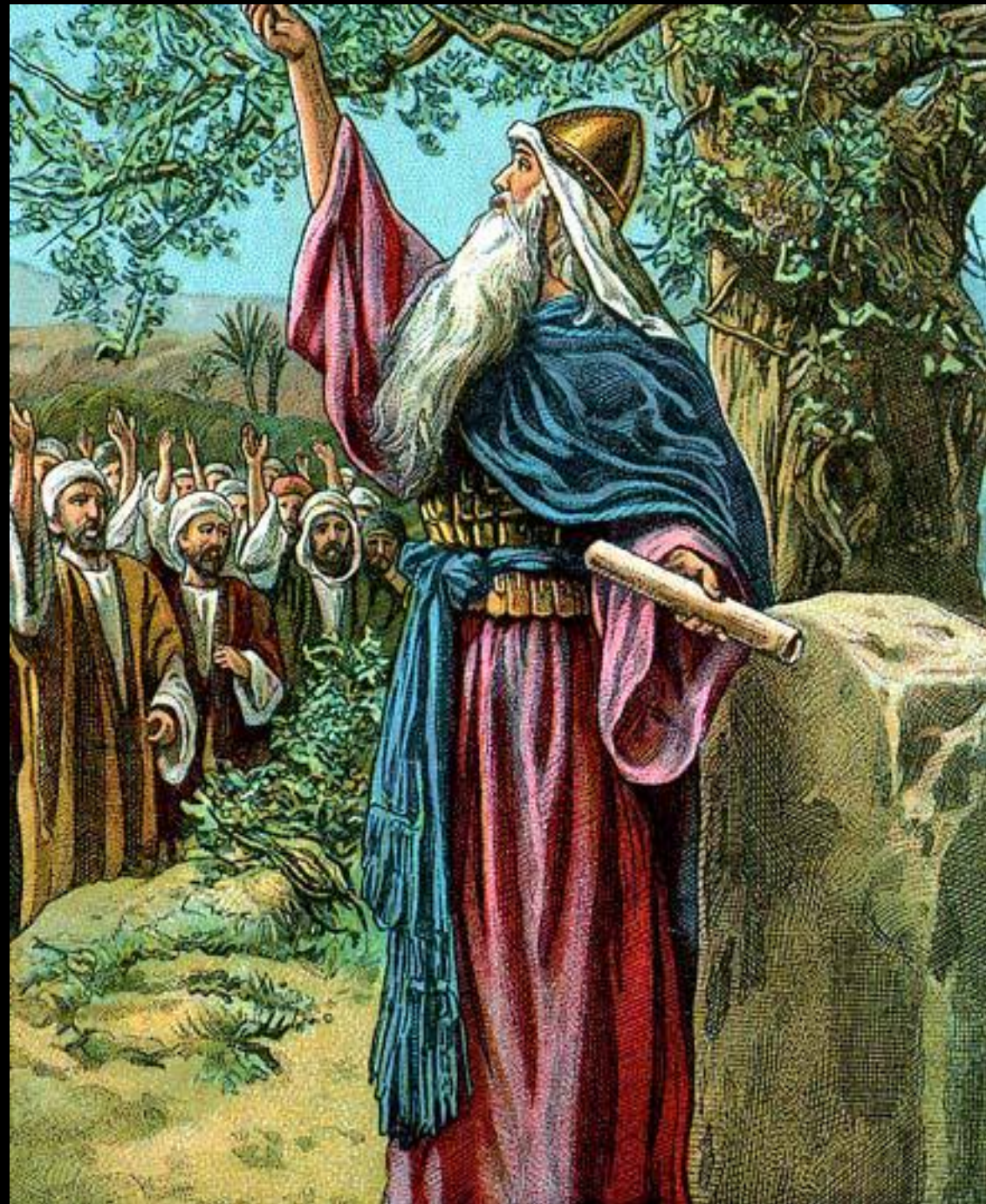


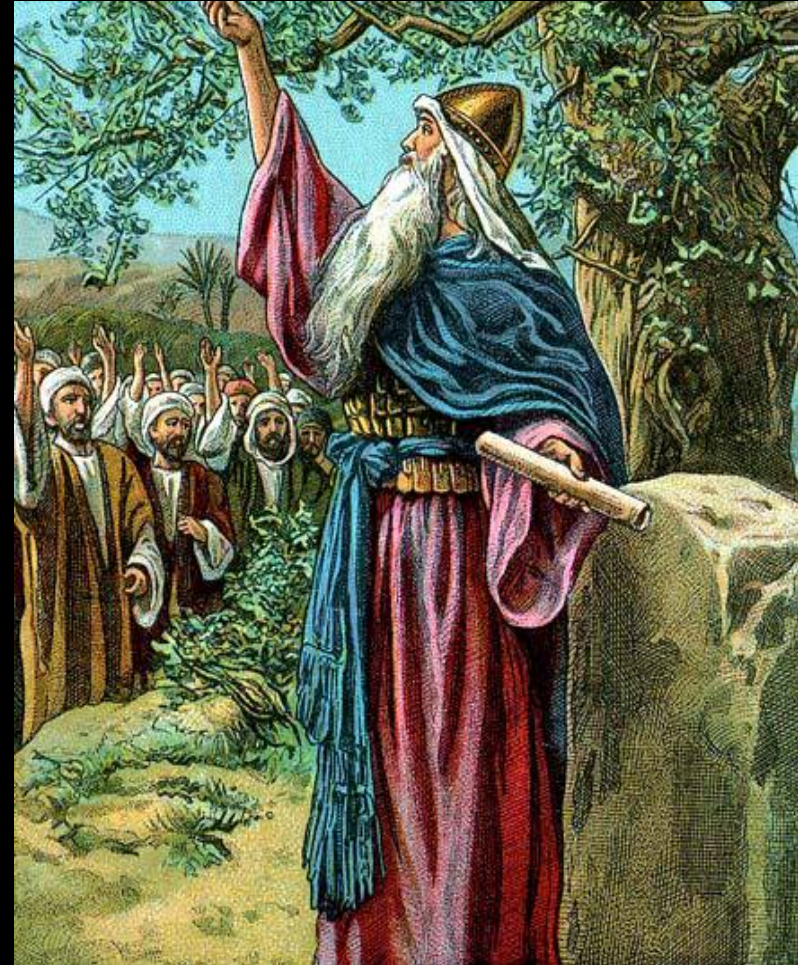
**AS FOR ME
AND MY
HOUSE**

**JOSHUA
24:15**



I. In whatever home we are, we must decide our purpose (Joshua 24:15).

- What 'gods' do we have opportunity to serve?
- How can our homes purposely decide to serve the LORD?



II. As followers of Jesus, we are called first to love (Matthew 22:37-40).



- As we strive to serve the LORD, why must love come first?
- How is the second commandment tied to the first one?

III. Right and wrong must be evaluated according to love (Romans 13:8-10).



- Why are adultery, murder, lying, slander, unforgiveness and all other sins wrong?
- Why are kindness, evangelism, service, praise and other activities right?

**IV. Everything we do in
our homes should move
us to love
(Deuteronomy
6:4-9).**



- What overriding truth is central to all instruction and persuasion in the home?
- What kinds of things can we do to better persuade all in our homes to truly love?

V. Loving God demands loving the people you can bless (Luke 10:25-37).



- How does Jesus persuade a teacher of the law to love God and his neighbor?
- How can we show love to God by showing love to others?
- Should we feel worse about being late to services or about being unkind to others?

- **"The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love." –Galatians 5:6**
- **"We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love each other. Anyone who does not love remains in death." –I John 3:14**
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- **"Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift." –Matthew 5:23-24**

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