

UNNAMED, UNKNOWN, UNSTOPPABLE

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INTRODUCTION

THE LAST TIME WE WERE TOGETHER, WE WERE WITH A YOUNG WOMAN, ONE OF MY BIBLE HEROES...QUEEN ESTHER. SHE HAD NAVIGATED HER PEOPLE TO A HUGE VICTORY WITH HELP FROM HER COUSIN MORDECAI. SOME OF YOU READ FROM THE KJV AND GOT THE WORD UNCLE. UNFORTUNATELY IN OLD ENGLISH THE TWO WORDS ARE OFTEN INTERCHANGED. THE HEBREW BEARS OUT THAT MORDECAI WAS NOT A SIBLING OF HER PARENTS BUT A CHILD OF A SIBLING OF HER PARENTS. HE WAS HER COUSIN AND HER PEER AND YET THEY SUBMITTED TO EACH OTHER. SOME OF YOUR GREATEST DECISIONS WILL COME WHEN YOU CAN RECEIVE DIRECTION FROM YOUR PEERS NOT JUST YOUR LEADERS.

ESTHER HONORS AN UNKNOWN GOD...AT LEAST AMONG THE PERSIANS HE WAS UNKNOWN. BUT EVEN MORE ASTOUNDING IS THAT HE WAS NOT ONLY UNKNOWN BUT UNNAMED THROUGHOUT THE BOOK OF ESTHER. CALL HIS NAME AND GIVE HIM GLORY...DONT CALL HIS NAME AND HE IS STILL IN CHARGE. THE UNNAMED UNKNOWN UNSTOPPABLE GOD.!

1. THE ONE YOU CALL UNKNOWN IS GOD

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PEOPLE ARE LOOKING FOR ANSWERS

NOTE: Religion is mans search for God an the globe is religious right now.

PEOPLE HAVE OBJECTS OF WORSHIP

PEOPLE DONT REALIZE THAT THEIR UNKNOWN IS GOD

NOTE: I FEEL SOMETHING WHEN I HEAR HIM TALK. EVERY TIME THAT SONG COMES ON I START TO CRY. I CAN FEEL THEM PRAYING FOR ME. SOMETIMES WHEN IM HIGH I HEAR VOICES....

2. THE ONE YOU CALL UNKNOWN IS YOUR CREATOR

24 "The God who made the world and all things in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands; 25 nor is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since He Himself gives to all people life and breath and all things; 26 and He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth

GOD MADE EVERYTHING THAT EXISTS ON THE PLANET

GOD NEEDS NOTHING FROM HUMANS

Isa 66:1 Thus says the LORD, "Heaven is My throne and the earth is My footstool. Where then is a house you could build for Me? And where is a place that I may rest? 2 "For My hand made all these things, Thus all these things came into being," declares the LORD. "But to this one I will look, To him who is humble and contrite of spirit, and who trembles at My word.

GOD MADE ALL MEN EQUAL

NOTE: JUSTICE IS CREATED WHEN PEOPLE REPENT!

Am 5:23 "Take away from Me the noise of your songs; I will not even listen to the sound of your harps. 24 "But let justice roll down like waters And righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Mic 6:8 He has told you, O man, what is good; And what does the LORD require of you But to do justice, to love kindness, And to walk humbly with your God?

3. THE ONE YOU CALL UNKNOWN REQUIRES YOUR WORSHIP

30 "Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, God is now declaring to men that all people everywhere should repent,

GOD HAS OVERLOOKED OUR REFUSAL TO WORSHIP

GOD NOW REQUIRES OUR WORSHIP

Ps 150:6 Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD!

GOD IS UNSTOPPABLE

- HIS PLAN IS UNSTOPPABLE**
- HIS POWER IS UNSTOPPABLE**
- HIS PROCLAMATION IS UNSTOPPABLE**

Ro 8:36 Just as it is written, "FOR YOUR SAKE WE ARE BEING PUT TO DEATH ALL DAY LONG; WE WERE CONSIDERED AS SHEEP TO BE SLAUGHTERED." 37 But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us. 38 For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.