

Before the THRONE

The Devotional

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1 Kings 22:27

“Thus says the king, “put this fellow in prison and feed him with bread of affliction and water of affliction, until I come in peace.” 1 King 22:27

Micaiah, for speaking the word of the LORD is sentenced to prison! “Yea, all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.” (2 Timothy 3:12) Every believer will face a similar test. It may not mean the dungeon, but surely it will reveal if we intend to live out what we say we believe! It may come at work or during a family gathering. Maybe at the grocery store or when someone from another faith comes knocking at your door – but this moment will come. “So, as much as is in me, I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also, for I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believes, to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.” (Romans 1:15-16)

Will you stand up for Jesus? Will you willingly suffer for His name sake? Will you stand tall or will you cower before the threat of rejection and disapproval?

You may never face prison for your faith and commitment to Christ, but to deny Him in any walk of life has already placed you in a prison that has no bars but is far worse, for it is a prison of fear and shame. “The righteous are as bold as a lion...” (Proverb 28:1). To be Christ’s servant is to fear no man. To be Christ’s servant is to serve no fear!

“You are bought with a price; be not then the servants of men (*or of any fear*).” (1 Corinthians 7:23)