

Found within the pages of God's Book, the Bible, are many references to men and women rejecting the revealed word of God.

Zech. 7:7-14

“Should ye not hear the words which the LORD hath cried by the former prophets, when Jerusalem was inhabited and in prosperity, and the cities thereof round about her, when men inhabited the south and the plain?

And the word of the LORD came unto Zechariah, saying, Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Execute true judgment, and shew mercy and compassions every man to his brother: And oppress not the widow, nor the fatherless, the stranger, nor the poor; and let none of you imagine evil against his brother in your heart. But they refused to hearken, and pulled away the shoulder, and stopped their ears, that they should not hear. Yea, they made their hearts as an adamant stone, lest they should hear the law, and the words which the LORD of hosts hath sent in his spirit by the former prophets: therefore came a great wrath from the LORD of hosts. Therefore it is come to pass, that as he cried, and they would not hear; so they cried, and I would not hear, saith the LORD of hosts: But I scattered them with a whirlwind among all the nations whom they knew not. Thus the land was desolate after them, that no man passed through nor returned: for they laid the pleasant land desolate.”

This is just one of the many examples of where God's people, Israel, refused to listen and obey God's word. Because of their disobedience, God brought his wrath upon them and their land. It is very important to understand that God's judgments often included the land of Israel. **1 Samuel 15:22-23**

“And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king.”

In this portion of scripture we see that principle clearly stated. Rejection of God's word will always

bring the judgment of God. However, let me remind you of another fact found within these verses. God directed His comments about His coming judgment to His people: the nation of Israel, the people of God. What we must accept is that God deals very harshly with His people when His people reject God's word. One portion of scripture that is very explicit concerning how God feels about His people needing to keep their hearts and minds close to God is:

2 Chron. 7:14

If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

Today, the people of God are those people who have been born again. Yes, the people of God, those that are part of the family of God, are those who have trusted in Jesus Christ as Saviour. They have been born again and are part of God's family. They have gone from just being a member of the family of man to also becoming a member of the family of God. Have you been born again? Are you in the family of God?

John 1:12-13“*But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.”*

John 3:3

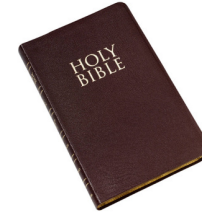
“Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

John 3:7

“Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.”

We must be born again to “see the kingdom of God.” We must receive Him, Jesus Christ the LORD, to become “sons of God:” to become part of the family of God.

[This is a portion of my latest tract about the rejection of God's word by God's people. Go to www.opbm.org to view the remainder of the tract and see how I believe that God's people are rejecting God's word today.](http://www.opbm.org)



**“...Is there any word from the LORD?
And Jeremiah said, There is:...”**



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