

## HOW THE LORD HANDLED “FAKE NEWS”

Jeremiah 9:1-27

Introduction: \_\_\_\_\_

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Why is “Fake News” such a major issue?

1. Note the \_\_\_\_\_ of FAKE NEWS—Satan
  2. Notice the \_\_\_\_\_ of FAKE NEWS.
  3. Consider the \_\_\_\_\_ of FAKE NEWS.
- I. **FIRST, NOTICE A VERY \_\_\_\_\_ DESCRIPTION OF FAKE NEWS (Joshua 9:1-8).**

Notice two different responses:

- A. First, note the response of the \_\_\_\_\_ (9:1-2).
- B. Secondly, notice the response of the \_\_\_\_\_ (9:3-8).

The Gibeonites came up with a brilliant plan: DISGUISE plus FLATTERY! Works almost every time!

1. First, they \_\_\_\_\_ to have come from some distant land (9:3-6).
2. Secondly, they \_\_\_\_\_ themselves by using flattery (9:7-8).

Two lessons for all of us:

- a. First, it should \_\_\_\_\_ for us that Satan disguises himself as an angel of light (2 Corinthians 11:14).
- b. Secondly, it should \_\_\_\_\_ us that things are rarely what they seem to be.

- II. **SECONDLY, CONSIDER A VERY \_\_\_\_\_ BLUNDER (Joshua 9:9-15).**
- III. **THIRDLY, NOTE A \_\_\_\_\_ RESPONSE (Joshua 9:18-27).**

Now that the Israelites know the truth, WHAT WILL THEY DO?

- A. First, consider the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Jews (9:18-21).
- B. Secondly, notice the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Gibeonites (9:22-27).

### CONCLUSION:

Two lessons for all of us:

1. **God wants to save anybody anywhere, even in the most unlikely places.**
2. **If God insisted the Jews keep their oath, even though it was foolishly made, how much more will He keep His oath which was freely given (Hebrew 6:17-18).**