

Establishing a Governing Spiritual Atmosphere  
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*1 Samuel 19:20-24*

**I. Introduction – Read Text**

**A. Setting – David on the RUN from SAUL**

1. Saul mean to **KILL DAVID** because of **JEALOUSY**
  - a. He **KNOWS** that DAVID is the **ANOINTED KING of ISRAEL**
  - b. He **THINKS** that if he **KILLS DAVID**, he will be secure as **KING**
2. David **RUNS to his SPIRITUAL FATHER, SAMUEL** for **SAFETY and DIRECTION**

It was **Prophet Samuel** who **ANOINTED DAVID KING**

It is **PROPHET SAMUEL** who can **NOW** bring **CLARITY** and **UNDERSTANDING** to David's **CONFUSED MIND**

So, **DAVID joins Samuel** and **goes with him to RAMAH** where **Samuel's School of the Prophets** are, and **engages** with the **PROPHETIC COMPANY** to seek the Lord's **DIRECTION**

- a. **Saul DISCOVERS** David is at Naioth in **RAMAH w Samuel**
- b. **Saul sends MESSENGERS** to **TAKE DAVID**

*Messengers – malak – representatives who have authority of the SENT ONE – also, Courtiers (attendants in the court of the sovereign)*

*MALAK is a word from which comes MELEK translated KING*

**Side Note:** As **REDEEMED SONS**, we have the **PLACE** of a **Courtier** as a **SON OF GOD** in the **COUNSEL CHAMBER** of **ELOHIM** – the **ULTIMATE KING**.

As the **EKKLESIA**, we have a **SEAT** at the **COUNSEL TABLE** same as we do at the **BANQUET TABLE**

3. The **MESSENGERS** arrive in **Ramah** to find **David** in a **company** of *prophesying* prophets with **Samuel** presiding over them

*Prophesying* means that they were *PRAISING and CELEBRATING GOD and speaking forth the ORACLES of God as the HOLY SPIRIT gave them UTTERANCE*

- a. They **SEE** the **PROPHETS** prophesying and **SAMUEL** presiding over them and **THEY JOIN IN WITH THEM**
4. A **SECOND** set of **MESSENGERS** are **DISPATCHED** and as they **NEAR** the **COMPANY** of **PROPHECYING PROPHETS** and **SAMUEL** presiding over them, **THEY** begin to **JOIN IN TOO**
5. **Saul** **DISPATCHES** a **THIRD SET** of **MESSENGERS**, and the **SAME THING HAPPENS TO THEM!**

**As they approach the company of prophesying prophets and SEE Samuel presiding over them, THEY begin to PROHESY TOO**

6. **Finally, SAUL** goes to **RAMAH HIMSELF** to **take David**
  - a. **WHEN HE ARRIVES** in **Ramah**, he asks someone where **Samuel** and **David** are and is **told**, they are in **Naioth**

**BUT AS SAUL BEGINS to JOURNEY TO NAIOTH, THE SPIRIT of GOD FALLS on HIM and HE BEGAN to PROHESY ALL THE WAY to NAIOTH**

**AND WHEN HE ARRIVED at the COMPANY of PROPHETS AND SAW SAMUEL, HE STRIPPED OFF HIS KINGLY GARMENTS and LAY BEFORE the LORD AND PRAISED and PROPHECIED ALL DAY AND ALL NIGHT!**

**II. We must SEE the PRINCIPLE of ESTABLISHING the governing SPIRITUAL ATMOSPHERE**

**A. LOOK at the TEXT**

1. It **BEGAN** with **Samuel, David, and COMPANY**

*VS 18, 20 – And David and Samuel went and STAYED in Naioth .... But when the messengers saw the COMPANY of the prophets and Samuel standing and PRESIDING over them, the SPIRIT OF GOD (Elohim) came upon the messengers*

- a. *Naioth – living places – from a root word meaning place of beauty and celebration*

- b. **Stayed** – (KJ *dwelt*) – took a SEAT in the ASSEMBLY

**What assembly?** – The assembly of the **GOVERNING COUNSEL** of heaven and earth

**Samuel and David as SONS of God had DIRECT ACCESS to the GOVERNING COUNSEL of HEAVEN as MEMBERS of the FAMILY of ELOHIM**

