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May the name of Yahweh be glorified.  
In Yeshua's name, amein.

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# Preface

Some ask what English version I use. I begin with the New King James Version, and change the names to Hebraic forms. When it will help, I display the source texts alongside the English. The Hebrew is from the Hebrew Masoretic Text and the Greek is from Textus Receptus (TRG).

Some ask why I would reference Greek texts when I believe in a Semitic inspiration. I believe the Renewed Covenant was inspired in Hebrew or Aramaic, but I do not see how the two existing Aramaic texts (Peshitto and Peshitta) can be the originals, since there are so many Hellenizations (“Greek-isms”). The Greek texts appear to be older, and are therefore more valuable for textual analysis.

I believe Scripture is the highest and best authority on all matters of doctrine. Rather than list a bunch of footnotes from other authors, I simply try to show what Yahweh’s word states, giving only what commentary is needed to show how the verses relate to each other. My hope is that you will focus on Yahweh’s words, rather than my own.

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May Yahweh lead us all into His perfect truth.

Norman Willis.



# Parasha Vayiqra

*Leviticus 1-5; Jeremiah 7, Hosea 8;  
Romans 6, Hebrews 10*

In this Parasha we are going to ask: Are we truly good servants? Meaning, do we delight to do His will?

In last week's Parasha, [Vayakhel/Pekudei](#) we asked the question: Do we love Yahweh? Because if we love Yahweh, then are not we eager to obey His voice and to shomer (or guard) or do everything His voice says, including His written commandments? And that is without any need for punishment, or any need for encouragement really either. We just have that relationship with Him so we act out of it; it is because our allegiance is to Him. So, should we not also be delighted to do what is pleasing to Him? He says that what He wants, is for us to do the things that are pleasing to Him. Well, the answer to these rhetorical questions is clearly, yes. But as we look at this week's Parasha, we are going to see that our ancestors did not desire to do the will of Yahweh our Elohim.

Shemote (Exodus) 16:2

2 Then the whole congregation of the children of Israel complained against Moshe and Aharon in the wilderness.

They did not desire to do His will, even when Yahweh instituted the Levitical order and instituted the animal sacrificial system to give them some kind of punishment system, so they would think deeply about the gravity of sin and take it to heart because they had to give their prize, stud male bull, or they had to pay to buy a high quality animal to give the sacrifice because of their sin

(that is expensive). So, we were not doing what Yahweh said which is to listen carefully for His voice and then to do, diligently, everything He says to do.

Shemote (Exodus) 15:26

26 and said, "If you diligently heed the voice of Yahweh your Elohim and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am Yahweh who heals [Yahweh Rapha] you."

He says it several times in Shemote, the chapter book, but our forefathers misunderstood. So, it was a punishment; we did not have that relationship with Yahweh. So, Moshe was gone for forty days and forty nights. And we do not have a relationship with Yahweh, not a real one not one that is going to keep us from sin. So, Yahweh had to punish us; He had to give us this Levitical system as a punishment, but our forefathers completely misunderstood what the whole purpose of the system was. They turned it into a ritual barbecue that is pleasing to Yahweh, instead of understanding that these are punishments for sin. These are punishments for us being separated from Him.

Well, still our forefathers refused to listen to His voice. They were not listening to His voice. How are they going to obey it if they also refuse to walk in His ways, even when His ways were explained to him? But what does He want, He wants to restore and re-establish that lost and severed connection that was broken in the Garden of Eden, when we again disobeyed His voice.



Luqa (Luke) 19:9-10

9 And Yeshua said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Avraham;

10 for the Son of Adam has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

We heard His voice; we just did not obey His voice; we did not do things the way He said. We are in His House. Well, instead our forefathers counted Yahweh-Yeshua's commandments as a strange thing.

Hoshea (Hosea) 8:12

12 I have written for him the great things of My Torah, but they were considered a strange thing.

He spoke to us great things of His Torah, myriads of things of His Torah. Our forefathers counted them as strange. In so doing, (effectively) what they did is they made the sacrifices but they were giving of no effect because they were not even trying to listen to His voice. They figured, "*Well we are giving sacrifices, we are already sanctified. You see, we love this Temple!*" See, it is kind of like indulgences; you just give money for an animal and there you go you pay your sin sacrifice, and you never really change, and you never really seek Yahweh's face.

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 1:11

11 "To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices to Me?" says Yahweh.

"I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed cattle. I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs or goats.

Even some people who are tithing, they are not really seeking Yahweh's face. And we just want to say (you

know) this is what the whole thing is about, is if we were truly seek truth, the commandments that He gives are commandments. He probably would have given them to us anyway, because these are things that He desires. But the manner of imposing them was because our forefathers sinned; because we turned our focus off the fact that this was a sin, a punishment for sin. We just started having a set-apart barbecue with Dad; we made the whole purpose of the sacrifices to be of no effect, so we were no longer doing His will.

Well, brothers, sisters, was it only our ancestors who walked disobedient to Yahweh? I know quite a few Messianics, quite a few Ephraimites, (not sure what they call themselves), Two House people - if you think of yourself as a Nazarene, are we doing the commandments that we know? Are we keeping everything we know? Are we hastening to keep His commandments?

And if we are not, how do we truly know that He is pleased with us today? Because our forefathers just assumed these things; they just assumed that they were pleasing to Yahweh. How do we know that we are walking correctly before Him and that everything is going to be okay when we get to the day of judgment?

## **Parasha Vayiqra 2022**

It is currently 2022 and we in the House of Ephraim (also called the House of Israel or the House of Joseph in Scripture), we are slowly waking up to our identity as the Lost 10 Tribes of Israel which Scripture prophecy speaks about.

To learn more, check out the [Nazarene Israel](#) study, but we are waking up as sort of the House of rip-van

Ephraim (you might say). We are waking up to our identity. And we are outside the land of Israel, we are in the Assyrian dispersion because our forefathers left Rome. We began reading Scripture as our guide and following the interpretation and the leading and guiding of the Spirit instead of following the leading and guiding of our Pastors, or a Pope, or a Priest, or a Rabbi, or anything like that.

And we find ourselves coming to ourselves under what is called the Melchizedekian Order.

Ivrim (Hebrews) 7:17

17 For He testifies: “You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.”

Right now there is no cleansed Levitical Order, there is a temple in the works. Orthodox Judah (brother Judah), they have got a temple that they are working on, they are getting ready to build; that is not Ezekiel's millennial Temple. The temple they are getting ready to build next is the anti-Yeshua temple (or the anti-messiah temple).

Mattityahu (Matthew) 24:15

15 “Therefore when you see the ‘abomination of desolation,’ spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the set-apart [holy] place” (whoever reads, let him understand),

And as we show in our study on [Revelation and The End Times](#) (it is also called [Revelation Simplified](#) on YouTube), we are not going to have another cleansed Temple until after the Tribulation in Armageddon. So, the House of Ephraim (the House of Israel, that is us, the House of Joseph), when we come home after Armageddon, that is when there will be the merging in Isaiah chapter 66; that is when the unification is going to

take place between the Melchizedekian Order and the Levitical Order.

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 66:20-21

20 Then they shall bring all your brethren for an offering to Yahweh out of all nations, on horses and in chariots and in litters, on mules and on camels, to My set-apart mountain Jerusalem,” says Yahweh, “as the children of Israel bring an offering in a clean vessel into the house of Yahweh.

21 And I will also take some of them for priests and Levites,” says Yahweh.

They are enemies for our sake until that point in time. I spent a lot of years trying to work unification with brother Judah. And when I went to meet with them in 2017 as their Mashiach Ben Yosef character, I tried to speak with their leadership, and they do not want to hear from Nazarene; they said *“La-la-la-la,”* they did not like that.

So, from that experience I began to realize (or perhaps remember) some advice I had been given one time before in a prophetic meeting, in a (how do you say) divine appointment. And what he understood was he said, *“There will never be a time that the Rabbis do not need to oppose you.”* this was a Rabbi, so he knew who we were in the House of Israel (the House of Ephraim); he knew who we were. He wants us to come home; he wants us to come home without Yeshua. No deal.

So, our job, our mission right now is to continue establishing Yeshua's kingdom in the dispersion, that is what we are supposed to do under the Melchizedekian Order (the Great Commission).

Mattityahu (Matthew) 6:10

10 Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

There is also the fivefold ministry and the foundation of apostles and prophets. We talk about that in a study called [Acts chapter 15 Order](#). If you want the top-level theory, then go for a study called [Torah Government](#). Father willing, someday we will get those all on video. Acts chapter 15 Order is on video in a series, we talk about [Set-apart Communities](#).

But the thing is, regarding the End Times, we do not know the day or the hour that things are going to take place, but we do know the sequence that things are going to take place, from those studies.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 24:36

36 "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only.

Check out [Revelation and The End Times](#) book study, or [Revelation Simplified](#) on YouTube.

Once you understand the timeline, then you can decode the news; it is all very plain, takes all the fear out of it. It turns it into something where, *"Wow! Now we understand what is going on in the news; where everything fits on the timeline; where we are on the timeline."* We do not know the day or the hour, but we know what we are supposed to do.

[You must log into the website to see that page, but please visit [Revelation News](#).]

But the point is, as we see in the Revelation study, we are not going to have a cleansed Levitical Temple for a

long time, not until after the Tribulation, not until after Armageddon, not until after the half hour of silence in heaven (not necessarily in that order). I might see it in my lifetime (I do not know). So, but then the question that some people are probably wondering is: Why are we going to talk about animal sacrifices?

I do not know if this is your first time reading us. But a lot of people I know were raised in the Christian church and they say, *Were not all those things done away with at the cross? Did not Messiah come to nail the Law to His cross?* So what I would invite you to do, if this is your first study with Nazarene Israel, I would invite you to talk to your Pastor, but read your Scriptures, first. Talk with your Rabbi, but read your Scriptures, first.

And if you want to know why the apostles continued to offer animal sacrifices in the Levitical Temple as long as it stood, please read our study on "[About Animal Sacrifices for Sin](#)", it is the fourth chapter in the *Nazarene Israel* study, and that is a primer. If you read that study, you are going to know more about your Scriptures than literally more than ninety-nine percent of Christians, worldwide. If you read and understand that study, you will be miles ahead of most believers.

If you are also coming out of the Christian church, you might wonder: "*Why are we reading Leviticus?*" Because to most Christians, Leviticus is kind of a joke. I have heard Christian pastors make all kinds of jokes about Leviticus.

But as we see in that study, Leviticus was not a joke to Yeshua; the Torah was not a joke to Yeshua, and it was not a joke to His disciples either.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 5:18

18 For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the Torah till all is fulfilled.

In fact, in that study, we see that the apostle Yaakov (or James) who was the Nasi (or the leader, the prince) of our nation at that time, asked the apostle Shaul (or shaliach Shaul) to prove he still believed in the Torah. And in that study, we talk *About Animal Sacrifices for Sin*. We show how he paid fifteen animal sacrifices (five of which were for sin), in Acts chapter 21, which is near the end of his ministry.

Maasei (Acts) 21:24-26

24 Take them and be purified with them, and pay their expenses so that they may shave their heads, and that all may know that those things of which they were informed concerning you are nothing, but that you yourself also walk orderly and keep the Torah.

25 But concerning the Gentiles who believe, we have written and decided that they should observe no such thing, except that they should keep themselves from things offered to idols, from blood, from things strangled, and from sexual immorality.”

26 Then Shaul took the men, and the next day, having been purified with them, entered the temple to announce the expiration of the days of purification, at which time an offering should be made for each one of them.

And the purpose of all this, you think about the cost of 15 animals, the purpose all this was to prove that he, Shaul, also walked orderly obeying (or guarding) the Torah. So, Shaul paid those animal sacrifices in Acts chapter 21.

So, that is fifteen animal sacrifices, five of which are for sin; this is near the very end of Shaul's ministry. And the purpose (as we explained in that study), the purpose was to make a public clarification of his writings and his ministry for all to see; that all that could see, that the apostle Shaul (or shaliach Shaul) paid fifteen animal sacrifices, five of which were for sin. And this proved that he also still believed in animal sacrifices. He also walked orderly, keeping the Torah and the prophets.

So, why do the Christians not know this? Do they not read Acts chapter 21 perhaps? Or perhaps they do not read it with an intent to understand what the true communication was going on in Acts chapter 21?

So, why are the same things that were important to the disciples in the first century a joke to Christians today? These are things that the disciples took seriously in the first century, was to offer animal sacrifices. Why is that a joke to Christians today?

Well, there is great significance in all the animal sacrifices, and sometime (Father willing), when we get time, we want to do more on the animal sacrifices themselves. But this week we want to focus more on the Haftera prophetic portion of Yermiyahu (or Jeremiah) chapter seven. We are also going to cover Hoshea (or Hosea) chapter 8. And then we are going to visit our Brit Chadasha portion (or a Renewed Covenant portion) of Romim (or Romans) chapter 6 and in Ivrim (or Hebrews) chapter 10.

So, if you are a Christian and you think that the Law (or the Torah) was nailed to the cross, right, and yet you still claim Yeshua as your sacrificial Lamb, He is your example, and you walk even as He walked?



Let us take a look at this Parasha and let us see what might still apply to us, shall we?

Starting in Yermiyahu (or Jeremiah) chapter 7 and verse 22. Now, if you do not get anything else from this presentation, understand what Yahweh is saying here. This is the most important thing that we need to understand for the Melchizedekian Order.

In other words, we want to make it back home, to the land of Israel alive; us and our children (our families). This is the thing we need to understand. This is the thing every Messianic I have ever met, they misunderstand this, and even a lot of Nazarenes (or so-called Nazarenes) they do not understand this. So, get this. If you do not understand anything else about the Torah, the whole Levitical Torah, get this, okay?

So, Yermiyahu chapter 7 verse 22, we see that Yahweh did not command our ancestors to give Him burnt offerings and sacrifices when He first brought them out of the land of Egypt. And then people say, *“What? Why did He not? Well, what did He command them then?”*

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 7:22

22 For I did not speak to your fathers, or command them in the day that I brought them out of the land of Egypt, concerning burnt offerings or sacrifices.

If we get one thing from Scripture, okay; what Yahweh commanded our forefathers, meaning us to do is to shema. This means hear (basically) to translate it (to kind of give an amplified version); the word shema means to hear, but not just to hear it.

These are the words of your Savior and King; hear His voice, memorize what He said, take it to heart, and then

diligently obey everything He says to do. Whether He speaks it- hopefully, if we have the gift of prophecy like Scripture encourages us (we will talk more about that in some other time and place), but we all must pray for the gift of prophecy. There are two kinds of prophetic gifts, but both depend upon hearing Yahweh's voice and being able to communicate according to it.

So, we talk about that in our study on [\*The Two Types of Prophecy\*](#), but the biggest thing Yahweh wants from us, the first and greatest commandment is for us to “*Hear, O Israel (to shema)*.” The term means, (basically) to hear with an intent to memorize and to take it to heart; to diligently obey what He says to do. Because it is a big difference, if we do the easy parts of His Torah, or if we do the whole Torah and then walk in all the ways that He has commanded us, so that it will be well with us.

*If you are Christian, that is bad? “No! No! No! No! We do not want any of those commandments where Yahweh is telling us to do stuff that is good for us, so that it might go well for us. Praise Yahweh! Woohoo! Now, Jesus came to die; He died to set me free from all these things that were good for us. Yahweh, what were You thinking? And who do you think You are? But we are so glad that You sent Your Son to free us from Your house rules.”*

*“And we are going to be Your bride and we are going to go back to Your Son's House. We are only going to keep part of Your rules; we are going to keep part of Your intent. We are not going to help build a truly unified global kingdom like He says. What do you mean Yahweh commanding us to do stuff that is good for us? So, they would be well with us?”*

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 30:19

19 I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live;

*“It is an outrage! It is an outrage, I tell you, that Yahweh Elohim would command us to do something that is good for us. We should sue! I am so glad that His Son came to release us from a bunch of commandments that are good for us, and our community, and our families.”*

Wait! Except, the only thing is, it was Yeshua who was the Messenger (or the Angel) that Yahweh sent ahead of us and with our forefathers in the wilderness. And it was Yahweh-Yeshua who gave us the Torah at Mount Sinai, and which serves as our bridal Covenant. So, if we want to be His bride, we might as well... Forever is a long, long, long time we might as well do everything the bridal Covenant says. *“Hmm... Oh! No! Good thing He came to release us from that bridal Covenant! No, no, no. We hated that thing.”*

Did anyone ever have an upbringing where their earthly dad sat him down and said, *“Son (or daughter), no matter what else you do, okay? Make sure you are always listening for Yahweh's voice, no matter what is going on, okay? And no matter what you are doing, make sure that you are diligent to take it to heart (and children, we will talk about that later), being diligent to do all that He says.”*

But we must be working on our gifts. Either you have got your prophetic gift where you can hear His voice and speak according to His voice or communicate according to His voice, or you are following someone who does.

Why do we not train our children like that at every meal? Why do we not ask Him for His help? If we do not hear His voice, why do we not ask Him for His help in hearing and obeying His voice?

Tehillim (Psalms) 119:18-19

18 Open my eyes, that I may see wondrous things from Your Torah.

19 I am a stranger in the earth; do not hide Your commandments from me.

Because the number one thing He wants, that is His will, that is what Yahweh wants. There is this whole thing, we are discussing here, the whole Levitical Torah is a punishment that was given because our forefathers did not want to listen for His voice and did not want to do what it said. And they would not even obey the written Commandments. Because why? Because they do not truly love Yahweh (basically).

So, then what about us? Are we truly doing everything that we know how to do?

Well, as we go through the portion, we are going to see that we really need to pay close attention to this because our forefathers did not obey, and our forefathers did not incline their ears to hear Yahweh. They were not trying to hear His voice and take it to heart and do everything diligently. But our forefathers stiffened their necks and did worse than their forefathers. That is our forefathers, okay? They did not shema the voice of Yahweh our Elohim nor did they receive correction, but they chose to do their own thing.

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 7:26

26 Yet they did not obey Me or incline their ear, but stiffened their neck. They did worse than their fathers.

So, ultimately, over time unclean things crept in to where now they were worshiping all kinds of foreign gods. Brother Judah, we have HaShem, and Adoni. Those are not His name. We are worshiping all kinds of foreign gods and then we are crediting everything we are doing to Yahweh? Oh, very interesting. The orthodox, our Orthodox brethren, they are crediting everything they do to Yahweh - or even the Papal order does this - is there perhaps a relation of some kind?

They believe everything they are doing is for Yahweh, it looks completely different. Protestant, Christians, Messianics, same thing (basically); a different extension, but they are not quite done yet. Okay, we credit everything to Yahweh but, notice we are setting up all these alternate kingdoms instead of setting up the one singular kingdom He commands us to build in Ephesians chapter 4. Also, chapter 2, the single foundation of apostles and prophets; the fivefold ministry.

Ephesim (Ephesians) 2:20

20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Yeshua Messiah Himself being the chief cornerstone,

Ephesim (Ephesians) 4:11

11 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,

He is trying to help us get this thing. We have had His Spirit (allegedly) for 2,000 years and here we are we are

still setting up alternate kingdoms because we are not doing everything He says to do.

Talk about patience. Have we thanked Him for His patience with us?

Now, last week we talked about how our forefathers have disobeyed Yahweh, up until this very day (this is our forefathers).

Well, first we did not want to hear Yahweh's voice, we did not want to obey it in the Garden of Eden. Well, okay so you are not going to listen to Dad, cannot live in His House, can no longer live in His land, and that special connection with Him was broken and lost.

B'reisheet (Genesis) 3:23

23 therefore Yahweh Elohim sent him out of the Garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken.

What do you do when you have a Son, he wants to keep living at home, he wants to remain as part of the family, but he will not listen to your instructions, he will not listen to your voice, he does not have that relationship with you? He does not care, he does not want to hear dad's voice, because then he would have to obey it. He does not want to hear.

Well, what about us?

Our ancestors did not want to hear Yahweh's voice with an intention to memorize it, and take it to heart, and do it diligently; being doers of the word not hearers only, deceiving ourselves. Like the people sitting in living rooms and not doing anything.

Hoshea (Hosea) 6:7

7 "But like men they transgressed the covenant;  
there they dealt treacherously with Me.

So, what Yahweh wanted was a restored relationship. We fell from His favor (or grace) in the Garden of Eden. Why? Same thing. If you get one thing from this whole Parasha series, we need to hear His voice, take it to heart, do everything He says, diligently with all our might and hasten to do it.

It is that simple. It is just like, *"Be in relationship with Me! I want to take you as My bridal nation. I want to take you unto Me."* We are like this poor, orphaned wife. We are like slaves, back in Egypt. It must be like, worse than juvenile detention; like growing up in an orphanage, or juvie. He springs us from prison and He is like, *"I will train you to be My queen. You will be a slave queen, but you will be My queen. I will train you to be My queen. All I need you to do, I just need you to hear My voice, listen."*

A lot of people cannot hear His voice. I am like... Well, are you making a discipline? Are you actively listening 24/7? Are you actively listening in your inner ear? Are you, I mean are you trying to abide in the vine, or is it only sometimes? Because anytime we are not in the vine, we are cut off; we cannot do anything for Him. All we can do is set up an alternate kingdom. That is bad. He considers that treasonous. We think we are doing something good; we think we are setting up a church (or a synagogue or whatever).

It is that we are doing or sitting in someone's living room. Whatever it is that we are doing. We have got a Bible and a camera and all of a sudden we are in ministry. We have no idea about the single foundation of apostles and prophets. No idea about the five-fold ministry of

Ephesians chapter four. We are just causing confusion, we are not gathering with Him, we are scattering abroad.

Because why? Because we do not want to do the things it takes to unify and unite to build His Son a literal kingdom. Why do we not want to do that? Because it is not easy?

It is not a broad easy road. It is not like watching *Saturday Night Live* or anything like that, okay? He wants a restored relationship with His (how should I say), His Proverbs 31 bride who loves Him and is so thankful they got sprung from prison, they were all excited to build His kingdom. Oh! Until there was work involved. No, they could not handle that. And then when Moshe was gone, they are supposed to be learning to hear Him, they are supposed to be tuning in to Him. Now, they are not into that. They are tearing off their earrings and making the golden calf.

Just too easy, right? All the way from the Garden, right? We know the end from the beginning, right? It is just too easy. No, we could not just hear what He said, commit everything to memory, take everything to heart, drill ourselves in it and be diligent to hasten to do everything He says.

Shemote (Exodus) 15:26

26 and said, "If you diligently heed the voice of Yahweh your Elohim and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am Yahweh who heals [Yahweh Rapha] you."

It is like paint by numbers. It is like, how can you miss; how can you go wrong? It is like there are those little feet



that they paint on the floor to show us the way to the kingdom of heaven, we just have to let Him lead us; to hand Him the steering wheel.

It is this old saying, if Yahweh is your co-pilot, switch seats. Let Him lead; that is what we need to do. We need to become emptied vessels for Him so that His Spirit can pour through us, and we become His hands and His feet here on earth; we become part of His body. It is so wonderful; it is so beautiful when it happens. And you get a group of people, disciples, together and everyone is tuned into the Spirit, everyone is there because they love Yeshua, and they want to serve Him. You got to know that is a sweet-smelling aroma to Yahweh because it is literally a living sacrifice to live like that.

Well, our forefathers could not handle it. If you remember one thing, our forefathers could not handle it. So, basically what Yahweh did is He used that as an opportunity to give them (basically) a paint by numbers version that, hopefully, someday we and our forefathers would learn to grow into.

But the whole point of the thing was to give our forefathers a graphic, a gruesome, a bloody example that the wages of sin is death and the punishment for sin is death.

Romim (Romans) 6:23

23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of Elohim is eternal life in Messiah Yeshua our Master.

And bear in mind, when you brought your animal to the Temple, you are the one who sacrificed it. The priest would take some of the blood. You were not there to have a Happy Meal, okay? This is an animal that must

die because you did wrong; that is what this is. Ideally, if you are a farmer (or rancher), this is your very best stud male. Because what you are there for, is you are there to learn, this is costly. And the point is, you think that is costly.

We have an opportunity here to serve the Son of Elohim. We have an opportunity, there has never been a time like this one in Scripture; never will happen again. We have a unique opportunity to serve Him, and if we do not do it, that is sin and the punishment for sin is death.

So, we reject Him - we will see later, when we get to Hebrews 10 - if we reject Him in the terms of His proposal, *“Dad she would not even walk paint by- she would not even walk according to little feet. That is not the bride I want. We spelled everything out for her; everything. We tried to paint by numbers; walk according to little feet, she did not want to do it. I am not vouching for that one Dad. This one I will vouch for because this one worked hard. This one, it was always asking ‘What more can I do? How can I serve my Love, my Husband, my King.’”*

When you love someone, you will stand out in the rain, you will do anything. When children go to the hospital and parents, they will do anything (this kind of thing). But it is that love, that is the motivation. And it is that love that is supposed to be having us hear and obey His voice.

What we are supposed to be learning from the whole sacrificial system, the whole point is, *“You are not going to hear and obey My voice? Now you get the sacrificial system as a punishment.”* So, what we are supposed to be learning is, if we are not listening for what Yahweh is telling us to do, we cannot hear and obey what He is

telling us to do and we are not listening to someone who is telling us what Yahweh is telling us to do (we are not listening to one of the prophets who is hearing and speaking according to his voice), basically we are going to die.

Because, as we explained earlier in the Parasha series, we are coming out of Egypt, Yahweh is cleaning us up, we have got to be clean before we can come to the promised Land. But the difference this time is, the first time we came out of Egypt our forefathers did come into the promised land even though their hearts were not correct, and clean, and pure. As we show earlier in this Parasha series, this time is different. This time, if you are not clean, you do not make it back to the land. If your children are not clean, they are not doing things the right way, they will not make it back to the land.

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 16:14-15

14 "Therefore behold, the days are coming," says Yahweh, "that it shall no more be said, 'Yahweh lives who brought up the children of Israel from the land of Egypt,'

15 but, 'Yahweh lives who brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north and from all the lands where He had driven them.' For I will bring them back into their land which I gave to their fathers.

So, here is this Temple that brother Judah is taking all this pride in. So, *"Well, here is this Temple, it was given to us as a punishment! Yes, that is how we know we are Yahweh's people and that is why we are going to keep making fence laws; we are going to keep changing the Torah. We are going to keep having majority rulings of the Rabbis that are considered more important than Yahweh's Word. We are not going to do like the Levites.*

*The Levites said, 'This is Yahweh's Torah. It is our job to teach it and guard it.'* The Rabbis do not do that, the Rabbis say, *"That was interesting. That was the Torah back then; back in Moshe's day."* But HaShem, or Adonai (not Yahweh) gave him the authority to establish Torah. That is the difference. It is like the papacy.

So, they think they have the authority to establish Torah in each generation by the majority ruling of the Rabbis; it is democracy; basically Babylon.

So, this was right before Babylon, but still look at the tendency to disobey. And we in Ephraim have our own problems, but what did our brothers in Judah do in the southern kingdom? They became proud of the fact that Yahweh had given them a Tabernacle and then later a Temple to remind them that the penalty, the punishment for failing to shema (to guard, to keep) His voice, to hear and obey His voice and to keep His commandments; that something is supposed to be living with us, that is something supposed to be active with us.

Well, and Judah thought that this punishment of being given a Tabernacle (and then later a Temple) made him special; though that was enough to save him from punishment. He had the Temple; they are paying their sacrifices that they are paying for their *set-apart Happy Meal*.

It is like a criminal thinking he cannot get punished for another crime because he is giving one of those locking leg ankle bracelets to follow around with so they can track him around. That is how smart we and our ancestors are, okay? Yahweh gives us a punishment, we start to take pride in it. *"Yes, we have a Tabernacle. Oh! Oh! Now, a Temple! Oh! Yes! Yes, we are just going to*

*offer up those sacrifices and that makes us special! Oh, yes!"*

Then verse 30 tells us that Judah even went as far as to pollute the Temple with all kinds of abominations.

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 7:30

30 For the children of Judah have done evil in My sight," says Yahweh. "They have set their abominations in the house which is called by My name, to pollute it.

Brother Judah likes hexagrams. And no it is not called the Star of David. You cannot find that term anywhere in Scripture. In Scripture it is called the star of your god, Remphan (or Kiyoon) the star of your elohim, Remphan, in Acts chapter 7 in verse 43, right?

Maasei (Acts) 7:43

43 You also took up the tabernacle of Moloch, and the star of your god Remphan, images which you made to worship; and I will carry you away beyond Babylon.'

Okay, but you do not worship the sun, or the moon, or the stars in Judah right? You have a day once every 17 years (or something) in honor of the sun, but that is not sun worship, right? There is no Torah commandment, but that is not sun worship on that day you worship the sun every 17 years, right?

Oh! And you do not worship the host of the heavens with the Rabbinical calendar, right? Well, I mean that is why the Rabbis say whoever's calendar you keep that is who you worship, right; that is what the Rabbis say? And is that why they married their own calendar, the Hillel II, Rabbinic calendar in which they decide they are going

to start their year based on the fall equinox or (excuse me) the spring equinox?

Because you start the year in the fall, but your Passover is determined by the spring equinox, right? And then your fall feasts - another term that does not exist in Scripture (fall) - your fall feasts happen in the fall. Now, the term does not exist in Scripture. In Scripture you have summer, and you have winter; equinoxes are never mentioned (we cover that in [The Torah Calendar](#)).

And the spring equinox is determined by the movements of the earth as it travels around the sun in orbit, right? So, we know that Yahweh says to start the new year with the barley, right? Like He says in Exodus. Okay, but brother, you are starting your calendar when the sun says to start your calendar, right? I mean, the equinox. You are starting your calendar because some Rabbi said to do something different than what Scripture said to do. So why are you defaulting to the Rabbinical commandment?

Okay, do you get the fact that following the traditions and teachings of the Rabbis, following the fence laws, following the town wood, is not the same as what Yahweh our Elohim said to do? Do you get that?

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 7:26

26 Yet they did not obey Me or incline their ear, but stiffened their neck. They did worse than their fathers.

Okay, because you start your Rabbinic *Hillel II* calendar year when the earth is in certain relationship to the sun, right? And that is not worshiping the sun, right? Okay. Oh, no! Excuse me! You set the timing of the Pesach according to the spring equinox, instead of what Yahweh

commanded, right? But you do not worth-ship (worship) the spring equinox, right?

*“No, no, no! The hexagram is not sun worship, and it is not a hexagram, it is a Star of David.”*

Yeah, Okay... There are all kinds of people who believe all kinds of things that do not exist in Yahweh's Word. Book of Mormon, Talmud, Christian, the Baptist church (they have a book called What Baptists Believe, you do not even need a Bible, you have already got dogma), they are not always pointing you to Scripture, they are pointing you to some other source.

It is like the Rabbis say, *“Whoever's calendar you keep, that is who you worship.”* Are we keeping Yahweh's calendar. Keeping the Rabbi's calendar. Were we keeping the Karaites calendar?

Well, someone will say (we get this every year), *“What is the problem? I mean, what is the big deal? We are faithful to change Yahweh's commandments the way we like and then we are faithful to enforce our version of His commandments in the Rabbinical Order, thank you. Is not that being faithful to Yahweh? What do you say is wrong with that?”*

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 4:2

2 You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of Yahweh your Elohim which I command you.

*“What? All right. What? Is not being faithful to obey the Rabbis the same as being faithful to do what Yahweh commands us? Oh, no. Wait... okay, no. The Rabbis tell us that we are just supposed to have a barbecue Happy*

*Meal with our gods HaShem and Adoni and then we are just going to kill some innocent animal and burn it all up. Yes, it is good, right? A pleasing aroma.”*

*“We have paid our license for sin now, right? Okay, we have paid our indulgences, right? Now, we are very different than the papacy; we do not do the same things, the same way. Oh, no. No, we just killed some innocent animal and we just said, ‘Kol Nidre’ and now we can keep right on sinning until next year, right?”*

*“Everything is good, right? Just so long as we kill animals and say, ‘Kol Nidre’ we do not need to do things the way Yahweh says, right? Because our Rabbis outnumber Him and He gave our Rabbis the authority to rewrite Scripture, whatever they want. See?”*

Oh, no. Wait... Are we talking about the southern kingdom and second Temple period times like in Jeremiah? Are we talking about our forefathers in Ephraim, in the wilderness? Or are we talking about the people who are getting ready to set up a temple to Satan on the Temple Mount? A temple to Adoni and HaShem? Well, you know what I mean.

Sorry, I am getting all confused because does it not seem like the behavior of our ancestors in the wilderness? Does it not seem like there are parallels to what goes on today? Does it not seem like some of the behavior is exactly the same? It is the same fruit of disobedience; a different flavor (maybe) of Babylon, but it is all Babylonian disobedience.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 1:15

15 Eliud begot Eleazar, Eleazar begot Matthan,  
and Matthan begot Jacob



Because now we decide we are going to be the ones to establish the Torah. Oh, no! We cannot possibly teach and enforce Yahweh's Torah, right? First, we could not hear and obey His voice, now we are not going to keep His commandments. We have our own commands. Yes, of course, our own commandments to keep.

Shemuel Aleph (1 Samuel) 15:22

22 So Samuel said: "Has Yahweh as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of Yahweh? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed than the fat of rams.

Brothers, why was Yahweh not pleased with our ancestors' sacrifices and offerings? Because it was never the blood of bulls and goats that Yahweh wanted in the first place.

If you get one thing, what Yahweh wanted was that we would listen to His voice, including His written commandments because that is where someone heard His voice and just wrote it down. So, we are responsible basically for everything Yahweh ever said or everything that is written down, plus everything He says to us.

And whether we know it or not, He is always trying to communicate with us. And you hear people say, "*Well I do not hear His voice.*" It is like, are you listening? Are you trying to hear His voice day by day? Most people, when they say, "*I cannot hear His voice*" it is like, are you trying? That is all - would that be important?

What Yahweh wanted was a bridal nation who would listen and obey; would order themselves to help Him build His kingdom as His body, as His hands and His feet.

