

WHERE GOD RECORDS HIS NAME

Text: Exodus 20:24; Deut. 12:10-14

INTRO: As God gave His law to Moses in O.T. times, He admonished Moses & the Israelites regarding the importance of serving Him where He recorded His name. **THERE** He promised to come to them and to bless them.

I. IMPORTANCE OF THE NAME OF GOD. 1 K 9:1-3, 6-7; 11:36.

A. All the males were required to go there 3 times each year.

READ DEUT. 16:16.

B. Certain provision was made for those a great distance away,

DEUT. 14:23-26.

C. No provision was made for substituting a different place.

DEUT. 12:5-14.

D. Devout Jews were careful to obey this command over the

centuries. Acts 2:1, 5; 8:26-28.

II. THE SIN OF JEROBOAM. I KINGS 12:26-33; 13:34; 14:15-16.

III. WHERE GOD HAS RECORDED HIS NAME TODAY.

A. Not a physical place, John 4:19-24.

B. But within a spiritual relationship.

When your days are fulfilled & you rest with your fathers, I will set up your Seed after you, who will come from your body, & I will establish His kingdom. He shall build a house for My name & I will establish the throne of His kingdom forever. (2 Sam. 7:13-14).

READ ACTS 2:30-32

Psa 127:1; MT 16:18; 15:9, 13; Acts 10:28;

1 Tim. 3:15; Rom. 16:16

READ HEBREWS 12:18, 22-29

C. Here, within this spiritual relationship, the Lord's church,
the Lord promises:

1. To meet with us, MT 18:20; 28:20
2. To bless us.

Blessed be the God & Father of our Lord Jesus
Christ who has blessed us with every spiritual
blessing in the heavenly places in Christ.
(Eph. 1:3).

1 John 1:7

D. Any attempt to serve the Lord thru human religious organi-
zations & institutions is to repeat the sin of Jeroboam.

Springhill, LA, April 20, 1975

La Porte, TX, August 3, 1975

Bible camp, Sabinal, TX, June 17, 1980

Exton, PA, March 29, 1987

Shiloh, Mexia, TX, October 25, 1992

Susquehanna, Marietta, PA, May 21, 2000