

Jezebel's War with You

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Introduction — Dr. Michael Brown's sermon this morning is excerpted from his book, *"Jezebel's War with America: The Plot to Destroy Our Country and What We Can Do to Turn the Tide."* All of the quotes in the outline are from the book. (Front Line/Charisma House Book Group, 2019)

To fully understand what is being presented, the sermon needs to be viewed online.

Intense — This is an intense message — the whole world is in spiritual conflict

Victory — *These is still an overwhelming sense of victory for us, because Jesus rose from the dead, and is the Overcomer — that's all I need to know.*

Armor of God

- **Ephesians 6:10-18**

¹⁰ Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the [b]wiles of the devil. ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of [c]the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵ and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; ¹⁶ above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. ¹⁷ And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; ¹⁸ praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints —

- We do not fight ourselves — we put on the armor of GOD
- We do not wrestle against flesh and blood
- THERE IS ORGANIZED SPIRITUAL OPPOSITION AGAINST US

Jezebel in the Old Testament

- **1 Kings 16:29-31**

²⁹ In the thirty-eighth year of Asa king of Judah, Ahab the son of Omri began to reign over Israel, and Ahab the son of Omri reigned over Israel in Samaria twenty-two years. ³⁰ Ahab the son of Omri did more evil in the sight of the Lord than all who were before him. ³¹ The sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat were seen as minor for him to walk in, for he took Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal, king of the Sidonians, as his wife and went and served Baal and worshipped him.

- A pagan princess who married the king of Israel
- A fanatical idol worshiper
- She killed the prophets
- She intimidated by fear
- She emasculated her husband
- She incited her husband to do evil

- She is associated with sexual immorality and idolatry
- She is a false prophetess

Jezebel in the New Testament

- **Revelation 2:20-23**

²⁰ “But I have a few things against you: You permit that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, to teach and seduce My servants to commit sexual immorality and eat food sacrificed to idols. ²¹ I gave her time to repent of her sexual immorality, but she did not repent. ²² Look! I will throw her onto a sickbed, and those who commit adultery with her into great tribulation, unless they repent of their deeds. ²³ I will put her children to death, and all the churches shall know that I am He who searches the hearts and minds. I will give to each one of you according to your deeds.

- She is a false prophetess
- She seduces God’s people into sexual immorality
- She teaches God’s people to eat food sacrificed to idols

The Spirit of Jezebel is not a person, not female — symbolizes activity of demonic forces.

The Spirit of Idolatry

- We must recognize the spirit of idolatry
 - A. W. Tozer: “Let us beware lest we in our pride accept the erroneous notion that idolatry consists only in kneeling before visible objects of adoration, and that civilized peoples are therefore free from it. The essence of idolatry is the entertainment of thoughts about God that are unworthy of Him. It begins in the mind and may be present where no overt act of worship has taken place.”
 - “When they knew God,” wrote Paul, “they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.”
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The Seduction of Porn

- every generation has faced sexual temptation and engaged in sexual sin; but what is new in this generation is the technology that makes sexual temptation available anywhere, anytime, fully accessible to anyone
- Porn sites receive more regular traffic than Netflix, Amazon, & Twitter combined each month.
- 35% of all internet downloads are porn-related.
- People who admit to having extramarital affairs were over 300% more likely to admit consuming porn than those who have never had an affair
- At least 30% of all data transferred across the internet is porn-related
- There are even articles today on subjects like, “The Detrimental Effects of Pornography on Small Children.” Small children!
- As explained in a 2013 article in the *Huffington Post*, “A staggering statistic in [a recent university] report stated that peer to peer (P2P) users (those who share images) were more likely to have images of very young children and violent images. Of P2P users arrested in 2009, 33 percent had photos of children age three or younger and 42 percent had images of children that showed sexual violence.”

The Baby Killing Spirit

- A Greek source dating back to 146 BC describes the practice in Carthage, which today is the city of Tunis in Tunisia: “There stands in their midst a bronze statue of Kronos, its hands extended over a bronze brazier, the flames of which engulf the child. When the flames fall upon the body, the limbs contract and the open mouth seems almost to be laughing until the contracted body slips quietly into the brazier. Thus it is that the 'grin' is known as 'sardonic laughter,' since they die laughing.”
- On my show, Mat Staver referred to “amazing situations” where Planned Parenthood clinics “were taking babies and intentionally aborting them so they could harvest intact organs, some of which were born alive while the hearts were still beating. Hearts were being removed while they were still alive.”
- He continued, “Brains were being removed while the hearts were still beating, and we have evidence where they sliced the baby’s face in two with a scalpel and then extracted the brain while the baby was still alive.”

