

"And she named the child Ichabod, saying, 'The glory is departed from Israel:' because the Ark of God was taken, and because of her father in law and her husband. And she said, 'The glory is departed from Israel: for the Ark of God is taken.'
1 Samuel 4:21-22 KJV



"Ichabod" is from two Hebrew words. "I" means "not," and "kabod" means "glorious." The name means, "Without Glory." The Ark of the Covenant contained the Inscribed stone of the Ten Commandments; Aaron's budding rod; and a bowl of "Manna" which in Hebrew means, "What is it?" In the wonderful alliteration of my evangelist friend, Tom Hayes, these three items in the Ark represent the WORD of God, the WORK of God, and the WONDER of God. When These are gone, God Is Gone. If we would know the WONDER of God, we must let the WORD of God do the WORK of God in our minds and hearts. A believer is the "Temple of the Holy Ghost;" sanctified, set apart, for the express purpose of worshipping the, I AM. Sadly, there is no Word, Work, or Wonder of God in the lives of many believers. "The Glory is departed," and "Ichabod" has been scribed on the hearts and worship assemblies of the vast majority of professing Christians! Until the Glory of God returns, His WORD, WORK, and WONDER, God will not be present. I'm afraid God Will Have to Affect the cure, Himself, by "Catching Away" believers. Believers wander aimlessly about spiritually, looking for the Power which they've abdicated to the enemy through disobedience. Faith is worn like some sort of talisman, and there's no real understanding of the Fierce Demands our Sovereign Places on the Protocols of His Presence. God WILL NOT be ADDED to anything. He either totally Possesses and Commands or He IS NOT present! "I Am The LORD, And There Is None Else, There Is No God Beside Me: I Girded thee, though thou hast not known Me: That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, That There Is None Beside Me. I Am The LORD, And There Is None Else!" The enemy is victorious, because many think to ADD God to THEIR battles instead of going with God into HIS Battle. You don't take God anywhere. You stay where He is and go where He goes. God Does NOT Perform at anyone's behest. Believers who faithfully perform "Temple" duties will have no worries about the enemy. You don't stop "Temple" work to fight the enemy. If believers would keep the "Main Thing" the "Main Thing," Satan and evil would stay defeated, because he cannot enter or control the Temple where God Resides! God is NOT commanded by "binding" Him to His Promises as many heretically preach. We do not bind God to His Word; we bind ourselves to It and the Promises follow. "Great Peace Have they which love THY LAW and NOTHING shall offend them!" Too many preach "feel good" religion, and not "Do Right" Faith. Those who preach and teach that God can be manipulated by His Word neither know Him nor follow Him! Are you trying to "make God fit your life?" It'll never happen. Either He IS your Life or you have no Life, because He Is "THE LIFE!"

In Ark of God, these three abide,
The Wonder, Work, and Word inscribed,
We all must "temple keepers" be,
To keep at bay, the enemy. -CGP

Has disobedience scribed, "Ichabod," on your heart? God Is Not a good luck "talisman." He Is The KING of kings and Commands Exclusive Attendance. If God Is in HIS "Temple," there'll be no defeat on your battlefields!

"But the Hour Cometh and Now Is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in Truth: for The Father Seeketh such to worship Him. God Is A Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in Truth." John 4:23-24 KJV