So, listening and obeying (to shema), to hear and obey would be the first step would it not; in restoring the lost and severed relationship that our forefathers destroyed in the Garden of Eden and which our forefathers also destroyed the trust again with the sin of the golden calf?

Oh! Oh! And we just think He wants to have a barbecue Happy Meal with us, right? And brother Judah is like, *“What you mean we cannot pick and choose which of Yahweh's commandments we want to shomer, and which ones we want to throw away? What? We cannot make fence laws? What? Not even by majority rule? Oy vavoy! What is a Babylonian Rabbi to do?”*

*“No, no, no, no, no, no, no. Everything is good now. We just need to spill some innocent animals' blood and burn up its flesh. We just need a big temple on the Temple Mount by hidden means and then Yahweh will be happy with us. Yes, because we built a kingdom for the anti-messiah. Oh, yes!”*

Oh no. Wait... No, that was also the attitude back in the second Temple period, okay? And that is the attitude today. They are getting ready to build the anti-Yeshua temple today. So, is anyone truly stopping to ask themselves if that is really Yahweh's will and are we truly doing things the way He wants us to do them? Because is it not possible to do (perhaps), all the right things like a checklist and still end up doing the wrong thing?

Yahweh says, *“Be careful, be diligent to do everything as according to the pattern that was shown to you on the mountain.”* What about Yeshua's commandments?

Shemote (Exodus) 26:30

30 And you shall raise up the tabernacle according to its pattern which you were shown on the mountain.

Well, as shaliach (or the apostle) Paul will tell us in Ivrim (or Hebrews) chapter 10, the animal sacrifices were never intended to take away sins. The blood of goats and bulls could never take sins away.

Ivrim (Hebrews) 10:11

11 And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins.

Again, the whole point of the animal sacrifices was to wake Israel up, okay? It was to exact a heavy cost for not hearing and obeying His voice. And all the Messianics are like, "*Wow, cannot wait till we get a Temple!*" Okay, it was never what Yahweh wanted in the first place.

Again, He is using it for a further purpose. He does want the Ezekiel Temple after the anti-Yeshua temple. There will be another Temple after Armageddon, after the Ingathering.

But brothers, we need to understand; we need to remember the Temple sacrificial system was always meant as a punishment. It was meant as a teaching tool that was simultaneously a chastisement for not hearing His voice; was never a license to sin like they are trying to turn it into today.

Romim (Romans) 6:23

23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of Elohim is eternal life in Messiah Yeshua our Master.

Well, brother Judah is older, so he went first and now it is Ephraim's turn; now it is our turn. So, in Hoshea (or Hosea) chapter 8 starting in verse 11 Yahweh tells us that our ancestors' altars had become (and I quote) "*altars for sinning.*"

Hoshea (Hosea) 8:11

11 "Because Ephraim has made many altars for sin, they have become for him altars for sinning.

What that means is, the people thought they had a get-out-of-jail-free-card. That is where indulgences come from. Oy vavoy! Not Ephraim, also? Oy, Ephraim also.

Verse 12, Yahweh says that, although He has written Ephraim great things from His Torah (or myriads of things from His Torah, or the bridal covenant), our forefathers and Ephraim rejected these things (the bridal covenant); they rejected the bridal covenant as a strange thing.

Hoshea (Hosea) 8:12

12 I have written for him the great things of My Torah, but they were considered a strange thing.

Well, apparently our ancestors did not have any real regrets about their sins. They were never, really, truly what you might call "*convicted of sin.*"

What that means is they may or may not have been convicted of their sins, but if you are never truly

convicted of our sin nature, then there is something lacking in that.

And I know Messianics and Ephraimites, they are not convicted of their sin nature, they do not believe the need to obey Elohim's laws and His ways, out of brokenness, because they are not yet convicted that their nature is sinful and that we need transcendence; we need to overcome through a renewed relationship with Elohim, through His Son Yeshua. That is what it is all about.

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 64:6

6 But we are all like an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags; we all fade as a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

So, that is how that lost and severed connection can be restored, is by restoring, renewing our relationship with Yeshua each moment. There should never be a moment when we are not in connection.

When I lived in Israel from I think 2003 to 2005 and it was very, very interesting; a very educational experience. And one time I watched this French and Jewish couple, they were working in a store in the Old Quarter. And they had a very busy store; it is noisy; a lot of things were going on. And I just watched how, even when and they were opposite ends of the store with a lot of things going on – this man's wife was on the far end of the store, and she just looked up and with a very soft voice she said, "*Shimon*" and he looked up because he heard his wife's voice; he was attuned to his wife's voice.

And King David talks about how Yahweh is attuned to our voice, how He hears our voice when we cry. But in

order to walk in His Spirit, in order to walk after that voice, we need to kill our flesh because our flesh is evil. It is one of the hardest lessons to learn; we need to die to our flesh. We need to kill our flesh and we need to kill our own independent decision making.

Qolossim (Colossians) 3:5-7

5 Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.

6 Because of these things the wrath of Elohim is coming upon the sons of disobedience,

7 in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them.

He gives us brains, He wants us to use them, but He wants us to use them in concert with His body of other converts from the world system. But there is nothing left for them in the world. They are dead to the flesh. They do not like their old life in the world. There is no relationship with Yahweh in the world.

Well, the problem with a lot of people is they do not have a relationship with Yahweh anyway, so they are following their own thoughts. They are thinking every thought comes from Elohim. They are thinking all kinds of crazy things. They are not taking their thoughts into captivity.

What they need to do is, they need to realize we need to die to our independent thoughts. We need to die to the lust of our eyes, the lusts of our flesh, and our pride (pride is the hard one). But we need to die, we need to kill - we take every thought into captivity to the obedience of Messiah Yeshua. We need to kill our flesh because we are immersed into His death so that we, like Him, can be raised in newness of life in His Father, through Messiah Yeshua.

Qorintim Bet (2 Corinthians) 10:5-6

5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of Elohim, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Messiah,

6 and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.

All that takes effort; you cannot keep Torah on accident. It does not happen if you are just resting on Sabbath and Feasts, and you are reading a little Scripture here and there, and it is a broad easy road like that. If you are not walking a narrow and afflicted path, something is wrong. Because all those who walk righteously in Messiah Yeshua will suffer persecution; I mean real persecution.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 24:9

9 "Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations for My name's sake.

So, our forefathers never truly showed true fruits of repentance to Yahweh, they never truly began to listen diligently for His voice and do everything He said.

Instead, they took the sacrifices that were meant to cause them to repent and have broken hearts and went a totally different way.

Here is this dead animal. What did its sacrifice do? So, they slaughter the animal, and they think they have a get-out-of-jail-free-card. That is where indulgences come from; same spirit.

So, then our forefathers multiplied their altars so they would have more places to sacrifice animals, thinking it would cover their sins. And, but they continued to sin

because they continued to reject doing what Yahweh commanded in favor of their version of what Yahweh commanded. If you change Yahweh's words, it is no longer Yahweh's words, now it is your words.

And our ancestors are doing the happy dance. *“Hey! Yay! More altars for sin! More altars for sin! Yay! Yay! More altars for sin! We do not want His ways. We do not want to have to obey. If we have more altars, then we need to obey Yahweh. No way! Yay! Hey! We are so happy Yeshua died to set us free, right?”* Is that from a church hymn or something?

Well, anyway, but our ancestors were doing a modification of what Yahweh said to do. Just like the Rabbis today keep a modification of what Yahweh said to do. Just like the papacy keeps a modification of what Yahweh says to do. These are not building His kingdom. These are setting up alternate kingdoms. They are all going for it, they are attempting to establish those kingdoms. It is only the white horse; it is only Ephraim. We need to wake up, brothers.

We have more power than they do because Yeshua is on our side. So, we are working for Him. His will is going to be accomplished. We are going to succeed, and He will reward those who are on His team. It is a little red hen situation; it definitely is a little red hen situation.

But we must do everything He says to do, exactly the way He says to do it.

It is like Uzzi learned with the ark, it is not enough to mean well, okay? We must do things His way. It is like Ananias and Sapphira learned in Acts chapter 5; do not lie to the Spirit, okay?



Maasei (Acts) 5:9

9 Then Kepha said to her, "How is it that you have agreed together to test the Spirit of Yahweh? Look, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out."

Our forefathers thought that they were doing what Yahweh said to do. Just like in the churches today, just like in the Messianic movement today, just like the Ephraimites.

The Ephraimites, they are eager to do the part of the commandments that they like, right? And that is keeping Torah, right? That is diligently obeying everything Yahweh said to do, is when we do part of it, yes? And there are no parallels with our forefathers coming out of Egypt?

*"No, no, no, no, no, no. We are going to keep the parts of the Torah we like. Let us see... We are going to rest and read, we are going to eat Yahweh's spiritual food, and we are going to sleep and laze around and rest, but doing some actual work? No, no. You got to be kidding me, now. We do not want to be a living sacrifice. You want us to make - lay down our lives a living sacrifice? Are you kidding?"*

Any similarities, maybe? Perhaps? You think?

Or why was Yahweh not pleased with our ancestors? What? He does not like, disobedience? What is the matter with you? He is not satisfied with the blood of bulls and goats? Wow! He wants us to listen to Him? Why? He wants us to do everything He says, the way He says? Not us - you mean we do not just get a pick and choose what parts of the Torah we like? We do not get to cherry pick versus out of context?

Is that not kind of how it went? Oh! And there is a lot of Ephraim today, a lot of Ephraimites, I do not know how many I have met... I say, *“Do not eat that, it is pork.”* He says, *“Well, I am a sinner that is Messianic.”*

Okay, well, is there not still something kind of like Ephraim; he has still got half one foot in the church and the other foot is kind of halfway in Hebrew Roots, but is not there (kind of) that greasy grace thing of the church? That assumption that He is not really serious? It is kind of like, we can just do the parts we want, He cut our ancestors a break, coming out of Egypt. Not really. They all died in the wilderness.

And so, He will cut us breaks on our way to the land of Israel too? No. He will not because He is purifying. The wood, hay and stubble stays out; only the refined goods come to the land this time.

So, are we claiming the blood of Yeshua HaMashiach and we are giving the same attitudes as in the church? I do not know how many Messianics - I do not know how many Ephraimites I have seen - it is like our forefathers, you can bring them out of Egypt, but can you take the Egypt out of our forefathers? You can take our forefathers out of the church, is any part of the church still in our Messianics and Ephraimites today? Maybe just a little bit.

Oh! Hey! And let us not forget verses 13 and 14, they promise us that Yahweh will completely forget our sins; wipe the slate clean. All we have to do is kill some animals for Him, right? *“Check! Hey! We killed some innocent animals for Yahweh! Yay! Because we would not listen! Yay! Hey! We shed an innocent animal's blood and then we burned him all up! Yay! Hey! Yahweh is*

*really happy with us now, right? We did Yahweh's will, right?"*

*"Yay! Hey! We built a Masonic Lodge, Illuminati temple! Hey, Sabbatean-Frankists. Wow! They really got it going on this! This is it! Yes!"*

Oh, no. Wait, wait, wait, wait, wait, wait, wait, that is not what it says is it? No, no. It says, Yahweh did not accept our ancestors' sacrifices and that He would remember our iniquities and He would punish us for our sins.

Hoshea (Hosea) 8:13

13 For the sacrifices of My offerings they sacrifice flesh and eat it, but Yahweh does not accept them. Now He will remember their iniquity and punish their sins. They shall return to Egypt.

That is a get-out-of-jail-free-card, right?

Yes, the great irony of all this is that King David wrote in Tehillim (or Psalms) chapter 40 in verse 8, speaking by the Spirit, He tells us that Yeshua delights to do His Father's will and that His Father's Torah is in His heart.

Tehillim (Psalms) 40:8

8 I delight to do Your will, O my Elohim, and Your Torah is within my heart."

So then, the question, brothers, sisters, is, if we also claim Yeshua's sacrifice, if we claim His blood, we claim His covering, and if we have His Spirit, then do we also delight to do His will? And is His Torah truly written on our hearts? Or not so much?

We know that our ancestors did not delight to do the will of our Father, Yahweh; they thought they did. They

thought they were doing great. But, hey! But things are surely different now today, right? We are not walking like our ancestors, right? *“Hard times are over! Yoo-hoo! We have Yeshua to cover for our debts!”*

*“See, our forefathers, they were so dumb. They did not have Yeshua, but see, now we have Yeshua, so now we must obey the Torah now. Do we, a little greasy grace? Oh, that does not exist in the Messianic movement, does it? Oh, no. Ephraimites, people who call themselves Nazarenes? No.”*

*“No. Now we are automatically pleasing to Yahweh by default. And what a blessing it is to have Yeshua because otherwise we might be held accountable for hearing and obeying Yahweh's voice, just like our ancestors. Oh! But now we get to be Yahweh's people without ever having to obey Him! Yay! Just call the name of Jesus and we shall be delivered from obedience to the Father, and we will get to go back and live in the Father's House, and we do not even have to obey Him, then!”*

*“And all that is because the Son did keep the Father's Torah! He did keep the Father's ways. He did keep the Father's laws; it was His delight to do His Father's will in bringing the earth into subjection to a spiritual kingdom ruled by love! Oh! And that is why the Son came to do away with the bridal contract, right? Yay! Celebrate! Celebrate! Party!”*

*“Oy vey gevalt! Wait a minute. You mean it is serious, this Torah thing? We have got to keep it?”*

Yes! It might sound ridiculous that way, but if we think about it, is that not how our forefathers have behaved all throughout recorded history? Really the way Yahweh

looks at things. And we are happy to be called Yahweh's people? We love to be given His blessings. Do we expect to receive His blessings and His protection no matter whether we are doing what He says or not?

We will be His people as long as we do not have to be an obedient bride for Him, as long as we do not have to actually do anything, as long as we have to give Him anything? Just so long as we rest and read on Sabbath and “*call on the name of Jesus and we shall be saved*”? But only if we obey (we explain that in the [Nazarene Israel](#) study).

And that also brings us to our Brit Chadasha (or Renewed Covenant) portion. Here we need to stop and ask ourselves the 64 million mina a question. And that is if Yahweh was not pleased with the way our forefathers misunderstood and then trampled upon the intent of the Levitical sacrificial system.

They trampled the Levitical sacrificial system underfoot because they misunderstood the whole purpose of the sacrifices.

How much more will Yahweh be displeased with us if we also trample on His Son's sacrifice by continuing to sin, and continuing not to hear and obey His voice?

Romim (Romans) 6:1-2

1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace [or favor] may abound?

2 Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?

That is what He wanted when our forefathers came out of the land of Egypt. One thing He said, “*Hear My voice*

*and diligently do everything I say, including My written commandments.”*

Shemote (Exodus) 15:26

26 and said, “If you diligently heed the voice of Yahweh your Elohim and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am Yahweh who heals you.”

So, that is it; we are responsible, that is His will, that is what He wants. Do we delight in what He wants if we have His Spirit?

Because if Yahweh held our ancestors accountable for making the Levitical Torah of no effect, how much more is Yahweh going to hold us accountable for making His Son's sacrifice of no effect? Hello?

Well, in Romim (or Romans) chapter six the apostle Shaul (or Paul), he is telling us what it means to live as a renewed creature in Yeshua. And this whole chapter is so powerful. The whole thing. He tries to break it down so simply for us. And then people come along and they cherry pick, and they take this verse, or they attack that verse, they take the whole thing out of context.

But if we read it in context, right there, in verse one, Shaul tells us, we are not to continue in sin, because if we are going to walk in the salvation that Yeshua gives, it means we no longer live as a captive (or a slave) to sin. Because if we are dead to sin, then how can we continue in sin? And if we continue in sin, then are we dead to sin?

Romim (Romans) 6:1-2

1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace [or favor] may abound?

2 Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?

If we continue in sin, we are resting and reading and that is all we are doing, we are not really helping Him build His kingdom, then are we truly saved? Because if we are not doing the same exact things that Yeshua's Spirit is doing, then how can His Spirit be in us?

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:4

4 He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

If His Spirit is in us, then we are doing the same things His Spirit is doing, which is to build His Son's unified global kingdom.

Kepha Aleph (1 Peter) 2:21

21 For to this you were called, because Messiah also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps:

Let me see if I understand. Okay, we understand, right? We get it okay that Yeshua was the Angel (or the Messenger) that Yahweh sent to lead His bridal nation out of Egypt, right?

Shemote (Exodus) 23:20

20 "Behold, I send an Angel before you to keep you in the way and to bring you into the place which I have prepared.

Okay, we understand that it was Yeshua who gave us the Torah at Mount Sinai, right?

Shemote (Exodus) 31:18

18 And when He had made an end of speaking with him on Mount Sinai, He gave Moshe two tablets of the Testimony, tablets of stone, written with the finger of Elohim.

And we know that it is a sin not to do all He says, right? Because it is an indication that we do not truly love Him, right? So, are we doing all that He says or are we not doing all?

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 3:4

4 Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness [Torah-lessness], and sin is lawlessness [Torah-lessness].

Shaul tells us we cannot, we must not allow sin to reign in our mortal bodies. We cannot continue in sin and claim Yeshua as our covering, it does not work like that; it does not work that way.

Romim (Romans) 6:12

12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts.

He says, if we claim Him as our covering and yet we continue in sin, we deceive ourselves; just inviting the devil in. We are saying, we are entering Mystery Babylon; we deceive ourselves and say, *“You know what? I am not going to do the things that Yahweh says, but I am still going to be pleasing to Him.”*



Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 1:7

7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Yeshua Messiah His Son cleanses us from all sin.

Whether it is on brother Judah's side or whether it is on Ephraim's side, does not matter. Then it does not matter the way. If you are Christian, it does not matter the way in which we do not do things His way.

As you can imagine, we have been out from under kingship for so long now, perhaps we have forgotten what it is all about. But in a kingship, you have a leader of the country and Yahweh, hopefully they are listening to Yahweh, and they lead the nation. If they do not lead the nation in the way of righteousness, what happens to that nation? If we do not lead our homes and our households in the way of righteousness, what happens to us; our homes and our households?

Do we perhaps believe that we are covered by Yeshua's blood, so it is not necessary to keep the Torah, even though Yeshua said in His very first sermon, *“Do not think that I came to destroy the Torah or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy them. I did not come to do away with even the least, smallest, tiniest part; not one jot, not one title”*?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 5:17

17 “Do not think that I came to destroy the Torah or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill.

But is that not the ethic in the church? Because sin does not really matter much so long as we have Yeshua's blood? And here it says, if we continue to claim Yeshua's blood even though we are not diligent to do all that He says, we deceive ourselves.

And this is rough message for those of the Messianics, instead of that live crowd, okay? Because they are maybe learning some very interesting things about the real Torah, and they are talking all about the Torah, and they are having a good time of friendship (there is no true fellowship, but they are having a good time of friendship about the Torah; about Scripture), but they are only doing the easy parts of Scripture. They are only resting and reading. That is not good enough.

*“Hey! Are you saying that there is more to the Torah than resting and reading? Hey!”* Yes, that is exactly what I am saying. I am saying you cannot keep Torah on accident. That is the broad easy road, if you are just resting and reading and you are not helping to build and establish Yeshua's unified global kingdom. How are we doing His will if we are not doing what He said? How are we delighting to do His will?

And we know that Yahweh is watching, right? We know that everything we do and fail to do is being recorded in a book and one day we are going to go stand before His throne.

Well, verse 16, Shaul tells us that we are slaves of whoever we serve, and that is very, very true. So, logically if we continue in sin then are we not effectively slaves of sin rather than being slaves or servants of our King, Messiah Yeshua?

Romim (Romans) 6:16

16 Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one's slaves whom you obey, whether of sin leading to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness?

And notice that, if that is our focus (to continue in sin), can we see this - the decision to continue (continue in sin) is a sin that is leading to death. Can we see that? Let us say that again. The decision to continue in sin is a sin that leads to death. Because, especially in these End Times, if you are sinning you do not get to go home, you will die in the dispersion. We talk about it again, and again, and again in our Haftara prophetic portions.

And the reason is, Yahweh is looking for perfection. And if we are not doing what He said, we do not care; we are continuing in sin. We know what we are doing. We may not think we are doing anything bad. We are just resting and reading; we are just benefiting from Yahweh, but we are not helping Him build His Son's kingdom. How is that His Spirit? How is it leading to eternal life in Messiah Yeshua when we are not doing what - He died so that we would do it. It does not make any sense.

Then in verse 23, Shaul tells us that the wages of sin is death. That is the whole message of the Levitical-Tabernacle/Levitical-Temple system, okay?

Romim (Romans) 6:23

23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of Elohim is eternal life in Messiah Yeshua our Master.

So, if we are slaves to sin, we are literally slaves unto death; we are chained to death. We may not even know it. It is like John chapter 3 in verse 36 tells us, that unless we obey the Son, (we have a study on that in [Nazarene Israel](#)) what it really says is, unless we obey the Son, we shall not see that eternal life, but the wrath of Elohim remains on us.

Yochanan (John) 3:16

16 For Elohim so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Because why? Because we trampled the sacrifice of Yeshua under foot; we counted it as a profane thing. You cannot serve two masters. How can we be slaves unto death and slaves unto life at the same time? Does not make any sense. The Messianic position does not make any sense.

Either we are going to do the whole thing with zeal or do not do it. What is the point? You might as well live your life. And if we are not going to build His kingdom, we might as well live our lives in the world. Because our Master gave us marching orders before He left. And when He comes back, it says He is going to require an accounting of every man. It says that in the parable of the minas; says that in several places.

Romim (Romans) 14:11-12

11 For it is written: "As I live, says Yahweh, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall confess to Elohim."

12 So then each of us shall give account of himself to Elohim.

So, what was Shaul really trying to tell us in this passage? Is it maybe (perhaps) something like most Christians take it as 'greasy grace'? Maybe Shaul was saying something like: *My dearly beloved brothers and sisters in Ephraim, Yeshua died an excruciatingly painful and agonizing death for all of us. And because of His death, we can now live care-free lives and disobey the Father, Yahweh, in everything.*

Yeshua worked hard and I am working hard. And you are supposed to imitate me as I am working hard for the kingdom. But that does not matter; that only applies to me? It does not apply to you? Now, you can trample on Yeshua's blood just as your ancestors, in Ephraim did in the wilderness when they set up golden calves and made many altars for sin?

Just like our ancestors in the days of Yaravam (or Jeroboam), who set up many altars in Dan and Bait El (or Bethel). Oh! And just like our ancestors in the Christian churches who set up many altars for sin. And it is sinful what they teach because they are teaching that the bridal covenant (the bridal contract) has been done away with.

Well, you tell people there are no responsibilities, just say a prayer and you are done. Well, hey, some people get happy, some people give tithes, sacrifices, offerings, but if we think about it from Yahweh's perspective, is not that kind of like thinking that Yahweh can be paid off? Maybe some indulgences (this kind of thing)? Maybe we are kind of going to deceive ourselves so that we can continue in sin, so that we can give some sacrifices like they did in the Temple, and now we are covered because Yeshua has us covered.

He is going to make all the excuses to our Father that we need? He is going to take care of us, to take care of everything because He died so that we could disobey His Father's commandments? Do you not know that He died so that His Father's people could continue in disobedience and sin, and never need to obey His Father ever again? At last! Yay! At last! We are free from obedience to Yahweh! It is like the Tower of Babel all over again.

Do you think that is what Shaul meant, here? Maybe... Oh! Or perhaps this: *My dear beloved brothers and sisters in Ephraim, we all barely escaped Yahweh's righteous judgment. And for us, it is a very near miss this time; much too close for comfort. Thankfully Yahweh was merciful to us; He is giving us another chance yet again. But after we ignored His servants the prophets, now He gives us Yeshua His Son to help us correct a wretched, disobedient, filthy, behavior.*

Now, if we decide to show Him by our actions, by our fruits, that we have defected away from Satan and his kingdom and now we are giving our eternal allegiance to Yahweh and His Son Yeshua - and the fruit of that is that, instead of participating in and helping to build Satan's kingdom, now we are doing all we can to help our Husband build His kingdom; with Him as our head and us as His hands and His feet, working together as directed by the Spirit.

If we do what He says, is that not when He is going to intercede for us in that day? Because what He wants is a faithful bride that does what He says, that refines herself to help Him in His mission of bringing the earth into subjection to the love of His Father, Yahweh, through His Son's sacrifice. How does that get equated as a ticket to continue sinning? How does it get equated into a get-out-of-jail-free-card?

And the Messianics, let us not forget, how does that equate to resting and reading on the Shabbat and Feasts and ignoring any command that is not either easy or free to do?

Hmm... What do we think? Okay, let us see a show of hands. Who thought it was the first one? I hope nobody here thought it was the first one...

Brother, sister, if we claim Yeshua's blood, if we claim Yeshua as our sacrifice, if we claim Yeshua as our atoning sacrifice and yet we continue to break the marital covenant, after we accepted Yeshua's painful, gruesome, awful sacrifice as our covering, then what makes us any different from our ancestors?

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 1:7

7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Yeshua Messiah His Son cleanses us from all sin.

They abused Yahweh's animal sacrificial system, they set up multiple (basically) meaningless altars so they could pay some money to sacrifice an animal and keep right on sinning like before without any regret.

Tehillim (Psalm) 78:40-41

40 How often they provoked Him in the wilderness, and grieved Him in the desert!

41 Yes, again and again they tempted Elohim, and limited the Holy One of Israel.

Is it not the same thing? Is it not still one way or another taking Yahweh's patience and long-suffering, completely for granted? And continuing to disobey even after we are told again, and again, and again by Yahweh's servants, the prophets, that we needed to change. Our forefathers needed to change.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 23:37

37 "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing!

Our forefathers never truly repented of not hearing and obeying Yahweh's voice; the very first thing He said He wanted. That is all He wants. He wants to restore and re-establish the lost and severed relationship that our forefathers messed up in the Garden of Eden.

What did they do wrong? They did not listen to His voice and do everything He said, diligently. That is it. That is all we have to do wrong. Satan wins, we lose, we die; we will not make it through the Tribulation that way.

So, when Yeshua says, do not think He came to do away with the Torah or any part of the prophecies that speak of His return, why do we not believe that? Why do we not want that? Why do we want a situation in which the Messiah comes to destroy the bride's covenant? What sense does that make?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 5:17

17 "Do not think that I came to destroy the Torah or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill.

Yeshua came to fill us with the love for Him and love for our Elohim, so that we will be motivated and show fruits of love for Him. How many of us take that as an excuse; we have other priorities with our free time?

Well, our ancestors never really repented of not listening for Yahweh's voice; not shema-ing. They thought it was all covered by the animal sacrifices. And they continued to believe that they could continue to do things the way they wanted, even after Yahweh made it abundantly clear, again, and again, and again, He was not pleased with that.

Yahweh said He would not blot out their sins and iniquities; our sins, iniquities, because they did not bear



fruits of repentance. Repentance means changing our behavior. Repentance means remembering.

Mishle (Proverbs) 28:13

13 He who covers his sins will not prosper, but whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy.

Have you ever, brother, sister, have you ever had one of those times when you just really felt close to Him; You really, truly felt humble, you really knew He is in charge, we are not in charge? And do we know that we are supposed to live there? That is where we are supposed to live. Every morning when we wake up, first thing is to arrive at that place; restore that connection with Yeshua. Got to have it; got to have that.

And the fruit of having that connection with Yeshua is that we do the works Yeshua commands us to do. That is the fruit; that is the fruit of walking and repentance. It means changing our behavior.

So, brothers, sisters, if we value our lives, if we value our salvation in Messiah Yeshua, then have we sat down and truly counted the cost? Have we seen the days that are coming in the news? Do we know what Scripture says we are supposed to do?

And finally, let us look at Ivrim (or Hebrews) chapter 10. And here we are going to see the writer of Ivrim (or Hebrews) whom most believe to be shaliach Shaul (or the apostle Paul), he is describing the real purpose of the animal sacrifices. What we see is that the animal sacrifices never could take away our sins. Shaul is very clear. He says it right there. He says, because if we could be made perfect through an animal's blood, then why

would you need to continue the animal sacrifices long term, year by year?

Ivrim (Hebrews) 10:1

1 For the Torah, having a shadow of the good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with these same sacrifices, which they offer continually year by year, make those who approach perfect.

If an animal sacrifice makes one perfect from sin would you not just offer a single sacrifice and then no sin would remain? Why would you have to carry it through year after year, after year, after year? What is the purpose? What are we trying to learn here? We are just having a set apart barbecue with our daddy?

Ivrim (Hebrews) 10:2

2 For then would they not have ceased to be offered? For the worshipers, once purified, would have had no more consciousness of sins.

Okay, what was Yahweh's real purpose for the animal sacrifices? Once again, in verses 3 and 4 Shaul explains that the sacrifices were only ever intended as a reminder of sins year, by year, by year. It was never possible - it was never suggested that the blood of bulls and goats was there to take sins away (Yahweh forbid).

Ivrim (Hebrews) 10:3-4

3 But in those sacrifices there is a reminder of sins every year.

4 For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats could take away sins.

The thing is, animal sacrifices are expensive. They are expensive today; back in ancient times they were really

expensive. So, today a lot of families, they look at their budget, they are asking themselves if they can even afford to buy a steak. So, if families today are thinking “How can we afford a steak?” And how can you afford to buy the whole cow? Okay, the cost of buying the whole cow. Or if you were a rancher, you were supposed to take your best stud male bull. And the purpose was to hurt. We are talking the spanking level already, so the fact we were given a Tabernacle (later a Temple) that is already a spanking, okay? Yahweh has His ultimate purposes for it.

Father willing, if we ever get to *Revelation the End Time Part Two*, we will talk all about that. But it is expensive to buy a whole cow, or a lamb, or a goat. But the cost of buying the whole animal like that was meant to cause a remembrance of the fact that sin is very expensive. The wage of sin is death; sin is expensive. If ever anything was expensive, sin was expensive.

Romim (Romans) 6:23

23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of Elohim is eternal life in Messiah Yeshua our Master.

There was a purpose to this. The point was to cause us to regret our sins, realizing that they are so expensive, we cannot afford. I do not know; can you afford to pay for a cow every day? No. No. Not only are they expensive, not only do they cost a lot of money, but they also cost a life. The innocent animals, they did not do anything. That is why Yeshua's our Passover Lamb (innocent, spotless, blemish-less), He did not do anything.

So, if you would like to know more about animal sacrifices, again we recommend the study, [“About](#)

[Animal Sacrifices](#)". It is the fourth chapter in the [Nazarene Israel](#) study. You can read or download that for free from the Nazarene Israel website. Long term, we encourage you to download everything from the Nazarene Israel website because the End Times are coming.

But let us keep going here because now Shaul (Paul) is going to tell us something crucial. Now, let us see something very, very important here in verse 26. And I do not know if people read, by this I do not know if people do not pay attention to this, I am not sure what happens. Maybe they think it does not apply to us. Have you ever thought, "*Well, it does not apply to me.*" Any of us?

Starting in verse 26 Shaul says that, if we sin willfully (that means, basically, if we ignore His commandments). So, if we ignore His commandments and we sin willfully after we receive the knowledge of the truth of Messiah Yeshua and what He wants, there no longer remains any sacrifice for our sins.

Ivrim (Hebrews) 10:26

26 For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,

Why? Because we know we are supposed to be obeying our King one hundred percent. But how many of us are truly obeying Him one hundred percent? How many of us literally tremble at His Word? How many of us truthfully hasten to do all that we know He wants us to do? How many of us have defected from Satan's team and now we are helping to build our Messiah and Husband's kingdom?

How many of us are doing what we know? How many of us are bringing our A-game? How many of us are bringing everything we have got to the fight? How many of us care that Yeshua was sent to bring the earth into subjection? Right now, it is the phase where we are supposed to be doing that in the dispersion with Him as our head, us serving as His hands and His feet. We have got to be unified to be a single body. Because He does not want many kingdoms, He wants one kingdom over all the earth. He wants us to build it for Him.

How many of us eagerly desire to do our Father's will like Yeshua? And how many of us are just like our ancestors thinking that we are doing more than we really are?

We know that, if we stop and sit down and we are straight with ourselves, and we are listening to His voice, we know Yahweh wants us to be doing more. We know He wants us to be dedicating ourselves. We know Yahweh wants us to be setting ourselves apart. We know what He wants us to do. Do we not? Really? Kind of? But how many of us do not think it is really all that important to do what He says to do, just like our forefathers in the wilderness did not think it was necessary to do all that He said to do?

Why is it a hard thing for some of us to pay our tithes, to work together to build the kingdom? Yeshua died that we would build for Him. Why is it a hard thing to be doing something practical to help Yeshua's cause?

Qolossim (Colossians) 3:23-24

23 And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to Yahweh and not to men,

24 knowing that from Yahweh you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Master, Messiah.

You know, if your significant other does not want to support you in what you are doing, how do you feel? How do we think Yeshua feels, if we want to be His bride? We took the vow; we made the public announcement at Shavuot (at Pentecost); we are bound by the vow. That He will never push us. He will never make us. If we listen, we will know. And if we obey, then we will know concerning the doctrine.

How many of us are serving Yahweh, being the kinds of people; walking humbly before Him, making sure we stay in connection with Yeshua, making sure we are helping Yeshua to get the kingdom that He wants?

Do we have other priorities perhaps? We have priorities in life other than Yeshua; helping Him build His kingdom to please His Father, so we can be His bride. We have other priorities in life, other than that.

So, we expect to be on Yeshua's priority list. We go stand before His Father, and His Father asks us what we have done to help His Son build His kingdom. What did we do? Did we do anything? Since we are, after all, His slaves. And we were bought, after all, with the price of His blood.

He is not asking us to die. He is asking us to live for Him and to humble ourselves to work together to build His unified kingdom in His absence. That is what He is asking us to do.

And okay, so we only have so much time and so much money, so guess what? Putting Him first means we pay

our tithes first, then we have money for other things. Putting Him first means that building His Son's kingdom comes first.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 6:33

33 But seek first the kingdom of Elohim and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

When we go to plan our family time, also looking at our checkbook, we are looking at our calendar time, and money, that is what we have. Are we putting Him first, truly? Or are we perhaps planning family outings? We are going to go camping, we are going to go rafting, we are going to go here, we are going to go there, we are going to do this, we are going to do that. We do not have time to put Yahweh and His Son first?

