**Believe it or Not**

**Balaam and His Donkey – Part 2**

**March 22, 2020**

Numbers 22:21-35

Takeaways

1. To deliberately or purposely \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the will of God is to make Him your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

***26”****Dear friends, if we deliberately continue sinning after we have received knowledge of the truth, there is no longer any sacrifice that will cover these sins.****27****There is only the terrible expectation of God’s judgment and the raging fire that will consume his enemies.****28****For anyone who refused to obey the law of Moses was put to death without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses.****29****Just think how much worse the punishment will be for those who have trampled on the Son of God, and have treated the blood of the covenant, which made us holy, as if it were common and unholy, and have insulted and disdained the Holy Spirit who brings God’s mercy to us.****30****For we know the one who said, ‘I will take revenge. I will pay them back.’ He also said, ‘The Lord will judge his own people.’* ***31****It is a terrible thing to fall into the hands of the living God.”* ~ Hebrews 10:26-31

1. When our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ gets in the way, our spiritual blindness and powerlessness are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

*“In the same way, you who are younger must accept the authority of the elders. And all of you, dress yourselves in humility as you relate to one another, for ‘God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.’”* ~ 1 Peter 5:5

*“And he gives grace generously. As the Scriptures say, ‘God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.’”* ~ James 4:6

1. Our disobedience to God can often make us look \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in front of others.

Disobedience followed by obedience can look even \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Conclusions

1. Don’t try and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ God to be on your side. We are the ones that need to be

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ so that we are on God’s side.

***8 “****But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.****9****And since we have been made right in God’s sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God’s condemnation.****10****For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son.****11****So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us friends of God.”*

~ Romans 5:8-11

1. Don’t make Jesus your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Make Him your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Romans 8:31-39