Ezekiel 34 RELIGIOUS, BUT MISSING THE MARK [vss. 1-2]

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Jesus warns religious leaders for not giving and doing the full message Matthew 23:23 (KJB) Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.

The full gospel teaches wisdom and prudence: missing today Ephesians 1:8 (KJB) Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence; {prudence includes caution and sagacity; exercising acute discernment of good and evil}.

The apostle Paul teaches the full gospel

Ephesians 1:1 (KJB) Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus:

- **2** Grace *be* to you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.
- **3** Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly *places* in Christ:
- **4** According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:
- **5** Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,
- **6** To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.
- **7** In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;
- 8 Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;
- **9** Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:
- **10** That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; *even* in him:
- 11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

- **12** That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.
- **13** In whom ye also *trusted*, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,
- **14** Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.
- **15** Wherefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the saints,
- 16 Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers;
- **17** That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:
- **18** The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints.
- **19** And what *is* the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,
- **20** Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set *him* at his own right hand in the heavenly *places*,
- **21** Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:
- **22** And hath put all *things* under his feet, and gave him *to be* the head over all *things* to the church,
- 23 Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

Behold, I am against the shepherds; and I will require my flock at their hand [vs. 10]

Ezekiel 34:1 (KJB) And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

- **2** Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD unto the shepherds; Woe *be* to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?
- **3** Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them that are fed: *but* ye feed not the flock.
- **4** The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up *that which was* broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye sought that which was lost; but with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them.
- **5** And they were scattered, because *there is* no shepherd: and they became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered.
- **6** My sheep wandered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill: yea, my flock was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seek *after them*.
- **7** Therefore, ye shepherds, hear the word of the LORD;
- 8 As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely because my flock became a prey, and my flock

became meat to every beast of the field, because *there was* no shepherd, neither did my shepherds search for my flock, but the shepherds fed themselves, and fed not my flock:

- **9** Therefore, O ye shepherds, hear the word of the LORD;
- **10** Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against the shepherds; and I will require my flock at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the flock; neither shall the shepherds feed themselves any more; for I will deliver my flock from their mouth, that they may not be meat for them.
- **11** For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, even I, will both search my sheep, and seek them out.
- **12** As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep *that are* scattered; so will I seek out my sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day.
- **13** And I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the country.
- **14** I will feed them in a good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel shall their fold be: there shall they lie in a good fold, and *in* a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel.
- 15 I will feed my flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord GOD.
- **16** I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up *that which was* broken, and will strengthen that which was sick: but I will destroy the fat and the strong; I will feed them with judgment.
- **17** And as for you, O my flock, thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I judge between cattle and cattle, between the rams and the he goats.
- **18** Seemeth it a small thing unto you to have eaten up the good pasture, but ye must tread down with your feet the residue of your pastures? and to have drunk of the deep waters, but ye must foul the residue with your feet?
- **19** And as for my flock, they eat that which ye have trodden with your feet; and they drink that which ye have fouled with your feet.
- **20** Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD unto them; Behold, I, *even* I, will judge between the fat cattle and between the lean cattle.
- 21 Because ye have thrust with side and with shoulder, and pushed all the diseased with your horns, till ye have scattered them abroad;
- 22 Therefore will I save my flock, and they shall no more be a prey; and I will judge between cattle and cattle.
- **23** And I will set up one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, *even* my servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd.
- **24** And I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David a prince among them; I the LORD have spoken *it*.
- **25** And I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods.
- 26 And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing; and I will cause

the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing.

- **27** And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have broken the bands of their yoke, and delivered them out of the hand of those that served themselves of them.
- **28** And they shall no more be a prey to the heathen, neither shall the beast of the land devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make *them* afraid.
- **29** And I will raise up for them a plant of renown, and they shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen any more.
- **30** Thus shall they know that I the LORD their God *am* with them, and *that* they, *even* the house of Israel, *are* my people, saith the Lord GOD.
- **31** And ye my flock, the flock of my pasture, *are* men, *and* I *am* your God, saith the Lord GOD.
 - **2 Corinthians 13:14 (KJB)** The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, *be* with you all. Amen.