We are dead to the flesh, right? But we do not have time. We have other priorities than Him. We are filled with His Spirit, right? We have other priorities. We have other things to do.

Oh! Maybe the children have to go to t-ball, or perhaps the children's social standing might be damaged if they do not make the social functions, or the soccer team plays on Sabbath and well, we do not want to damage our child's self-esteem by having his peers in the world think poorly of him?

I have met disciples who, they have time and money for camping in Colorado, but they do not have time or money for Yahweh's Feasts. They have time and money to buy a house and fix it up, but they do not have time and money for Yahweh.

Well, just like our ancestors did not have time or money for Yahweh. So, what is the difference? Being like our ancestors who do not really make things a priority for Yeshua, or (basically) bringing our best, bringing our A-game to our Husband's fight, seeing how much we can do for Him because we love Him.

There is a spiritual war going on. It is not with guns, and bullets, and knives, but it is nonetheless a very real war. Do we have a wartime mentality, or do we perhaps have a pina-colada and a peacetime mentality? Are we doing all we can to win the spiritual war for Yeshua, or are we perhaps not really? We have other things going on. There is Disney World, there is Disneyland.

The children have their arts and crafts, and these kinds of things. It is very important for child self-esteem and their self-development, yes. So, we do not really have time to bring our best to the war effort for Yeshua. We love Him; He is our Husband and we are His servant, we are His slave. We love Him. He is our Master. We want to serve Him; we just do not have time for Him; we have other things going on. You understand.

Oh! Yes! And you have the Spirit, right? Oh, yes! Yes, we are walking in the Spirit, but we do not have time for the things that Yeshua is doing? You are walking according to the Spirit and not after the flesh? You are not chasing after the desires and aimless ways of your forefathers, nothing like that?

We are not doing the same things that Yeshua Himself did once He was here. We are not doing the things that Yeshua tells us to do in the five-fold ministry foundation of apostles and prophets. Hmm... Wisecrack to the wise is sufficient, right?



Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:6

6 He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked.

Well, verse 27 tells us what happens if we sin willfully, after we know who Yeshua is, after we know what He did for us, and we know what He wants (or we should know what He wants if we are listening for His voice).

Ivrim (Hebrews) 10:26-27

26 For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,

27 but a certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries.

Oh! But our forefathers did not want to listen to Him - Oh! That is right! Yes! No. That is right. That is right. Yes!

And so, the thing is, Shaul is very clear here. Yeshua is here doing His Father's will, He delights to do his Father's will, and if we are filled with His Spirit, do we delight to do our Father's will? Or are we doing our own thing? Are we like our forefathers, not making haste to do everything and yet we still think Yeshua serves as a covering for our sins?

What He says, very clearly is that, if we do not do what Yeshua says He wants, then there is no longer a covering for our sins, okay?

Shemote (Exodus) 23:21

21 Beware of Him and obey His voice; do not provoke Him, for He will not pardon your transgressions; for My name is in Him.

So, let us hit that again. If we sin willfully after we already know who Yeshua is, and what He suffered for us, and what He did for us, now - He took our sins upon Him - and what He wants now is for us to die to ourselves; He wants us to kill our flesh.

Ivrim (Hebrews) 10:26-27

26 For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,

27 but a certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries.

And He wants us to care about establishing His kingdom for Him. Again, that is the parable of the minas.

And if we care about our Husband, do we understand that what we are really talking about here is establishing a spiritual global government that will establish Yeshua's kingdom here on earth? And our families will be the ones to rule and reign over this government. All we have to do is, finally after 2,000 years of having Yeshua's Spirit, all we have to do is finally hear Yeshua's voice and walk according to it.

That is all He wants. He wants to reestablish that connection, 24/7. Us in Yeshua and Yeshua in us; Him in the Father and the Father in Him. Restoring that connection. Are we giving that to Him? What is the fruit that we are giving to Him?

Yochanan (John) 17:21

21 that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.

If we call Yeshua our Master, if we call Him Adon, we know He died for us, and we know that He owns us now; He paid the price for us with His blood; we are owned by Him. But we are not going to obey Him? We are not going to keep, we are not going to guard, we are not going to shomer His Father's Torah? Oh, no!

If we are going to disobey Yeshua, and then we are going to go to the judgment, and now we are going to depend on Yeshua to bail us out - I do not know exactly how it is going to go, but the Father is going to play the DVD of our lives (so to speak), the books are going to be opened; everything we did is going to be read. Everything for good, everything for evil (for Satan, his kingdom). We are going to have to answer for everything that we did wrong and that includes me, that includes all of us. We are all going to stand before that awesome throne.

And if we did not do what Yeshua told us to do - we are going to depend on Him to stick up for us before His Dad - what are we thinking? Are we thinking Yeshua is going to give us an example of how to keep the Torah perfectly, so we do not have to?

Are we thinking that the apostles, the disciples, did all that stuff in the first century so we do not have to? Are we thinking the Great Commission is optional?

We are dead to the flesh, and we are filled with His Spirit, and we are delighting to do His will and the Great Commission is optional?

Romim (Romans) 8:13

13 For if you live according to the flesh you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

Brothers, sisters, what are we thinking? It is the same mistake as our forefathers. Now, we are thinking the disciples did everything in the first century so we can sit around in living rooms and watch Saturday Night Live. We can read about what we should be doing, and the fact that we are reading about what we should be doing means that we do not actually have to do it? Reading about it, knowing what we are supposed to do, that counts is actually doing it, right?

Because to him who knows to do good and does not, to him it is sin. But just because we know what we are supposed to do and we do not do it, is that not sin?

Verse 28 and 29 tell us that those of us who abuse Yeshua's sacrifice like that... (and there are more of us who trample on His sacrifice than do not). Yeshua is giving us instructions how to establish the millennial kingdom, that is all. He just wants us to hear His voice, *"Do what I said to do."* *"Yes, King."* What do you say to do? Read it, study it, learn about it.

Ivrim (Hebrews) 10:28-29

28 Anyone who has rejected Moshe's Torah dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses.

29 Of how much worse punishment, do you suppose, will he be thought worthy who has trampled the Son of Elohim underfoot, counted the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified a common thing, and insulted the Spirit of grace?

We talk about in [Acts chapter 15 Order](#). Also, the high level in [Torah Government](#). We have a series on [Set-apart Communities](#).

If we know what He says to do, we are not busy doing it, how are we like King David who hastened to keep all His commandments?

Here is the thing, here is what people forget: Even if we think we are taking Yeshua's sacrifice seriously, if Yahweh does not think we are taking His Son's sacrifice seriously, are we not going to have a big problem?

Because if He thinks that we are not taking His Son's sacrifice, seriously - I mean, no more covering for sin.

This is something that is never really sunk in with the majority of Christians, or Messianics (same thing), or Ephraimites, or some who call themselves Nazarenes, is the gravity of this sin; this sin right here.

If you take two things away from this presentation, the first one: Hear and obey. The second one is right here: Let us appreciate the gravity of this sin, all right?

Verse 28 reminds us that anyone who fails to follow (which is the same), or ignores, or rejects, in Yahweh's sight. We are just like, *"Oh! I just forgot to do it!"* That is rejecting. *"Well, I did not want to do it."* That is rejecting. *"Well, we just think lunar Sabbath is the way to go."* That is rejecting. *"Well, we just think you need to see the equinox."* That is adding; that is also rejecting.

Verse 28: Shaul was sent as a shaliach (as an apostle) to us (to the gentiles). He says that anybody, any one of us who fails to follow (meaning rejects) the Torah of Moshe, dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses.

Ivrim (Hebrews) 10:28

28 Anyone who has rejected Moshe's Torah dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses.

Okay, do we know what without mercy means? What part of without mercy do we not understand? What he is saying is that Elohim will have a pure, clean camp; let us not doubt it. He says we will know His name is Yahweh. He will not be mocked. He will have His will done. We pray for His will to be done. We pray for His kingdom to come down to earth. Do we know we are the ones who are supposed to set it up?

That is our mission, to work together in order to set it up. Things got taken off track in the first century. We went outside the land of Israel; people did not know what the Torah was. We ended up with Christians. We talked more about that in the [Nazarene Israel](#) study. But Yahweh will not be mocked, okay? This is the Renewed Covenant. This is Shaul; he was sent to us to explain things to us, to help us get it, okay?

He is saying that we will die without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses because we are breaking Moshe's covenant, okay? We blew the punishment system, okay? We did not want to listen to Yahweh in the Garden, we did not want to listen to Yahweh after we sprung from juvie. We are sprung from prison in Egypt. We do not want to listen to Yahweh, but we are up for a kingdom? *“Hey! We are not up for work; we are not up for punishment.”*

So, but finally, as we saw last week, finally our forefathers said, *“Okay. We will do it,”* okay? That was a punishment system and if we break the punishment system, we die on the witness of two or three.

So, how much more do we suppose the punishment will be for those of us who have been handed the opportunity to defect from Satan's kingdom, and join Yeshua's kingdom, and help build His kingdom over which we and our children will rule? Do we understand even what we are being given here; this opportunity? Can we understand why Yahweh would be so upset if we choose not to take Him up on His offer? Or worse, we take Him up on His offer and then we do not do it. That is where the majority of the Messianic movement and Ephraim live.

He is just asking us to die to Satan, his kingdom, leave all that behind and then just turn and give our lives in humble service, and gratitude, and love for Him, for all He has done for us; that is all He wants. And then, if we will let ourselves be filled with His Spirit, we will naturally delight to keep our Husbands commandments and to keep His Father's commandments.

Romim (Romans) 6:13

13 And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to Elohim as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to Elohim.

But are we giving ourselves in humble service like that? Are we being renewed? Are we making a living sacrifice? Because if we do not do what Yeshua says to do, we know what judgment will be coming upon us.

Yeshua died to buy us and then we are not doing all that we can to serve and please our King and that is going to be okay? Is it because in verse 30, Yahweh says, "*Vengeance is mine. I will repay*"? He is not saying, "*Okay, do not you punish him, because I am going to*

*punish him.” He is saying, “Do not mess up, okay? Vengeance is mine. I will repay good for those who do good. And for those who do evil or neglect their duties, they will be cut in two, and be thrown and appointed their portion in the outer darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”*

Ivrim (Hebrews) 10:30

30 For we know Him who said, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,” says Yahweh. And again, “Yahweh will judge His people.”

It says, and again, Yahweh will judge His people. Have we forgotten the fear of Yahweh is the beginning of wisdom?

Tehillim (Psalms) 111:10

10 The fear of Yahweh is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have all those who do His commandments. His praise endures forever.

It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living Elohim. Because Yahweh will bring us into judgment, He will require an account of what we have done with our mina, what we have done with our saved lives. Are we working faithfully for our King? Is our allegiance for our King?

We have other things to do. We have to catch the movies (you know), our tv show comes on at a certain hour, we do not want to miss that.

He is asking us, *“Do you want to stop being slaves in the world? You want to stop being slaves to the world system? It is vanities, it is insanities, its inanities.”*



And do you want to be a servant? Do you want to be a door keeper in the House of our Elohim? And if the answer is yes, eye has not seen, and ear has not heard the wonderful things that await those of us who truly take that to heart.

And, brothers, what if we no longer are covered by Yeshua's blood? Because we have trampled on His sacrifice and made it of no effect. Do we know what it means; no effect? Brothers, sisters, *hinne* (behold) now is the accepted time. *Hinne* (behold) now today is the day of salvation.

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 6:2

2 Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world will be judged by you, are you unworthy to judge the smallest matters?

And we know that Yahweh winks at ignorance of times past, but now He commands all men everywhere to repent and to walk in repentance.

Ma'asei (Acts) 17:30

30 Truly, these times of ignorance Elohim overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent,

Well, this is what our forefathers, in Ephraim did not want to do was to walk in repentance. So, what is our excuse?

Oy vey! We have had Yeshua's blood for some 2,000 years now. We have allegedly been following His example for some 2,000 years now.

I suppose (maybe) it is time we ought to follow His example the right way? Oy vavoy! You know, we are

supposed to be purifying ourselves as a bridal nation for Yeshua.

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:6

6 He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked.

We leave the world system, leave Satan's kingdom behind, purify ourselves, wash ourselves, make ourselves clean. We receive His commandments, we receive the Ketubah, we say *"I do."* The people said, *"All that Yahweh has commanded, we will do."* Our forefathers took the vow and now we are not doing it. Or, if we are doing it, our numbers are small, but they will continue to grow.

Shemote (Exodus) 19:5, 8

5 Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine.

8 Then all the people answered together and said, *"All that Yahweh has spoken we will do."* So Moshe brought back the words of the people to Yahweh.

The question is: Are we seeking what is on His heart? Are we seeking after what we want? Listen to our prayers, what do we pray for? *"Dear Yahweh, thank you for giving me a bunch of things I wanted, here is another list of things that I want."*

Or when do we come and say, *"Father, Yahweh, would you please show me what You want? Like King David, I want to be a man (or a woman) - I want to be a brother (or a sister) after Your own heart (means I want to seek after the things that You find important)."*

Yes, it is just so ironic. Yahweh sent His Son to establish a kingdom there, that we are going to rule over His kingdom with a rod of iron. First He wants us to build it then, He wants us and our children to rule and reign over it. He is going to serve as our head, we are going to serve as His body; as His earthly hands and feet here on earth.

So, if we are truly saved, and if we are truly dead to our flesh, and if we truly have His Spirit, are we seeking Him? If we truly love Him, do we want the same things that He wants? Do we realize we are going to leave our father, Satan's house, we are going to leave behind all his old ways, we must learn His Father's ways; that the way His Father does things in His House that are very different from the things that seem good and right in our eyes.

Tehillim (Psalms) 119:44-45

44 So shall I keep Your law continually, forever and ever.

45 And I will walk at liberty, for I seek Your precepts.

So, do we love Him? Do we delight in the same things that He delights in which is to do His Father's will?

Tehillim (Psalms) 119:46-47

46 I will speak of Your testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed.

47 And I will delight myself in Your commandments, which I love.

Speaking according to the Spirit, in Tehillim (or Psalms) the first internal Melchizedekian Priest, King David, prophesied that one day the Messiah would come and He would say, *"I delight to do your will, O My Elohim, and Your Torah is in My heart."*

Tehillim (Psalms) 119:8

8 I will keep Your statutes; oh, do not forsake me utterly!

Well, what is Yahweh's will for Yeshua?

As we see in our study on [Torah Government](#), Yahweh's will for Yeshua is actually to establish a global government that will conquer the earth through His love. The manner of doing it is by establishing a renewed Melchizedekian Priesthood, a set-apart Melchizedekian Priesthood, after the order of Yeshua. Because, as we see in that study and in other places, Yeshua Himself is the one who commanded the five-fold ministry of Ephesians chapter four.

Ephesim (Ephesians) 4:11

11 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,

We also know from our studies in [Torah Government](#) that Yeshua was the one who commanded the single foundation of apostles and prophets.

Ephesim (Ephesians) 2:20

20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Yeshua Messiah Himself being the chief cornerstone,

The disciples are just doing what He trained them to do. So, if the disciples in the first century were keeping the faith that Yeshua taught them to keep, then when we go to earnestly contend for the faith that was once delivered for all the saints, does it not make sense that it should look like the faith that is written about in the book of Acts?

Yehudah (Jude) 1:3

3 Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.

I have spoken to Messianic leaders and teachers (I do not know how many times) and I asked them this basic question: If we are going to keep the faith once delivered to the saints, do we not think it should look like the book of Acts and not like Saturday Night Live or not like a Messianic fair, Messianic marketplace? Should it not look like Scripture? It is just a question I am asking.

Yeshua had specific reasons for telling us to do the things that He told us, commanded us to do. He did it so that there would be order and structure within His army. We are His spiritual army. That is the same thing as His Temple, that is the same thing as His body (which is us). But if we are His spiritual army, we are not doing the things our Commander, our Field-Marshal, our Tsar-Shalom, our Field-Marshal of Peace says to do. How is that going to go for us? Anybody ever think of that?

Luqa (Luke) 6:46

46 "But why do you call Me 'Master, Master,' and not do the things which I say?"

We are in a spiritual war, whether we like to realize it or not. You are in the army, and you are in wartime. You are going to treat it like peace time, or you are going to ignore certain of your commanding officer's rules? How is that going to go for you?

Well, if we would not ignore the commandments of an earthly field marshal, if we would not ignore the

commandments of a King David, what makes us think that we are going to be able to ignore the commandments of the Commander of Yahweh's armies, Yeshua HaMashiach?

Melachim Bet (2 Kings) 19:31

31 For out of Jerusalem shall go a remnant, and those who escape from Mount Tzion. The zeal of Yahweh of hosts will do this.'

How is that going to go? I am going to put the boxing gloves on and what is going to happen next? Okay, does it not just make a whole lot more sense just simply to humble ourselves, and break, and just fall on the stone and be broken, and then stay that way?

Tehillim (Psalms) 51:17

17 The sacrifices of Elohim are a broken spirit, a broken and a contrite heart— these, O Elohim, You will not despise.

Does it not just make much more sense to do what Yeshua would do? Does it not make more sense for Yeshua's bride to seek after Yeshua's heart?

So, if our Groom says, "*I delight to do My Father's will,*" then what should we want if we are His helpmeet? If we are a faithful Proverbs 31 bride, what should we want? Should we not also delight to do His Father's will? And should His Torah not also be on our hearts (all of it)? How many of us can honestly say though that we actually do that?

May Yahweh our Elohim please lead all of us to delight to do His will, and to lay down our lives, and our activities, and our priorities in the world, so that we might then delight and do His will, as our husband Yeshua did,

so we might know what it means to serve His Father  
Yahweh in truth.

In Yeshua's name, Amein.

Shabbat Shalom.





# Parasha Tzav

*Leviticus 6-8; Malachi 3-4; Matthew 25*

A long time ago, in land (for most of us) that is far, far away, in the Middle East, in the days of the exodus from Egypt (and later), in the wilderness there lived a Levite man named Aharon (or Aaron).

Now, Shemote (or Exodus) chapter 6 and verse 23 tells us that Aharon had four sons: Nadav (the firstborn), then Avihu, then Eleazer, and then Itamar.

Shemote (Exodus) 6:23

23 Aharon took to himself Elisheba, daughter of Amminadab, sister of Nahshon, as wife; and she bore him Nadav, Avihu, Eleazar, and Itamar.

And one fine day in the wilderness of Sinai, Yahweh commanded His servant, Moshe, to consecrate Aharon and his four sons for the priestly service in the brand new Levitical Tabernacle.

Now, Vayiqra (or Leviticus) chapter 8 in verse 33 tells us that Yahweh would consecrate them for seven days; that is very interesting. That means, for seven days He would sanctify them and then also set them apart for His service; there are two parts.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 8:33

33 And you shall not go outside the door of the tabernacle of meeting for seven days, until the days of your consecration are ended. For seven days he shall consecrate you.

So, what that means is, first they would lay down their old lives in the world, just like Israel was supposed to do laying down their lives in Egypt. We are not supposed to want Egypt; we are not supposed to desire a return to Egypt (or Babylon - Babylon is the smaller part of the greater Egyptian system).

But our forefathers would lay down their old lives in the world and come out of Egypt. Well, they did not do it. So, now Yahweh is starting with the Levites. And the Levites now would lay down their old lives in the world, and now they would begin to live for Yahweh. That was the whole purpose, to give the people a light, an example. Any of this sound familiar?

Marqaus (Mark) 8:35

35 For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it.

But hey, that was a long time ago, in a land that (for many of us in the dispersion) is far, far away; a different culture. So, what does that mean to us today?

Well join us for Parasha Tzav 2022 as we ask: What does it mean to be consecrated and set-apart unto Yahweh today? What does this mean in the Melchizedekian Order? And what does the consecration of the Levitical Priesthood mean for us today, who seek to be consecrated as the bridal nation of Yeshua HaMashiach?

## **Parasha Tzav 2022**

Brothers, sisters, if we want to be taken as Yeshua's faithful, Proverbs 31 bride, then let us review what we know about the ancient Hebrew wedding ceremony.

While there are promises and exchanges of vows, both in modern Christianity and in modern Judaism, there are no exchanges of vows in Scripture. There are promises and agreements made, but there is no formal exchange of vows; in Scripture it is implied. So, in Scripture, for a wedding, they just follow the simple contract law. The two parties agree to marry - there is some exchange of consideration (today such as ring but back in ancient times even something like a shared meal to go along with the word).

So, for us in Israel, that shared meal is the Pesach (or Passover). So, Yahweh announced His intention to spring us from slave labor with Paro (or pharaoh) and to take us as His bridal nation unto Him, forever.

Shemote (Exodus) 3:17

17 and I have said I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt to the land of the Canaanites and the Hittites and the Amorites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites, to a land flowing with milk and honey.”

And the Pesach meal was the traditional Hebrew marriage meal; sealing the deal (so to speak).

Shemote (Exodus) 12:11

11 And thus you shall eat it: with a belt on your waist, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. So you shall eat it in haste. It is the Yahweh's Passover.

And if that was not enough, then the marriage would be publicly announced at Mount Sinai. And the ancient Hebrew wedding ceremony has it that once the marriage is publicly announced, there is a public exchange of

vows. Well, then the wedding is official, and all the rules and all the penalties apply.

And as we come to an awareness of our Ephraimite identities today, we begin to realize that, yes, we are Ephraim, let us also recognize that, yes, our forefathers committed many sins in the wilderness. Even though our forefathers committed us, in Shemote (or Exodus) chapter 19 in verse 8, and our forefathers promised that all that Yahweh had spoken they (meaning us) would do.

Shemote (Exodus) 19:8

8 Then all the people answered together and said, "All that Yahweh has spoken we will do." So Moshe brought back the words of the people to Yahweh.

And also, in Shemote chapter 24 in verse 3, our forefathers again said they would do everything that Yahweh had said.

Shemote (Exodus) 24:3

3 So Moshe came and told the people all the words of Yahweh and all the judgments. And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words which Yahweh has said we will do."

Are we catching any idea of what our vow is all about? He is going to take us from nothing, He is going to train us to be His queen (His slave queen, but His queen). We just have to listen to what He tells us to do and do it. And also, the things He said before that are written in the Torah; in Scripture. That is it. It is so simple; but it takes discipline. We must want to be disciples; we must want to learn what Yahweh is saying and obey.

So then, again in Shemote chapter 24 in verse 7, again our forefathers promised that they (meaning we) would

do everything Yahweh had said, and that they (meaning we) would be obedient.

Shemote (Exodus) 24:7

Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that Yahweh has said we will do, and be obedient."

So, what we see in all this is that marriage is an act of consecration. And in our case, we now (effectively) are consecrating ourselves; we are saving ourselves; setting ourselves apart for our Husband.

So, as brides, now our job is to talk with the Groom's Best-Friend (which in Yeshua's case is the Spirit).

Yochanan (John) 15:26

26 "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.

So, we are supposed to be abiding in Yeshua 24/7; abiding in the vine. Us in Him and Him in us; Him and the Father and the Father in Him.

Yochanan (John) 17:21

21 that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.

But mostly we are listening for Yeshua's Spirit to tell us what to do, to find out what Yeshua likes. So, we as good, faithful, Hebrew brides, can prepare ourselves, so we know how to please our Husband.

Yochanan (John) 16:13

13 However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.

We must listen to His Spirit and do what it says. We must conform to whatever the Spirit says. We must become pleasing to Him in every way, so that when He returns, He is going to take delight in us.

How do you say these kinds of things? You try to wake people up to the urgency of us being in the End Times and the urgency that Yahweh says, only a small minority of us are going to make it.

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 3:14

14 "Return, O backsliding children," says Yahweh; "for I am married to you. I will take you, one from a city and two from a family, and I will bring you to Tzion.

We do not want to be like the majority of Ephraim (and it is tremendously sad) who do not obey His instructions, and they effectively take their salvation for granted.

We do not want to be like most disciples who basically refuse discipline and walk a broad easy road, doing whatever it is that they want.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 7:13-14

13 "Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it.

14 Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.

Mystery Babylon; we are pretending to be building part of Yahweh's kingdom. Really, we are serving Satan in his kingdom.

It is a very simple choice: Are we going to give our allegiance and obedience to Yahweh and do everything He says, like we would obey an earthly king? Or are we not going to do that and still expect rewards? When we are not doing anything for those rewards.

Well, this is important for us right now, because of our study on [The Torah Calendar](#), we expect to celebrate Yom Teruah (or the Day of Trumpets) on August 28th of 2022.

And as we saw in our studies on the [Ancient Hebrew Marriage](#), Yom Teruah (or the Day of Trumpets), is the day that heralds Yeshua's return. That is because, in the ancient Hebrew marriage, after the marriage is arranged - first it is arranged at Pesach and then it is announced at Shavuot and becomes legally (or lawfully) binding. Then the groom goes back to his father's house to put on a mansion, or a room - a room where his bride may live (in our case there are many mansions in His Father's house).

Yochanan (John) 16:28

28 "I came forth from the Father and have come into the world. Again, I leave the world and go to the Father."

Yochanan (John) 14:2

2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

But our Groom has gone back to His Father's house to arrange everything for the wedding and then He comes back at Armageddon.

So, again, traditionally in a regular marriage the groom is going to add a room to his father's house. When everything is all said and done, all the preparations are made. The groom is going to send a messenger (or a herald) ahead of himself to announce that the groom will be coming that night (typically around midnight, at an hour we do not expect).

Mattityahu (Matthew) 24:44

44 Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Adam is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Well, okay so, if we are wise virgins then do we not need to have extra oil on hand and do we not need to have extra wicks for our lamps so that we can be ready when our Bridegroom comes?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 24:4

4 And Yeshua answered and said to them: "Take heed that no one deceives you."

And perhaps He is even delayed just like He says. But then, according to tradition, the groom then comes for His bride on Yom Kippur. So, that is when Yeshua is coming for us is Yom Kippur and that's when Yeshua takes His bride back to His Father's house. And the consummation and the wedding week begin.

And this dwelling together for the wedding week, that is what is symbolized by Sukkot (or Tabernacles). It symbolizes the wedding week which is the ancient Hebrew honeymoon, and the new life together.



So, if you would like to know more about the symbolism behind each feast, please check out our studies on the [\*Ancient Hebrew Marriage\*](#) and [\*The Feasts of The First Month\*](#), plus our studies on [\*The Feasts of The Seventh Month\*](#). All these can be found for free on the Nazarene Israel website.

Well, most Ephraimites I know, eagerly await the return of Yeshua HaMashiach; some of us even dream of it. Some of us pray for that day, and it will indeed be an exceptional day. But are we in Ephraim truly ready for Him to take us as His bride right now?

When the Son of man comes, we find His consecrated bride faithfully saving herself, and keeping herself pure for Him, and learning about what her Husband likes?

Marqaus (Mark) 3:35

35 "For whoever does the will of Elohim is My brother and My sister and mother."

We He find her truly preparing herself to become His faithful, Proverbs 31 bride that He seeks?

Well, next week in Parasha Shemini, we will study in more detail about what happened to two of Aharon's sons, Nadav and Avihu, who they were consecrated as priests and yet they chose to disobey Elohim. We are going to see what happens to them.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 10:1-2

1 Then Nadav and Avihu, the sons of Aharon, each took his censer and put fire in it, put incense on it, and offered profane fire before Yahweh, which He had not commanded them.

2 So fire went out from Yahweh and devoured them, and they died before Yahweh.

Spoiler Alert! Just like in the Garden of Eden, when we disobey Elohim's instructions, when we do not listen for His voice, do all He says and obey whatever written commandments (that is just His voice recorded before) - Spoiler Alert! It does not go well.

So, are we truly doing everything that He has said? So, that is the standard.

Tehillim (Psalms) 119:44-45

44 So shall I keep Your Torah continually, forever and ever.

45 And I will walk at liberty, for I seek Your precepts.

So, before we reach the story, next week, first let us consider what it means to be consecrated to Elohim; let us understand what this vow that they took was all about.

Well, for example, in Vayiqra (or Leviticus) chapter 8 in verse 30, we see that Moshe took some of the cannabis/cinnamon Anointing Oil and some of the blood which was on the altar, and he sprinkled it on Aharon and on his garments, and on his four sons and on the garments of his four sons with him. And with that he effectively consecrated Aharon to Yahweh; consecrated his garments, his four sons and the garments of his four sons with him.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 8:30

30 Then Moshe took some of the anointing oil and some of the blood which was on the altar, and sprinkled it on Aharon, on his garments, on his sons, and on the garments of his sons with him; and he consecrated Aharon, his garments, his sons, and the garments of his sons with him.

So, now let us look up this word *consecrate* in Strong's Hebrew Concordance to see what it is all about. So, we see it is H6942, *qadash*, which is *קדש* (*kuf-dalet-shin*). Well, we see that *qadash* means *to appoint* or *to consecrate* or *to dedicate* something. It is to keep, or to prepare, or to make something pure, and to sanctify it and set it apart from the world and its defilements for a certain pure purpose.

H6942 qâdash, (kaw-dash'); a primitive root; to be (causatively, make, pronounce or observe as) clean (ceremonially or morally):— appoint, bid, consecrate, dedicate, defile, hallow, (be, keep) holy(-er, place), keep, prepare, proclaim, purify, sanctify(-ied one, self), X wholly.  
[Strong's Hebrew Concordance]

Well, and if it matters, *Wikipedia's* definition also reads the same: Consecration, in *Wikipedia*, means to have a solemn dedication to a special purpose or a special service; to be dedicated and to be devoted to whatever your cause is. Be that your husband, at some other cause.

In other words, Yahweh wanted Moshe to set his brother Aharon and his sons apart (make them special), so they could devote themselves to Yahweh for a specific purpose and for a specific service. And this is just like a bride. A righteous bride will set herself apart for her husband, and keep herself pure, and do what she can to learn what he likes. And also, she is a helper; she will do what she can to help him.

But if part of our marriage vow to our Husband, Yeshua, is to consecrate ourselves and to set ourselves apart for Him, then are we doing that; really, truly, brothers? Are we truly setting ourselves apart for Him as a nation?

Because He calls us as a nation. Are we doing those things as a nation that He says He wants us to do?

You always hate to bring a message like this, but sometimes there are just some things that must get said. So, I am a sinner like anyone else. I am just reading Scripture and realizing, Yeshua has a structure and a framework, we better get busy and learn to plug ourselves all in to where we can help build His kingdom, because He is just doing what His Father sent Him to do.

So, if we want to please Him, we want to please His Father in that day, then we need to do the things that He says to do. Because He says, all along, from the beginning, "*Listen to what I say and do it,*" that is it. It is not rocket science; it does not take a PhD (or whatever). You do not have to be anything - respect wherever Yahweh has us in life, whatever our station in life is. He has a role for us; we need to bloom where we are planted, we need to change the world through our interactions with the world. It is difficult; it is not easy. It is a narrow and afflicted path.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 7:14

14 Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.

And all those who walk righteous in Messiah Yeshua will suffer persecution. But this is just one of those things. I am just like everyone else. But I am looking at our brothers and sisters in Ephraim and does it not (kind of) seem like, (maybe)? At least some of us in Ephraim today already think of ourselves as super brides. Like we are brides of the century (or something), you know? Even though we do not really do what Elohim says.

Is that not (kind of) like saying we love Yeshua with all of our hearts, and with all of our soul, and all of our strength, and just saying words with our lips, that is good enough? We do not have to back that with anything?

You are going to have to (like) realize that He has a structure and a framework for us to plug ourselves into. Then He expects us to do it. And if we do not do it, we and our children will make it?

Is there anything in us (perhaps) left over from the church? I am not saying that our forefathers came out of Egypt, but you had a hard time getting Egypt out of our forefathers, right?

So, I am just saying, we are coming out of Mystery Babylon, we are coming out of the church. Is there perhaps (just as a question), since we are like our forefathers, is it (perhaps) possible (even remotely) that there is something He has for us to do?

We must lay down our lives in Egypt, we must lay down our lives in Babylon, we must leave Mystery Babylon completely and not yearn for those things.

Hitgalut (Revelation) 17:8

8 The beast that you saw was, and is not, and will ascend out of the bottomless pit and go to perdition. And those who dwell on the earth will marvel, whose names are not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world, when they see the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

But then we have something to do and out of love, and appreciation, and thankfulness for all that He has done for us, we should want to build His kingdom, together. But does not it seem like there is some of us that just do

not really want to do that? And yet we think it is accomplished. *“We already are a super bride in His eyes because we know to rest on the Sabbath and Feasts, and we know to read the Torah portion”*

Let us just talk. I mean, the marriage with Yeshua, that is the ultimate set-apart calling; there is nothing higher than that; there is nothing. That is for what we were created. So, we have good works to do that we were created to do; these good works.

But does it not seem like some of us treat marriage with Yeshua more like a marriage of convenience, just maybe a little bit? Like, *“Ooh! So very exciting to be married to the King!”* But we do not ever stop to sit down and count the cost of what it takes to be His queen.

We are very happy to call ourselves by Yeshua's name. Who would not want to be the bride of the King of the universe; part of His Father's house? Who would not want to marry into the royalty above all royalty?

Hitgalut (Revelation) 19:16

16 And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND MASTER OF MASTERS.

And, yes, sure, we kind of want or maybe even expect our Father, Yahweh to take care of all our earthly needs, and give us nothing but blessings, and never any challenges (and this kind of a thing). And do we not (sort of) expect - some of us still, as perhaps a leftover from the Mystery Babylonian church?

Do some of us not kind of expect that Yahweh owes us a mansion and we are going to get to eternal life just because we know that we are supposed to be reading

the Torah and we are not trying to do everything that it says; we are not trying to be like King David, the righteous King David who hastened to do everything Yahweh said?

Tehillim (Psalms) 119:7-8

7 I will praise You with uprightness of heart, when I learn Your righteous judgments.

8 I will keep Your statutes; oh, do not forsake me utterly!

And are we not like the righteous King Yoshiyahu who, when he heard the Word the first time, tore his clothes and wept and did everything in his power to clean up his own house? Are we doing that, brothers, sisters?