Radical Feminism

- Not speaking of “healthy feminism”
- Some of the central issues taken on by radical feminists include:
- “A critique of motherhood, marriage, the nuclear family, and sexuality, questioning how much of our culture is based on patriarchal assumptions.”
- “A critique of other institutions, including government and religion, as centered historically in patriarchal power.”
- The nuclear family must be destroyed... Whatever its ultimate meaning, the break-up of families now is an objectively revolutionary process. (Linda Gordon)
- Marriage as an institution developed from rape as a practice. (Andrea Dworkin)
- Since marriage constitutes slavery for women, it is clear that the women’s movement must concentrate on attacking this institution. Freedom for women cannot be won without the abolition of marriage. (Sheila Cronan, leader of the feminist organization NOW)

Emasculating of Men

- Back in 2005, John Tierney published an op-ed in the *New York Times* titled, “The Doofus Dad,” beginning with this anecdote: “One evening, after watching Homer Simpson wreck the family car at a monster-truck rally and plunge on a skateboard into Springfield Gorge, my 6-year-old son asked me, ‘Why are dads on TV so dumb?’” Why indeed!
- In the 1960s on TV, the fathers were wise, esteemed, respected
- Today the father is mocked, a figure scorned by his children and ridiculed by his wife, troubled
- If fathers today are godly, they are considered toxic

The War on Gender

- In 2016 Princeton University human resources department issued a policy that “aims to make the department more gender inclusive.” Yet employees must “refrain from the use of gendered language,” since the gender binary of male and female “does not take into consideration individuals who identify as otherwise including and not limited to transgender, gender-queer, gender non-conforming, and/or intersex.”

Sorcery and Witchcraft

Top stories from a Google search in December 2018 on “the rise of witchcraft in America”

- “The US Witch Population Has Seen an Astronomical Rise” (October 4, 2018)
- “Number of Witches Rises Dramatically Across U.S. as Millennials reject Christianity” (posted November 18, 2018)
- “Witches Outnumbers Presbyterians Among U.S. Millennials” (posted October 11, 2018)

Silencing the Prophets

- Spiritual battle — not political one
- We must decide and decide quickly who is chief, whom we will serve. Millions of people in America live in a moral fog... Modified immorality on the basis of cleverness guides millions of people. Modified dishonesty within the letter of the law is the practice of millions more.
- “Surely the time has come, because the hour is late, when we must decide. And the choice before us is plain — Yahweh or Baal. Christ or chaos. Conviction or compromise. Discipline or disintegration.” (Rev. Peter Marshall, 1947)
- I suggest to you that America needs prophets today who will set before the nation the essential choices...
- We need a prophet who will have the ear of America and say to her now, “How long will you halt and stand between two opinions? If Yahweh is God, follow Him, but if Baal be God, follow him, and *go to Hell!*”

My Encounters with Jezebel

- *To fully understand this section — watch the video of Dr. Brown.*
- From America to India – Jezebel opposes the prophetic call to repentance.
- Be assured: If you confront this spirit of the age, you *will* encounter Jezebel.

Held Captive by Fear

- Dear Dr. Brown,
- “When we were in DC last year we accidentally got caught up in a demonstration against Justice Kavanaugh. The next morning, when I thought about what we encountered the previous day I realized how dark the atmosphere had been in the midst of the protestors. After we got home I felt as though we had “picked up” something while in DC and asked for prayer at our home group.
- It was at this time that my husband began to slip into a state of deep depression. To give a few details: he didn’t want to live; he felt he was a total failure in every area; he became intensely fearful of everything and acted irrationally at times, and he felt he had failed God and that God was angry with him.
- He has received ministry by several people over this past year and has received some relief. This past week while we were driving home from DC we listened to the YouTube interview about your book on the Sid Roth’s show. I knew about this Jezebel Spirit but had never linked it to Elijah’s reaction to Jezebel. As you explained your experiences, we heard almost exactly the same things that he has been suffering through. Now we understand what or who we are fighting.”

Kanye West Has Proclaimed It

- “Closed on Sunday, you’re my Chick-fil-A/Closed on Sunday, you my Chick-fil-A/Hold the selfies, put the ‘Gram away/Get your family, y’all hold hands and pray/When you got daughters, always keep ‘em safe/Watch out for vipers, don’t let them indoctrinate/Closed on Sunday, you my Chick-fil-A/You’re my number one with the lemonade.
- “... Try me and you will see that I ain’t playin’/Now, back up off my family, move your hands/I got my weapons in the spirit’s land/I, Jezebel don’t even stand a chance/Jezebel don’t even stand a chance.”

A Lesson from 2 Kings 9:30-33

- “Then Jehu went to Jezreel. When Jezebel heard about it, she put on eye makeup, arranged her hair and looked out of a window. As Jehu entered the gate, she asked, “Have you come in peace, you Zimri, you murderer of your master?”
- He looked up at the window and called out, “Who is on my side? Who?” *Two or three eunuchs looked down at him.* “Throw her down!” Jehu said. So they threw her down, and some of her blood splattered the wall and the horses as they trampled her underfoot.”

Jezebel doesn’t stand a chance if you are clothed in the armor of God.

How can we set others free if we are bound?

Discussion Questions

1. Had you ever identified the immorality in today's society with the "spirit of Jezebel"? Can you see it now?
2. In what way has pornography affected the life of someone you know? How can this perspective help in breaking the hold of pornography on someone?
3. DISCUSS: How do we defeat Jezebel on a Personal Level?
 - a. Fear Not!
 - b. Give no place to Jezebel in your life!
 - c. Put on that divine armor!
 - d. Seal it with the Joy of the Lord!
4. DISCUSS: How to defeat Jezebel on a National Level?
 - a. We must give ourselves to prayer!
 - b. The prophets must speak!
 - c. Push back!
 - d. Let's learn what we can from President Trump
 - i. Don't avoid confrontation
 - ii. Don't be a slave of public opinion
 - iii. Don't be afraid to ride out the storm
 - e. The castrated males must regain their manhood

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