EARNESTLY CONTEND FOR THE FAITH WHICH WAS ONCE DELIVERED UNTO THE SAINTS, JUDE 3

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- **2 Chronicles 34:1** Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem one and thirty years.
- **2 Chronicles 34:2** And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the ways of David his father, and declined *neither* to the right hand, nor to the left.
- **2 Chronicles 34:3** For in the eighth year of his reign, while he was yet young, he began to seek after the God of David his father: and in the twelfth year he began to purge Judah and Jerusalem from the high places, and the groves, and the carved images, and the molten images.

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- **2 Chronicles 34:4** And they brake down the altars of Baalim in his presence; and the images, that *were* on high above them, he cut down; and the groves, and the carved images, and the molten images, he brake in pieces, and made dust *of them*, and strowed *it* upon the graves of them that had sacrificed unto them.
- **2 Chronicles 34:5** And he burnt the bones of the priests upon their altars, and cleansed Judah and Jerusalem.
- **2 Chronicles 34:6** And *so did he* in the cities of Manasseh, and Ephraim, and Simeon, even unto Naphtali, with their mattocks round about.
- **2 Chronicles 34:7** And when he had broken down the altars and the groves, and had beaten the graven images into powder, and cut down all the idols throughout all the land of Israel, he returned to Jerusalem.
- **2 Chronicles 34:8** Now in the eighteenth year of his reign, when he had purged the land, and the house, he sent Shaphan the son of Azaliah, and Maaseiah the governor of the city, and Joah the son of Joahaz the recorder, to repair the house of the LORD his God.
- 2 Chronicles 34:9 And when they came to Hilkiah the high priest, they delivered the money that was brought into the house of God, which the Levites that kept the doors

had gathered of the hand of Manasseh and Ephraim, and of all the remnant of Israel, and of all Judah and Benjamin; and they returned to Jerusalem.

- **2 Chronicles 34:10** And they put *it* in the hand of the workmen that had the oversight of the house of the LORD, and they gave it to the workmen that wrought in the house of the LORD, to repair and amend the house:
- **2 Chronicles 34:11** Even to the artificers and builders gave they *it*, to buy hewn stone, and timber for couplings, and to floor the houses which the kings of Judah had destroyed.
- **2 Chronicles 34:12** And the men did the work faithfully: and the overseers of them *were* Jahath and Obadiah, the Levites, of the sons of Merari; and Zechariah and Meshullam, of the sons of the Kohathites, to set *it* forward; and *other of* the Levites, all that could skill of instruments of musick.
- **2 Chronicles 34:13** Also *they were* over the bearers of burdens, and *were* overseers of all that wrought the work in any manner of service: and of the Levites *there were* scribes, and officers, and porters.
- **2 Chronicles 34:14** And when they brought out the money that was brought into the house of the LORD, Hilkiah the priest found a book of the law of the LORD *given* by Moses.
- **2 Chronicles 34:15** And Hilkiah answered and said to Shaphan the scribe, I have found the book of the law in the house of the LORD. And Hilkiah delivered the book to Shaphan.
- **2 Chronicles 34:16** And Shaphan carried the book to the king, and brought the king word back again, saying, All that was committed to thy servants, they do *it*.
- **2 Chronicles 34:17** And they have gathered together the money that was found in the house of the LORD, and have delivered it into the hand of the overseers, and to the hand of the workmen.
- **2 Chronicles 34:18** Then Shaphan the scribe told the king, saying, Hilkiah the priest hath given me a book. And Shaphan read it before the king.
- **2 Chronicles 34:19** And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the law, that he rent his clothes.

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Shaphan, and Abdon the son of Micah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asaiah a servant of the king's, saying,

2 Chronicles 34:21 Go, inquire of the LORD for me, and for them that are left in Israel and in Judah, concerning the words of the book that is found: for great *is* the wrath of the LORD that is poured out upon us, because our fathers have not kept the word of the LORD, to do after all that is written in this book.