So, are we in this for what we can do for our Husband; are we in this for how we can help our Husband; to be His helpmeet? So, are we in this for what we can give to Elohim; that sacrificial giving, laying down our lives in this world, so that we can then live to help Him to further His kingdom?

Romim (Romans) 12:1

1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of Elohim, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, set-apart, acceptable to Elohim, which is your reasonable service.

Or are we (perhaps just maybe, just a question) - perhaps we are still in this for what we can get from Elohim and we deceive ourselves; we think it is enough to be hearers only without works? Because without works, our faith is dead.

Yaakov (James) 2:26

26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

But just as a question, brothers: realizing the seriousness of the End Times that we are now entering into, does that not kind of seem like the thing that most of Ephraim, most of us forget, is? It is going to be Yeshua who is the One who gets to pick His bride. That is Yeshua; the one who gets to do the proposing, and that while many are called, only a very few are chosen.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 22:14

14 "For many are called, but few are chosen."

What kind of people are we to be if many are called and only few are chosen? If those who walk the broad easy road are not called, it is only those righteous who are willing to suffer persecution to walk a narrow and afflicted path in Yeshua.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 5:10

10 Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

If you were Yeshua, which one would you pick? People who took action like the apostle Shaul, like Timothy? Or someone else? He has got a lot of potential candidates for His bride...

Mattityahu (Matthew) 7:22

22 Many will say to Me in that day, 'Master, Master, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?'



So, the thing is, we must think like a righteous bride. If we want Him to ask for our hand in marriage, then do we not need to take care to be the kind of bride that He wants?

Just think about this. And if Elohim says right there, He wants a consecrated bride, then do we not need to dedicate ourselves, and devote ourselves, and set ourselves apart for His purposes (whatever they might be)?

Well, if I were Yeshua, would I want a slothful spouse who sits around on the couch, and she is very demanding, and expecting, and she expects Me to tend her continually; she eats My food?

I am on mission for My Father; My Father is a war Elohim, He sent Me as the Tsar Shalom (the Field-Marshal of Peace, meaning there will be peace once His kingdom is established to the ends of the earth like it says; Oh, and that is our job to do that.

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 9:6

6 For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called: Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty Elohim, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

So, we want to be one of the few who walk the narrow and afflicted path; to do the things it takes to build Yeshua's kingdom. It is not easy work; it is difficult work to do everything with integrity and to listen, to pray and wait on the Spirit, to do everything in integrity. Do we want the bride who is doing anything, doing everything with integrity? We want the bride who never lifts a hand to help her Husband build His kingdom, or His Father?

Who would you choose to be your forever queen; bearing in mind that marriage is forever, and forever is a very long time?

Well, let us bear that thought in mind as we look to our prophetic Haftara portion in Malachi chapters three and four. And what we are going to see is that Yahweh is not as pleased with His people (in this case Judah, but could just as well be Ephraim). Yahweh is not as pleased with His people as some of His people might seem to hope. And Yahweh is sending His messenger (His *malakhi*, *My messenger*); He is sending His messenger to call His people, Judah, to repent and to return to Him and not to their own customs, and traditions, and ways; not to their own understanding, but to ask Him how He sees things.

Malachi 3:7

7 Yet from the days of your fathers you have gone away from My ordinances and have not kept them. Return to Me, and I will return to you," says Yahweh of hosts. "But you said, 'In what way shall we return?'"

And this is just the same - He has been calling us in Ephraim since the day He brought all of us out of Egypt. We were first to go. Judah (at least) is still wandering with Elohim.

But knowing us - you hate to be the one to have to say this kind of thing, brothers - but is it possible that we are going to have some Ephraimite wonder-brides out there who are going to ask, "*Well, what do you mean? In what way do we need to return to Yahweh? We are wonderful brides. We confess with our lips that Yeshua is Elohim. We have not done any works, but what do you mean return to Him? We do not tithe, but what do you mean return to Him?*"

So, here we have Yahweh answering these questions. So, as we read, let us just imagine this is Yahweh. So, we have come out of Egypt, right?

So, here we are. Our forefathers took an oath, a wedding vow, to love, honor and cherish Yahweh our Elohim (in this case Yeshua, Yahweh-Yeshua), for better, for worse, in sickness, and in health, to obey everything He says to do. And He will lead us by the hand and take us up in glory, we just have to do what He says.

Shemote (Exodus) 24:3

3 So Moshe came and told the people all the words of Yahweh and all the judgments. And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words which Yahweh has said we will do."

Brothers, sisters, are we? And if not, then how are we His consecrated bride? How are we keeping His Torah if we are not keeping ourselves pure in His sight?

Yochanan (John) 12:25

25 He who loves his life will lose it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life.

So, in Christian thought, the prophecies are thought to be (more or less) linear - sort of - you can check, check, check. Once something is checked off, it is fulfilled. And there is some truth in that, however, in Hebraic thought, the prophecies are thought to be cyclical (meaning that they can recur repeatedly) and you can have greater fulfillments and lesser fulfillments, and there is some truth in that also. Yahweh is working things toward an end and He uses certain patterns and cycles in order to fulfill that kind of thing.

But here, Malachi speaks of a dual prophecy concerning the first coming of Yeshua as Messiah, as well as His latter return. And we see that Malachi chapters 3 and 4 speak of the day when Yahweh will judge between those who have been obedient to Him and those who have not been (so much) obedient to Him. All you have to be is lukewarm (just bear that thought in mind).

Malachi 3:18

18 Then you shall again discern between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves Elohim and one who does not serve Him.

Well, in Malachi chapter 3 and verse 5, well, this is specifically for Judah, however, it could just as well be for Ephraim. But Yahweh includes a specific warning for Judah against those who exploit widows and orphans, rather than taking care of widows and orphans. And some people feel this has a lot to do with the End Time events as they are playing out right now.

Malachi 3:5

5 And I will come near you for judgment; I will be a swift witness against sorcerers, against adulterers, against perjurers, against those who exploit wage earners and widows and orphans, and against those who turn away an alien— Because they do not fear Me,” says Yahweh of hosts.

Okay, so someone might say, “*Well, what about capitalism, it is, okay?*” I get it. I understand capitalism is a part of Israel's economic structure, but to suggest that you do not have to take care of your fellow Israelites, that is what Yahweh is addressing here.

So, in Israel it is supposed to be that all Israelites are to look out for each other. We see several examples of that

in the Torah; we will see more. So, but every Israelite is supposed to be there for every other Israelite.

And I get it. In the case of Israel, we are not related until we go back to Israel - go back to Israel, we are related. And other than that, people are outside of the nation of Israel. I get it, we are not related unless you go all the way back to Noach (or Noah).

But one of the very first messages of Scripture, all the way back in the Garden of Eden is that, yes, we are our brother's keepers. It was Qaiyn (or Cain) who questioned: "*What? I have to be my brother's keeper?*" The answer to that question is a resounding, yes.

B'reisheet (Genesis) 4:9-10

9 Then Yahweh said to Qayin, "Where is Avel your brother?" He said, "I do not know. Am I my brother's keeper?"

10 And He said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood cries out to Me from the ground.

So, the way it is supposed to be in the sect of the Nazarenes is that we accept anyone, we do not care. All we want to see is a witness of Yeshua's Spirit operating in you; we want to see you walking in the Spirit and we want to see you obeying what Yahweh says to do which means hearing His voice (as a minimum) and obeying the commandments that are written.

Maasei (Acts) 22:15

15 For you will be His witness to all men of what you have seen and heard.

So, above all else, we need to be led in all things by Yeshua's Spirit, and there is a witness of that. That is what we need to see is that witness.

Maasei (Acts) 1:8

8 But you shall receive power when the Set-apart Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

In the case of a nation, I understand capitalist market principles, but we all need to work hard, everyone needs to work hard; do their best every day as if working for Yahweh.

But here in Malachi, Yahweh is addressing a specific situation with the southern kingdom where those with land and money are (basically) behaving like what would have been called some evil, black-horse, capitalist, imperialist, running, pig-dog, instead of behaving like Spirit-filled Israelites who love Yahweh their Elohim and then love their neighbors as themselves.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 19:18

18 You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am Yahweh.

So, the specific situation Yahweh is addressing here is, the people with power, the people with land, and the people with money are not caring about their workers, they are just using them and losing them.

Well, so what is Yahweh talking about? To whom is Yahweh speaking here? To whom is He addressing this message?

Well, if you are an employer (especially the southern kingdom) do you not need to take care of your employees just by virtue of the fact that they are Israelites? And do you not need to steward them in the right direction? They did not think so in Malachi's day.

So, we understand, everyone needs to work, everyone in the nation needs to do their best. But if they are truly working for you, and they are doing their best to be obedient to Yahweh, then do we not all owe each other as brothers and sisters; do we not owe each other just a little bit more than a paycheck and a good swift kick out the door?

In Scripture, if you are someone's employer, then you have a responsibility to require your employees also to live righteously? That is not easy to do in this fallen world.

But let us ask ourselves the question; this is the question in Malachi: What happens in society - we do not care about our own poor and needy inside of Israel, what happens if we basically use and lose (or throw out) the poor and needy of Israel? Is that of Elohim? Is that Yahweh's Spirit in us?

And if we are truly in Elohim's will, how can we not care about the poor of Israel, at least within the Nazarene sect?

Romim (Romans) 15:26

26 For it pleased those from Macedonia and Achaia to make a certain contribution for the poor among the saints who are in Jerusalem.

So, if the greatest command is to love Yahweh with all we have and then the second commandment (which is

the tricky one) is to love our neighbors as ourselves, then how much love is showing our brothers and sisters in the Nazarene sect when we ignore the poor and the needy of Yeshua's body?

Marqaus (Mark) 12:30-31

30 And you shall love Yahweh your Elohim with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment.

31 And the second, like it, is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

If we are not providing for the poor and the needy, are we not robbing Yahweh of His tithes? If we are not giving the third tithe, how are we loving our brothers and sisters who are poor?

Yaakov (James) 1:27

27 Pure and undefiled religion before Elohim and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world.

Do we behave like one big spiritual family that is united by our burning desire to hasten to do everything Yahweh says to do?

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 12:26-27

26 And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.

27 Now you are the body of Messiah, and members individually.



Do we discipline ourselves to do everything that He says? Yes, I had to have a self-confrontation with myself years ago and realize, no. And every so often we need to take account, take a fresh sit down and count the cost all over again.

He is taking us from slavery in Egypt and cleaning us up, and making us into a queen fit for His Son. So, do we think that is easy? And if not, do we truly discipline ourselves to hasten to do everything that He says, including taking care of our own poor?

Now, we are not talking about taking care of the world's poor, here; we are not trying to take care of any other group's poor, that will not get solved until after we are in power (after Armageddon). Once we have Yeshua's rod of iron, all that will change. But what we are talking about here is taking care of our own poor inside of Nazarene Israel.

So, let us ask it again: Do we truly love our neighbor as ourselves? Do we truly behave like one big spiritual family that is truly unified; united by our burning desire to do everything Yeshua says to do, remembering that Yeshua was the one who gave us the commandments?

So, and then, if we know that, do we then discipline ourselves to do everything that He says, so as to run our very best race, or not so much? The running shoes are getting a good rest.

Maasei (Acts) 20:24

24 But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Master Yeshua, to testify to the gospel of the grace of Elohim.

Brothers, do we behave like the consecrated bridal nation that Yahweh always said that He wanted and that our forefathers promised that we would become? Are we doing that? Or not really; not yet?

In Malachi chapter 3 and verse 5, Yahweh says He will bring judgment. And we know what judgment looks like, especially as we are entering into these End Times. We can begin to see what kinds of judgments are coming.

Malachi 3:5

5 And I will come near you for judgment; I will be a swift witness against sorcerers, against adulterers, against perjurers, against those who exploit wage earners and widows and orphans, and against those who turn away an alien—because they do not fear Me,” says Yahweh of hosts.

And Yahweh also says He will be a swift witness against all those who exploit their workers. Well, hello? We are talking to the Sabbatean-Frankist sect. There are certain people who own the world (effectively) and many of them have power, and control, and strings through the Sabbatean-Frankist sect. These are the people who are in control of the planet (effectively). And they do not help the widows and orphans, but instead they exploit them.

So, we must talk about Two-House theory. Except, the thing is, the Rabbis already know who we are. That was the big surprise to me in 2017, was to learn they have known who we are since the days of King Solomon. They have been tracking our movements for a very long time; many, many years.

So, but (basically) in the Sabbatean-Frankist system (it is the same thing as the Egyptian system, or the Babylonian system) it is the rule of the elites by the elites

for the elites. So, in other words, they are going to exploit anyone who is without power. And Yahweh says He is going to bring judgment and that; He, Himself will be a swift witness against them.

Now, you can claim ignorance of Two-House theory, except the Rabbis know all about it; they have been tracking us since the days of king Rehoboam. So, if Yahweh says He is going to be the one to bring judgment and a swift witness, how are you going to escape that?

Well, you are not taking care of your brothers and sisters in the nation of Israel. The reason is you are seeking to gain advantage over your brothers and sisters in Israel. Just like the Babylonian, just like the Egyptian top-down pyramidal elites.

And the thing is, that is all it really takes to make Yahweh angry, is to treat those who are in His family like they are not part of your family.

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 3:15

15 What do you mean by crushing My people and grinding the faces of the poor?" says Yahweh Elohim of hosts.

That is what He is addressing; the situation here in Malachi. He is saying "*You are not treating them like your kin. They are not treating them like your brethren. And you are going to have swift witness and judgment for it.*"

Ow! Major bad! Major penalty box! Better get that one fixed quick! Hear the rod; the rod is coming! There are a lot of people who think they are going to escape; they are not going to escape.

So, what does this mean to us in Ephraim? So, while Yahweh is rebuking our brothers in Judah for forsaking His ordinances - his ancestors responded with denial. They are saying, *“What are we doing wrong? You did not make this fun. We left Egypt, we thought this was going to be fun. This business of building your Son's kingdom, you are not making it any fun.”*

*“So, in what way shall we return? We did not go anywhere. We are not doing anything. We are just resting and reading on the Sabbath. And we are taking it easy; we are doing whatever is easy and free. But that is making a sacrifice like the apostle Shaul is it not? You know what shaliach Shaul did? He just kind of sat around. Is that not what the 12 disciples did; they just kind of sat around and just kind of shared their insights in someone's living room? They did not try to build a kingdom or anything. No, they were not trying to establish a governmental structure called the Tabernacle of David. Oh, no!”* Oh, yes...

So, brothers, speaking honestly, do we know any Ephraimite super-brides who secretly feel this way? Yahweh is saying, *“Okay, you say you love Me, that sounds nice, show Me your fruit.”*

Mattityahu (Matthew) 7:20

20 Therefore by their fruits you will know them.

*“Show me that you love Me. Do not just say it; do not just give Me lip service. Show Me your love for Me and for your brothers and sisters.”*

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 5:2

2 By this we know that we love the children of Elohim, when we love Elohim and keep His commandments.

*“Because up until now, I only see the fruits of disobedience.”*

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 4:20

20 If someone says, “I love Elohim,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love Elohim whom he has not seen?

*“You are not taking care of your poor needy, and you have been robbing Me.”*

Malachi 3:5

5 And I will come near you for judgment; I will be a swift witness against sorcerers, against adulterers, against perjurers, against those who exploit wage earners and widows and orphans, and against those who turn away an alien— because they do not fear Me,” says Yahweh of hosts.

*“You ask, ‘Robbing You; Robbing Elohim? How have we robbed You?’ Well, you have robbed Me of My tithes and offerings.”*

Malachi 3:8

8 “Will a man rob Elohim? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, ‘In what way have we robbed You?’ in tithes and offerings.

*“So, now My priesthood does not have enough to operate with, they do not have enough to do the job of building the kingdom, globally.”*

Malachi 3:10

10 Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and try Me now in this,” says Yahweh of hosts, “If I will not open for

you the windows of heaven and pour out for you such blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it

*“And your whole nation is cursed. Because why? Because you have robbed Me.”*

Malachi 3:9

9 You are cursed with a curse, for you have robbed Me, even this whole nation.

*“You do not care about the sacrificial retraining system that I gave you after you whored away after the golden calf. You do not even understand what the Levitical sacrificial system is about.”*

Malachi 3:14

14 You have said, ‘It is useless to serve Elohim; what profit is it that we have kept His ordinance, and that we have walked as mourners before Yahweh of hosts?’

*“And yet, when I send My messengers the prophets, when I try to tell you, still you deny your sins.”*

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 29:19

19 because they have not heeded My words, says Yahweh, which I sent to them by My servants the prophets, rising up early and sending them; neither would you heed, says Yahweh.

*“You say, ‘What are we doing wrong? Did we do something wrong here?’”*

Malachi 3:13

13 "Your words have been harsh against Me," says Yahweh, "Yet you say, 'What have we spoken against You?'

*"We are just living our lives. We are just enjoying the blessings of You being our Elohim. We do not actually like have to pay our tithes or owe You or anything. I mean, You sprung us from Egypt, that is great. We have a great dinner every year; we celebrate You. But hear Your voice, what? And obey it, what? Wait... That is a strange thing."*

Yahweh says, *"You are not listening for My voice. You are not being diligent to do all that I say to you, including all My written commandments."*

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 65:2

2 I have stretched out My hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, according to their own thoughts;

*"And still you ask, 'What is wrong? What are we doing wrong? Are we doing something wrong, here?'"* You can just imagine how Yahweh feels at this whole thing.

This is Yahweh's talking to Judah here, but this could easily be addressed to us in Ephraim.

Now, check this out: In the United States alone, there are an estimated 247 million people who, in some form or another, profess a Christian faith. I am hearing this statistic, I am like, *"Are you kidding me? Where is the fruit?"* Oh! Oh! Can we guess how many of those 247 million super-brides tithe? It totals less than one percent! We get more fat in our milk than Yeshua's people support His kingdom work!

Hmmm...Yes, sounds like a set-apart, Proverbs 31 bride who wants nothing more than to lay down her life in the world and now to live for Him to build His kingdom that His Father sent Him to build. He wants our help as His helpmeet; to help Him build His kingdom.

That is the thing. So, we are just like, “Me? What?” So, we start running our best race. Sounds like that, right? Does it not? Ouch! No, I guess it does not.

Brothers, can we imagine how Yahweh feels in this whole scenario? Can we imagine Yahweh's thoughts?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 23:37

37 “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing!

*“Ephraim, Judah, you say you love Me. Really?”*

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:10

10 He who loves his brother abides in the light, and there is no cause for stumbling in him.

*“You do not support My work; you do not support those who are doing My work. You do not help the poor, even inside our own nation; you do not help the poor, the widow, or the orphan.”*

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:9

9 He who says he is in the light, and hates his brother, is in darkness until now.



*“But rather you look down on the poor, and the widow, and the orphan. You say, ‘Well, that is their problem. They just have to work harder; do better.’”*

Tehillim (Psalms) 146:9

9 Yahweh watches over the strangers; He relieves the fatherless and widow; but the way of the wicked He turns upside down.

*“You are not helping My Son build the kingdom that I, Myself sent Him to build for Me, and yet you say you love Me? Really?”*

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:4

4 He who says, “I know Him,” and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

Okay, how much does the average Ephraimite, Jew in the dispersion spend on his (or her) pets? How much do they spend on their dog? How much do they spend on their cat? How much do they spend on their car? How much do they spend on their vacation plans?

*“My people are giving their dogs more attention, and love and treats than they give Me.”* And they have money for vacations, for airplanes, they do not have money for Yahweh. I have seen people with money to buy fancy sewing machines, they do not have money for Yahweh. People have money for all these things in the world, but do they have any money for Yahweh?

Yahweh says, *“They rob Me of My tithes and offerings. They are sitting around waiting for My blessings.”* Do we know anyone like this?

Malachi 3:8

8 “Will a man rob Elohim? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, ‘In what way have we robbed You?’ in tithes and offerings.

*“They are sitting around waiting for My blessings and they are not serving Me. They are lazy servants. Even dogs show more love for their masters than My people show Me.”*

Verse 14, Yahweh says to Judah, *“You have said, ‘It is useless to serve Elohim. How did we profit from keeping His ordinances? What did we get out of it? What does building Yeshua's kingdom do for us? Not You. NO! Us, us, us!’”*

Malachi 3:14

14 You have said, ‘It is useless to serve Elohim; what profit is it that we have kept His ordinance, and that we have walked as mourners before Yahweh of hosts?’

*“Hello, Yahweh? Mic check... You hear me? What does it benefit us? What profit do we get from being tested, and refined, and walking like we are in mourning; walking like we are in repentance before Yahweh of hosts?”*

*“You say You are going to give us the blessings, but the way the world is, it is the ones who behave proudly that are the ones who get blessed. You say the meek shall inherit the earth, but in this fallen world, it is like would it not kind of seem like those who do wickedness are the ones that get raised up? They even tempt Elohim and they go free!”*

Malachi 3:15

15 So now we call the proud blessed, for those who do wickedness are raised up; they even tempt Elohim and go free.”

*“But He will not bless us if we do evil? What is with that? What is your problem Yahweh? Who do you think You are? Okay, how about some equal weights and measures here, okay? If the evil ones can do evil, and they can get blessed, then should we not be able to do evil and get blessed also? What are you thinking Yahweh?”*

He says, *“But you say, ‘Why should we love Yahweh for better or for worse? Why should we do our best to be a chaste, set-apart, virgin bride unto Him?’”*

Yahweh says, *“Why do you say, ‘Well, all these harlots go around and they do not get punished, why should we have to be a faithful bride? They are messed up, why do we have to be right? Why should we have to abstain from the lusts of our eyes, and the lusts of our flesh, and our pride (that is the one that will get you)? Why should we have to abstain from our worldly lusts, and not them? We are the ones trying to obey You. We are the ones having to walk humbly like we are in mourning. Why are those the ones getting the blessings?’”*

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 13:11

11 “I will punish the world for its evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; I will halt the arrogance of the proud, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

Brothers, sisters, do we know anyone in Ephraim like that (maybe)? And does that sound like a bride who

loves her Husband; she is doing her best to follow her Husband and support her Husband?

Does that sound like a bride loving her Husband for better for worse no matter whether you are building and working hard, or no matter what?

How many Christians and how many Messianics, how many Ephraimites do we know who seem to behave as if they seem to think that the day of Yeshua's return is going to be some kind of a party, some kind of a big celebration, and they only need to keep doing what they are already doing which is resting and reading at someone else's house on Shabbat?

And then we are just going to learn about the Torah, we are going to be hearers only and not doers. We are just going to wait for the rapture bus?

It is like, what do some people think? I do not know anyone who would say those exact words, but it is like the way people behave. What do we speak to Yahweh through our actions? Because that is what Yahweh judges is our fruit. Do we show good fruit? Or do we show no fruit? Or do we show bad fruit?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 16:27

27 For the Son of Adam will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He will reward each according to his works.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 7:18-19

18 A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit.

19 Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

Well, Malachi chapter 4 in verse 1 says, *“The day of Yahweh will come burning like an oven.”* Take a look at the End Times, take a look at the news; it means there is going to be a lot of fire, and heat, and smoke. It says, *“All the proud who do wickedly will be burnt up.”*

Malachi 4:1

1 “For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, and all the proud, yes, all who do wickedly will be stubble.

And the day which is coming shall burn them up,” says Yahweh of hosts, “That will leave them neither root nor branch.

So, they might think - the Sabbatean-Frankists might think that things are to go their way, but Yahweh says, *“No, it is not going to go their way.”* So, we are talking about the Masons, the Illuminati, the Sabbatean-Frankists, those who are doing things in secret, okay?

So, a lot has been said recently in the news about how the Georgia Guidestones were destroyed and how the Georgia Guidestones speak of getting ready to wipe out 95 percent of the earth's population and enslave the rest; Yahweh says they will not win.

Hitgalut (Revelation) 21:8

8 But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.”

So, this we know, that the Rabbis are monitoring our communications; we know that from the past. And brothers, what Yahweh always wanted was, that we hear

His voice and obey it, and obey everything that was written down.

So, it is going to be terrible in these End Times, for all, but the true Assembly of Philadelphia who is already disciplining themselves, learning to love their brothers in truth. So, we do not need to be disciplined. We have learned to discipline ourselves.

Now, we are talking about both world wars three and four, unfolding in this scenario (we explain in [Revelation and The End Times](#) or [Revelation Simplified](#), Father willing, someday we would like to do *Revelation Part Two*). But Matthew 24, everything in the Tribulation, that is all coming right up, courtesy of the Sabbatean-Frankist sect. And they (of course) in turn are ultimately - everyone works for the papacy, but Yahweh is allowing these things because we are not doing what He said.

Ivrim (Hebrews) 12:6-7

6 For whom Yahweh loves He chastens, and scourges every son whom He receives.”

7 If you endure chastening, Elohim deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten?

And that is it; that is the whole deal. We are in slavery in Egypt, Yahweh is willing to take us as we are, but He loves us too much to allow us to stay that way because He knows His standards for a bride for His Son are up here at perfection; way up high. And He just asks us to do what He says to do, and He will, He will lead us to it.

But here is the difference we have been mentioning. Again, so here in verse 4, Yahweh tells us that, if we want to be protected and in His favor in the judgment,

then we should remember to keep all His statutes and His judgments that are contained in the Torah of Moshe.

Malachi 4:4

4 “Remember the Torah of Moses, My servant, which I commanded him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.

*In other words, “Ephraim I love you, but your problems are because you are still not diligently studying the marriage contract and you are not taking 100 percent of everything that I said to heart. I can only work with you if you are willing to work with Me. I can only work with you if you are willing to discipline yourself.”*

Well, let us consider that Yahweh is (basically) talking about Matthew chapter 24 here. Malachi - Matthew chapter 24 - same. That is what He is talking about. So, we are talking about the Tribulation time frame. And we are heading into the Tribulation time frame, now. If you doubt that, go to the [Revelation News](#) on the Nazarene Israel website.

But, however, Yahweh did deliver this to Judah, but it is also very much applicable to us. So, if we know that the Day of Yahweh is coming, how well are we preparing for that day?

Well, we know there are some important lessons and principles to be found in the sequences of things in Scripture. Not just in Scripture, but in the sequences which things are presented in. So, in that matter, let us consider the context.

Matthew 24 talks about the same things as Malachi. Then Matthew chapter 25 is effectively broken down into three parables and each parable shows us what type of

bride Yeshua wants. In other words, this is the way to be, and this is not the way to be. Because He also shows us what He does not want in a bride.

So, the first parable is that of the five wise virgins and the five foolish virgins; they are all virgins, but five are wise, and five are foolish.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:1-2

1 “Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.

2 Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish.

Now, the five wise virgins diligently prepared for their bridegroom's return. They are all ready for the bridegroom's return. So, as we show in our studies on [Revelation and The End Times](#) and also [Revelation Simplified](#) on YouTube, we explained that this takes place at Armageddon, after the Tribulation (then comes Armageddon). That is when Yeshua is coming for us.

But let us notice, we have got five wise virgins and they have lamps that remained lit and never went out, even though Yeshua was delayed in His coming.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:4

4 but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

They maintained their lamps, so their lamps could burn continuously for Him; even if something went wrong, they were prepared. They made the coming of their bridegroom - to be ready for their wedding, that was their top priority in life, so that they could be prepared to do



their role; to take their job as His helpmeet, as truly one flesh.

The wise brides took care to prepare their wedding dresses, they laid up extra supplies of oil, spare wicks, so they were ready and prepared for His coming even though the bridegroom was delayed.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:13

13 "Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Adam is coming.

So, this means they were the type of brides to think ahead and prepare. So, we want to be His bride, we also need to take a look at the times we are in, think ahead and prepare.

Well, the foolish virgins, they did not seem to think the bridegroom's coming was really worth being prepared for; they had more important things to do with their time. So, when the bridegroom was delayed, their candles and their wicks went out; they did not plan on contingencies, they did not plan ahead.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:3

3 Those who were foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them,

The foolish virgins just assumed that the bridegroom would wait for them to get ready. Well, they just had all summer to prepare. They got engaged at Shavuot (or Pentecost) - now we are talking the Feast of The Seventh Month - they just had all summer to prepare. Oh, but she did not! Oh! And Yeshua did not wait for her either. So, Yeshua took with Him, those faithful virgins who had put preparing for the wedding first. Those are the brides who had consecrated themselves and set

themselves apart for Him and made Him their top priority in life.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:10

10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut.

Those were the brides who were completely focused on Him. He increased, they decreased; those are the ones He took. The others were left behind; they lost out, permanently.

Yochanan (John) 3:30

30 He must increase, but I must decrease.

Well, then next is the parable of the talents. And the parable of the talents is very similar to the parable of the minas. Remember, this is after Matthew 24, Yeshua is talking about the kind of bride He wants to come for. Why are we going through all this? Well, He is coming for this kind of a bride and not for that kind of a bride.

So, Yeshua tells us about the master who delivered his goods to his servants with the expectation that they would be busy about his work while he was gone. That is what you did as a good servant back in Scripture times (so to speak); you were busy about your master's work, trying to do your best for him, trying to make things better for him while he was gone.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:14-15

14 "For the kingdom of heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called his own servants and delivered his goods to them.

15 And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey.

Well, then the master returned to settle accounts and to see what they had done for him while he was gone. Did they follow his instructions? Were they wise for him? Did they attempt to increase his holdings? Or did they do their own thing? Did they get drunk? Did they not work hard?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:19

19 After a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them.

Well, those servants who had worked hard and made a profit for their master, they received praise and rewards for their dedication and faithfulness. He said to them, "Well done, good and faithful servant!"

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:23

23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

But the servant who had done wickedly and he did not labor for his master while his master was away, he was found to be a wicked, lazy, slothful servant. He was cast into the outer darkness because the master found that servant unprofitable.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:26, 30

26 "But his master answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed.

30 And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

That is all we need to be, is unprofitable in the sense that we are not helping to build Yeshua's unified global kingdom; we are not obeying everything that is written in Scripture, in the Torah, in our bridal Covenant.

Well, if we are not helping Yeshua to set up the unified global kingdom that His Father sent Him to train us to set up, Yeshua is telling us, "You are not about My business. That is going to get you cast into the outer darkness where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Yochanan (John) 17:21

21 that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.

And that does not require us to do anything bad, that just requires us to be lukewarm; just think we are super bride or bride of the millennium, that is it. We do not have to work; we do not have to worry? We are just resting and reading over at someone else's house? Whatever is cheap; whatever is easy; whatever is free?

Yeshua says that is all it takes to commit suicide (spiritually speaking), okay? Do we get that? Is that something we understand? That is to commit suicide (spiritually speaking), is to be lukewarm.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 18:8

8 "If your hand or foot causes you to sin, cut it off and cast it from you. It is better for you to enter into life lame or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet, to be cast into the everlasting fire.

Hitgalut (Revelation) 3:16

16 So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of My mouth.

Well, lastly, Yeshua tells us the parable of the final judgment. Yeshua says He will come in His glory, and He will sit on the throne of His glory and in that day, all will be gathered before Him for His judgment. It is Yeshua who is going to judge us.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:31

31 “When the Son of Adam comes in His glory, and all the set-apart messengers with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory.

Like we saw before, Yahweh would send His Messenger, He would send His “*My Messenger*,” which was Yeshua. So, Yeshua is the One that gave us all of these commandments and Yeshua is the One we are supposed to be building this kingdom for.

So, everyone is going to be gathered upon the King's return, upon the Master's return. Those who labored for Him, and did righteously, and they worked for Him because they loved Him and they also loved their brothers and sisters, and they cared for those who were poor and were sick or in need (especially those inside the body), those are the ones Yeshua says, “*They will be the ones to receive eternal life.*”

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:35-36

35 for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in;

36 I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.'

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:23

23 His matser said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your master.'

He says, *"But those who hated their brothers and sisters, and who did not care for the poor, they did not care for the sick or the needy of Nazarene Israel (of the sect of Nazarenes), they will be cast out into everlasting punishment."*

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:42-43, 46

42 for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink;

43 I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.'

46 And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

What part of *"cast out into everlasting punishment"* do we not understand?

So, Yom Teruah is coming shortly and that is traditionally when the Bridegroom sends His Messenger *"My Messenger,"* but the Bridegroom sends His Messenger ahead to announce the Bridegroom's soon, soon coming arrival, blowing the shofar on Yom Teruah. And that is when the Master will return. Then He will come later. He will decide if we are faithful, dedicated brides or if we are not.

And so, shaliach Shaul says we are to prepare ourselves to be His chaste, virgin bride.

Qorintim Bet (2 Corinthians) 11:2

2 For I am jealous for you with godly jealousy. For I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Messiah.

So, since that is what Yeshua is coming for, since He wants us to be a chaste, virgin bride (and that is all He wants), let us be honest with ourselves, brethren. After hearing about the two different types of virgins, which one represents us the most, let us be straight with ourselves, are we the wise virgins who truly love Yeshua with all their heart, all their soul, and all their strength?

Are we one of the wise virgins who work diligently to prepare for the coming wedding; make sure we have oil and wicks, the dress is without spot, without wrinkle, without blemish? We will talk more about the function of garments at another time, but will we clothe ourselves with a garment of righteousness or a garment of praise? Our garment must be spotless, without wrinkle, without blemish.

Hitgalut (Revelation) 19:8

8 And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

A bride is to consecrate herself for her husband. Are we, brethren, are we consecrating every aspect of our lives to Yeshua as our head? And are we forsaking our former lives in the world, in Egypt, in Babylon, in Mystery Babylon? And are we abstaining from worldly lusts as His chaste, faithful, set-apart bride? Are we trying to become the kind of bride that He wants to come for? Are

we just assuming that because we are called; we are chosen?

Brothers, sisters, many are called, we need to make sure we are one of the ones that is chosen.

Are we (perhaps) one of the types of virgins that expects a marriage of convenience; we expect it to be easy to build Yeshua's kingdom? We expect it to be easy, comfortable for us to build Yeshua's kingdom?

Or perhaps are we turning our heads back in longing for Sodom and Gomorrah? Perhaps turning back in longing for Egypt? We are like our forefathers who wanted to go back to Egypt. Sure, they wanted to leave Egypt and build Yahweh's kingdom, oh, but then they found out it took work...

