



“CONSCIOUS AND INTENTIONAL MINISTRY: DOING WHO I AM WITH UNDERSTANDING”

Of Issachar, those who had understanding of the times, to
know what Israel ought to do... 1 Chronicles 12:32

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TEXT: ISAIAH 45:1-7

TITLE: AND YOU THINK GOD DOES NOT KNOW YOU AND CARE ABOUT YOU

INTRODUCTION

- A. Outsiders versus Insiders _____
- B. Does God view people as Insiders and Outsiders? _____
- C. God can use Anybody and God will use Everybody _____

CYRUS, GOD’S ANOINTED

- A. King of Persia _____
- B. Called by God, “God’s anointed” _____
- C. Used by God – Isaiah 45:13, *I have raised him up in righteousness, And I will direct all his ways; He shall build My city And let My exiles go free, Not for price nor reward,” Says the Lord of hosts.*
- D. You are called by God (God’s anointed) to be used by God _____

CYRUS, GREAT MILITARY LEADER

- A. Cyrus was already a great military leader _____
- B. Made even greater _____
 - 1. God took his right hand
 - 2. “I will go before you to make the crooked places straight”
 - 3. “I will break in pieces the gates of bronze and cut the bars of iron”
 - 4. “I will give you the treasures of darkness and hidden riches of secret places”
- C. You are already great [you really are] _____
- D. God will make you even greater _____

THAT CYRUS MAY KNOW, “I AM THE LORD, THE GOD OF ISRAEL”

- A. Cyrus did not know God _____
- B. Although Cyrus did not know God, God knew Cyrus _____
 - 1. I have called you by your name
 - 2. I have named you [surname or family name]

THAT EVERYONE MAY KNOW, “I AM THE LORD, AND THERE IS NO OTHER”

- A. Through you: “I will equip and strengthen you” _____
- B. For Me _____
 - 1. “That they may know from the rising of the sun to its setting”
 - 2. “That there is none besides Me. I am the Lord, and there is no other”
 - 3. “I form the light and create darkness”
 - 4. “I make peace and create calamity”
 - 5. “I, the Lord, do all these things.”
- C. God will equip you and strengthen you to use you

