

TITLE: "THE REWARD OF FAITHFUL PRAYING!"

TEXT: LUKE 18:1

CONTEXT: JOHN 1: 44-51

PRAYER: Discerning what the will of the Lord is and acting in harmony with it! MATT 6:10

- God's will deals with our... ① Salvation - 1 Pet 3:9
- ② Sanctification - 1 Thess 4:3-6
- ③ Service - Rom 12:1-3

When We Pray Before The LORD...

1...The Call of Christ is Heard - John 1: 44-46

- A. A messenger is sent - v. 44
- B. A message is presented - v. 45
- C. A challenge is offered - v. 46

2...The Praise of Christ is Bestowed - v. 47

- A. Obedience brings us into the Presence of God - Gen 3 oops!
- B. Character is praised - "No Guile"
 - * A foretaste of Matt 25:21

3...The GLORY of Christ is Shown! v. 48-49

- A. Our questions answered supernaturally - v. 48
- B. We glorify God - v. 49
 - 1. "Son of God" - Kingdom of God
 - 2. "King of Israel" - Kingdom of Heaven

4... The Power of Christ is Revealed - v. 50-51

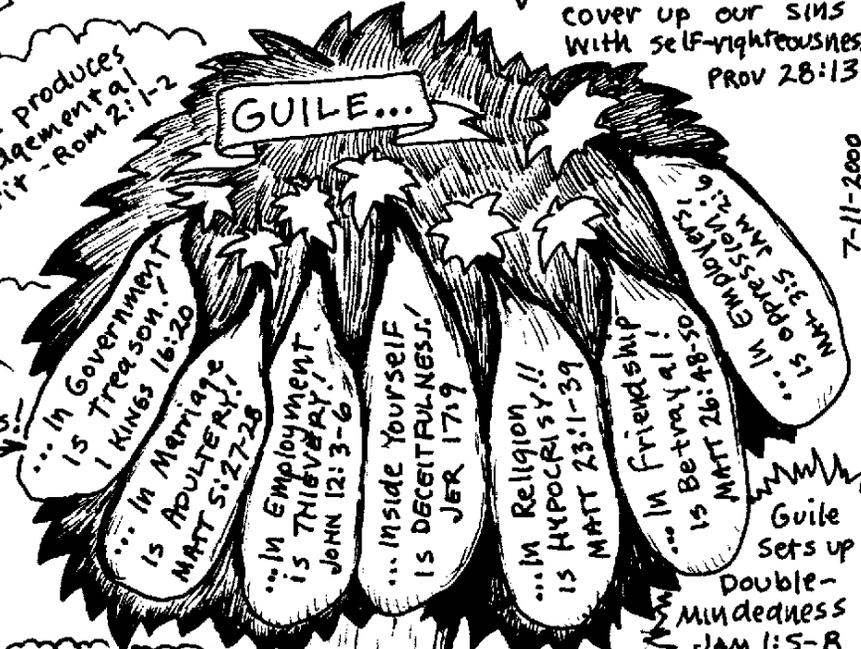
- A. "Thou shalt see greater things" v. 50
 - 1. Miracles 2. Healings 3. New Birth
- B. "Ye shall see Heaven open" - v. 51
 - 1. By the Gospel preached - 1 Cor 1:18
 - 2. Thru our witnessing - Acts 1:8

GUILE: To decoy, trick, deceit, subtility, treachery, violation of faith, betrayal of trust, treason, act of faithlessness!!!

☆ Guile starts when we cover up our SINS with self-righteousness PROV 28:13

Guile produces a judgemental spirit - Rom 2:1-2

GUILE...



I will praise thee, O LORD, with my whole heart... Ps 9



NATHANAEL: "GIFT OF GOD" FAITH IS A GIFT OF GOD - EPH 2:8-10

PHILIP: "LOVER OF HORSES" OR "WINNER OF LOST SOULS" - PROV 11:30

"Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted." MATT 5:4

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