So, this is why Yahweh brings us into these trials, brothers, sisters; He wants to know, where are our hearts? That is why we have trials. Do we rejoice in the trials because our heart is in Yahweh, and we know He is bringing us something we need to be refined in? Where are our hearts; in the world? Are we missing our former lives and just going to the beach; not doing anything for Him? We are living our lives in the world, not laying down our lives in the world? Are we still camping in our free time? Are we still playing poker or pinochle?

Yahweh will not be mocked; Elohim does not show partiality in judgment. We must purify ourselves; we make ourselves so spiritually appealing to Yeshua that He wants to take us as His bride because we have been working to build His kingdom.



Either we make that decision from His point of view; either we make that decision, or we do not, there is no in between. It is our choice.

Brothers, sisters, we are faced with the choice of allegiance. Do we pledge allegiance to a flag? Do we pledge allegiance to a Babylonian system? Do we pledge allegiance to what is essentially Egypt (or the world)? Are we sad because we cannot live our lives in the world? Or are we ecstatic because we were sprung from prison, from jail, from slavery in Egypt? He is taking us step by step and walking us each step of the way so He can later take us up in glory. We must be tested. Ultimately, it is our choice.

Brothers and sisters, we hope and pray that this message will help reach some hopeful brides-to-be in Ephraim and those of Judah who are sojourning with us.

For, just like shaliach Shaul, we are jealous for you with the righteous jealousy. We have all been betrothed to One Husband, even Yeshua Messiah the Son of the living Elohim.

Qorintim Bet (2 Corinthians) 11:2

2 For I am jealous for you with godly jealousy. For I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Messiah.

Therefore, brothers and sisters, let us all do our all and give our all, to present ourselves approved unto Him in every way. Let us become the brides that He is coming for. It takes work; we cannot just keep Torah on accident.

Timotheus Bet (2 Timothy) 2:15

15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to Elohim, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

May He lead us all to purify ourselves; become chaste virgins, so we might become worthy of the Son of a living Elohim.

Amein.

# Parasha Shemini

*Leviticus 9-11; 2 Sam. 6-7, Proverbs 23:20-21,  
Psalms 78; Acts 10*

As food is a huge topic, we cannot possibly cover all of it. But join us for this Parasha, we are going to focus on finding an answer to the age-old question: if Yeshua were here today, what would Yeshua eat?

We do not have enough time to cover everything with regards to food, so we want to cover the stuff that really counts.

Now, most people look at the Torah with regards to clean and unclean foods and they make a list of animals that have cloven hooves and chew the cud, and then they also make another list of fish that have fins and scales and then those that do not. And you can find these kinds of checklists all over the internet, they really do the job.

But does anyone ever really stop to ask why split hooves? Why chews the cud? Why fins and scales? What is Yahweh truly trying to say with all this? Would you just give us some random list of things that we are never supposed to understand what it is we are really doing for Him (which is how most people approach things)?

But is there perhaps something more to these lists of clean and unclean foods than checklists and the Rabbinical checklist mindset?

Now, in Shemote (or Exodus) Yahweh says several times what He really wants, what He is really after. The first thing He said when we came out of Egypt, He says

He wants us to diligently shema, and to hear and obey His voice; to hear His words with an intent to memorize them and to do them. And if we will do that, He will not bring on us any of the diseases of the Egyptians.

Shemote (Exodus) 15:26

26 and said, "If you diligently heed the voice of Yahweh your Elohim and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am Yahweh who heals you [Rapha, רפא]."

But we have to obey it in faith; we have to give things our true all. Not what we think of as in all, but what He thinks of as our all.

But do we not know Christians, and Messianics, and Ephraimites, and others who say, "*Well, we prayed for healing, but we did not get healing.*" Okay, so what? So, Yahweh does not love us anymore, is that it? Is that what we are saying? No. No.

Okay, so the point is - and this is difficult for many of us to hear, but - the point is that, are there not many of us who think we are obeying Yahweh's clean food laws, but we are not really understanding what Yahweh wants because we are still limited to the knowledge of these sort of (how should I say) rudimentary, elementary school checklists; these rabbinical versions of understanding Leviticus 11 and Deuteronomy 14 - but without having any true understanding of what Yahweh is trying to communicate with us?

Ephesim (Ephesians) 4:23-24

23 and be renewed in the spirit of your mind,

24 and that you put on the new man which was created according to Elohim, in true righteousness and holiness.

We are approaching Scripture with Rabbinical checklist mindsets. And that alone, already that does not please Yeshua; that does not please Elohim. So, if we approach the Torah with a checklist mentality - what I am saying is, we are going to end up ignorant of what the Torah truly calls for us to do.

And we will not be free of the diseases of the Egyptians because we allowed ourselves to be deceived. We did not listen to Yahweh's words; we listen to something else.

Melachim Bet (2 Kings) 17:40

40 However they did not obey, but they followed their former rituals.

Well, brothers, we do not like Job's friends here, but if we are going to have a food study that counts, we need to ask ourselves some hard questions, okay? If we as Elohim's people are truly doing all the things that Elohim says He wants us to do, then why do many of us still have all these diseases today?

Even among Jews, and Christians, and Messianics, why do we have all the cancers, why do we have all the plagues? Why do we have celiac disease (another so-called Jewish diseases) if the Rabbinical version of kosher is so good?

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 26:16

16 I also will do this to you: I will even appoint terror over you, wasting disease and fever which shall consume the eyes and cause sorrow of heart. And

you shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it.

Okay, why do we have Rabbinical stamped candy bars, Rabbinical stamped processed, refined, GMO sugar? How can that possibly be kosher? How can that possibly be Elohim's will, okay?

Studies show us that the average US citizen (Jew or Gentile) is taking four prescription medications each day. And we do not know the statistics for the rest of the world, but the Babylonian system is the Babylonian system and it is very easy to mislead people into doing things that really are not truly good for them.

So, how many Jews and how many Christians do we know that pray for healing, but they never really receive it? Why is that again?

Not to be like Job's friends, but is it possible (just maybe) some of us might be suffering because (maybe) we are eating the fruits of our own disobedience and we do not even know it because we are following these Rabbinical checklists that do not really speak to the heart of things?

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 11:30-31

30 For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep.

31 For if we would judge ourselves, we would not be judged.

Now, just speaking of myself (I know I am not perfect), for years I did not know Yahweh and not surprisingly, my health in those years was very bad. One thing, I was born autistic, I have scoliosis, I have other issues, I have had a head injury in military service, I had a complete change of personality that went along with that; a lot of

issues I have had to overcome. So, I have had all kinds of health issues when I was growing up and then, later because of the military service.

But I was growing up as a child in the Christian church eating pork, and candy, soda pop, crackers, you know those sugary red licorice vines. Yeah, it is amazing what those do to your teeth. So, and I used to get sick every winter, so, but since Yahweh called me to repentance on June the 6th of 1999, my health has gotten a little bit better every year ever since. And I keep cleaning up my diet and my health just keeps on getting better. I keep trying to treat the living temple the way the temple should be treated, and my health keeps on getting better. So, what does that say?

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 6:19

19 Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Set-apart Spirit who is in you, whom you have from Elohim, and you are not your own?

As we explained in the [Nazarene Israel](#) study, in Colossians chapter 2 in verse 16 tells us that the foods and drinks that we eat on Shabbat and on Yahweh's Feasts are prophetic shadow pictures of coming things. And typically, they are prophetic shadow pictures of what is going to happen with the bride. And that's why we are only supposed to allow the body of Messiah to be the ones to tell us what to eat and drink, because only the body of Messiah understands the symbolism involved in these things.

Qolosim (Colossians) 2:16-17 (NKJV Corrected)

16 So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a feast or a new moon or sabbaths,

17 which are a shadow of things to come, but the body of Messiah.

So, what that means is we are supposed to obey the clean food laws of Leviticus 11 and Devarim (or Deuteronomy) chapter 14. And it is important to note, shaliach Shaul wrote Colossians after the resurrection, so nothing has changed, okay?

Well, when children are born, they are going to follow their taste buds, right? They like sugar. What do they like to eat? Sugar, like candy, like ice cream, like all sorts of things humans were never really meant to eat. And that is the main point, we were designed to eat certain foods. And today we humans are eating kosher foods 'parv', we were never designed to eat kosher candy bars, kosher soda.

Yahweh originally designed us with a plant eating system, our digestive tract is designed to eat plants. It was never designed for toasted chocolate sugar bombs. Our digestive tract, our stomach was never meant for that triple caffeine supreme latte, 16 ounces; the triple twist of vanilla (or whatever you got), right?

Okay, there is no commandment in Torah that says not to abuse your digestive system like that, but let us use some wisdom, let us use some common sense. What are we doing here? And if our body is temporarily the living temple, why are we polluting the temple with things the human body was never designed to eat?

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 6:19

19 Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Set-apart Spirit who is in you, whom you have from Elohim, and you are not your own?

You put junk in your car's gas tank, how long do you expect the car to last? Same kind of a thing.



There is no commandment in Leviticus 11, or Deuteronomy 14, or anywhere in the Torah that tells us how much refined GMO sugar we are supposed to eat. What is the limit on refined GMOs?

Oh and when we are young we can pretty much eat anything, right? We get away with it. Stay up all night, party all night, drink all night, get up the next day go to work. Okay, we pretty much do not realize we have done anything wrong until things start hurting. We start getting into our 30s, and 40s, and 50s, we think we can ignore taking care of our bodies, we think we can ignore taking care of the spiritual temple until we find ourselves in the doctor's office.

But is that what Yahweh always wanted? We are going to eat a bunch of junk; we are going to put a bunch of garbage in the gas tank and they are going to spend our money on car repairs, health insurance and the doctor? Oh! Well, good thing we are pushing ourselves so hard to make all that money so we can pay the doctor bills; we can pay for the surgeries.

If we consider ourselves dedicated disciples of Yeshua, we consider ourselves members of the sect of the Nazarenes, then please read our study on "[The Torah diet](#)". We also have a study called "[You Are What You Eat](#)" and both of those are found in [Nazarene Scripture Studies, Volume Five](#). We do apologize, we do not have time to cover all that material here.

But brothers and sisters, let us ask ourselves, again we do not want to be like Job's friends, but why do so many of us in Ephraim seem to believe that the clean food laws do not really apply to us; at least not the way Yahweh wrote them? If we are following the Rabbinical list, we believe we can eat GMO sugar, but what does Yahweh

want us to do, especially when we know it was Yeshua who gave us the Torah?

And especially when we know that Yeshua says in Mattityahu (or Matthew) chapter 5 in verse 17 that we are not to think that Yeshua came to abolish even the least thing in the Torah because the Torah is given to us as our Ketubah (or our bridal Contract).

Mattityahu (Matthew) 5:17

17 “Do not think that I came to destroy the Torah or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill.

So, if we want to be His bride, then we need to be purifying ourselves and refining ourselves by obeying the bridal Contract. It is not optional if we want to be the bride.

But when we come to Kepha’s (or Peter’s) famous vision in Acts chapter 10 (we are going to talk about it near the end of this study), well, in most Christian and even many Messianic circles, Kepha’s vision is often used to justify eating whatever we want just so long as we pray over it.

All right, but is that what Yeshua said we could do? Is that what Yeshua wants in a bride that just eats anything? Did Yeshua come to overrule His Dad’s menu choices? Did Yeshua come so we could expand our menu options in direct contradiction to His Dad’s house rules?

Trans-genetic, GMO pork or beef thankfully is still not on the menu. Spider genes in our tomatoes is not on the menu.

Deuteronomy (or Devarim) chapter 10 in verse 13 tells us that Yahweh gave us the bridal commandments for our good. We also know this includes the food laws.

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 10:13

13 and to keep the commandments of Yahweh and His statutes which I command you today for your good?

We need to follow Yahweh's heart in this thing. Yeshua did not come so that we could eat things that are not good for us. Yahweh tells us this is good, that is not good, Yeshua did not come to change what His Father said.

Yochanan (John) 12:50

50 And I know that His command is everlasting life. Therefore, whatever I speak, just as the Father has told Me, so I speak.”

We are going to look at Acts chapter 10 later. But Ma'asei (or Acts) chapter 15 in verse 20 tells us that, if we want to become Yeshua's disciples, then what we should do is we should begin by obeying the four mandatory prohibitions of Acts chapter 15.

Ma'asei (Acts) 15:20

20 but that we write to them to abstain from things polluted by idols, from sexual immorality, from things strangled, and from blood.

These are four principles that are extracted from the Torah. These are things that will get you either killed or cut off from the nation of Israel. So, there is no sense coming into the synagogue if you are not willing to obey these four prerequisite rules.

The first is no idolatry because idolatry is effectively spiritual adultery. The second is, you cannot do anything sexually immoral. Now, that is defined by Yahweh; it is defined by Scripture and not by man. Because the way things are going, they are bringing bestiality around soon. Now, the third is, no strangled (or in context) also no unclean meats. That means nothing strangled and nothing also that violates Leviticus 11 or Deuteronomy 14 (or common sense which is what seems to be missing from so many of these Rabbinical checklists). And lastly, as Israelites we need to make sure that we do not eat physical blood because that will get us cut off from the nation of Israel.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 3:17

17 'This shall be a perpetual statute throughout your generations in all your dwellings: you shall eat neither fat [chelev, חלב] nor blood.'"

Now, yes, we symbolically take wine as representing Yeshua's blood, but it is not physical blood, so it is not a violation of the Torah.

Now, once we begin by obeying these four prerequisites that is when we can enter the synagogue environment and take instructions from the elders; we can hear the Torah being read, we can discuss how better to live it in fellowship with our other brothers and sisters.

Ma'asei (Acts) 15:20

20 but that we write to them to abstain from things polluted by idols, from sexual immorality, from things strangled, and from blood.

Now, once we show our sincerity by obeying these four prerequisites, we can learn how to become more like Yeshua; now, to walk more like Yeshua. And Yeshua

loved to be active in His local synagogue. He loved to spread the Word in His area. So, we want to become like Yeshua, that is something we should be seriously praying about.

Luqa (Luke) 4:16

16 So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read.

So, now the question in this case ultimately becomes: What would Yeshua eat? If Yeshua were here today, would He eat GMO chocolate frosted sugar bombs even though they are marked as kosher?

Well, the reason I bring this up is, I cannot count how many Messianic gatherings I have been to where someone brings pork or someone brings something unclean, and the last time I pointed it out, the man, the brother I mentioned it to, he just shrugged. He was like well, *“Yeah, okay I am a sinner”* he reaches for the pork as if confessing Yeshua was his get-out-of-jail-free-card.

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 66:17

17 “Those who sanctify themselves and purify themselves, to go to the gardens after an idol in the midst, eating swine’s flesh and the abomination and the mouse, shall be consumed together,” says Yahweh.

Now, food is a huge topic and we could talk about it all day, there is a lot of ground, we will not have time to cover in this study. But for the purpose of this teaching, what we are trying to do is, we are trying to understand: What would Yeshua do?

Now, we are not trying to teach people whether they should or should not eat meat, we do not cover that here, we cover it in the written studies. We also do not cover how much meat; we also leave that for the written studies.

If you are sedentary, you need less. If you are very physically active, you probably need more.

But the Torah commands us to eat meat on certain occasions like the Pesach, so where do people get these doctrines that you cannot eat meat?

Shemote (Exodus) 12:8

8 Then they shall eat the flesh on that night; roasted in fire, with unleavened bread and with bitter herbs they shall eat it.

We are sure Yeshua ate meat. We know Yahweh commands meat for the Pesach. And we also see Yeshua eating fish.

Luqa (Luke) 24:42-43

42 So they gave Him a piece of a broiled fish and some honeycomb.

43 And He took it and ate in their presence.

Torah also tells us we can eat eggs from clean birds. That also tells we can eat dairy, again, from clean animals.

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 22:6

6 "If a bird's nest happens to be before you along the way, in any tree or on the ground, with young ones or eggs, with the mother sitting on the young or on the eggs, you shall not take the mother with the young;

Shemuel Bet (2 Samuel) 17:29

29 honey and curds, sheep and cheese of the herd, for David and the people who were with him to eat. For they said, "The people are hungry and weary and thirsty in the wilderness."

Now, in context, we do not eat snake or reptile eggs. They are eggs, but they are not from clean animals. The Torah tells us that snakes and reptiles are unclean, so their eggs are unclean. Also, this is the same reason why we do not drink camel's milk. It is because camels are also unclean according to the Torah.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 11:41

41 'And every creeping thing that creeps on the earth shall be an abomination. It shall not be eaten.

So, we can all read Leviticus 11 and Deuteronomy 14 for ourselves, but again, today we are trying to talk about why Yahweh made some foods to be clean and other foods to be unclean. What is He really trying to teach us here? What does He really want us to know? We have not seen this taught anywhere else.

So, just to get this right out of the way, we are allowed to eat meat; again, it is commanded at some times. And we are allowed to eat dairy. We are also allowed to eat bee honey. It was, after all, the land of milk and honey (and we will talk about date honey somewhere else). But Shimshon (or Samson) ate bee honey, so it is okay.

Shemote (Exodus) 3:17

17 and I have said I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt to the land of the Canaanites and the Hittites and the Amorites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites, to a land flowing with milk and honey."

We are going to have to talk in some other place about why regurgitated bee vomit is clean in some other place. But Solomon says we can have bee honey, just not too much.

Mishle (Proverbs) 25:27

27 It is not good to eat much honey; so to seek one's own glory is not glory.

Okay, now, the problem starts to come in with the fact that, one, we want too much of things we should not have too much of. We want things we should not have at all. And now we have another problem, it comes in the modern times. But the fact that food today is not really the same as it was in past days, a simple fact is factory farm-raised animals are not raised the same way as they were in ancient times. You do not have chickens running around loose in the yard, the cows cannot wander from one end of the fence to the other one.

Even the wheat is not the same. Modern wheat has been bred to have up to 50 times more gluten in it (maybe more than that now). And they know that this gluten can likely cause celiac disease. It can cause leaky gut syndrome; it can lead to all kinds of digestive problems. And if the microbiome in the gut is not healthy, the rest of the body will not be healthy for long. And this is just because our wheat today is not the same as the ancient Black-emmer wheat and the ancient Ein-corn wheat that were used in Scripture times; it was a different wheat back in olden times; old bread, it is very thick, very heavy.

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 4:9

9 "Also take for yourself wheat, barley, beans, lentils, millet, and spelt; put them into one vessel, and make bread of them for yourself. During the



number of days that you lie on your side, three hundred and ninety days, you shall eat it.

All that puffiness that we have in modern bread, a lot of people cannot digest the protein that makes it puff. A lot of people cannot digest gluten. It especially affects Jewish people quite a lot.

Again, back in ancient times you had free range animals; they were a lot healthier. They were free to roam, they got plenty of sun, they had fresh air, they got exercise. These animals were much healthier than the animals today.

Today most factory farm animals are not allowed to run free because it makes their meat tougher. If they keep them cooped up, the meat is softer and the customers are happier, so the animals do not get the same kind of exercise in a healthy natural outdoor environment as they did in years past. Plus, they also do not necessarily have chemical free foods; they do not have necessarily non-GMO foods.

Now, let us add to this the fact that back in ancient times the average Israelites did not eat meat every day. In fact, if you were an average Israelite, you probably ate meat maybe 20 or 30 days in a year. Meat was treated more either like wartac for the rich because it is a concentrated source of energy and protein, or it was considered a treat, a delicacy.

Now, if you were a king or perhaps a rich man, then you could afford to sacrifice an animal every day, or perhaps every other day, but there was no refrigeration and no freezer space, so meat did not keep longer than two days.

That we saw back in Vayiqra (Leviticus) chapter 7 in verse 16, that the sacrifice had to be eaten on the same day it was made, although you could still eat any leftovers the following day, but on the third day in the Middle East – they do not eat the meat on the third day in the Middle East, it is already turning green; you do not eat that.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 7:16

16 But if the sacrifice of his offering is a vow or a voluntary offering, it shall be eaten the same day that he offers his sacrifice; but on the next day the remainder of it also may be eaten;

Now, if you were Levite on duty in the Temple or the Tabernacle and people are offering sacrifices every day, then you probably had more meat than you really wanted while you were on duty. Maybe when you are back home, maybe things would have been different, we do not know.

In the studies we talk about what is called *meat toxicity* which is a very real thing; if you get too much meat, you get sick.

But your average Israelite was very poor, he did not have a freezer, he did not have a refrigerator, he could not just go down to the supermarket. So, your average Israelites sacrificed animals on Feasts and on special occasions like weddings. If he were poor, he just did not have more money than that; that was a lot of money for animals back in those days.

Or maybe if you are rich and your prodigal son Ephraim comes back home - he has gone off running to worship the queen of heaven on Ishtar morning with Ishtar sunrise service, or maybe he ran away to worship the

sun god Tamus (whose sign is the cross) on Sunday morning (or something like that). And so, when Ephraim comes home, you probably slaughtered the fatted calf for him because your son was spiritually dead and now he is alive again; he was lost and now he is found.

So, that is worthy of slaughtering the fatted calf. It is not something you did every day, even if you were rich you did not necessarily eat meat every day unless you were rich. That was it; you probably did not eat meat every day. You probably ate meat for the Feasts except for Yom Kippur (of course).

If you are doing well, maybe you had meat for Shabbat each week to make it special. Or if you were a king or rich, again, maybe you ate meat every day, but not too much because Solomon tells us that we do not want to be what is called 'gluttonous eaters of meat'.

Mishle (Proverbs) 23:20

20 Do not mix with winebibbers, or with gluttonous eaters of meat;

Okay, well, in context, what is a gluttonous eater of meat in Yahweh's sight when your average Israelite did not eat meat every day; when eating meat was to celebrate a special occasion, what is a gluttonous eater of meat in Yahweh's sight in that case?

Well, to answer that question, first let us take a look at our biology, let us consider the way we are made. Back in the Garden of Eden, Yahweh gave us every plant of the field in which there is seed in itself which reproduces after its kind for food.

B'reisheet (Genesis) 1:29

29 And Elohim said, "See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food.

So, back in the Garden of Eden, do not we imagine or visualize that there was an innocent, almost childlike nature and no desire to eat animals, no desire to eat flesh, and also no desire for cannibalism?

Well, as time went by, our forefathers corrupted themselves more and more. B'reisheet (or Genesis) chapter 6 says that Yahweh could see that the wickedness of man grew great in the earth and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil, continually. His thought was not to take care of his brother, but to get ahead of his brother.

B'reisheet (Genesis) 6:5

5 Then Yahweh saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

And so, Yahweh was sorry that He had made us on the earth. And Yahweh was grieved in His heart over us, His creation.

B'reisheet (Genesis) 6:6

6 And Yahweh was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart.

Now, how happy was Yahweh with us at this point? And He destroyed everyone except eight people, Noah and his family. And Yeshua tells us it is going to be the same way for us when He returns.

He says as it was in the days of Noah, so shall the coming of the Son of Man be. People are not going to be paying attention to what Yahweh wants, but they are going to be eating and drinking, feasting, marrying and giving in marriage, dancing; not paying attention to Scripture. If they are paying attention to Scripture, they are not doing everything Elohim says. Maybe they are not praying desperately to hear and obey His voice (which is what He really wants).

Mattityahu (Matthew) 24:37-38

37 But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.

38 For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark,

Brothers and sisters, do we know, we know how bad things are going to get in these End Times, right? Okay, so today we are still early on, we still have a long way to go. Follow the Revelation timeline; we have a long way to go. Already, today we have the media, we have Hollywood celebrities promoting cannibalism. They have been doing it in the back rooms in their occultic areas for a long time now, but it is starting to come out into the mainstream. We also saw cannibalism happen in ancient times in the accounts of our ancestors.

So today, as opposed to the Garden, today we have murder, child sacrifice, homosexuality, all the same things that used to happen in ancient times, (basically) right before Yahweh wiped us all out.

So, just as a question: Is it possible that Yahweh knew that man was wicked in his heart, and that he would eat flesh, and that he would one day want to get into

cannibalism just because that is the flesh there is to be eaten?

So, just like Yahweh knew man would fall in the Garden, did Yahweh know about this also?

Well, in our study "[About Predestination](#)" in [Nazarene Scripture Studies, Volume One](#), we see that both shaliach Shaul and shaliach Kepha speak of the concept of predetermination (or predestination) in some versions.

Ephesim (Ephesians) 1:11

11 In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will,

So, what that tells us is that Yahweh already knew that things would end up going a certain direction. Everything had to converge when His Son was there; everything has to work together. Just as Yeshua was slain, He was the Lamb, slain from the foundation of the world; the world was created through Him.

Kepha Aleph (1 Peter) 1:20

20 He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you

We talk about that in our study on "[Yeshua Manifestation of Yahweh](#)", in [Nazarene Scripture Studies, Volume One](#).

So, what we are saying is this: Okay, even if our ancestors did get into cannibalism and even if the Babylonian, Amalek media is promoting cannibalism

and eating human flesh today like it is some great environmental thing, if we look at the Garden of Eden, we did not eat flesh. Our digestive tract is not set up for it; it is set up for plants.

B'reisheet (Genesis) 1:29

29 And Elohim said, "See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food.

The Scripture tells us not to desire the things of the flesh.

Romim (Romans) 8:5

5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.

Let us be real, how many of us have ever joked, "Hey, I am a meat eater! Hey, I am a carnivore!?" Do you ever stop to think about what we are really saying there?

First, I mean did Yahweh design us as meat-eaters? Did Yahweh intend for us to be carnivores?

I mean some animal gives its life for us to eat meat, right? Something dies and sheds its blood so that we can eat meat. And if we have to do that for our health, that is one thing. If we have to do it because we are commanded, that is another thing. But are we proud of that? Is that something we should boast of, is that some animal has to die and give its blood for us; we're proud of that?

Well, now even if there is nothing wrong with eating meat and even the Dalai Lama, I believe, eats some meat because without meat he develops liver disease. And we

never see veganism or vegetarianism in nature - just vegan and vegetarian cultures, we do not see them.

Okay, so and we know that meat is allowed; we know that meat is commanded in some circumstances. So, even if there is nothing inherently wrong with eating meat, is not there just something slightly off about that attitude; being proud of being a meat eater?

Is it not just something slightly perverse to revel in the concept of eating the flesh of an of an animal like a wolf would do? Or like a bear? Because Yahweh did not make us for that. So, where did we get that from? We did not get that from Yahweh, so where does that attitude come from?

Yeshua says we will be judged for every idle word that comes out of our mouths, because it reflects something, right?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 12:36

36 But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment.

In psychology they show you these Rorschach blot pictures and they say, "*What do you think it looks like?*" Well, you are reading something into the picture, something that is not there. So, what comes out of your mouth indicates the condition of the heart.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 15:11

11 Not what goes into the mouth defiles a man; but what comes out of the mouth, this defiles a man."

So, right now we are thinking about what goes into our mouths, but have we ever thought about what comes out



of our mouths? and that, that is what we are going to be judged by, along with our works.

Now, let us remember the Levitical sacrificial system. And people forget this all the time. The Levitical sacrificial system was given to us as a punishment, precisely because we would not hear and obey Yahweh's voice.

Romim (Romans) 6:23

23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of Elohim is eternal life in Messiah Yeshua our Adon.

Why did we not want to hear and obey Yahweh's voice? Because we did not really want a true relationship with Him. He wants a relationship with us. How do you get a relationship? We have to hear and obey His voice. If you are not going to hear and obey His voice, are you going to have a relationship?

Yahweh is always trying to step us through this thing, step by step by step by step. *“Well, I do not know, what do I need to hear and obey His voice for? Out of what good does that do our relationship? I want that for Moses. You go talk.”*

Jeremiah is clear, Yahweh originally did not want animal sacrifices. Meat sacrifices were given to us as a punishment.

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 7:22

22 For I did not speak to your fathers, or command them in the day that I brought them out of the land of Egypt, concerning burnt offerings or sacrifices.

And Shaul tells us that they were used as a trainer. Because why a trainer? Because we would not hear and

obey His voice. We did not want that relationship with Him.

Ivrim (Hebrews) 10:11

11 And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins.

But a trainer, what does that mean? What kind of a trainer? Like training wheels? What are we talking about? What is the point? What are we being trained in with regards to clean and unclean foods? What do we need to know for that day when we go to the Father's house? What does He want? What is He like?

Okay, well, let us notice that none of the animals that we are allowed to eat in Leviticus 11 and Deuteronomy 14 are predators; none of them are meat eaters. Rather, they are all grazers; they are all plant eaters, okay? Now, we are not also supposed to eat sharks, vultures, eagles, raptors, or predators of any kind, okay?

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 14:12-13

12 But these you shall not eat: the eagle, the vulture, the buzzard,

13 the red kite, the falcon, and the kite after their kinds;

If we want to eat flesh, then Yahweh wants us to eat the flesh of grazers because that is what He wants us to become. And as the old saying goes, "*you are what you eat*," okay? He wants us to become peaceful and harmless like sheep.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 11:29

29 Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Yes, it is true, ducks, and chickens, turkeys, they eat bugs, but they do not eat other birds; they are not carnivorous and they are not cannibalistic; they do not eat flesh.

So, since Yahweh wants us to become like the grazers, He gives us grazers to eat, since He wants us to become like the non-flesh-eating birds. He gives us non-flesh-eating birds to eat, hoping that this is going to have an effect, because you are what you eat. Deer, gazelle, antelope, those are not hunters.

If we had more time we could talk about the future world where Yeshayahu (or Isaiah) chapter 11 and verse 7 tells us that the cow and the bear shall graze, and their young ones shall lie down together, and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 11:7

7 The cow and the bear shall graze; their young ones shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

It does not say the lion shall eat the ox, says he shall eat straw like the ox. And Yeshayahu 65 in verse 25 we read basically the same thing. It says that in this ideal future world that Yahweh is bringing us all to, (at least in a spiritual sense) the wolf and the lamb shall feed together. *“The lion shall eat straw like the ox and they shall neither hurt nor destroy in all His Set-apart Mountain, says Yahweh.”*

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 65:25

25 The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My Set-apart Mountain," says Yahweh.

Well, the wolf is not going to feed on the lamb and the lion is not going to graze on the ox, so at least in a spiritual sense, can we see that there is not going to be a carnivorous attitude in this ideal future world?

Well, to bring things back to the present, or back to the timeline we have been discussing, we saw how things were before the flood. And then in B'reisheet (or Genesis) chapter 9, now Yahweh tells us that after the flood, yes, we can eat the clean animals, just not their blood.

B'reisheet (Genesis) 9:4

4 But you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood.

Okay, well, obviously they knew the difference between a clean and an unclean animal because Noach was told to bring seven pairs of the clean and only two pairs of the unclean into the Ark.

B'reisheet (Genesis) 7:2

2 You shall take with you seven each of every clean animal, a male and his female; two each of animals that are unclean, a male and his female;

But to pour out the blood and not to eat the blood, because the life is in the blood. What does this say? What it says (effectively) is we are not to behave like predatorial beasts with bloodlust; we are not to have that

predator-prey drive with a desire to eat flesh. That ravenous drinking of blood.

Follow this; give it a moment. We are not to have the lifeblood of animals in us because the life is in the blood. So, we pour out the animal's life blood and then we cover it with earth. And it is all good, okay? Now, after the flood we can eat meat. Except, let us notice that after the flood our lifespan also went down drastically, so perhaps any connection?

Well, Genesis 1 tells us that we can eat the fruit of the trees and plants that has its seed within itself and bears fruit after its own kind. We can also eat the seeds of the trees and the plants, because, notice, the seed of the trees and the plants nourishes life.

B'reisheet (Genesis) 1:11

11 Then Elohim said, "Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed is in itself, on the earth"; and it was so.

So, when we eat the fruit of the tree and the seed is the life of the tree inside, we are eating life. So, what is it when we are eating a dead animal's flesh? It is the same thing.

Forgive me, but just to say it, just to drive the point home: We do not eat animal seed, okay? That is gross. That is sick, right? But we are allowed to eat plant seeds. Healthy, it's nutritious. The life of the plant is contained in the seed. Every seed contains the potential for another whole plant.

But what is the thing with eating flesh, brothers?

Our forefathers had the bread of angels (or the manna) for 40 years in the wilderness; it was all they needed, but it was not enough for them. They wanted to eat flesh; nothing else would do. They wanted flesh like when they lived in Egypt.

So, guess what? Yahweh gave our forefathers flesh to eat, but He was not happy about it, okay?

Bemidbar (Numbers) 11:20

20 but for a whole month, until it comes out of your nostrils and becomes loathsome to you, because you have despised Yahweh who is among you, and have wept before Him, saying, "Why did we ever come up out of Egypt?"

If we care about Yahweh's heart - which is why we are here - can we consider the idea that we maybe should not boast about being carnivores?

Is it possible that even though we can eat flesh for our health and it may be good for our health (at least after the flood), is it possible that Yahweh does not want us to lust after eating flesh; not to be proud of it?

And there are other things we should talk about as long as we are here. A lot of material to cover, we cannot cover all of it. But one of the things we need to know is that ground beef is not a biblical food. And ground beef is not really good for us. Ground beef does not pass the Colossians chapter 2 and verse 16 test, okay? Ground beef was not known in the Garden of Eden.

It is basically made out of scraps, no ground round. If you take a cut, take it to your butcher and he grinds it for you, that is one thing; that is ground round; that is a different thing. But ground beef is different. It contains

gristle, and fat, and all kinds of things that they cannot sell in a regular package. And then they test ground beef for E.coli, it almost always tests positive.

And we are coming into a time when they say that modern medicine and antibiotics, they expect it to fail in the next 20-30-40 years. They are expecting to see more, and more, and more of these superbugs because they are feeding antibiotics straight to the cattle in their feed.

If that was not gross enough, ground beef is made (basically) by grinding the meat, and the scraps, and the fat, together in a grinder. And Yahweh says very clearly to cut out all the fat. Ground beef does not do that; ground beef includes the fat in the grind.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 7:23-25

23 “Speak to the children of Israel, saying: ‘You shall not eat any fat [chelev, חלב], of ox or sheep or goat.

24 And the fat of an animal that dies naturally, and the fat of what is torn by wild beasts, may be used in any other way; but you shall by no means eat it.