**They were BOTH anointed SONS of God – God anointed Samuel / God anointed David THROUGH Samuel**

- c. **Presiding – to be SET OVER / to be STATIONED in order to FULFILL an APPOINTED DUTY**

**Samuel TOOK HIS ASSIGNED STATION and CONNECTED the EARTHLY COMPANY of SONS with the HEAVENLY COMPANY of SONS**

2. The **SPIRITUAL CLIMATE INCREASED**

***V 20 - when the messengers SAW the company of the prophets prophesying with Samuel presiding over them, the Spirit of God (Elohim) came upon THEM; and THEY PROPHESED TOO***

- a. **Company – assembly - gathering**
- b. **Saw – ra a – the saving, understanding, believing acceptance of the word of God as delivered by His ACCREDITED MESSENGERS**

The men of SAUL were Saul's Courtiers (*governmental court attendants*) but Samuel, David and the COMPANY of the PROPHETS were ELOHIM'S Courtiers

**ELOHIM, through HIS COUNSEL APPOINTEES made it CLEAR that HE WAS KING and NOT SAUL**

And when Saul's COURTIERs came into the ATMOSPHERE of the POWER and AUTHORITY of ELOHIM they clearly SAW IT and SURRENDERED to the SOVEREIGN ELOHIM and JOINED the COMPANY

- c. **TWO MORE GROUPS of MESSENGERS were SENT by SAUL only to have the SAME OUTCOME**

3. **TRUE SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY covered the REGION**

- a. **Saul himself** heads to Naioth to **TAKE DAVID**
- b. **But** before he can get **CLOSE** to Naioth, He encounters the **SPIRITUAL ATMOSPHERE**

*Vs 23 And Saul proceeded to Naioth of Ramah; and the Spirit of Elohim came upon him also, so that he went along prophesying continually UNTIL HE CAME to Naioth*

- c. The **INCREASE** and **EXTENSION** of the **PRESENCE** of **ELOHIM** had **EXTENDED** beyond the **BORDERS** of the **COMAPANY** and into the **ENTIRE REGION**

When the **DARKNESS** in **SAUL** encountered the **LIGHT** of the **ASSEMBLY** of the **SONS** of **ELOHIM**, the **EVIL** was **DISARMED**

**Saul** had only **TWO CHOICES** – **TURN** and **FLEE** or **BOW** to **ELOHIM**

I believe that Saul **STILL HAD** a **SENSITIVITY** to the **SPIRIT** and when he **ENCOUNTERED** it, He **EMBRACED** it for **AS LONG AS** he **COULD**

### III. Look at *Acts 4:23-31*

#### A. Background

1. The **DAY** of **PENTECOST** had come and the **120** were all **BAPTIZED** in the **HOLY GHOST**
  - a. The **FIRE OF GOD** had been released into their **HUMAN SPIRITS**
  - b. Their **HUMAN SPIRITS** had been **EMPOWERED** by **SPIRIT** of **ELOHIM** to be **LIVING MARTYRS** of the **FAMILY** of **ELOHIM**
2. The **FIRE** of **GOD** led them into the **STREETS** of Jerusalem where **Peter** **RELEASED** the **MESSAGE** of the **GOSPEL** of the **KINGDOM** and **3,000** souls received Jesus as Lord and Savior
  - a. **As** the **DAYS** went by, the **CHURCH** grew **DAILY**
3. Then **one day**, **Peter** and **John** are on their way to the temple to pray and encounter a **LAME MAN** at the **Gate Beautiful**
  - a. God does a **BEAUTIFUL** thing and the man is **HEALED**

- b. The man **JUMPS UP, LEAPS**, and **WALKS** toward the **TEMPLE** with Peter and John and is **PRAISING GOD** for his **healing**
- c. When they **reach Solomon's Porch** the **people** gathered around and **WONDER** about this **incredible healing** that just occurred
- 4. Peter takes the **OPPORTUNITY** to **PREACH** the **GOSPEL** and **5,000 souls** are **saved**
  - a. While Peter is preaching, the **Temple Priests**, the **Temple Captain**, and the **Sadducees** approach
  - b. Their **RELIGIOUS DEMONS** manifested and put them in **JAIL**

