## <u> Discerning The Times - Godly or Not - Ecclesiastes 8</u>

- Ecclesiastes 8:5 Whoso keepeth the commandment shall feel no evil thing: and a wise man's heart <u>discerneth</u> both <u>time</u> and judgment.
- Isaiah 1:26 And I will restore thy judges as at the first, and thy counsellors as at the beginning: afterward thou shalt be called, The city of righteousness, the faithful city.
- Ezekiel 45 Referred to the leaders oppressing God's people. V8 In the land shall be his possession in Israel: and My princes shall no more oppress My people; and the rest of the land shall they give to the house of Israel according to their tribes.
- Numbers 11 Referred to when Moses appointed the 70 judges.
- Strongs #03045 yada' yaw-dah' AV-know 645, known 105, knowledge 19, perceive 18, shew 17, tell 8, wist 7, understand 7, certainly 7, acknowledge 6, acquaintance 6, consider 6, declare 6, teach 5, misc 85; 947 1) to know 1a) (Qal) 1a1) to know 1a1a) to know, learn to know 1a1b) to perceive 1a1c) to perceive and see, find out and discern 1a1d) to discriminate, distinguish 1a1e) to know by experience 1a1f) to recognise, admit, acknowledge, confess 1a1g) to consider 1a2) to know, be acquainted with 1a3) to know (a person carnally) 1a4) to know how, be skilful in 1a5) to have knowledge, be wise 1b) (Niphal) 1b1) to be made known, be or become known, be revealed 1b2) to make oneself known 1b3) to be perceived 1b4) to be instructed 1c) (Piel) to cause to know 1d) (Poal) to cause to know 1e) (Pual) 1e1) to be known 1e2) known, one known, acquaintance (participle) 1f) (Hiphil) to make known, declare 1g) (Hophal) to be made known 1h) (Hithpael) to make oneself known, reveal oneself.
- Matthew 16:3 And in the morning, *It will be* foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowring. O *ye* hypocrites, ye can <u>discern</u> the face of the sky; but can ye not <u>discern</u> the signs of the <u>times</u>?
- Strongs #1252 diakrino *dee-ak-ree'-no* AV-doubt 5, judge 3, discern 2, contend 2, waver 2, misc 5; 19 1) to separate, make a distinction, discriminate, to prefer 2) to learn by discrimination, to try, decide 2a) to determine, give judgment, decide a dispute 3) to withdraw from one, desert 4) to separate one's self in a hostile spirit, to oppose, strive with dispute, contend 5) to be at variance with one's self, hesitate, doubt.
- Matthew 18:18 Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall

be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Referred to Bible times when the weather was influenced by spiritual forces: Job 1 & 2 the devil influencing the wind.

1 Kings Elijah prayed to have famine (16) & flood (18).

Exodus 9 Moses in Egypt God sent fire & hail.

Exodus 14 When God split the Red Sea with the east wind.

Genesis 7 Joseph & the 7 years of famine in Egypt.

Acts 1 & 2 Compaired to before & after the infilling of the Holy Spirit.

Luke 10:19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Luke 12:56 *Ye* hypocrites, ye can <u>discern</u> the face of the sky and of the earth; but how is it that ye do not discern this time?

Matthew 5:37 But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil.

Matthew 1 Referred to when Jesus was born.

- Matthew 24:15,16 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) 16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:
- 1 John 4:1 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.
- Strongs #1381 dokimazo *dok-im-ad'-zo* AV-prove 10, try 4, approve 3, discern 2, allow 2, like 1, examine 1; 23 1) to test, examine, prove, scrutinise (to see whether a thing is genuine or not), as metals 2) to recognise as genuine after examination, to approve, deem worthy.
- Isaiah 6:9,10 And he said, Go, and tell this people, Hear ye indeed, but understand not; and see ye indeed, but perceive not. 10 Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed.
- Jonah 3:1-5 And the Word of the LORD came unto Jonah the second time, saying, 2 Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee. 3 So Jonah arose, and went unto Nineveh, according to the Word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceeding great city of three days' journey. 4 And Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and he cried, and said, Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown. 5 So the people of Nineveh believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of

them.

