I AM COMMITTED FOR LIFE

KING ABIJAH

2 CHRONICLES 13:10

Day 6

I can almost picture King Abijah standing on that hill yelling down to the armies of Jeroboam, verbally attacking them for not staying true to what God had ordained for the nation of Israel. They all knew that God had designed the leadership of Israel to be handled by the descendents of David. Because they lost sight of the plan, the nation of Israel was split into, never to be the same again.

What causes us to lose sight of the plan? Maybe the problem is not losing sight of God's plan for us, but of not being willing to follow & obey it. Most Christians believe that God is trustworthy, but they have trouble trusting Him. Most Christians hold God's word to be true & relevant, yet they pay no attention to it when they face the struggles & decisions of life. Many of us believe that God is the absolute controller of all things, yet we worry ourselves almost to death over all kinds of things that we encounter. Most of us know that God is holy & expects us to live a holy life, yet we play in the gray areas & justify the things we do, say, think, and look at.

I suppose we thought that the devil was just going to sit by & let God lead us into lives of productivity, honor, and holiness. Think again! The devil has no intention of doing that. He throws up smoke, roadblocks, and detours constantly to get us off the path God has planned for us. He does not want me to trust God, read His word, or live a holy life. He wants me to join with the hecklers who badmouth God & His people; no, you will not do it out loud because you are a Christian.

You badmouth God by not saying or doing anything. The people of the world have slipped off into a ditch of no commitment; they have numbed themselves into believing very little except that they are the most important things about life; the universe orbits around their wants & desires. I am committed to trust the Lord for life, no matter what.

A CLOSER LOOK AT THE GODLY

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

- 1. What do you have trouble trusting God about?
- 2. In the last year (12 months), what improvements have you seen in how you are demonstrating your commitment to follow & trust the Lord, no matter what?

A PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

What do you need to say to God as you face the topic being discussed in this devotional? Write out your prayer word for word just as if you were praying. Use separate lined paper to record your prayer. Make sure you actually pray this prayer to the Lord. Be honest & be personal. After all, you mean business with God here. You want this area of your life either fixed, strengthened, added, or removed.