25 For whoever eats the fat of the animal of which men offer an offering made by fire to Yahweh, the person who eats it shall be cut off from his people.

Ground round, you take something to the butcher, a nice cut, say, *“Please grind it,”* that is separate. Ground beef contains ingredients we are not supposed to have; it contains ingredients Yahweh says not to eat. So, we think we are eating kosher by eating ground beef, right? Okay, now let us bring in the modern day GMOs, and pesticides, and growth hormones...

I spoke to an organic dairy farmer one time, they pump cows a few times harder than they were ever intended to produce milk, two, three, sometimes four times as much as the cow was intended to produce.

Not only that, then we pasteurize the milk to kill it. So, it is no longer a live food, now it is a dead food. And they say we are what we eat. So, what happens? We are drinking dead milk, is that the same thing as live milk from the land of milk and honey? It is not the same thing at all; it is a different animal. Does it follow Yahweh's heart?

Okay, now let us back up just for a moment. Let us take in what we might call the big picture view. Now, could it be that one of the big messages that we have here is that Yahweh is trying to remind us that, apart from Him, really, we have no life?

Because our life comes from Yahweh, but the life of the animal, that is in the blood, and we are forbidden to consume the animal blood, right? Okay, so what is Yahweh trying to say with all this? Could Yahweh be saying, *“Do not find life in the dead animal that you are consuming, rather find life in Me”*?

Yochanan (John) 6:54

54 Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

Yahweh gave our ancestors bread from heaven, they were sick of it. They had everything they needed, they were not happy. Are we the same? Are we willing to obey His laws and His Torah and find out what matters to His heart even in something as simple as food?



If we are dedicating our bodies, we are trying to become His dedicated set-apart bride, are we caring about His heart? Are we doing the things that we know that He would want us to do?

Okay, some more things we need to know about the fat that surrounds the kidneys and liver today, that has been made typically into what is called tallow.

Now, tallow is the purest form of animal fat that you can have. You can do all kinds of things with it. You can make soap, you can eat it (technically), well, not according to Scripture, but it is very high energy. Now, when you burn fat on the fire, it burns up high; a big old flame.

Now, here is the problem when we start to do what seems good and right in our own eyes. Now, some people, especially Hollywood and the media are beginning to teach that tallow and blood are very nutritious. In fact, they are even beginning to tell our children that they should eat tallow and blood. And now they are even beginning to say that human flesh is the most nutritious food there is and that cannibalism is the new best way to save the planet.

It is true, human flesh is very nutritious. It has everything you need right there to fuel the body; it is right there. And so, the Babylonian media is telling us to eat human flesh now. And it will take a decade or so to hit the mainstream, but eventually it will, and then what is next?

Yeshua tells us that as it was in the days of Noah so shall the coming of the Son of Man be, and they expect modern medicine to fail in the next 20-30-40 years which seems to correspond pretty well with the Tribulation time frame.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 24:39

39 and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.

So, if anyone is looking for a good career to go into I would say natural medicine would not be a bad one; if you are a young person looking for a career, then I recommend perusing natural medicine; Yahweh's medicine.

Well, what is the good in all this; what is the positive; what are the good takeaways here? Okay, well, one takeaway is what are called ruminant animals; animals that chew the cud such as sheep, and goats, and cows, those are very interesting animals; we can learn a lot about them.

We are supposed to become like sheep. And one thing we notice about the ruminant animals, sheep, and goats, and cows, they are very fussy eaters that sniff their food first. Everything that smells bad, smells like manure, or just smells rotten (you know what I am saying) they will not eat it; they are very picky eaters.

Plus, they have more than one stomach, so what they do eat, they ruminate, they meditate. They burp it up and they chew the cud, so they get a lot more goodness out of the grass and the grains that they do eat.

The spiritual sense is kind of like, when we hear a lesson from Yahweh or Scripture - someone's teaching on something, someone is trying to tell you all you must do is watch Saturday Night Live and buy their books and tapes and everything is good, you should sniff it; just sniff it first (so to speak). Smell like a Scriptural teaching? Does it smell like candy coated arsenic?

And some people, as long as it smells good, they will eat it. Yes, but if it smells bad, or it smells wrong, or if something is not right, do not eat it. Or if it is not the message our body is designed for, do not eat it, right?

But what we do eat, we meditate, we ruminate on it, we burp it up (so to speak) and chew on it some more before we are all done with it (so to speak). Whereas, in contrast, pigs just swallow whatever you give them, straight down. They can have manure, it can have feces, it can have rotten food, they do not care, they will just suck it straight down, they do not even chew on it, they just swallow it, okay?

Well, does not that kind of remind us of some Christians who just sort of believe whatever their pastor tells them? Or perhaps, forgive me, like Catholics who believe whatever the Pope tells them even if it is in contrast to Scripture?

And like the eucharist literally becomes the body and blood of Jesus (or whatever they teach). Okay, that would be literally eating blood; that literally would be a refutation of the Torah.

Well, then we have our Rabbinical brethren who basically believe whatever the Rabbis or the town would say. They do not ruminate on it, and they do not compare it to Yahweh's Word; they just swallow it straight down, whatever the Rabbis say. Okay, well, you can say, "Well that is the Rabbis, and this is us. We have Yeshua so we get the clean food laws," but do we really?

Timotheus Bet (2 Timothy) 4:3

3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires,

because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers;

A lot of Christians and even many Messianics have swallowed some pretty bad smelling teachings about what Acts chapter 10 really says. And they swallowed it straight down without even reading the whole chapter. Because in Ma'asei (or Acts) chapter 10, Cornelius who was the first non-Jew to get called to the faith (he was the first returning Gentile), Cornelius believed on Yeshua and so Yahweh sent Kepha (or Peter) to go to minister to him.

Ma'asei (Acts) 10:4

4 And when he observed him, he was afraid, and said, "What is it, master?" So he said to him, "Your prayers and your alms have come up for a memorial before Elohim.

In verse 11, Yahweh gives Kepha (or Peter) a vision of a giant sheet (perhaps a tallit, perhaps not - what we call a tallit today did not even exist in the first century – I believe, created in the second century after the Roman exile, but), Kepha sees a giant sheet descending with all sorts of unclean animals in it. Then a voice said, "*Arise Kepha, slay and eat.*"

Ma'asei (Acts) 10:11-13

11 and saw heaven opened and an object like a great sheet bound at the four corners, descending to him and let down to the earth.

12 In it were all kinds of four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, creeping things, and birds of the air.

13 And a voice came to him, "Rise, Peter; kill and eat."

And the Mystery Babylonian church system will tell you that this means we can eat whatever we want now. Lions, tigers, and bears; animals – snakes, pigs, and wildebeests. And now the Babylonian, Amalek media is also promoting eating bugs along with cannibalism.

Okay, so the Catholic church should be good with that, right? Evangelical Christianity should also be good with that, right?

Well, I mean, because we do not have to obey the clean food laws in the church system, right? Oh, but funny, it turns out that bugs like that are highly toxic and they are going to make you sick because we are not meant to eat those bugs. That is what Yahweh is trying to tell us in Leviticus 11 in Deuteronomy 14.

Now, we do not want to argue with anyone, but if we are going to argue, let us argue with Scripture. What does Kepha (or Peter) say that the vision meant? Does Kepha say that his vision meant that we can eat deep fried hamsters, mc-pig, the guinea pig? What are we supposed to eat now?

Okay, verse 34, Kepha opened his mouth and said, “Ah! In truth I perceive that Elohim shows no partiality between Jews and Gentiles, but whoever believes on Yeshua. But in every nation, Yahweh accepts whoever fears Him and obeys the Torah (or works righteousness). So, whoever obeys the Torah, which is what working righteousness is - in Hebrew parlance - whoever obeys the Torah, is accepted by Him.”

Ma’asei (Acts) 10:34-35

34 Then Peter opened his mouth and said: “In truth I perceive that Elohim shows no partiality.

35 But in every nation whoever fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him.

It has always been that way. Gentiles could always join the nation of Israel. Ruth, Rahab - it is just that, until Yeshua, not that many wanted to, that is the difference. And Yeshua also brought the mass outpouring of the Spirit. That is also why, in Acts chapter 15, the commandment is for the returning Gentile Ephraimites to abstain from the four abominations that will get you killed or cut off from the nation of Israel, according to Torah.

Ma'asei (Acts) 15:20

20 but that we write to them to abstain from things polluted by idols, from sexual immorality, from things strangled, and from blood.

Once again, they are making a ruling according to Torah. These are the four things that will get you killed or cut off from the nation. But as far as most of the Mystery Babylonian church system is concerned, Acts 15 means nothing, Colossians 2 means nothing.

We look at Colossians 2 verses 16 and 17 in the New International Version, it says these are a shadow of things that *were* to come (I mean they are done away with). It says, *“the reality then, however, is found in Christ.”*

Colossians 2:16-17 (NIV)

16 Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day.

17 These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ.

That is nothing like Shaul's original meaning for the Christian church. Foods apparently have absolutely no spiritual values. That is why the Methodist church was offering raisin cakes to the queen of heaven several years ago. And that is why the church teaches you can eat whatever you want now, since Yeshua died to set us free from the bridal Covenant. Now we can eat snakes, and bugs, and crickets.

And there is just so much more we could say here, but we need to keep it simple. At some point, brothers, sisters, what we have to do is we have to make a decision to trust Yahweh and trust in His Word, and to believe that He has a reason for commanding the things He commands us.

Qorintim Bet (2 Corinthians) 6:2

2 For He says: "In an acceptable time I have heard you, and in the day of salvation I have helped you." Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

He says He commands these things for our good. At a certain point we have to make a decision to trust Him. It is to come to Yeshua moment. We have to decide to quit trusting ourselves, quit trusting our own eyes, our own opinions, our own thoughts on the matter, and start seeking what Yahweh says. What does Yahweh want? What is Yahweh's heart in this thing? If we are going to be His bride, do we care what His heart is?

Yeshua is going to be coming to take His bride soon and that is how it is for a Hebrew bride. You listen to the bridegroom's best friend (which is the Spirit) tell you what the Bridegroom likes. So, we should always be in contact with Yeshua's Spirit; finding out what Yeshua

wants in this circumstance, finding out what Yeshua wants in that circumstance.

Yochanan (John) 14:26

26 But the Helper, the Set-apart Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

Oh! And not surprisingly – Oh! Guess what? Big surprise! Yeshua likes what His Father likes. What a surprise! Oh! And since we are going to go live in His Father's mansion, we are going to serve His Father, does it not make sense to learn what His Father likes so we can serve Him, what He likes on His own menu, in His own house?

What do we think we are going to do? We think we are going to go serve the Father foods that He does not like? We think we are going to serve the Father foods that He said we should never have? It is like, what are some people thinking?

It is like, there are so many contradictions; people are so confused. When we obey the Torah with all our hearts, all those contradictions disappear, Yeshua becomes our reason for keeping the Torah. But we keep the Torah because Yeshua gave it to us; He told us to keep it.

Yochanan (John) 14:15

15 “If you love Me, keep My commandments.

And brothers, what are we going to do? Are we going to take delight in eating Levitical sacrificial meats even though the Levitical sacrificial system was originally given to us as a punishment and as a retraining mechanism because we did not want to hear and obey



His voice; we did not want to develop a relationship with Him and love Him and hear what is on His heart?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 23:37

37 “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing!

We did not want to do that, so now we have the Levitical sacrificial system. And now we have a Rabbinical version of the Levitical sacrificial system. They are going to establish a temple in Jerusalem dedicated to the Rabbinical version of the punishment system that was given to us because we did not want a relationship with Yahweh.

So, we got punished, so now we are going to revel in eating the punishment meat of the sacrifice offerings as if it makes us righteous? We are going to have some set-apart barbecue with Yahweh and then we are going to be proud, we are going to feel justified in our flesh that we followed the commandments?

*“We did what we are supposed to do! We are so proud that an animal gave his life for us to eat! We are going to go to the temple and be proud to shed blood even though we are supposed to be like sheep! Oh! But we want to eat what we want to eat!”*

Esau sold his inheritance for a bowl of food. He had the kingship by birthright; the kingship was his, but he valued his food more than what Yahweh wanted him to value. Yahweh wanted this, Esau wanted that.

B'reisheet (Genesis) 25:34

34 And Jacob gave Esau bread and stew of lentils; then he ate and drank, arose, and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Brothers, can we hear the rod?

Okay, what about us brothers? We see the Tribulation - Matthew 24 is knocking on the door every day now. Do we want to be found faithful in the day that our Husband Yeshua returns for His faithful bride?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 24:44

44 Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Adam is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Do we want to serve His Father the foods He wants to eat in His own house? Or is our plate more important to us than serving Elohim? Do we want to be the ones to write the menu?

We are serving Him as a waiter. He is going to walk in the room, we are going to go, *"I know what you want!"* And we are going to run off and get it. We are not going to listen, we are not going to sit, we are not going to let Him sit down and tell us what He wants.

I mean it does not make sense to get circumcised if you are not going to submit your reproductive urges to His dominion. It does not make sense to eat clean food laws designed to make us into grazers. And then we are going to take pride in the fact that some animal gave its blood so that we could eat it.

Eating meat is even commanded in some places; there are sometimes we are supposed to eat meat. Surely Yeshua ate meat. Yeshua absolutely ate fish. Where is

that kind of a pride commanded? Where is the joking, “Yes, I’m a carnivore.” Where is that kind of pride commanded when the animal sacrifices were originally given to us as a teaching mechanism so we would learn to listen to His voice; care about what He wants in His heart? And then maybe we would not sin.

May Yahweh please lead us all to take a good long sit down, look at ourselves in the spiritual mirror. And may He make us care about His heart. May He help us to make the decisions that will please Him with regard to our food and our diet.

Let us remember only to let the body of Mashiach tell us what foods and what drinks we are to eat, and what Sabbaths and Feast days were supposed to rest on, because these are prophetic shadow pictures of things that will soon be happening for the bride.

Qolossim (Colossians) 2:16-17 (NKJV Corrected)  
16 So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a feast or a new moon or sabbaths,  
17 which are a shadow of things to come, but the body of Messiah.

In Yeshua's name,

Amein.



# Parasha Teruah

*Leviticus 23:23-25, Numbers 10:8-10, 29:1-6;  
Nehemiah 8:2-3; Matthew 24 (all)*

The new moon of the seventh Hebrew month for 2022, that is what starts all the feasts of the seventh month, it is expected to be seen on the evening of the 28th of August as the end of the first day of the week (or Sunday night).

Now, according to the ancient Hebrew wedding model, that means it is time for all of Yeshua's bride to make those last moment preparations to get ready for the bridegroom's arrival. It is time to prepare for our wedding day. Our bridegroom is coming for us tonight, are we ready? Are we really ready?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:1

1 "Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.

Yom Teruah Sameach (Happy Day of Trumpets)! If you would like to know more about Yom Teruah (the Day of Trumpets), please visit the [Nazarene Israel](#) website. We have years' worth of study materials there, all for free. You can find Yom Teruah in the video series and transcripts for [The Feasts of The Seventh Month](#). You can also find a written version in the [Torah Calendar](#) study. And we would advise downloading and keeping all the material that we have published due to the times we are entering into (if you know what we are saying).

But in the ancient Hebrew wedding model there are three phases. We saw the first phase is the match, which

is the Pesach (or Passover). Next, comes the public announcement of that betrothal which is at Shavuot (or Pentecost) and that is when the marriage becomes lawfully binding in Yahweh's sight (once it is announced). Now, once the wedding is announced, both the bride and the groom begin to prepare for the wedding. The bride now converses with the groom's best friend over the summer to learn what kinds of things he likes.

Yochanan (John) 14:26

26 But the Helper, the Set-apart Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

And in our case our Husband's best friend is His Spirit. So, we are always supposed to be abiding in Yeshua's Spirit. Meaning, we are supposed to be abiding in the Vine, because apart from Him, we can do nothing.

Galatim (Galatians) 5:25

25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

He wants us to be in constant contact and communication with His Spirit and then listening, and walking, and talking, constantly with Yeshua and His Spirit, each day; constantly in contact with Him through His Spirit. And this brings us back into contact with the Father. Us in Yeshua and Yeshua in us, Him in the Father and the Father with Him. Yeshua is our primary point of contact.

Yochanan (John) 17:21

21 that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.

Now, the bride also works on her wedding dress because the bride does not want to do it on the day of her wedding. Does she not want her husband just to be so glad that he chose her?

Hitgalut (Revelation) 19:8

8 And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

And she lays aside extra wicks and oil so that, in case her bridegroom is delayed in his coming (for whatever reason), she will still have enough wicks and oil. In other words, the point is, she takes the wedding seriously.

Kepha Bet (2 Peter) 3:9

9 Yahweh is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

For His part, our Husband is going to go back to His Father's house, where He is going to prepare a room for His bride to live with Him.

Yochanan (John) 14:2-3

2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.

And at the end of the summer harvest and that happy abundance that arrives around that time, now the Bridegroom is ready to come for His bride.

So, with His Father's review and full approval, He sends a messenger ahead, announcing His coming with a shofar; announcing that the Bridegroom will be coming to take His bride back to His Father's house, sometime that night (usually around midnight when things are the darkest), unless He is delayed.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:6

6 "And at midnight a cry was heard: 'Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!'

And we want that to be us, right? Like any bride, we should be preparing diligently for our wedding day, right?

I mean, our wedding day is one of the most important days of any bride's life. What bride, who loves her husband and who is looking forward to being together with him does not eagerly prepare for her wedding day so she can be pleasing to him on that day?

Timotheus Bet (2 Timothy) 2:4

4 No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier.

Well, in the ancient Hebrew wedding model, our wedding day is symbolized by Yom Kippur, which takes place only 10 days following Yom Teruah (that is not a lot of time to prepare).

Can we picture what a literal bride would be doing at this point in time?

She hears the sound of the shofar announcing the bridegroom will be coming for her tonight, around midnight (she does not know). What is she going to do?



Is she not going to be immersing herself, and then she is going to be getting her hair done, fixing her nails (if she does that)? Would she not be praying while she is getting her nails done?

Would she not be putting on her wedding dress and making sure everything is just exactly right while she is trying to remember what her husband and his father like?

Would she not be making sure that everything is just perfect, and then just before the wedding she is going to take one last look in the mirror just to make sure everything is in place?

This should be us at Yom Teruah. That is the kind of introspection we need on the day of Yom Teruah.

Why does she go through all the fuss? Because she wants to be the most pleasing thing her groom has ever seen. She wants to see that joy in his eye and to see the smile on his face when he sees that she is all prepared. She has on her perfect, spotless, blemish-less dress. She is wearing her spiritual ornaments. She wants to be the most pleasing thing he has ever laid his eyes upon.

Mishle (Proverbs) 31:10-11

10 Who can find a virtuous wife? For her worth is far above rubies.

11 The heart of her husband safely trusts her; so he will have no lack of gain.

Well, now can we see ourselves as that bride? We have been eagerly waiting for our bridegroom to come for us, for about two thousand years now. And are we rehearsing for that special day when Yeshua is going to come for us?

Because He is coming soon. We can see the signs and the times. We know the days of Matthew 24 are upon us. And after Matthew 24, He talks about the qualifications for the bride in Matthew 25; three different parables (we talked about that last week).

Mattityahu (Matthew) 24:21

21 For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be.

Are we preparing ourselves in every way possible, to be everything Yeshua hopes we will be upon His return?

He says, when the Son of Man returns, not will He find 'faith' on the earth, but will He find *the faith* on the earth? Check our study on "[The Case of The Missing "The"](#)".

Luqa (Luke) 18:8 NKJV Corrected

8 I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Adam comes, will He really find the faith on the earth?"

So, as His hopeful and expectant bride, are we checking all the details and making sure we got everything just correctly the way He wants it? Our dress is pure white, there is no wrinkles, no stains?

Ephesim (Ephesians) 5:27

27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.

Okay, good. Now, let us all take the bath, let us take the ritual immersion, let us take the spiritual bath and die to

ourselves in our old way of life in our old father's house in the world.

Ma'asei (Acts) 2:38

38 Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Yeshua Messiah for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Set-apart Spirit.

Maybe we dwell with Babylon (every person is different), but now let us wipe ourselves clean, wash ourselves clean, inside and out, and get ready for a new life with our Husband. Just like ritual immersion, let us make ourselves a blank slate and die to our old life, and now we can become a blank slate and we can hear and obey His voice and we can learn the new habits and the new traits that He and His Father want us to have.

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 3:3

3 And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

Once we are clean, now let us deck ourselves with all our spiritual ornaments: Chastity (purity), faith; these things are pleasing to Him.

Galatim (Galatians) 5:22-23

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,  
23 gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no Torah.

Well, as we put on our spiritual ornaments, now we are going to take that final look in the mirror before our groom sees us. And now we are asking our friends and our bridesmaids please to tell us in fellowship and in love

if there is anything out of order, anything we need to fix.  
That is what fellowship is all about.

Ivrim (Hebrews) 3:13

13 but exhort one another daily, while it is called  
“Today,” lest any of you be hardened through the  
deceitfulness of sin.

Galatim (Galatians) 6:2

2 Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the  
Torah of Messiah.

And that is what Yom Teruah is all about; it is the bride's  
warning to get ready, that the bridegroom is coming  
tonight, let us make sure that we have got plenty of oil  
and spare wicks in case our bridegroom gets delayed for  
any reason.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:13

13 “Watch therefore, for you know neither the day  
nor the hour in which the Son of Adam is coming.

So, Yom Teruah means the bridegroom is on His way to  
come for us. And when He arrives, will He see that we  
were truly the wise virgins He wanted, who used our time  
wisely to prepare for our wedding day?

Hitgalut (Revelation) 22:12, 14

12 “And behold, I am coming quickly, and My  
reward is with Me, to give to every one according  
to his work.

14 Blessed are those who do His commandments,  
that they may have the right to the tree of life, and  
may enter through the gates into the city.

Is everything done? Is everything all arranged exactly the way He wanted? Or are we perhaps the foolish brides who are not prepared for the wedding?

Hitgalut (Revelation) 22:15

15 But outside are dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie.

The King is under no obligation to take a queen if she is not right. That is a big misunderstanding in the John 3:16 community; if we are not completely 100 percent right and keeping the full bridal Ketubah, the King's Son is under no obligation to take us as His queen. Not if we deserve the death penalty for insubordination to His Father.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 7:23

23 And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice Torahlessness!'

All right, what? Oh! He is going to come and marry a disobedient bride so He will then turn around and have to kill her for disobeying His Father's commandments?

No. Much, better to put her away quietly, so as not to make her a public example. I have heard that somewhere before, I am not sure...

Mattityahu (Matthew) 1:19

19 Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly.

So, this year on Yom Teruah, as the day of our wedding on Yom Kippur approaches, let us take that one last final

look in the mirror to see if we have got everything exactly in keeping with His instructions.

Tehillim (Psalms) 119:44-45

44 So shall I keep Your law continually, forever and ever.

45 And I will walk at liberty, for I seek Your precepts.

Brothers, sisters, if we are honest with ourselves and if we are humble and we see something that really is not just exactly right according to what Yeshua wants in a queen, now is the time for us to take it to heart and fix it.

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 1:18

18 “Come now, and let us reason together,” Says Yahweh, “Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

Qorintim Bet (2 Corinthians) 6:2

2 For He says: “In an acceptable time I have heard you, and in the day of salvation I have helped you.”

Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

Because when the wise Bridegroom, our King comes, then according to kingly standards, He is only going to accept those wise virgins who valued their marriage to the King, and took the time, and took the pains to become completely ready for Him according to the Torah; shining His light, in His testimony as darkness covers the earth.

Hitgalut (Revelation) 14:12

12 Here is the patience of the saints; here are those who keep the commandments of Elohim and the faith of Yeshua.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 5:16

16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Marana-tha (come quickly, Master) Yeshua.

Amein.





## Parasha Tazria/Metzora

**Tazria/Metzora:** *Leviticus 12:1-15:33; Proverbs 6:16-19, Proverbs 31; Colossians 3*

**Yom Kippur:** *Leviticus 16 (all), Leviticus 23:26-32, Numbers 29:7-11; Jonah (all); Acts 27:9-10, Hebrews 9:7*

In this study we are going to read the book of Yonah (or Jonah) which is traditionally read for Yom Kippur. The messages were so similar we thought we had put them both together.

But then you might ask: How does Parasha Tazria/Metzora relate to Yom Kippur, and the story of Jonah? How does this relate to Yeshua's desire to find a bride who truly loves Him enough that she wants to learn what His character is so she can model His character? Stay with us to find out.

As we catch up with our forefathers, they have left Egypt, but Egypt has not left them.

Bemidbar (Numbers) 11:5

5 We remember the fish which we ate freely in Egypt, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic;

Most of them are not even trying to imitate Elohim's character yet; it is still all about them. They wanted to increase so of course Elohim has to decrease. But our forefathers from whom we are descended had things a little backward.

Shemote (Exodus) 32:1

1 Now when the people saw that Moses delayed coming down from the mountain, the people gathered together to Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make us gods that shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him."

Yahweh promised our forefathers that IF, if they would diligently hear and obey His voice (shema His voice) then we would be His treasured possession above all the peoples of the earth. And He also promised us He would not put none of the diseases of the Egyptians on us.

Shemote (Exodus) 19:5

5 Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine.

Shemote (Exodus) 15:26

26 and said, "If you diligently heed the voice of Yahweh your Elohim and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am Yahweh [Rapha] who heals you."

But the thing is, He only blesses us with transcendent blessings like that if we are truly doing things 100 percent His way, with His Spirit operating in us from the inside out.

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 28:2

2 And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, because you obey the voice of Yahweh your Elohim:

Now, last week we saw how even our diet can have unintended health consequences. We can set out to be a pure bride, we can set out to obey Yahweh's clean food laws, but if we make the mistake of approaching things with rabbinic checklist mindset, we can end up breaking the Torah anyway. And that is because Yahweh has an ultimate spiritual purpose behind everything He commands.

And if we will operate in keeping with Yahweh's Spirit, then we are going to automatically end up operating with knowledge. We must read and study His Word, but we are going to end up operating according to His ultimate spiritual purpose. And we know He is going to bless us for operating in accordance with His ultimate spiritual purpose.

Romim (Romans) 8:28

28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love Elohim, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

And if we do not operate in keeping with His Spirit and His ultimate spiritual purpose, what happens? Okay, so if we seek to be His bride, what is a bride in Scripture? A bride is defined as a helper who is meet or fitting for her man.

B'reisheet (Genesis) 2:18

18 And Yahweh Elohim said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him."

But to be fitting for Yeshua to where we are one flesh, okay, now that is going to take some refinement on our parts. Do you understand what I am saying? I think this is what most of Ephraim just misses completely, okay?

Kepha Aleph (1 Peter) 4:12

12 Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you;

What we need to remember is, we must think about things from His perspective, okay; What does He want?

He is sending His Son to build a spiritual kingdom throughout all the earth that He will then submit it to His Father. And if we help Him get what He wants, if we help Him get what His Father sent Him to get, then is He not going to be pleased with us?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:21

21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your master.'

But if we do not truly help His Son get His kingdom set up the way He wants it, is it going to go well for us?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:30

30 And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

But this is not rocket science to figure out. It is basic; it does not get any more basic than this.

We have a King, if we are going to show loyalty to our King and do what He tells us to do, things are going to go well. It is like, figure it out! All through Scripture it speaks about the wise servants who look out for their masters.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:23

23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your master.'

So, recounting the history, Yahweh took us as a bride for His Son at the Pesach.

Shemote (Exodus) 12:21

21 Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel and said to them, "Pick out and take lambs for yourselves according to your families, and kill the Passover lamb.

Then the public betrothal took place at Shavuot (or Pentecost).

Shemote (Exodus) 19:10

10 Then Yahweh said to Moses, "Go to the people and consecrate them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their clothes.

And now we have had all summer long to get ready for the wedding.

Yochanan (John) 14:2-3

2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.

Hopefully we were one of the five wise brides; we got our dress ready, we are learning about what He likes, we are talking with His Best-friend (which in Yeshua's case is the Spirit), we are gathering wicks and oil for our lamps. We want to make sure as we are going to be married to the King. It has got to be just exactly right. We are going to be His queen, what kind of example are we going to set?

Well, we need to know what He likes so we can do what He likes. And we need to know what His character is so we can model His character, so that when we get together, we are a match-set, not a mismatched set.

Tehillim (Psalms) 40:8

8 I delight to do Your will, O my El, and Your Torah is within my heart.”

So, we must start learning to let our light shine, we must start putting on good works, we must start wearing our spiritual ornaments (so to speak).

Hitgalut (Revelation) 22:14

14 Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.

Now, we can put on our spiritual ornaments to get ready or we can dress in scarlet and purple, but scarlet and purple now are dressing like the harlot (Mystery Babylon). She is decked out in scarlet, purple, gold, silver, and precious stones, but she is filthy inside. That

is the difference. The outside is gorgeous, but the inside is filthy.

Hitgalut (Revelation) 17:4

4 The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the filthiness of her fornication.

Oh! And she focuses on learning things about Yeshua, but she does not spend too much time focusing on becoming like Yeshua (notice things about the churches or perhaps even the Messianic synagogues).

The thing is, the bride needs to be cleaned up inside, that takes a certain kind of desire; she needs to love Yeshua enough to want to reflect His character from the inside out.

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 11:1

1 Imitate me, just as I also imitate Messiah.

So, she not only needs to learn things about Yeshua, she needs to learn to shine her Husband's light.

Now, in Vayiqra (or Leviticus) we saw the ritual laws for outward cleanliness, the outward ritual purity laws.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 8:6

6 Then Moses brought Aaron and his sons and washed them with water.

But basically, the question in the case of leprosy and other diseases, the question very quickly becomes: Well, is cleanliness or uncleanness only skin deep or does it go deeper?

And this may be a difficult concept for some westerners to grasp and we will try to take it slow (it is not the main thing it is just an explanation), but those of you who are listening in the east, most easterners should recognize the ancient principle (which also used to prevail in the Middle East) that the physical world (or what is called the real world) in some way reflects what is going on in the spiritual world. That is where you get signs and wonders, that is where those things come from.

You could say (and it is a Scriptural concept) that the outside (or the material) world can reflect what is going on in the inward, spiritual world.

Luqa (Luke) 6:45

45 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

So, either the spirit can manifest signs and wonders or things can happen with our health. So, we might have a disease in our insides, we might have an emotional kind of a sickness, or we have a spiritual sickness, and that is going to affect our health.

That might sound like an eastern concept, but the Israelite faith is an eastern faith. It is just like the land of Israel lies in the Middle East and not in the Midwest.

But the basic idea is that if we have some spiritual disease, if there is something that is coming in between us and Yahweh, it is going to manifest as an outward problem.

Yahweh forbid if we have something, some desire, or our flesh, the lust of the eyes, the lust of the flesh, our pride,



if we have anything that we do not want to give up because it is more important to us than our close relationship with our Elohim, then that is going to be a spiritual- it is a spiritual sickness.

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:16

16 For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world.

And so, then we become at risk of developing outward physical manifestations of our inward spiritual sicknesses, and diseases, and uncleanness.

Again, Yahweh forbid, but notice that for lepers, Yeshua never cured a leper, He cleansed the lepers.

So, if we want to become Yeshua's clean, spotless bride without stain, without wrinkle, without blemish, then do we not need to focus primarily on first and foremost becoming clean and spotless inside?

Does not our love for Him, our true genuine love for Him need to be what motivates our behaviors?

In Mattityahu (or Matthew) chapter 23 in verse 26, Yeshua says to make the inside of the cup and the dish clean and then the outside would be clean.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 23:26

26 Blind Pharisee, first cleanse the inside of the cup and dish, that the outside of them may be clean also.

So, we need to begin by cleaning up our insides.

So, in our studies on the [Ancient Hebrew Marriage](#) wedding model, we saw how Yeshua is going to be working all summer long from the time the wedding is announced until the time He is ready to come for His bride. And so, at the end of the summer He has prepared a place for us all to live. So, now He is sending forth His messenger to give the traditional shofar call that comes on Yom Teruah (or the Day of Trumpets).

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 23:24

24 “Speak to the children of Israel, saying: ‘In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall have a sabbath-rest, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a set-apart convocation.

And what He is signaling is that Yeshua is coming for us that night. Now, on our calendar that works out to Yom Kippur around midnight, so let us not be sleeping.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:6

6 “And at midnight a cry was heard: ‘Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!’

Now, as we show in [Revelation and The End Times](#) or [Revelation Simplified on YouTube](#), this also corresponds to the final battle at Armageddon, because that is also the wedding feast. Now, if you have questions on that please check out our studies on *Revelation and The End Times* or *Revelation Simplified* on YouTube.

But if I could say so, I think that (perhaps) one thing that many Ephraimites might forget is just how great of a King Yeshua is and the fact that His Father is an even greater King than Yeshua.

Yochanan (John) 18:36

36 Yeshua answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, My servants would fight, so that I should not be delivered to the Jews; but now My kingdom is not from here."

So, considering the requirements ahead of us, He cannot really take a bride that is not doing the job, that does not even want to do the job. And that the hardest thing is testing the spirits. That is why we are going through this whole thing as a testing and learning opportunity.

But the thing is, with a marriage, if you do not obey the wedding contract you are liable to death.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:30

0 And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

So, if we do not truly do the job the way He wants, if we do not please Him by our full performance of everything He has said to do, and by listening intently for His voice, and showing the fruits of walking in true repentance, He is under no obligation to take us.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 7:23

23 And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness [Torah-lessness]!'

The King of the universe cannot have a disobedient, disloyal queen. Especially not after He has just gone through all that with Ephraim.

If she is not coming back with a broken, repentant heart and she is not going to set the example for His subjects, would it not be better to put her away quietly like Yoseph was planning to put Myriam away quietly before he understood that her pregnancy was from Elohim?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 1:19

19 Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly.

So, by now you might be wondering: Okay, fine. All well and good. But what does all that have to do with Tazria/Metzora?

Well, Shemote (or Exodus) 15 and verse 26 tells us that Yahweh Rapha is our healer. Now, *rapha* is the Hebrew word from which we get words like *therapy*, *therapist*. So, in context, He is Yahweh Rapha our Therapist.