- Luke 7:31-35 And the Lord said, Whereunto then shall I liken the men of this generation? and to what are they like? 32 They are like unto children sitting in the marketplace, and calling one to another, and saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned to you, and ye have not wept. 33 For John the Baptist came neither eating bread nor drinking wine and ye say, He hath a devil. 34 The Son of Man is come eating and drinking (fresh grape juice); and ye say, Behold a gluttonous man, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners! 35 But wisdom is justified of all her children.
- Luke 7:32,33 They are like unto children sitting in the marketplace (hanging out), and calling one to another, and saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced (come play with us); we have mourned to you, and ye have not wept. 33 For John the Baptist came neither eating bread nor drinking wine (Nazarite from birth); and ye say, He hath a devil (demon).
- Luke 1:15 For he (John the Baptist) shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb.
- 1 Corinthians 15:33 Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners.
- Romans 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.
- John 15:25 But this cometh to pass, that the Word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated Me without a cause.
- John 15:20 Remember the Word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted Me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept My saying, they will keep yours also.
- Isaiah 11:2 And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;
- Luke 12:54-59 (AV) & (NKJV)
- Luke 12:54 (AV) And he said also to the people, When ye see a cloud rise out of the west, straightway ye say, There cometh a shower; and so it is.
- Luke 12:54 (NKJV) Then He also said to the multitudes, Whenever you see a cloud rising out of the west, immediately you say, A shower is coming; and so it is.
- Luke 12:55 (AV) And when ye see the south wind blow, ye say, There will be heat; and it cometh to pass.
- Luke 12:55 (NKJV) And when you see the south wind blow, you say, There

- will be hot weather; and there is.
- Luke 12:56 (AV) *Ye* hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky and of the earth; but how is it that ye do not discern this time?
- Luke 12:56 (NKJV) Hypocrites! You can discern the face of the sky and of the earth, but how *is it* you do not discern this time?
- Matthew 23 Referred to Jesus' 8 woes on the religious leaders.
- Luke 12:1 In the mean time, when there were gathered together an innumerable multitude of people, insomuch that they trode one upon another, he began to say unto his disciples first of all, Beware ye of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy.
- Summarized of Salvation by Jesus.
- Luke 2:27 And he (Simeon) came by the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for Him after the custom of the law,
- Luke 2:38 And she (Anna) coming in that instant gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of him to all them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem.
- Luke 12:57 (AV) Yea, and why even of yourselves judge ye not what is right? Luke 12:57 (NKJV) Yes, and why, even of yourselves, do you not judge what is right?
- Matthew 7: 1,2 Judge not, that ye be not judged. 2 For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.
- Luke 12:58 (AV) When thou goest with thine adversary to the magistrate, as thou art in the way, give diligence that thou mayest be delivered from him; lest he hale thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and the officer cast thee into prison.
- Luke 12:58 (NKJV) When you go with your adversary to the magistrate, make every effort along the way to settle with him, lest he drag you to the judge, the judge deliver you to the officer, and the officer throw you into prison.
- 2 Samuel 12:14 Howbeit, because by this deed thou hast given great occasion to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme, the child also that is born unto thee shall surely die.
- Luke 12:59 (AV) I tell thee, thou shalt not depart thence, till thou hast paid the very last mite.
- Luke 12:59 (NKJV) I tell you, you shall not depart from there till you have paid the very last mite.
- Luke 19:13 And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.
- Matthew 16:19 And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven:

and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

- Daniel 10 Summarized of the spiritual battle in the heavenlies.
- Ephesians 6:12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.
- 1 Peter 4:4 Wherein they think it strange that ye run not with them to the same excess of riot, speaking evil of you:
- 1 Corinthians 6:19,20 What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? 20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.
- 1 Peter 1:16 Because it is written, Be ye Holy; for I am Holy.
- 1 John 3:3 And every man that hath this hope in Him purifieth himself, even as He is pure.
- 2 Peter 2:7 And delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked:
- Joshua 24:15 And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.
- 2 Corinthians 10:4,5 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) 5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;
- Luke 10:19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.
- Matthew 16:19 And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

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