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Ezekiel 20:9, 22

“But I acted for My name’s sake, that it should not be profaned...” Ezekiel 20: 9 NASB

Responsible people act in such a way as to bring honour to their names. “A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches...” (Proverbs 22:1). A good name is better than riches or high position. A good name brings both honour and favour, not only to the possessor of the good name but to all those associated with the person bearing a good name.

“...a name which is above every name.” (Philippians 2:9b). The Lord has determined, even with His great love for us, that the name of His Son will be honoured and not profaned. “Nevertheless I withdrew My hand and acted for My name’s sake.” (Ezekiel 20:22)

The Israelites, while in the wilderness, provoked the Lord through their unbelief and in so doing profaned the name of the Lord. What had been intended for their good became twisted and they ultimately died in the wilderness.

Christian friend, people are watching you. Your sin, or disregard for Jesus’ name is then amplified and becomes a broad path of excuse as to why they can then continue on in their current lifestyle rather than repenting and giving their hearts and lives to Christ.

To carry a Bible on Sunday mornings and to live like the devil the rest of the week surely profanes the name of the Lord. To speak words of praise on Sunday morning and then curse and gossip through the week must surely profane His name. To tell your co-workers about Jesus and then steal time or goods from the company surely must profane His name.

Selah.

“Father, I desire my life, my words, my example to honour the name of Your Son, not profane it. In His most precious of names, Amen!”

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