Shemote (Exodus) 15:26

26 and said, "If you diligently heed the voice of Yahweh your Elohim and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am Yahweh [Rapha] who heals you."

And He tells us again, and again, and again, if, IF, **IF** we will hear and obey, if we will shema His voice, hear His words with an intention to take them to heart and do them, and will obey His commandments and His statutes, then He is going to heal us.

It makes sense if we truly develop a close indwelling relationship with Yeshua, then His light is going to dispel the darkness. We are going to be saved by the

indwelling presence of His light. Us in Him and Him in us; Him in the Father the Father in Him.

Yochanan (John) 17:21

21 that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.

We must choose that light; we must choose that life because the dark path is much, much easier. The dark path you just do automatically because our nature is sinful; our nature is evil. The light path is much more work. So, we must purposefully choose the narrow and afflicted pathway that leads to life and few there are who find it.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 7:14

14 Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.

But in Vayiqra (or Leviticus) chapter 14 in verse 34, the question quickly becomes: Where is the root of the spiritual uncleanness? Does the physical uncleanness mean spiritual uncleanness? Let us check it out.

Yahweh is telling us, when we come into the land of Canaan, and Yahweh is going to give us houses, what do we do, what are we to think if Yahweh then puts a leprous plague on our house?

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 14:34

34 "When you have come into the land of Canaan, which I give you as a possession, and I put the leprous plague in a house in the land of your possession,

Why did Yahweh put a leprous plague on our house? Did we do something to displease Him? Maybe the way we are living is gross? He is trying to wake us up to something that we need to clean up our act (so to speak)?

Maybe we were not careful. Maybe we built our house on the side of a hill where there is a seasonal spring, the contractor did not put in proper drainage, now we have floods in the basement all winter and black mold on the walls?

Does Yahweh want us to exercise more wisdom in our business dealings?

Or, we must ask ourselves the question: Okay, we know Yahweh is 100 percent righteous, so why is Yahweh allowing this?

We never want to get into tantrums with Yahweh, it does not help, it does not work, it is not good. We must ask ourselves: What is Yahweh trying to teach us?

Ivrim (Hebrews) 12:6

6 For whom Yahweh loves He chastens, and scourges every son whom He receives.”

Because He does not give us plagues for no reason. He is not mean, He is strict; He is very, very strict, but He is not mean. And the strictness is meant to help us grow wisdom. Strictness in love is a very, very good thing, it helps to grow wise children.

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 29:11

11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says Yahweh, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.

But if we think about ourselves as a house (because we have some analogies about ourselves as a house), why is Yahweh allowing our house, or why is Yahweh allowing us to have leprosy if He is pleased with us? Because these diseases, they are not really recorded in the ancient history books, so the only record of these particular types of leprosy, we will talk about it, and what we call leprosy today is different than biblical leprosy. What biblical leprosy was is more like what might look like a very angry boil kind of a thing.

But Yahweh is saying these are punishment tools He is going to use for His people to help train us.

Mishle (Proverbs) 3:11-12

11 My son, do not despise the chastening of Yahweh, nor detest His correction;

12 For whom Yahweh loves He corrects, just as a father the son in whom he delights.

So, why do we have a plague on our house? He is the one putting the plague on our house, what are we doing wrong; what does He want? Both in a physical and in the spiritual sense, what can we do better for Him?

Well, if Yom Kippur is the wedding and we need Yeshua to be pleased with us when he comes to the wedding, we need to be keeping everything Yeshua says to do because that is how we refine ourselves. We are going to go back to His Father's house, we must follow the rules of His Father's house. He cannot bring a disobedient bride back home.

So, should we not be using our summer to learn, what does Yeshua like in a bride and what does Yeshua not like in a bride?

Romim (Romans) 12:1

1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of Elohim, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, set-apart, acceptable to Elohim, which is your reasonable service.

How can we cleanse our houses (so to speak) so that we are not going to be struck with plagues (if you know what I am saying)?

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 11:28

28 But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

Well, what does Yeshua want in a bride? Well, okay, let us turn to Mishle (or Proverbs) chapter 31 in verse 10 it shows us that Elohim wants a virtuous bride, a *cheyil*, a woman of virtue, or a woman of valor. It means a woman soldier; a cheyil.

Mishle (Proverbs) 31:10

10 Who can find a virtuous wife? For her worth is far above rubies.

But Elohim wants a virtuous bride and He wants His bride to wear virtue as one of her spiritual ornaments. There are many spiritual ornaments spoken about in Scripture.

Verse 11, He wants a wife that He can trust because she has integrity, she is faithful, she is honest. He does not have to worry about her, He knows she is going to do what is best for Him and the whole family without even having to ask her about it.



Mishle (Proverbs) 31:11

11 The heart of her husband safely trusts her; so he will have no lack of gain.

So, are we living that way for Yeshua? That is the question we need to ask ourselves.

Verse 12, she does him good and not evil all the days of our life.

Mishle (Proverbs) 31:12

12 She does him good and not evil all the days of her life.

Wow! Is that us? What good did we do for Yeshua this last week? How did we help Him build His global spiritual kingdom? What did we do?

Verses 13 through 15, she is a faithful worker for him; she serves. Do we?

Mishle (Proverbs) 31:13-15

13 She seeks wool and flax, and willingly works with her hands.

14 She is like the merchant ships, she brings her food from afar.

15 She also rises while it is yet night, and provides food for her household, and a portion for her maidservants.

Verse 16, she is wise, she is resourceful, she uses her mina wisely to help build her husband's house and to help gain him more minas.

Mishle (Proverbs) 31:16

16 She considers a field and buys it; from her profits she plants a vineyard.

Verse 20, she cares for the poor, so she is probably giving her third tithe for the poor. She is also helping the poor; she is not stingy. She does not have an evil eye or an evil spirit, no, she is a generous eye, she has a generous spirit.

Mishle (Proverbs) 31:20

20 She extends her hand to the poor, yes, she reaches out her hands to the needy.

Verse 25, she has strength and honor as her clothing. And to talk about clothing and spiritual garments, it means she puts on strength with Yahweh's help and she behaves in an honorable fashion with Yahweh's help at all times. That is what Scripture is talking about when it talks about wearing garments.

Mishle (Proverbs) 31:25

25 Strength and honor are her clothing; she shall rejoice in time to come.

Verse 26, she speaks wisely and kindly. She is not lazy for Yeshua. She takes care of Yeshua's house and family; she takes care of Yeshua's body. She loves her brothers and sisters. That is to say she is her brothers or sisters' keeper (that is at least as much as the brother or sister lets her).

Mishle (Proverbs) 31:26-27

26 She opens her mouth with wisdom, and on her tongue is the Torah of kindness.

27 She watches over the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness.

Verse 28, she is a praise to Yeshua's family. Friends, does Elohim count us as a praise?

Mishle (Proverbs) 31:28

28 Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her:

Verse 30, she fears Yahweh, she is afraid to do what He might not like. And likewise, she is afraid not to do what she knows He does like.

Mishle (Proverbs) 31:30

30 Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing, but a woman who fears Yahweh, she shall be praised.

And we want to be respectful, we want to maintain a positive focus, but is not this really a big problem in the body of belief in Yeshua?

Yes, I mean, if Christians do not feel the need to obey Yahweh's voice and obey Yahweh's written commandments and His statutes, then how can they say that they fear Him when Yahweh emphasizes over, and over, and over again that He wants us to diligently 'shema' His voice, and be diligent and be careful to do everything that He says? It just does not make any sense.

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 13:4

4 You shall walk after Yahweh your Elohim and fear Him, and keep His commandments and obey His voice; you shall serve Him and hold fast to Him.

Well, verse 31 tells us she is worthy of her reward. That is a big word there 'worthy.'

Mishle (Proverbs) 31:31

31 Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her own works praise her in the gates.

And Hitgalut (or Revelation) 22 and verse 12 tells us that when Yeshua comes, He is bringing His reward with Him and He will give to all of us according to our works for Him.

Hitgalut (Revelation) 22:12

12 “And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work.

It is the parable the minas all over again. It is the story of the little red hen. As we sow, so shall we reap. Treasure in, treasure multiplied out. Garbage in garbage multiplied out.

Yahweh will not be mocked. If we insult Yahweh in the sacrifice He made by sending His Son to die and He does not become our number one priority in life, Oy vavoy! I do not want to be there when that happens.

So, on this Yom Kippur and as we read this Parashah, let us ask ourselves: If we are in training to become His brides, what are we really giving to Yahweh? What are we truly doing for Him, that we are not just taking Him for granted? What are we truly giving Yeshua that He says He wants?

Mishle (Proverbs) 23:26

26 My son, give me your heart, and let your eyes observe my ways.

Are we perhaps still in Messianic mode or Ephraimite mode where we are only just learning about what we are supposed to already be doing?

Brothers, sisters, there is a huge job to do and each one of us must decide: Are we going to be lukewarm or are

we going to take the plunge, we are going to dive head first into His waters of immersion and die to ourselves in our old way of life in the world and be born again unto newness of life and newness of relationship with Him to where we have a future with Him to where He can say, “Yes, okay, now see... Now I have got a bride in that one.”

Ma’asei (Acts) 2:38

38 Then Peter said to them, “Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Yeshua Messiah for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Set-apart Spirit.

*“That one cares about Me. That one is helping Me to get what I want. That one is trying; that one is trying to change after the waters of immersion (or re-immersion, whichever the case may be).”*

So, brothers, sisters, are we going to immerse ourselves into Yeshua's way of life, in His way of governing both ourselves and the rest of the world?

Yaakov (James) 4:7

7 Therefore submit to Elohim. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

Are we going to prove ourselves to be worthy of the rod of iron that He wants to give us as He received from His Father?

Or, waters of immersion, maybe they are not warm, maybe it is cold. Maybe we will stick a few toes in; maybe we will watch some teaching videos and we will learn all about what we are supposed to be doing right now?

Well, we can tell ourselves that we are super brides all we want, but when we get to the day of judgment, that is when books will be opened and we all will answer for everything that we did and everything that we failed to do. And to him to whom more is given, more is required.

Hitgalut (Revelation) 20:12

12 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before Elohim, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.

So, while we are busy cleaning up our insides, first learning to model Yeshua's character, how do we feel about forgiveness, and how do we feel about operating as Yeshua's body?

Ephesim (Ephesians) 4:32

32 And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as Elohim in Messiah forgave you.

Romim (Romans) 12:4

4 For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function,

Do we truly want to operate as one body of Messiah like Yeshua's word says, according to the five-fold ministry?

Ephesim (Ephesians) 4:11

11 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,

Well, in Mattityahu (or Matthew) chapter 5 starting in verse 23, Yeshua tells us that, if we come to worship Yahweh, maybe we bring our gift to the altar, but wait a minute now. We remember there is some kind of problem, just some fleeting thought. You can bat it away, you can listen to it, you can listen to Yahweh's voice, or you can ignore it. It is our choice. But Yeshua says if we hear that little sleeting thought, pay attention to it first, make things right with our brothers, then we can come and offer our gifts.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 5:23-24

23 Therefore if you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you,

24 leave your gift there before the altar, and go your way. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

Do not give our tithes, do not give our gifts? And please do not give offerings or fast to cover over some sin.

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 58:3

3 'Why have we fasted,' they say, 'and You have not seen? Why have we afflicted our souls, and You take no notice?' "In fact, in the day of your fast you find pleasure, and exploit all your laborers.

We are not loving our brother, we are going to cover that over. Yahweh calls that, "*striking with the fist of wrongness.*" He says, "*You fast so that you can strike with the fist of wrongness.*"

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 58:4

4 Indeed you fast for strife and debate, and to strike with the fist of wickedness. You will not fast as you do this day, to make your voice heard on high.

He is saying, you cannot just do checklist behavior, you cannot just not care about your neighbor in Israel, in all the countries of the world. No, that is not it. Checklist behavior is bad; Yeshua hates checklist behavior. Yeshua had nothing good to say about wrote prayers.

So, it is a sure bet if Yeshua hates checklist behavior, how does His Father feel about it? Hmm... I wonder.

Now, can we imagine that Yeshua is coming for us tonight? Okay, we heard the shofar call on Yom Teruah, Yeshua is coming for us, His bride, tonight.

Now, hopefully we have already prepared, hopefully our dress is already ready; we got our ornaments, everything is ready. Now, it is time. We are going to take that last final mikvah in our father's old house. We are going to wash away our father's old house in the world, so we can go to our Husband's Father's, new house and be with Him; go to the mansion with Him.

Yochanan (John) 14:3

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.

So, now we have washed ourselves, we have made ourselves clean (hopefully inside and out), now we are putting on our pure spotless wedding dress; no blemishes, no wrinkles. Now, we are putting on all of our spiritual ornaments: Virtue, honor, chastity, all those good things; all the spiritual fruits. We are doing all these things to get completely clean inside and out.

Galatim (Galatians) 5:22-23

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,



23 gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no Torah.

Just decking up on the outside, putting on a second century tallit, that does nothing. There are teachings in the Messianic movement, *“Oh! make sure you have your second century tallit!”* Yeshua would not know what it is.

We are getting ready for a new life with our Husband. He is the Son of the King of the universe, and He wants things however He wants them. It is between Him and His Father. He wants what He wants, we are Their helpers. Are we signing up for that? We took the vow, okay? Now, it is time.

Well, okay, so we are supposed to immerse ourselves and forget everything about our old life in our father Satan's house in the world, okay? Not that our earthly fathers are Satan, that is not what I am saying, but we get the idea.

All right? We are going to wash ourselves and then we are going to go to the chuppah. We are going to go say our vows, but we cannot let go of something; we cannot let go of a big grudge. There is something our mother or our father did to us as children and we just cannot get past that thing in our childhood; just cannot do it.

There is something we are still sad over. There is something we are still mad over. Something that happened 20 years ago, maybe generations ago, we still cannot let go of it even though Yeshua is coming tonight, and we must be right.

Okay, well, we are talking about marriage to the Son of the King of the universe. What do we have in our old life, what do we have pre-immersion that is bugging us?

What do we have in our childhood? Throw out the trash, okay?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 6:15

15 But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Is there anything at all that we need to do? Is there anything at all we need to make right with our neighbor? Is there anything at all about our relationships that we need to make right?

Maybe we had a harsh word with our children; it is a little too harsh. Not bad, but a little too much. Will we humble ourselves? Will we put Him and His kingdom first? Will we seek first the kingdom of Elohim and then trust He will give us everything He wants us to have?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 6:33-34

33 But seek first the kingdom of Elohim and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

Brothers, sisters, how can we go up to the chuppah and become one flesh with Yeshua Elohim when secretly we are still in love with the world? Now, how is that going to work? We cannot be unequally yoked, it is not going to work; it cannot work.

Ya'akov (James) 4:4

4 Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with Elohim? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of Elohim.

So, what must happen is, each and every one of us must make a decision; we all must choose, that is the nature of it. Either we are going to leave our past lives, and our old fleshly ways, and our carnal attitudes completely behind in the immersion and let these things be washed away from us, or we do not. It is either we are converted, or we are not. It is up to us. Either we become spiritual, or we are still fleshly.

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:16

16 For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world.

So, that is what it is. We see a lot of people in the world, they are in Egypt, that is what they want; they are backslidden.

And the other thing we see in Ephraim is, a lot of double-minded people, basically trying to be fleshly and spiritual at the same time. So, what we see is a lot of people sort of halting back and forth between two opinions (so to speak). They are halting back and forth between two doctrines or they are blown about by every wind of doctrine.

Ephesim (Ephesians) 4:13-14

13 till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of Elohim, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Messiah;

14 that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting,

Now, they are always learning, but they are never able to come to the knowledge of the truth that what Yahweh wants is a relationship with us, He wants the restored relationship that was lost in the Garden of Eden.

He wants us to come to the knowledge of that truth and He wants us to listen to His voice and do everything He says; take it to heart and obey all His written commandments. He is very clear about this. He says it several times.

Well, we end up with a lot of people, also in Ephraim, they will acknowledge that, yes, the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil and that some men, Nazarenes, yes, end up straying from the faith because of their greediness and then they end up piercing themselves through with many sorrows. And we see it all the time in Ephraim.

Timotheus Aleph (1 Timothy) 6:10

10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

Now, a lot of Ephraimites say that Yahweh is the very first thing in their lives, He is their first love; they love Him with all of their heart, all of their soul, all of their strength, they love Him; but not with the way that they live. When we take a look at the way that they live, it is a different story.

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 6:5

5 You shall love Yahweh your Elohim with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.

We are supposed to be fishing for men; we are supposed to be serving Him.

Marqaus (Mark) 1:17

17 Then Yeshua said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men."

So, if we are to be fishing for men for Him, then now on Yom Kippur let us tell the story of Yonah (or Jonah) and the big fish. And some people think it is a whale of a story. But we hope that you will find the story of Yonah encouraging because even though Yonah does get taken down in the mouth, it works out all right in the end.

And some people think the story of Yonah, they think it is kind of a fishy tale, but let us take a step back and let us look at the meta-level from a sort of a prophetic standpoint.

One of the things we could notice is that the symbol of the Christian, or the Christian world, the Christian community, is the fish. And we will see that Yonah (or Dove) was an Ephraimite prophet. And as such we see that Yonah does seem to have a lot of very Ephraimite traits, a lot of Ephraimite characteristics.

Now, it helps to have the back story on Yonah. So, Yonah ben Amittai was from Gath-Hefer, which is maybe five kilometers (or a little more than a couple of miles) north of Natserat (or Nazareth). So, it is a very much Ephraimite country in the north. So, Yonah was an Ephraimite.

Now, the name Yonah means 'Dove' and for some perspective, Yonah was also a contemporary of Hoshea (or Hosea). Now, if you read the [Nazarene Israel](#) study

(I recommend it highly), we explain what is called the mystery of the Two-Houses.

And in context, what is really happening is that, after the reign of King Solomon, King Solomon sinned and so the nation of Israel was broken up into two parts. So, then you had the northern kingdom of Ephraim consisting of ten tribes and they broke away from the southern kingdom of Judah.

So, in the northern kingdom, our ancestors, the Ephraimites, we set up golden calves in Dan and Bethel, we set up our own priesthood that was not of Levi, and we made up all our own commandments, we pushed the festival days back (these kinds of things).

So, because we changed Yahweh's Torah (we explained this all in the *Nazarene Israel* study), Yahweh sent several prophets to the northern kingdom so that the northern kingdom would know, either we need to turn back to His Torah, or we are going to suffer the consequences. So, all this is happening in the background.

And Yahweh is prophesying through His prophets that the northern kingdom is getting ready to be scattered for their disobedience, again, what is called the Assyrian Diaspora (or the Dispersion), it is also called the Great Seeding. And what the Great Seeding (or the Assyrian Dispersion) is part of Yahweh's grand plan to fulfill the promises and the prophecies that He gave to Abraham and to Israel; that every family, every nation, and every clan, every tribe, every tongue, would eventually have Avraham's and/or Israel's genetics. And thus, they could become heir to the promises of salvation that come with receiving Messiah Yeshua.

B'reisheet (Genesis) 12:3

3 I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

Hitgalut (Revelation) 7:9

9 After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands,

So, we explain all that in the [Nazarene Israel](#) study. Read the *Nazarene Israel* study, pray about it. If you go through that study, you will know more than literally 99 percent of all Christians, pastors, rabbis; it gives perspective. So, pray about it, because the mystery of the Two Houses is part of who we are as His people. If we do not understand the Two Houses, we do not know who we are, and that does not work.

But during this whole time frame when Yahweh is trying to wake the northern kingdom up and get them to turn back, get them to repent, get them to obey His Torah, His Instructions. So, Yahweh sent many prophets to our ancestors in the northern kingdom to wake us up to get us to repent.

He sent Eliyahu, He sent Elisha, He sent Hoshea, and Yonah, and many others.

Divre HaYamim Bet (2 Chronicles) 24:19

19 Yet He sent prophets to them, to bring them back to Yahweh; and they testified against them, but they would not listen.

And some believe that Yonah was perhaps just a little bit older than his contemporary, Hoshea.

And in those days, the Assyrian empire (or what is nowadays Syria, but), back in those days the Assyrian empire was rising to the north of Israel. And Yahweh was prophesying that, unless the northern kingdom of Ephraim turned back to Him and begin obeying His complete Torah; everything - hearing His voice, taking to heart what you hear and doing all of His written commandments and statutes - but unless we, unless our forefathers would do that - which we did not do that, He was going to use the Assyrian empire to punish our ancestors in the northern kingdom of Ephraim (or Israel) for their sins; for our Torah breaking.

Melachim Bet (2 Kings) 17:6-7

6 In the ninth year of Hoshea, the king of Assyria took Samaria and carried Israel away to Assyria, and placed them in Halah and by the Habor, the River of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes.

7 For so it was that the children of Israel had sinned against Yahweh their Elohim, who had brought them up out of the land of Egypt, from under the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and they had feared other elohim,

Hitgalut (Revelation) 7:9

9 After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands,

We are His consecrated bridal nation. We decided, *“No, we are not going to do that. We are going to do our own*



*thing. We are going to set up our own form of worship; we are going to serve Him our way. That is because we are Ephraim.”*

Well, Yonah was one of those prophets who was close to Yahweh; walked with Yahweh, talked with Yahweh, listened to Yahweh. He knew what Yahweh was saying to His people; he was in the prophecies. Now, and I say this as an Ephraimite, I say this in what I hope is love and respect.

In many ways Yonah reminds me of Ephraim as a whole. To me he seems very symbolic of our nation, of our people.

Yonah, it is very similar to how the prophet Hoshea describes our people in Hoshea chapter 7 in verse 11. He says we are like a silly dove lacking sense (or lacking heart depending on the translation). It says we go off into the world, we go off into Egypt so we can please our flesh. That is what it is, to be backslidden, seeking after our flesh; seeking what we want to do.

Hoshea (Hosea) 7:11

11 “Ephraim also is like a silly dove, without sense— they call to Egypt, they go to Assyria.

Well, that does not build a true kingdom for Yeshua. Or alternately, we go off to dwell in the dispersion in Assyria. Because we can't run away from Yahweh, we cannot fly away from Yahweh's laws, we cannot continue to worship Yahweh our way.

So, Assyria represents the places where we are still feeding our idols, we want to chase our own demons, we want to chase our own lusts, we want to serve Yahweh

our way, we want to claim the promises without strict obedience to His house rules.

Oh! And let us not get started on prosperity gospel! Some people in Ephraim think watching *Saturday Night Live* tv shows makes us set apart like that is what Yeshua died for.

So, we can watch a tv show, that is our contribution to building Yeshua's unified global kingdom? That is a good use of our mina?

Now, again I say this in love, we are going to downgrade Yonah just a little bit because he is also an Ephraimite. And that is the rule, right? You can critique your own people because you are one of them, right?

So, what we are going to see here is that Yonah must have been a very special, very favored prophet; Yahweh must have loved him. We say that because we take a look at the way Yahweh talks with Yonah, He talks with all kinds of patience and love when He talks with Yonah.

But we are going to see some very important parallels between Yonah's time and our time. And these are the things we need to take to heart. We need to understand the parallels because we are the fruit, we are the seed of our forefathers; we are subject to the same mistakes that they made. And from what we can tell, most of Ephraim is making them.

So, we wanted to do this instead of the standard Parasha recommendation because it is nice seeing Scripture insights, but we need something we can use because we are coming up on the day we are going to be called to account for the way we worshiped and served Him.

And again, I hope I say this with respect and love because Scripture is unique among the religious traditions of the world in that we do not just record the good parts of our leaders and our profits, we also record the downsides because we must be realistic.

So, again I hope we will say this the right way, correctly and with respect, but we are going to look at what both Yonah and our forefathers in Ephraim did wrong. Because as good as Yonah was and as much as Yahweh must have loved Him, the truth is he was also a pretty good example of how Yeshua's bride should not behave. So, in a sense we are kind of studying one of the major failures of an otherwise major player.

Titus 1:16

16 They profess to know Elohim, but in works they deny Him, being abominable, disobedient, and disqualified for every good work.

So, let us analyze critically, but let us also be respectful realizing that this is ultimately about us because Yonah is symbolic of us, of our people, Ephraim.

So, Yonah (or Jonah) chapter 1 verse 1, it say:

Yonah (Jonah) 1:1-2

1 Now the word of Yahweh came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying,

2 "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it; for their wickedness has come up before Me."

Okay, now Jonah knew that if he went to Nineveh and they repented, then the Assyrians would be found righteous enough in Yahweh's sight to be used to punish Ephraim, meaning Yahweh's prophecies would be

fulfilled, meaning the Assyrians would come to the land of Israel and they would kill and rape and enslave all the Ephraimites and carry them off into captivity.

Oh! But if the Assyrians were not found righteous in Yahweh's sight, if the Assyrians were found wicked in Yahweh's sight, then Yahweh would not use them to punish the northern kingdom of Ephraim. Because you must be a certain standard to be used by Yahweh in any capacity, right?

So, that means the Assyrians would not kill, they would not rape, and they would not enslave his brothers and sisters in Ephraim.

Well, okay, considering that, now Yonah rose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of Yahweh. Okay, well, how is that going to work?

So, Yonah goes down to Yapho, he finds a ship going to Tarshish, he pays the fare and he goes on board, he goes down into the ship and he goes with them to Tarshish so he can run from the presence of Yahweh; so he can fly away and flee from the presence of Yahweh.

Yonah (Jonah) 1:3

3 But Jonah arose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of Yahweh. He went down to Joppa, and found a ship going to Tarshish; so he paid the fare, and went down into it, to go with them to Tarshish from the presence of Yahweh.

So, Jonah is an Ephraimite, he knew what Yahweh wanted him to do, but he ran away from Yahweh anyway, he did not want to obey. He knows he is supposed to do certain things, yet does not want to do them. Any Ephraimites there?

Verse nine, Yonah said to them, *“I am a Hebrew, I fear Yahweh the Elohim of heaven who made the sea and the dry land.”* Well, apparently not, or else why are you doing what you are doing?

Yonah (Jonah) 1:9

9 So he said to them, “I am a Hebrew; and I fear Yahweh, the Elohim of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land.”

When you say you love and fear Yahweh, you should be doing, we should be obeying Him in everything. That is how Yahweh can know, is we show fruit of repentance. But if you say you love Yahweh, but you do not show true fruit of repentance, that is how you know you might just be an Ephraimite.

So, verse 12, Yonah says he would rather die than obey Yahweh. Really? Really? *“I do not want Israel's enemies to repent so they worship Yahweh.”* It is like he has got the leaven of Herod or something. He is placing his physical family, his country and his people, first. It is like he is saying, *“My physical family after the flesh and my country after the flesh are more important to me than working Yahweh's plan of bringing salvation to the whole world. I know better than Yahweh.”*

Yonah (Jonah) 1:12

12 And he said to them, “Pick me up and throw me into the sea; then the sea will become calm for you. For I know that this great tempest is because of me.”

Well, what would it be if we can relate? Like, this would be like if in the United States today, Yahweh were to raise up a prophet and who has the leaven of Herod in him, so he is all concerned about the political drama, he

is all concerned about the political intrigues, he is not just leaving that for the dogs, okay?

So, if Yahweh raised up a prophet like Yonah in the United States today, maybe he would send him to Russia or to China to get Russia and China to repent and to turn back to Yahweh to become more righteous so they could be used to nuke the United States. That is a pretty fair parallel.

Or perhaps it would be like if Yahweh were to raise up someone in Zionist Israel and then send him to Tehran so that the Iranians would repent; they would turn back to Yahweh so now they can be righteous enough to be used to nuke Israel and punishment to get him to turn away from their Zionism.

Yes, we have an Israelite heritage, but no, it does not come first before Elohim. We were bought with a price. We need to obey our Master, we need to seek first the kingdom of Elohim and His righteousness (meaning keeping His Torah), then all the rest of these things can be added to it, to us.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 6:33

33 But seek first the kingdom of Elohim and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

But Jonah is an Ephraimite, he is not up for any of that. And take a look for him in the Messianic and the Ephraimite worlds today.

Jonah saying, *"I am not interested in working a plan of salvation that helps all of humankind. I am only interested in saving my brothers and sisters in the*

*northern kingdom of Israel. I am only interested in Israel's household."*

Well, okay, so is Yonah not a classic Ephraimite? He wants to run from Yahweh in order to protect His brothers and sisters in Israel. How does that work? He wants to avert punishment on the nation by disobeying Yahweh?

Okay, it is a nice sentiment Jonah, but how is that working for you; you and the fish (you and Dagon)? You having a good time there?

Yonah (Jonah) 1:17

17 Now Yahweh had prepared a great fish to swallow Yonah. And Yonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

I mean, does Jonah not kind of remind us of all those Ephraimites and Messianics who place the United States and Israel over the fulfillment of Yeshua's words?

It is like we have got our own ideas about politics, we have got our own ideas about what the End Times and the Tribulation and In-gathering should look like; we are not going to read Yahweh's words and figure out what Yahweh is going to do, we have got our own plans; teaming up Two Houses against the world.

Well, we can approach this thing with the attitude that we are going to dictate to Yahweh and He is going to *"snap two and jolly, well do what we want for the mouth of Ephraim has spoken,"* but how is that working for Yonah? How is that working for our forefathers coming out of the wilderness?

We can say that we understand Yahweh's motivations, but that does not change the fact that when we say we fear Yahweh, we need to prove it.

If Yahweh says: *"I want you to go to Nineveh to get them to repent so they can turn back and punish those of Israel who are not obeying Me"*, we have justification for that. We serve a great King.

People have lived under democracy for so long, perhaps we have forgotten what kingship is all about. But either you are loyal to your king or you are dead.

Hitgalut (Revelation) 19:16

16 And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND MASTER OF MASTERS.

So, what Elohim wants us to do is He wants us to repent so we can show fruits of repentance. One of which is abiding in His Son; and His Son in us, Him in the Father and the Father in Him. And then the proof of that connection, the proof of abiding in the vine is that we walk in subjection to His Spirit.

Luqa (Luke) 3:8

8 Therefore bear fruits worthy of repentance, and do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I say to you that Elohim is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones.

But just like an Ephraimite, Yonah does not obey until after he is punished.

Chapter 3 in verse 3, so Yonah finally realized he is not going to win. He had to drown, go to the depths of the



sea, finally he is vomited up, he arose and went to Nineveh according to the word of Yahweh.

Yonah (Jonah) 3:3

3 So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of Yahweh. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, a three-day journey in extent.

Now, Nineveh was an exceedingly great city. It was a three-day journey in extent. And you thought urban sprawl in the LA basin was bad?

In verse four, Yonah began to enter the city on the first day's walk and then he cried out and said, "Yet forty days and Nineveh shall be overthrown." says Yahweh."

Yonah (Jonah) 3:4-5

4 And Yonah began to enter the city on the first day's walk. Then he cried out and said, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!"

5 So the people of Nineveh believed Elohim, proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least of them.

That is great! Praise Yah! Is that something we would not want to see today?

Send a prophet to Iran and the people repent, send a prophet to Russia, China, and the people repent. It would be great if we could send a prophet to the United States and get Ephraim to repent.

But now Yonah is angry. The Russians, and the Chinese, and the Iranians, they have repented, they put on sackcloth they are fasting. That is great! Well, Yonah does not think that is so great.

Chapter four verse one, the fact that human beings repented and obeyed Yahweh's commandment displeased Yonah exceedingly and he became angry. So, Yonah prayed to Yahweh and said, *“Yahweh was this not what I meant when I said when I was still in my country that is why I fled to Tarshish? I said that I know you are a gracious and merciful Elohim. You are slow to anger, and You are abundant in loving-kindness, and You are one who relents from doing harm. You do not like to harm people; You need them to obey You.”*

Yonah (Jonah) 4:2

2 So he prayed to Yahweh, and said, “Ah, Yahweh, was not this what I said when I was still in my country? Therefore I fled previously to Tarshish; for I know that You are a gracious and merciful El, slow to anger and abundant in lovingkindness, One who relents from doing harm.

*“I knew You would take mercy on Nineveh, and now that they have repented, now You are going to find them worthy to punish my country and my countrymen for their disobedience. So, now there is going to be death, and rape, and enslavement among my brothers and sisters in my country, in my extended family.”*

*“I thought You took us for a bride! Why are You doing this Yahweh? You are asking me to put You and Your spiritual concerns for the salvation of all mankind above me and my own personal family? You are asking me to put your concerns that salvation be available to all the nations of the world?”*

*“And to do that, that means me and my countrymen must get punished? You are asking us to submit to your discipline, Yahweh? You are asking me to put preaching Your word above the concerns of me and my family?”*

*Why are You doing this Yahweh? Why are you putting the things of the Spirit ahead of the things of the flesh?"*

Yes, he is an Ephraimite.

Chapter 4 verse 3, *"Therefore, now Yahweh please take my life from me, for it is better me for me to die than to live."* Really? Really?

Yonah (Jonah) 4:3

3 Therefore now, O Yahweh, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live!"

Verse 4, then Yahweh said, *"Is it right for you to be angry?"* Yonah cannot answer because he knows. It is just so he cannot answer, because he knows that we all have what we want for our spiritual families and our brothers and sisters in Israel.

Yonah (Jonah) 4:4

4 Then Yahweh said, "Is it right for you to be angry?"

But still we have got a King and He is pure Spirit, so we have got to put our own personal feelings aside and get with His Word. We have got to put our own wants and needs aside and put the king's business first. That is part of having a king.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 6:33

33 But seek first the kingdom of Elohim and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

Verse 5, Yonah went out of the city and sat on the east side of the city hoping it is going to get destroyed. Therefore, he made himself a sukkah and he sat under

the shade of the sukkah to see what might become of the city. *“Do You ever destroy it or not destroy it?”*

Yonah (Jonah) 4:5

5 So Yonah went out of the city and sat on the east side of the city. There he made himself a shelter and sat under it in the shade, till he might see what would become of the city.

And again, one Ephraimite to another, does not Yonah seem maybe a little bit mopey? Does he not seem maybe just a little bit self-righteous? I mean, does he not seem maybe a little bit perhaps possibly unrepentant like he does not understand that human nature is sinful and so we need regeneration; we must obey Yahweh?

