidence. He was never presumed INNOCENT until proven guilty. There was no evidence!

Anybody else think Psalms 35 is good right about here?

What are you going to do? Who are you going to call when you are treacherously accused? Well, Ghost Busters won't help. You had better call on God!

We have our Lord who is much better at vengeance and a whole lot more proficient! Don't fret people. God is the avenger in these things and His fiery-white-hot vengeance is coming! Don't be surprised when some of these evil people start dying like flies **IF** they don't repent.

Have you ever thought about it? Jesus did not come to Saul of Tarsus on the road to Damascus to call him to the ministry. That was after the fact. First, Jesus appeared to Saul to STOP the murderous persecution this man was instigating against the church. Jesus took it personally.

Saul, Saul why are you persecuting ME! (Acts 9:4 ISV)

One way or another persecution via Saul was ending on that day. To Saul's credit, he called him *Lord* and got out of the Avenger's wrath, but you can see God's initial purpose. The Lord knocked him off his high horse, and blinded him for three days. As I said, persecution was ending through Saul on that day, but he wisely chose to submit to the Lord and was spared. Whew! It came close.

I like this "knock them off their high horse and blind them" manifestation. The presence of the Lord is amazing when He comes to take vengeance like that. Many disbelieve that side of the presence of the Lord, but there it is in the Scripture.

One more "knock them off their high horse and blind them" story. It is so appropriate in the world we live in today. We need more of this in our world. You can't deal with demon-possessed people with sweetness. They are in a different category, and often, drastic measures need to be taken by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Paul (formerly called Saul) came to the island of Paphos. The magician and false prophet named Bar-Jesus (or Elymas) confronted him. As Paul was preaching the Word to the proconsul of the region, the magician and false prophet vehemently opposed and tried to turn the proconsul away from the faith. Nevertheless, for Paul enough was enough!

⁹But Saul, also known as Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked him straight in the eye ¹⁰ and said, "You're full of every form of deception and trickery, you son of the Devil, you enemy of all that is right! You'll never stop perverting the straight ways of the Lord, will you? ¹¹ The Lord is against you now, and you'll be blind and unable to see the sun for a while!" At that moment, a dark mist came over him, and he went around looking for someone to lead him by the hand. ¹² When the proconsul saw what had happened, he believed, because he was astonished at the Lord's teaching. (Acts 13:9-12 ISV)

That is one old and true way of evangelizing at certain times. Knock them off their high horse and blind them, O God! Could we use that kind of power in today's demon-possessed, anti-God, and anti-Christ political climate? Yes, we could use this kind of anointing.

I christen this powerful manifestation as the "knock them off their high horse and blind them" anointing. It's a good one.

Be blessed!