## The Cost of Confronting Evil

I was going through the last three chapters of the Book of Judges in Chapters 19, 20, & 21. In doing so I reflected upon our Nation.

The first thing I noticed was that when you allow evil to get out of hand no longer thinking it necessary to put a check on the works of evil in your midst there will be many casualties of the innocents.

Next thing I noticed was the extreme measures one man had to implement to get his nations attention at the outrageous evil happening among them. After his wife was raped and murdered. They were committing the same sins as Sodom by which was judged and destroyed.

Then I noticed once the Nation was aroused they acted as one to find out what the problem was and how to address it. After going to the Lord they proceeded. Suffering a major setback they fasted and prayed to ask the Lord how to proceed. Though they suffered more losses they humbled themselves before the Lord then He gave the Evil Men into their hand.

Sadly there were those among the Nation by deciding to defend the evil men found they themselves to be judged. Almost to the point of being non-existent.

This part I found most interesting. The one town or province which ever you may call it that did not come out as part of the nation's battle against evil were themselves judged. Everyone was wiped out except for the virgins. They were handed over to the remnant of the tribe that decided to defend those who raped murdered the man's wife.

All that defended evil lost their wives and children!

What does this say about us and our Nation. I don't believe we can sit by and think we will not be held accountable especially since we know. I believe it puts us in danger of judgement. My suggestion is to read the chapters I listed above then ponder who are the innocent casualties. Each delay will cost more lives because Evil has become so imbedded in our nation. The battle will be fierce.

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