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GLORY IN CHAOS



CIVIL WAR IN ISRAEL

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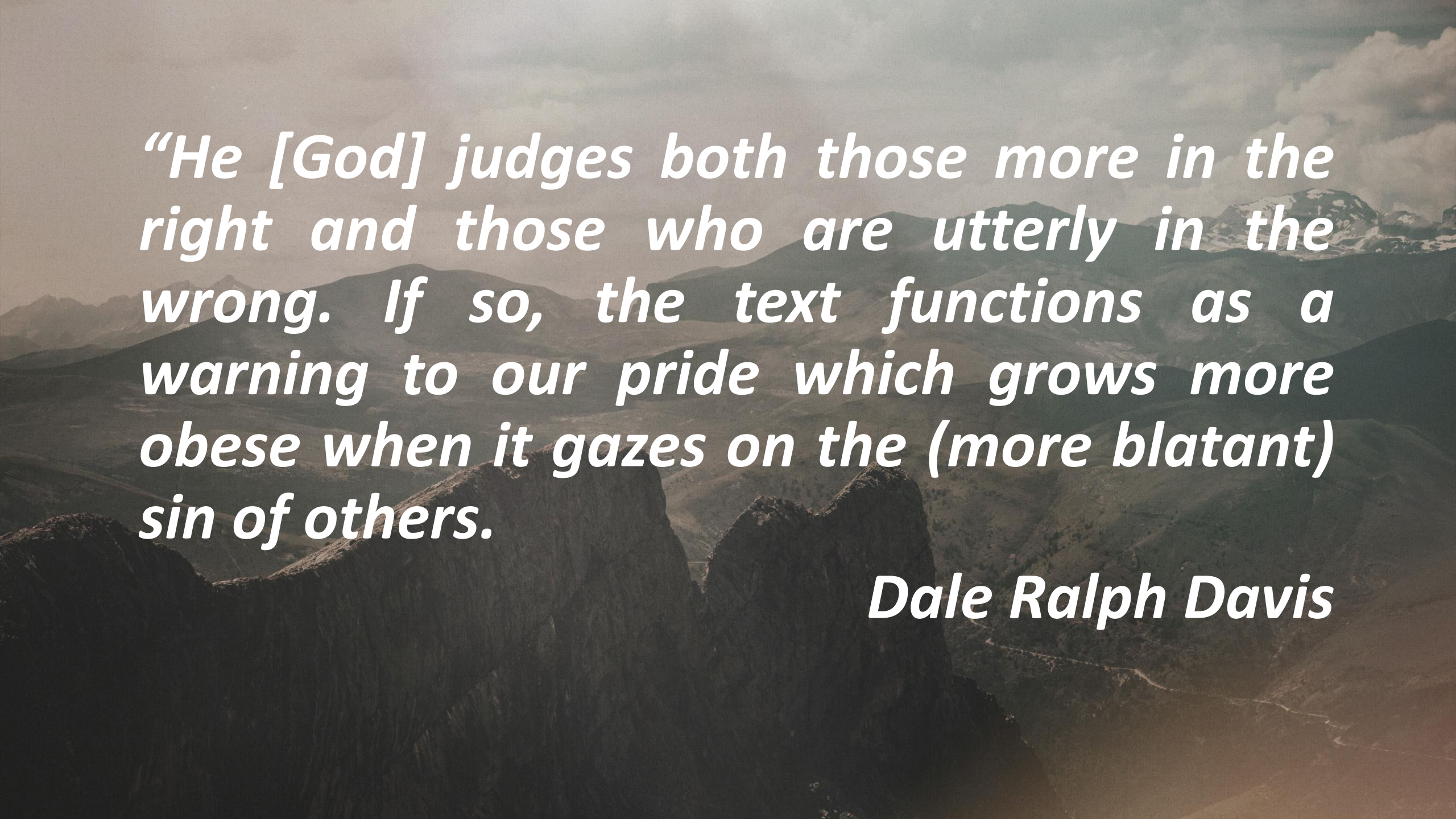
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“He [God] judges both those more in the right and those who are utterly in the wrong. If so, the text functions as a warning to our pride which grows more obese when it gazes on the (more blatant) sin of others.

Dale Ralph Davis

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- *“The victory is complete...but the slaughter is not. Turning back, Israel “put all the towns to the sword,” (vs 48). Every single man, woman, child and even animal is slaughtered. This is not justice; it is genocide. Justice would at the very most demand the execution of the hooligans of Gibeah, and just possibly the Benjaminites who came out to fight for them. What justification was there for the slaughter of the whole Benjamite society? This is the work of [vengeance] – which demands not one eye, but two, in revenge for every one eye lost.”*

Tim Keller

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