**NOTE: The FIRE of GOD will always STIR the DEMONIC REALM**

- c. The **NEXT DAY** Peter and John were brought before the **RULERS, ELDERS** and **SCRIBES** and **QUESTIONED**

*Acts 4:7 - By what power or by what name (authority) have you done this?*

- d. **Peter is FILLED with the HOLY SPIRIT and SPEAKS**

*Vs 10-12 Let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ, the Nazarene, whom you CRUCIFIED, whom God RAISED from the dead; by THIS NAME this man stands here before you IN GOOD HEALTH. He is the STONE which was rejected by you, the builders, but which became the very CORNERSTONE. And there is salvation in NO ONE ELSE; for there is NO OTHER NAME under heaven that has been given among me by which we must be saved.*

- e. The **LEADERS MARVELED** at Peter's words
- f. They **cannot DENY** the **MIRACLE**, so let them go with a **THREAT**

*V 18 – They COMMANDED them not to SPEAK or TEACH at all in the name of Jesus*

- g. **Peter responds with this:**

*V 19 - Whether it is right in the sight of God to give heed to you rather than to God, you judge; but we **CANNOT STOP** speaking what we have **SEEN** and **HEARD***

h. Peter and John are released

B. Where do they GO? To their **OWN COMPANY -vs 23 – 31**

1. They **BEGIN** to **PRAISE** and **CELEBRATE** and **PROPHECY**
2. They **ASSEMBLE** the **COUNSEL** of **REDEEMED SONS** of **ELOHIM** on **EARTH** and **JOIN** the **COUNSEL** of the **ELOHIM FAMILY** in **HEAVEN**
3. They **RELEASE HEAVEN DECREES** into the **EARTH REALM**
4. **What HAPPENS?**

*V 31 And when they had **PRAYED**, the **PLACE** where they had gathered together was **SHAKEN** and they were all **FILELD** with the **HOLY SPIRIT**, and began to **SPEAK** the word of God with **BOLDNESS***

**UNITY, PROSPERITY, and POWER followed!!!**

C. The **BORDERS** of the **SPIRITUAL ATMOSPHERE** were **EXTENDED**

1. Peter is imprisoned again, but the **COMPANY INTERCEDES** and **FATHER ELOHIM** sends an **ANGEL** to release him
2. **Persecution comes** but it **only SPRINGBOARDS** the **APOSTLES** into their **DESTINIES**
3. **Another Saul** has an **encounter with Jesus** and ultimately becomes a **WORLD APOSTLE**

IV. So, what am I saying today?

A. We have the **AUTHORITY** and **RESPONSIBILITY** to **EXTEND** the **PURPOSES** of our Father **ELOHIM** into the **EARTH**

B. We have the **HONOR** and **PRIVILEGE** to **BE THE CHURCH** and to **ESTABLISH** the **SPIRITUAL AGENDA** of **HEAVEN** into **EARTH**

C. **As the CHURCH**, we are seated at **TWO INSEPARABLE COUNSEL** tables

The **ASSEMBLY** the **HEAVENLY ELECT** and the **ASSMEBLY** of the **EARTHLY ELECT**

Read *Hebrews 12:18, 22-24*

D. How do we **ENGAGE** and **EXTEND** the **ATMOSPHERE** of the **EARTH** with the **ATMOSPHERE** of **HEAVEN**

1. **Just LIKE** David, Samuel, and the **COMPANY** of Prophets
2. **Just LIKE** Peter and John and the **COMPANY** of the **CHURCH**
3. Releasing the **DECREES** and **PROPHETIC** words from the **LIVING PLACE** (the Naioth) of our **HEARTS** individually and corporately

And **INCREASING** our **COMPANY** through the **MESSAGE** of the **NEW COVENANT** sprinkled with the **BLOOD** of the **LAMB** – the **KING** of **GLORY**

Father is **EXTENDING** our **INFLUENCE** – We must **EXTEND HIS SPIRITUAL ATMOSPHERE**