

# Before the THRONE

## The Devotional

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2 Chronicles 30:1-11

“And Hezekiah sent to all Israel and Judah , and wrote letters also to Ephraim and Manasseh, that they should come to the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, to keep the Passover unto the LORD God of Israel... So the letters passed from city to city through the country of Ephraim and Manasseh, even to Zebulan; but they laughed them to scorn, and mocked them. Nevertheless, some of Asher and Manasseh and of Zebulon humbled themselves, and came to Jerusalem.” 2 Chronicles 30:1-11

Why does it surprise you that not everyone is receptive to the Good News of Jesus Christ? The Message Himself came to deliver us and yet He was rejected by the very ones He came to deliver. The Spirit has a set harvest for you but not everyone will be responsive – at least in the way you desire them to respond. While we can and should trust the Lord for a great harvest of souls, neither should we be surprised by opposition. “Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hates you.” (1John 3:13). The preaching of the Gospel is nonsense to the lost man or woman. “For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us who are saved it is the power of God.” (1 Corinthians 1:18). Pray therefore that the “eyes of their understanding be opened.” (see Ephesians 1:18; 2 Corinthians 4:4).

So be bold. Take your stand in love. Work in the anointing of the Holy Spirit. Be kind and forgiving to those who oppose you. Remember, your labor is for Him Who redeemed you. People’s ridicule is not so much aimed at you but at the Master. Don’t grow weary in well doing, for you serve the Lord Christ, and His word will not return without accomplishing its purpose!

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