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- **2 Chronicles 34:22** And Hilkiah, and *they* that the king *had appointed*, went to Huldah the prophetess, the wife of Shallum the son of Tikvath, the son of Hasrah, keeper of the wardrobe; (now she dwelt in Jerusalem in the college:) and they spake to her to that *effect*.
- **2 Chronicles 34:23** And she answered them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Tell ye the man that sent you to me,
- **2 Chronicles 34:24** Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants thereof, *even* all the curses that are written in the book which they have read before the king of Judah:
- **2 Chronicles 34:25** Because they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke me to anger with all the works of their hands; therefore my wrath shall be poured out upon this place, and shall not be quenched.
- **2 Chronicles 34:26** And as for the king of Judah, who sent you to inquire of the LORD, so shall ye say unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel *concerning* the words which thou hast heard;
- **2 Chronicles 34:27** Because thine heart was tender, and thou didst humble thyself before God, when thou heardest his words against this place, and against the inhabitants thereof, and humbledst thyself before me, and didst rend thy clothes, and weep before me; I have even heard *thee* also, saith the LORD.
- **2 Chronicles 34:28** Behold, I will gather thee to thy fathers, and thou shalt be gathered to thy grave in peace, neither shall thine eyes see all the evil that I will bring upon this place, and upon the inhabitants of the same. So they brought the king word again.
- **2 Chronicles 34:29** Then the king sent and gathered together all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem.

- **2 Chronicles 34:30** And the king went up into the house of the LORD, and all the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the priests, and the Levites, and all the people, great and small: and he read in their ears all the words of the book of the covenant that was found in the house of the LORD.
- **2 Chronicles 34:31** And the king stood in his place, and made a covenant before the LORD, to walk after the LORD, and to keep his commandments, and his testimonies, and his statutes, with all his heart, and with all his soul, to perform the words of the covenant which are written in this book.
- **2 Chronicles 34:32** And he caused all that were present in Jerusalem and Benjamin to stand *to it*. And the inhabitants of Jerusalem did according to the covenant of God, the God of their fathers.

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39	31	608	1. king Josiah dies; Jeremiah and all Judah lament his death (2Ch 35:24-25) 2. And like unto him was there no king before him, that turned to the LORD with all his heart, and with all his soul, and with all his might, according to all the law of Moses; neither after him arose there any like him. (2Ki 23:25-26)	

- **2 Chronicles 34:33** And Josiah took away all the abominations out of all the countries that *pertained* to the children of Israel, and made all that were present in Israel to serve, *even* to serve the LORD their God. *And* all his days they departed not from following the LORD, the God of their fathers.
- **2 Chronicles 35:1** Moreover Josiah kept a passover unto the LORD in Jerusalem: and they killed the passover on the fourteenth *day* of the first month.
- **2 Chronicles 35:2** And he set the priests in their charges, and encouraged them to the service of the house of the LORD,
- **2 Chronicles 35:3** And said unto the Levites that taught all Israel, which were holy unto the LORD, Put the holy ark in the house which Solomon the son of David king of Israel did build; *it shall* not *be* a burden upon *your* shoulders: serve now the LORD your God, and his people Israel,
- **2 Chronicles 35:4** And prepare *yourselves* by the houses of your fathers, after your courses, according to the writing of David king of Israel, and according to the writing of Solomon his son.
- **2 Chronicles 35:5** And stand in the holy *place* according to the divisions of the families of the fathers of your brethren the people, and *after* the division of the families of the Levites.
- **2 Chronicles 35:6** So kill the passover, and sanctify yourselves, and prepare your brethren, that *they* may do according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.
- **2 Chronicles 35:7** And Josiah gave to the people, of the flock, lambs and kids, all for the passover offerings, for all that were present, to the number of thirty thousand, and three thousand bullocks: these *were* of the king's substance.
- **2 Chronicles 35:8** And his princes gave willingly unto the people, to the priests, and to the Levites: Hilkiah and Zechariah and Jehiel, rulers of the house of God, gave unto the priests for the passover offerings two thousand and six hundred *small cattle*, and three hundred oxen.
- **2 Chronicles 35:9** Conaniah also, and Shemaiah and Nethaneel, his brethren, and Hashabiah and Jeiel and Jozabad, chief of the Levites, gave unto the Levites for passover offerings five thousand *small cattle*, and five hundred oxen.
- **2 Chronicles 35:10** So the service was prepared, and the priests stood in their place, and the Levites in their courses, according to the king's commandment.
- **2 Chronicles 35:11** And they killed the passover, and the priests sprinkled *the blood* from their hands, and the Levites flayed *them*.
- **2 Chronicles 35:12** And they removed the burnt offerings, that they might give according to the divisions of the families of the people, to offer unto the LORD, as *it is* written in the book of Moses. And so *did they* with the oxen.
- **2 Chronicles 35:13** And they roasted the passover with fire according to the ordinance: but the *other* holy *offerings* sod they in pots, and in caldrons, and in pans, and divided *them* speedily among all the people.

