We continue stedfastly in prayer, and in the ministry of the word.

Acts 6: 4 ASV

Thrones of Judgment A Message for Adults

Week of Sunday 2 April, 2017 A.D. (Anno Domini – In the year of our Lord) Sunday 6 Nissan, 5777

• Text: Psalms 122: 5 ASV

There are set thrones for judgment, thrones of the house of David.

- King Nebuchadnezzar held his position and power by the will of God. He seduced himself to think differently. There came a moment when God was not in all his thoughts; 4 The wicked, in the pride of his countenance, saith, He will not require it. All his thoughts are, There is no God. Psalm 10:4 He laid flattering unction to his soul that he had attained his dominion by his own right and would maintain it by his own power.
- Repeated warnings are matter of record.

A year before disaster struck he had a dream (Daniel 4: 10). He was told a watcher and holy one came down from heaven (Daniel 4: 13). The king made an image of gold, whose height was 90', and breadth was 9'. He set it up in the plain of Dura, Babylon. Sheriffs, deputies, governors, judges, treasurers, counsellors, and all rulers had gathered for the dedication. Standing before the image, a herald cried aloud, "It is commanded, people and nations, when you hear music, fall down and worship the golden

image. Whoso falleth not down, the same hour shall be cast into a fiery furnace. (Daniel 3: 1-11)

 Our modern mentality conveniently forgets there is a watcher. For long he has kept silence, but in His own time He will break that silence. 13 Jehovah will go forth as a mighty man; he will stir up his zeal like a man of war: he will cry, yea, he will shout aloud; he will do mightily against his enemies. 14 I have long time holden my peace; I have been still, and refrained myself: now will I cry. Isaiah 42: 13-14 ASV

- Daniel made one last effort before sentence was passed. 27 Wherefore, O king, let my counsel be acceptable unto thee, and break off thy sins by righteousness, and thine iniquities by showing mercy to the poor; if there may be a lengthening of tranquillity. Daniel 4: 27 ASV
- Is that sage advice applicable to this nation. I posed the following question in the 19 March 2017 Adult Doctrine Message; "Is God using President Donald J. Trump, who is power ordained of God, to prove all the congregation

of the United States of America, whether we will walk in His law, or not?" The answer will be forthcoming. Will God turn toward us, or from us? Have options for the United States played out? Has the count down begun?

• Christ tied all nations to Israel, 29 Behold the fig tree, and all the trees. Luke 21: 29 ASV Since the fig tree relates to the nation of Israel, all the trees must refer to Gentile nations. Israel's most important strategic problem is continued access to foreign sources of modern arms essential to

maintaining the qualitative and superiority of their well trained, highly motivated army. Those weapons are primarily jet aircraft, up to date tanks, and missle defense systems. In 1967 Israel could buy French planes and British tanks. De Gaulle turned his back to the Jew, and was soon forced into retirement. The French position has changed, she is looking the other way. Britain's position changed, she is looking the other way. Russia is an open antagonist. China and North Korea have no friendly intentions toward Israel. 1 Jehovah

said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto the land that I will show thee: ² and I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make they name great; and be thou a blessing: 3 and I will bless them that bless thee, and him that curseth thee will I curse: and in thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed. Genesis 12: 1-3 ASV A decision to help or hinder Israel is imminent, and the United States is the only source to Israel for these

defenses.

 We know the past administration had enmity with Israel. Repeated choices against Israel are matter of record. Should the current administration of the United States turn from Israel, there will be no social legislation, no religious effort, no action to deter the supreme moment of judgment that will come upon this nation. It will take a total summons of moral strength to counter the pressures already in place. The shadows are lengthening. Only the

blind refuse to see. Pressure builds for a last diplomatic struggle where the Vatican will pressure to internationalize Jerusalem since it holds the holy places of three great religions. Israel will say no to the United Nations. When the fig tree blossoms all the trees are involved. Nebuchadnezzar, the greatest of them all, has left a testimony. Only the stupid quarrel with history.

• Israel faded out of the picture to allow the Church to take the spotlight. The reverse is

happening today. The Church is fading as Israel comes forward, front and center. Jehovah has His hand upon the nations. At this very moment He is pouring all the nations into their respective prophetic molds for the purpose of being fashioned according to the pattern. You had better believe something big is going to take place soon! The United States, mighty with privileges, will be accountable.

You are invited to join us!

We continue stedfastly in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and prayers every Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

We study doctrine and pray every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.