- **2 Chronicles 35:14** And afterward they made ready for themselves, and for the priests: because the priests the sons of Aaron *were busied* in offering of burnt offerings and the fat until night; therefore the Levites prepared for themselves, and for the priests the sons of Aaron.
- **2 Chronicles 35:15** And the singers the sons of Asaph *were* in their place, according to the commandment of David, and Asaph, and Heman, and Jeduthun the king's seer; and the porters *waited* at every gate; they might not depart from their service; for their brethren the Levites prepared for them.
- **2 Chronicles 35:16** So all the service of the LORD was prepared the same day, to keep the passover, and to offer burnt offerings upon the altar of the LORD, according to the commandment of king Josiah.
- **2 Chronicles 35:17** And the children of Israel that were present kept the passover at that time, and the feast of unleavened bread seven days.
- **2 Chronicles 35:18** And there was no passover like to that kept in Israel from the days of Samuel the prophet; neither did all the kings of Israel keep such a passover as Josiah kept, and the priests, and the Levites, and all Judah and Israel that were present, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem.
- **2 Chronicles 35:19** In the eighteenth year of the reign of Josiah was this passover kept.
- **2 Chronicles 35:20** After all this, when Josiah had prepared the temple, Necho king of Egypt came up to fight against Carchemish by Euphrates: and Josiah went out against him.
- **2 Chronicles 35:21** But he sent ambassadors to him, saying, What have I to do with thee, thou king of Judah? *I come* not against thee this day, but against the house wherewith I have war: for God commanded me to make haste: forbear thee from *meddling with* God, who *is* with me, that he destroy thee not.
- **2 Chronicles 35:22** Nevertheless Josiah would not turn his face from him, but disguised himself, that he might fight with him, and hearkened not unto the words of Necho from the mouth of God, and came to fight in the valley of Megiddo.
- **2 Chronicles 35:23** And the archers shot at king Josiah; and the king said to his servants, Have me away; for I am sore wounded.
- **2 Chronicles 35:24** His servants therefore took him out of that chariot, and put him in the second chariot that he had; and they brought him to Jerusalem, and he died, and was buried in *one of* the sepulchres of his fathers. And all Judah and Jerusalem mourned for Josiah.
- **2 Chronicles 35:25** And Jeremiah lamented for Josiah: and all the singing men and the singing women spake of Josiah in their lamentations to this day, and made them an ordinance in Israel: and, behold, they *are* written in the lamentations.
- **2 Chronicles 35:26** Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and his goodness, according to that which was written in the law of the LORD,

Jesus said I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life. John 8:12				
Jeremiah	Type of Christ the Rock: 1. known before; ordained in the womb; 2. wholeheartedly obedient to the Father; 3. prophesied only the word of God; 4. compassionate yet unwavering in message and in a lifestyle of holiness; 5. grieved over the people because of their hard hearts and disobedience; 6. never left or forsook the people; 7. taught love and obey God, or judgment.			
Josiah	Type of the true Church: 1. consistently seeks God's will; 2. walks in obedience to God's word; 3. on fire in worship and holiness; 4. disciplines disobedience; 5. refuses to compromise with the world; 6. delivers those repentant and obedient; 7. taken out (rapture) before God's wrath.			
People of the kingdoms of Judah and Israel	Type of the visible Church: 1. dead, lukewarm, or apostate; 2. disobedient to God's word; 3. cold or nominal in worship of God; 4. worships and serves other gods; 5. does not discipline disobedience; 6. offers no true deliverance to the world; 7. merges with the world.			
GRACE, FAITH, AND WORKS FOR SALVATION (Eph 2:8-10; Ga 2:16) Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. Quench not the Spirit. Despise not prophesyings. Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. Abstain from all appearance of evil. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Th 5:16-23				

- **2 Chronicles 35:27** And his deeds, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah.
- **2 Kings 23:25** And like unto him was there no king before him, that turned to the LORD with all his heart, and with all his soul, and with all his might, according to all the law of Moses; neither after him arose there *any* like him.
- **2 Kings 23:26** Notwithstanding the LORD turned not from the fierceness of his great wrath, wherewith his anger was kindled against Judah, because of all the provocations that Manasseh had provoked him withal.
- **2 Kings 23:27** And the LORD said, I will remove Judah also out of my sight, as I have removed Israel, and will cast off this city Jerusalem which I have chosen, and the house of which I said, My name shall be there.

586 BC: king Nebuchadnezzar destroyed Jerusalem and deported Judah to Babylon.