Yonah, homie, homeboy, you are being a little selfish there, okay? You are caring all about you and your own kind (that is racism), but not about all humankind. Well, it was racist right there.

Verse six, Yahweh Elohim prepared a plant and made it to come up and over Yonah that it might be shade for his head, to deliver him from his misery for a day; to give him a day to adjust. But so, Yonah was very grateful for the plant, but still Yonah was not caring about the rest of mankind.

Yonah (Jonah) 4:6

6 And Yahweh Elohim prepared a plant and made it come up over Jonah, that it might be shade for his head to deliver him from his misery. So Jonah was very grateful for the plant.

It is a hard thing for us to realize sometimes, this is not just a spiritual journey for Israel, this is not just a spiritual journey for the lead tribe of the House of Israel, which is

the United States of America. It is not just about being an American, it is not just about being Jewish. We need to leave the leaven of Herod outside. This is a spiritual journey by which Yahweh is using both, Houses of Israel (Ephraim), and Judah, to work a grand plan of salvation that is eventually going to benefit all of mankind. And for the first time, mankind is going to have global peace through establishing Yeshua's world order.

Kepha Bet (2 Peter) 3:9

9 Yahweh is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

And that is Yahweh's heart, that is what Yahweh wants. Is it our heart? Is it what we want?

Verse seven, as morning dawned the next day, Elohim prepared a worm. So, He damaged the plant and it withered. It happened when the sun arose that Elohim prepared a vehement east wind (party is over). And the sun beat on Yonah's head, so he grew faint then Jonah wished for death for himself and said, *"It is better for me to die than to live! Oh! Oh!"*

Yonah (Jonah) 4:7-8

7 But as morning dawned the next day Elohim prepared a worm, and it so damaged the plant that it withered.

8 And it happened, when the sun arose, that Elohim prepared a vehement east wind; and the sun beat on Yonah's head, so that he grew faint. Then he wished death for himself, and said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

You will hear this in Ephraim sometimes. *“Oh! I am in a relationship with the King of the universe and His Son. Oh! But my family and my country, that is much more important to me than serving Elohim. Oh! Then the Levites are relenting, there is hope for them, but my own people, they are continuing in sin. And I am suicidal that my own people are disobedient, and they need to be corrected as part of Yahweh's loving parenting. Oh! I do not want my brothers and sisters to get parental corrections so we can learn to become pleasing to Elohim one day.”*

Can we see how racist that is; basically caring only about our other brothers and sisters in the flesh? Do we see how carnal that attitude is?

Verse 9, then Elohim said to Yonah, *“Is it right for you to be angry about the plant?”* Yonah said, *“Yes, it is right for me to be angry, even unto death because you sent me to tell our enemies to repent so you can use them to spank my people so that we can please you long term.”*

Yonah (Jonah) 4:9

9 Then Elohim said to Yonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the plant?” And he said, “It is right for me to be angry, even to death!”

Clearly, he is having a brain short, right? He is thinking short term not long term. Something is not computing. He has got myopia; he has got short term vision; cannot see the long term. That is not a good thing in a prophet, okay?

What Yonah is supposed to be doing is he is supposed to be taking every thought into captivity to the obedience of Yahweh Elohim. But here he is basically letting his emotions run him.

Qorintim Bet (2 Corinthians) 10:5

5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of Elohim, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Messiah,

And of course, that never happens to anyone in Ephraim nowadays. No, no, no. Could not be. None of us ever do that. None of us ever read Yahweh's Word and decide that we do not want to do that. No, because we are all super brides! That is right! We are all tithing and helping to contribute and build His kingdom.

Chapter 4 verse 10, Yahweh says, *“Look Yonah, you have had pity on a plant, this is just a plant, okay? Get over it. It is a plant, okay? Moreover, you have not labored, you did not work for it, you did not make it grow. The whole thing is a miracle to start with. It came up in a night and it perished in the night, okay? You are concerned about a plant. Should I not have pity and compassion on that great city Nineveh which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons and they cannot discern between their right hand; and their left hand and there is much livestock? You are concerned about a plant, you are not concerned about the animals.”*

Yonah (Jonah) 4:10-11

10 But Yahweh said, “You have had pity on the plant for which you have not labored, nor made it grow, which came up in a night and perished in a night.

11 And should I not pity Nineveh, that great city, in which are more than one hundred and twenty thousand persons who cannot discern between their right hand and their left—and much livestock?”

Okay, well, let us unpack this a little bit. In Middle Eastern thought, it is thought that the right hand draws near while the left hand pushes away. So, for example, you bring food to come, bring it closer to your mouth with your right hand and with your left hand you would take away any garbage or things you do not want to eat.

So, when the right hand does not know what the left hand is doing, basically what that means is you are teachable. For example, if Yahweh draws someone near with His right hand like our ancestors and then later our ancestors take Him and His blessings completely for granted, then the correct response is for the left hand to send them away, okay?

But if the right hand knows what the left hand is doing, then the right hand says, *“Well, I brought it near so you, no, you cannot- you cannot send them away.”* But Elohim is being just in correcting, here. He brought our forefathers near, they proved not worthy of His Presence, He sent them away and He gave them some things to do; He gave them a Tabernacle, they want to do that.

Okay, well, if you are not worthy of being brought near, you need to be sent away. So, if they are bad like our forefathers, send them away, it is simple. And the rules are the same for today. That is what I think many an Ephraim are forgetting.

So, here in this passage, what we see is that Yahweh is taking mercy on the people of Nineveh because they were repenting. Because they were repenting, they were becoming more worthy. Therefore, the right hand draws them near. It would not stay that way forever, but at least at that moment in time.



Tehillim (Psalms) 51:17

17 The sacrifices of Elohim are a broken spirit, a broken and a contrite heart— these, O Elohim, You will not despise.

Well, one thing that is the same always is that Elohim is always working with everyone on planet earth. He has chosen us for a certain job of service. We must put that job of service first and then we receive the benefits.

But if we are just receiving the benefits of believing on Him in this life and we are not paying back to His system, then we have got our reward in this lifetime. Something to think about. If you are running a Saturday Night Live tv show or if you get into book sales (and this kind of thing).

Anyway, our Ephraimite prophet forefather Yonah does not want to submit to Yahweh, he does not want to do things Yahweh's way, and this parallels with today. Can we see any parallels in the Messianic or the Ephraimite worlds today?

If we have ears to hear it, can we see how our Ephraimite prophet forefather Yonah did not want to obey, so he ended up getting sent away too (so to speak), and end up being swallowed up by a big fish. And that big fish is Dagon (or rather Dagan).

And so, who was Dagon? Dagon was an ancient Assyrian fish deity. Well, sometimes he is all fish, sometimes he is part man and part fish, kind of like the original merman (we are not talking about Ethel Merman here).

But here is Yonah, he is the disobedient, Ephraimite, prophet, and he is all caught up with the leaven Herod

(that means his nationality matters to him, a lot politics, he is a nationalist). His family of origin matters to him a lot so he is effectively a racist. That means he is effectively still fleshly. That means he is still effectively, basically carnal.

So, we notice Yonah is swallowed up by the Caesarean-merman-god-man-fish and he is vomited up on the shores of Assyria. And we know that the Assyrian empire later got swallowed up by the Babylonian empire.

So, now today, here we have Christians, most of whom are Ephraimites, but do not know it, they will not know it until Armageddon or just after Armageddon. And the Christians are found basically on every shore anywhere a fish can swim.

And in the [Nazarene Israel](#) study we explained the real meaning behind B'reisheet (or Genesis) chapter 48 in verse 16. Now, in Hebrew genesis 48 and verse 16, tells us that Ephraim would become like a multitude of fishes in the midst of the earth.

B'reisheet (Genesis) 48:16

16 The Angel who has redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; let my name be named upon them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth.”

Basically, in the prophetic sense, it means Ephraim will be like a bunch of Christians and Messianics who still have the leaven of Herod, they still have some kind of leaven, they still care more about their own country and their own flesh than they do about the rest of mankind.

So, there is an elevation of their flesh, kind of like brother Judah; they are always proud about being Jewish, they are always proud about their genetics, which is ironic. We could talk about that some other time. But is it not just like the Christians?

The Christians, a lot of them, they are waiting on Yeshua to come to set up His global spiritual empire and just be carried back to the land of Israel on the rapture bus or in the cloud. Christians, they do not even realize we are supposed to be the ones who are building Yeshua's kingdom.

Marqaus (Mark) 6:15-16

15 Others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is the Prophet, or like one of the prophets."

16 But when Herod heard, he said, "This is John, whom I beheaded; he has been raised from the dead!"

But we do not realize the truth because we do not read His Word. If we do we do not read it critically. And we are too worried about what we want, especially as it affects us and our family, and that is not what it should be to be an Ephraimite. But is that not kind of what it is to be an Ephraimite or in the Messianic movement today?

We are supposed to overcome the flesh and the lusts and desires of the flesh with the help of Messiah Yeshua, but are we? Are we living that overcoming kind of life?

Yochanan (John) 3:30

30 He must increase, but I must decrease.

Luqa (or Luke) 11 and verse 32, Yeshua tells us that:

Luqa (Luke) 11:32

32 The men of Nineveh will rise up in the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and indeed a greater than Yonah is here.

Yeshua is saying Nineveh turned back to Yahweh - right hand draws near. My brethren in Judah, they are not turning back to Yahweh - left hand pushes away.

What about us brothers? Are we in Ephraim turning back to Elohim and doing all that He says He wants, so the right hand might draw us near?

Are we surrendering our bodies a living sacrifice; listening for the direction of His Spirit? Is the Spirit the most important thing to us in our lives or are there perhaps some things that we might want; some kinds of idols, some things we want more than becoming like Him?

Yochanan (John) 14:15-16

15 "If you love Me, keep My commandments.

16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—

And like idols, do we have questions of country, or nationality, or race coming into play?

We must remember, Elohim knows everything. We want to be the best brides we can be. If you would like a Scriptural reference then I recommend you read Colossians 3. But the best thing I can recommend is that we all take some time to pray and ask Yahweh to read it with us and read it prayerfully and carefully and ask

ourselves if we are really using the summer to prepare for our Husband's return.

Are we really, truly cultivating our own soil? Are we truly loving our Husband Yeshua with all our heart, with all our soul, and with all our strength? Do we have some things we still like in the world? What do our preparations show? Do our preparations show that we were a wise bride who used the summer wisely to learn about our Husband and to learn about His characters so that we could model it, so that he will be pleased with us when He comes? Or did we fritter away our summer and enjoyed our time in the world, and so now he is going to be disgusted with us because we took Him and His sacrifice for granted?

If we consider what Yeshua went through for us and we consider that he does not ask us to die for Him, but that He asks us to live for Him, then this is something we believe to think and pray about. Both on this Shabbat and also on Yom Kippur, as our Husband Yeshua approaches to take us hopefully as one of the five wise virgins.

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 6:20

20 For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify Elohim in your body and in your spirit, which are Elohim's.

Because he is going to take the five wise virgins and leave the rest, that is His plan. He has already announced it.

We should not be surprised. He is coming tonight. This night on Yom Kippur, around midnight, unless He is delayed. Are we ready? Are we waiting for Him? Will He

be pleased with us when He sees what we have done  
with our time all summer long?

Kippur shalom.

# Parasha Acharei Mot

*Leviticus 16:1-18:30; Ezekiel 22; Ephesians 5*

This is Parasha Acharei Mot for 2022, and we will also be touching on the Parasha for the Feast of Sukkot.

We have a lot of studies on the Nazarene Israel website and also on the [YouTube channel](#). But if you have only been to the YouTube channel and you have not visited us on the Nazarene Israel website, do yourself a favor, there are a lot of resources there regarding the Feast of Sukkot.

So, Shabbat Shalom and also Sukkot Shalom! And Acharei Mot means, '*after the death*' and this is referring to the death of Aharon's two sons when they got drunk and brought strange fire before Yahweh. Apparently even priests do the wrong thing sometimes.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 10:1

1 Then Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aharon, each took his censer and put fire in it, put incense on it, and offered profane fire before Yahweh, which He had not commanded them.

So, at this point, if we are thinking about what we are learning overall in our Parasha series, then those of us in Ephraim who truly love Yeshua and want to give him more than just lip service, for those of us who want to do what it takes to please Him in truth, we ought to be asking ourselves some very basic questions.

If what Yahweh wants is for us to hear and then obey His voice; to listen for Him, to have a relationship with Him and then He wants us to keep all of His written

commandments and statutes (because that is what His voice said before), then why do we in Ephraim, who claim Yeshua's Spirit, not make hearing and obeying His voice our number one priority in life?

I mean, if that is what He says He wants then why do we not want that? If we have His Spirit and if we want to be found pleasing to Him in the day He returns, do we not want that also? Because our status as the bride depends on that.

Marqaus (Mark) 12:30

30 And you shall love Yahweh your Elohim with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment.

And if we expect our children to take us seriously then why does it always seem to take death or punishment before we in Ephraim are willing to take Yahweh seriously and do what He says?

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 1:19-20

19 If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land;

20 But if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword"; for the mouth of Yahweh has spoken.

Do we not know that our forefathers took the wedding vow for us many generations ago on Mount Sinai and our forefathers swore for us that we would be faithful until death would do us part (effectively)?



Shemote (Exodus) 19:8

8 Then all the people answered together and said, "All that Yahweh has spoken we will do." So Moses brought back the words of the people to Yahweh.

So, do we not know that in Scripture, an adulterous and disobedient fiancée is worthy of death? And that as a King going back to His Father's house, that Yeshua cannot take an impure bride who has failed to purify herself? Can we do the math?

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 20:10

10 'The man who commits adultery with another man's wife, he who commits adultery with his neighbor's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress, shall surely be put to death.

Hitgalut (Revelation) 21:27

27 But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

This is such a difficult subject, you talk with people again, and again, and again, and still it is only a few who really want the truth.

So, as we see in Scripture, there are times when there is pain, and death, and suffering, and then all of a sudden our forefathers begin to take Elohim seriously.

And then we have the majority of our brethren in the Messianic movement who are not really doing anything. They are not even making an attempt to do what Scripture says to do.

So, brothers, sisters, why does it always seem to take pain and death for us and Ephraim to take Yahweh seriously? And how many times do we have to go through this drill? That is the real question.

I mean, do we know from the [Revelation](#) study that Tribulation and Armageddon both come before the wedding feast with Yeshua? And do we not know that those of us who are not faithful to Yeshua because we have not purified ourselves by keeping the whole of the Covenant, the marital Contract that we are worthy unto death? That is all we merit, is death.

Tehillim (Psalms) 92:9

9 For behold, Your enemies, O Yahweh, for behold, Your enemies shall perish; all the workers of iniquity shall be scattered.

We are asking Him for His favor. What have we done to deserve His favor? He has done everything for us, what have we done for Him?

Romim (Romans) 11:36

36 For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amein.

So, do we not know that Yahweh sends His messengers out in the days of the harvest to gather up the tares and to burn them? And if we know that and we know the fires of the tribulation are coming, then can we afford not to produce good fruit?

Yochanan (John) 15:6

6 If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned.

Well, regarding the Torah portion which is Vayiqra (or Leviticus) chapters 16 through 18, we see that Yom Kippur (or the Day of Atonement) which is the wedding feast is on the tenth day of the seventh month, is very special day. It is the most important day of the year. What bride wants to miss her wedding?

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 23:27

27 “Also the tenth day of this seventh month shall be the Day of Atonement. It shall be a holy convocation for you; you shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire to Yahweh.

Well, first the priest makes atonement for himself, his house and for the people. And chapter 16 in verse 17 says that no man could enter the Tabernacle of Meeting until that atonement had been completed.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 16:17

17 There shall be no man in the tabernacle of meeting when he goes in to make atonement in the Set-apart Place, until he comes out, that he may make atonement for himself, for his household, and for all the assembly of Israel.

What we need to understand is that these rules were given to us to protect us from death of the kind that Aharon's two sons experienced when even they did not take Elohim seriously.

So, what does it take to get through to us? What does it take to get through, even to the Levites, that Yahweh is a Set-apart Elohim? We cannot come into His presence without the commanded covering.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 11:44

44 For I am the Yahweh your Elohim. You shall therefore consecrate yourselves, and you shall be set-apart; for I am Set-apart. Neither shall you defile yourselves with any creeping thing that creeps on the earth.

In human terms it is like, *“Oh! Hey! Let us just go busting into King David's court! Let us just see what happens.”*

So, if we would not go busting into King David's court, are we going to go busting into Yahweh's court without an invitation and the appropriate covering?

Brothers, sisters, we cannot enter Yahweh Elohim's presence as we are. He loves us as we are, but He does not want us to stay that way.

Malachi 3:2

2 “But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? For He is like a refiner's fire and like launderers' soap.

So, do we understand that our fleshly nature is truly sinful and that we are unable to enter Elohim's presence without being either spiritually transformed or atoned for (or both)?

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 64:6

6 But we are all like an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags; we all fade as a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

Qorintim Bet (2 Corinthians) 6:17-18

17 Therefore “Come out from among them and be separate, says Yahweh. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you.”

18 "I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says Yahweh Almighty."

A lot of people are trying to hide their flaws, but the thing is, honeymoons are up close and personal and there is not going to be any secrets and we are not going to hide anything from Him in that day (if you will). All of our secrets are going to be laid bare (so to speak) and we are going to be seen for what we truly are, not for what we would like to see ourselves as, in our own eyes, but how He sees us (which is a different thing).

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 14:25

25 And thus the secrets of his heart are revealed; and so, falling down on his face, he will worship Elohim and report that Elohim is truly among you.

And the truth is, if we are not doing everything Yeshua told us to do, that our forefathers contracted for at Mount Sinai, that we would hear His voice, be diligent to do it, and obey everything that was written, if we do not do that, brothers and sisters, He is going to consider us unfit and unclean. And He is not going to take an unfit and unclean bride back to His Father's house. He is just not going to do it. That is, the point of the exercise is to weed out the ones that do not want to do all that He says.

Hitgalut (Revelation) 21:8

8 But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

And when we study the Revelation timeline, we see that Armageddon comes before the wedding feast. Do you know what I am saying?

Okay, so the purging comes before the pleasure (so to speak) and it is only the five wise virgins who go into the wedding feast. It is the five wise virgins who were preparing. So, are we preparing both inside and out, but mostly on the inside? We will talk about that later.

Well, there are all sorts of different analogies for the wisdom of the Spirit. For example, in Matthew (or Mattityahu) chapter 22 verse 11, Yeshua said that we cannot enter the wedding without the correct garment.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 22:11

11 "But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment.

He is saying, if we do not have the correct garment, we are going to be cast into the outer darkness where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth. And basically, that is because we chose to snooze on our golden opportunity to give our lives, lock stock and barrel, to Yeshua.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 22:13

13 Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

Service to Yeshua, that is something we put on like a garment. We are not born with it; it does not come built in. We do not get it automatically after the immersion. No, rather, it is something we get when we are born again, there is another way we have to grow in Him our whole lives.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 16:25

25 For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.

And this is something we have to put on like the full armor of Elohim, like the garment of praise. And while we have to have our waist girded with the truth (we have to stand for the truth), we have to put on the breastplate of righteousness, or the breastplate of keeping Yeshua's Torah (in context). And we have to fit our feet with the Good News of Yeshua's kingdom. Meaning, wherever we walk, we need to be spreading the Good News of Yeshua's kingdom.

Ephesim (Ephesians) 6:13-15

13 Therefore take up the whole armor of Elohim, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

14 Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness,

15 and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

So, brothers, sisters, as long as we are putting on all those garments, why not put on the wedding garment as well?

But someone will ask, *“What is the wedding garment?”* Then someone of course will say, *“Oh! I know, it is the second century style tallit that brother Judah wears today that was created after the Roman exile!”* They could not go to land anymore, they had to adapt their clothing so it could fit into any environment worldwide. *“So, be sure to wear your second century style tallit!”* Hello? Is Ephraim-body home?

The second century style tallit did not exist yet in the first century, okay? Yeshua would not have known what it was.

So, what Yahweh is talking about is the Spirit that we put on like a garment, that is dedicated to abiding in His Son, until faithfully as a chaste bride, death parts us (so, which with Yeshua in our renewed life will not be ever but we have to show that loyalty and that allegiance to Him now). That is what the whole thing is about.

Are we showing allegiance; are we showing loyalty to Him? Are we willing to be true to Him until death does us part?

So, the question becomes then: Are we abiding in Yeshua and are we seeking to do His will 24/7? Are we remaining in connection with the vine?

Qolossim (Colossians) 1:10

10 that you may walk worthy of Yahweh, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of Elohim;

Yochanan (John) 15:4

4 Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.

And do we realize that those who do not have the right garment of giving themselves to Yeshua 100 percent eagerly, they do not have the wedding garment? So, what happens to them? They are cast into the outer darkness where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth. So, whatever we do, we do not want to let ourselves go there.



Mattityahu (Matthew) 22:13

13 Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

So, should we not ask ourselves - yes, I do not want to say the wrong thing, but - if Yeshua cannot take a sinful bride, then should not we learn from Scripture why we got cast out of the Garden of Eden? It is good Sukkot discussion. And how do we make sure that we are not doing that now? That is what real fellowship is about.

What most people call friend fellowship is just simple friendship. Fellowship is where we talk about how we can fulfill His will together. And while we are talking about things, do we not need to know why we also got cast out of the land of Israel later so we can make sure we are not doing those things right now? Because we are our forefathers seed.

Hoshea (Hosea) 1:2

2 When Yahweh began to speak by Hoshea, Yahweh said to Hosea: "Go, take yourself a wife of harlotry and children of harlotry, for the land has committed great harlotry by departing from Yahweh."

Well, if we look in our Haftara prophetic portion in Yechezkel (or Ezekiel) chapter 22 Yahweh seems to say that, really, not very much has changed since we left Egypt. Yahweh chose our forefathers to leave slavery in Egypt; He sprung us from jail (so to speak) and then He wanted us to enter His marriage training program for ex-slave girls.

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 22:26

26 Her priests have violated My Torah and profaned My set-apart things; they have not distinguished between the set-apart and un-set-apart, nor have they made known the difference between the unclean and the clean; and they have hidden their eyes from My Sabbaths, so that I am profaned among them.

And what our forefathers promised us to do is that we would shema, we would hear His voice and be diligent to do everything that He says and obey all His written commandments and statutes as well like good helpmeets, okay?

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 5:27

27 You go near and hear all that Yahweh our Elohim may say, and tell us all that Yahweh our Elohim says to you, and we will hear and do it.'

Brothers, husbands, do we men know how to demand that our wives be perfect help meets for us? But do we want to do the same thing for Yeshua? Do we want us and our families to be good helpers, good helpmeets for Yeshua?

Well, if we cannot hear Yahweh's voice, then basically what we need to do is we need to listen and take direction from someone who can hear Yahweh's voice who is also 100 percent submitted to Yeshua's Spirit. I am talking all the time. And submitted to the rest of the brethren in the true body.

Romim (Romans) 8:14

14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of Elohim, these are sons of Elohim.

Ephesim (Ephesians) 5:21

21 submitting to one another in the fear of Elohim.

And it is not a joke, and we should not treat it like a joke. There are a lot of people playing silly games with their eternal salvation.

Philipim (Philippians) 2:12

12 Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling;

But the simple fact is, each moment that we are not submitted to Yeshua's Spirit 100 percent, then in those moments that we are not submitted, we are effectively cut off from Yeshua; we are cut off from the vine and we are cut off from His true body.

We can pretend the way the Messianics pretend. We can say, *"Oh! We can share messages on Facebook with all their tracking and geo-logging that plays right into the New World Order."*

Well, it says, those who are disconnected from Yeshua, those who unplug from Yeshua, those who do not bother to make the effort to stay connected with Yeshua 100 percent of the time - all we have to do is stop making the effort and we become disconnected from Yeshua - and then what happens? Then we are gathered into bundles and we are burned in the fires of the Tribulation and Armageddon, okay? We do not want that, okay?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 13:30

30 Let both grow together until the harvest, and at the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, "First

gather together the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them, but gather the wheat into my barn.””

If we do not want that then how many times does Yeshua have to tell us that we are going to be cut off? What does cutoff mean? It means we are going to die; it means we are not going to survive the Tribulation process; we are not going to survive the return from the dispersion. What helps us to survive the dispersion? Well, the assembly of Philadelphia, truly loving our neighbor. But that is number two, what is number one? We have to truly shema His voice, we have to be diligent to listen for His voice and to do everything that He tells us to do and keep all of His written commandments, and statutes, and judgments.

Shemote (Exodus) 15:26

26 and said, “If you diligently heed the voice of Yahweh your Elohim and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am Yahweh [Rapha] who heals you.”

Well, Vayiqra (or Leviticus) 18 and verse 3 He warned us not to do as the Canaanites, or the Egyptians, the Mitsrites; He warned us not to do as the Canaanites and the Egyptians do. But if we look, did not our forefathers end up completely like them?

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 18:3

3 According to the doings of the land of Egypt, where you dwelt, you shall not do; and according to the doings of the land of Canaan, where I am bringing you, you shall not do; nor shall you walk in their ordinances.

Oh! And what about us? Let us take a look with the way Yahweh looks at things. I mean, are we truly doing all like we are supposed to be doing? Our ancestors broke their vows, they played the harlot. Well, so Yahweh cast our forefathers out of the land of Israel. And in this case, in this particular passage, Yahweh refers to both Houses (both Ephraim and Judah), but in the greater overall passage - it is greater than this chapter - but the point is that today we are all scattered and dispersed out among the nations; that is where we are, that is our punishment.

So, now we are surrounded by the exact same abominations that we were supposed to clean out of our homeland. But we did not, so these got them kicked out of our homeland in the first place. So, now we are in the dispersion, surrounded by these abominations.

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 22:15

15 I will scatter you among the nations, disperse you throughout the countries, and remove your filthiness completely from you.

The End Times are coming down. And brother Judah in the land, he is still practicing the exact same abominations that got us kicked out of the land in the first place.

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 17:1

1 "The sin of Judah is written with a pen of iron; with the point of a diamond it is engraved on the tablet of their heart, and on the horns of your altars,

So, I remember back when I was in Jerusalem from 2003 to 2005, I remember just being shocked when I saw a discotheque open with music blaring in Jerusalem on Yom Kippur. They have all sorts of pride parades (and these kinds of things). Tel Aviv was a number one

LGBTQ+ destination at one point I think; I am sure it still is. I mean, these are the times that we are living in, brothers. So, every week we post the news updates to the [Revelation News](#) page on the Nazarene Israel website.

There was a lot of fear back originally when we started this, and so we are trying to help people understand where we are on the Revelation timeline so we can know what to expect. And in the decade or more that we have been tracking the news, it lines up with the Revelation timeline perfectly.

And you can read about that in our study on [Revelation and The End Times](#) or [Revelation Simplified](#). But the Revelation News shows us where we are on the Revelation timeline week to week. So, everything we see in the news is basically, what we can line up by the prophecy by which one of the horses it is. And Yahweh says He is going to bring punishment upon the disobedient sons, both of Judah and of Ephraim, if we do not turn back. Do we believe Him?

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 18:30

30 “Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways,” says Yahweh Elohim. “Repent, and turn from all your transgressions, so that iniquity will not be your ruin.

Now, the Rabbinical version of the Haftara prophetic portion here is about the same thing as usual. As you notice, *“Oh! Oh! Look there is a reference to wrongful relationships in the Torah! Oh! Oh! and look there is a reference to the same kind of wrongful relationships in the prophets! Good! Great! We are so excited for this insight!”* But can you tell us what Ezekiel means? Can you tell us what Ezekiel is talking about? Can you tell the

significance to the house of Judah and Jerusalem today?

And the answer is no, because the Rabbinical order was effectively established in Babylon. So, the rabbinical order is effectively part of Babylon because it is not the original Levitical Order; they are not following the Torah alone and they do not want you to follow what the Torah says alone because they are part of Babylon. So, they want us all to do what they say to do. They want us all to interpret Torah the way they say to interpret the Torah.

Marqaus (Mark) 7:13

13 making the word of Elohim of no effect through your tradition which you have handed down. And many such things you do.”

But here we have a clear conflict. Here we have Yahweh telling Judah and Jerusalem (in the greater context He is talking to both houses), He is talking to Judah in Jerusalem, telling him what is going to happen if they do not turn back.

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 22:19

19 Therefore thus says Yahweh Elohim: ‘Because you have all become dross, therefore behold, I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem.

And if you are living in the land, and I know we have certain Rabbis who track us, I sure hope you hear this because what people are doing in Judah and Jerusalem is they are choosing to follow the Rabbis instead of choosing to follow Yahweh and that is not going to cut it in these End Times. And although this passage is addressed to Judah and Jerusalem, again the greater overall context is both houses. And even so, Yahweh likes us to use equal weights and measures.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 19:36

36 You shall have honest scales, honest weights, an honest ephah, and an honest hin: I am Yahweh your Elohim, who brought you out of the land of Egypt.

So, if Judah is going to get punished for doing the wrong thing, then are the Ephraimites not going to get punished for doing the same kinds of abominations and sins?

Starting in verse six, Yahweh gives us a whole list of things that are going to get us kicked out of the land; it is punished and expelled.

First up is idols. Idolatry is just putting anything in between us and Him, anything at all. It can be your spouse, it can be your house, it can be your job, it can be your car, it could be your dog, your cat; anything you are putting in between you and Yahweh, that is an idol.

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 22:3

3 Then say, 'Thus says Yahweh Elohim: "The city sheds blood in her own midst, that her time may come; and she makes idols within herself to defile herself.

There should be nothing to come between us. He does not like that. Especially not from His supposedly dedicated bride. He is jealous of our attentions. So, we need to be sure to give our attention only to Him.

Shemote (Exodus) 20:3

3 "You shall have no other elohim before Me.



Shemote (Exodus) 34:14

14 (for you shall worship no other elohim, for Yahweh, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous Elohim)."

So, do we have pictures of Jesus, or statues of Miriam, or do we wear golden crosses around our neck, even though we saw in Ezekiel chapter 8 that the cross is the symbol of the sun god Tammuz?

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 8:14

14 So He brought me to the door of the north gate of Yahweh's house; and to my dismay, women were sitting there weeping for Tammuz.

Brothers, what are we watching on television? Is it praise and worship? Maybe some Hebrew lessons? Maybe some documentary about Israel's history? Or are we watching sports things that do not build the kingdom; things that do not help Yeshua get the kingdom He deserves, that He died for, that we should be working for Him?

Ephesim (Ephesians) 5:11

11 And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them.

Well, does anyone in our nation mistreat an orphan, a widow, or a poor person? And do we perhaps put our own prosperity and ease ahead of building Yeshua's kingdom, any idolatry going on there?

And it is only about, was it, 0.06 percent of all believers who even give a first tithe (let alone a second or third). So, if they do not put their money where their mouth is, then I guess the next question would have to be: Where is their faith? Because Yeshua says that where your

heart is that is effectively where you spend your treasure.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 6:21

21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

So, brothers and sisters, where are we spending our treasure? Are we spending it on Elohim? Are we spending it on ourselves?

More things that will get us cut off... Do any Ephraimites in any countries eat blood, like blood sausage? Whether German, or Colombian, or Portuguese, or any other country?

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 12:23

23 Only be sure that you do not eat the blood, for the blood is the life; you may not eat the life with the meat.

Or do we perhaps have even false prophets among us; people who say, *"Oh! Yahweh said this to me: I am supposed to give a gift to this person for mother's day?"* Or someone says, *"I am supposed to honor some pagan holiday."* Does anyone know anyone like that? Or perhaps have we ever done something like that; spoken where Yahweh did not speak?

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 23:16

16 Thus says Yahweh of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you. They make you worthless; they speak a vision of their own heart, not from the mouth of Yahweh.

Speaking of false prophets, are there perhaps Ephraimites who are taking their pastor's word over

Scripture? Or anyone listening to the Pope rather than listening to Yahweh's word?

Well, perhaps do we have any Jewish brethren here listening who would prefer to listen to their Rabbi or the Talmud rather than the Torah? These are the kinds of things Yahweh is trying to tell us.

If we do not put Him and His word first in our lives like we say we love Him with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our strength, and then we do not put Him first in our lives? If we do not put Him first in our lives, we are not going to be able to distinguish between the clean and the unclean.

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 44:23

23 "And they shall teach My people the difference between the set-apart and the un-set-apart, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.

Now, in Vayiqra chapter 18 we are told that we are not allowed to have incest going on anywhere in our borders.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 18:7

7 The nakedness of your father or the nakedness of your mother you shall not uncover. She is your mother; you shall not uncover her nakedness.

Also, no one - this is Ephraim and Judah, it does not matter, Yahweh's people - no one is allowed to be laying with women who are on their monthly cleansing or on their monthly blood flow; nowhere in our borders.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 18:19

19 'Also you shall not approach a woman to uncover her nakedness as long as she is in her customary impurity.

Now, can we imagine the kind of brotherhood that needs to exist in order to make sure this kind of thing does not happen when we come back to the land of Israel?

Another big no-go, no one can offer their children to Molech. And that does not matter whether you are offering them literally to Molech through the fire, or whether it is through abortions, or even human trafficking. Terrible things happen in the end in human trafficking.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 18:21

21 And you shall not let any of your descendants pass through the fire to Molech, nor shall you profane the name of your Elohim: I am Yahweh.

We are also not allowed anywhere in our borders, men with men. The Babylonian government says this is great. Yahweh says no, not allowed.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 18:22

22 You shall not lie with a male as with a woman. It is an abomination.

Now, to be clear, the way the New World Order was described to me by an attorney who studies these kind of things, he said that basically the New World Order is going to be like a great big club. So, you are allowed to have your church, or your synagogue, or your mosque, or whatever you do, you are allowed your coven (or whatever you do), but it is opt in only.

So, if someone comes and knocks on your door then you can share the Word with them (and this kind of a thing). That is the direction they say we are headed, at least before the ultimate shutdown where it is only the One World Religion that is allowed (we talk about that in our studies on [Revelation and The End Times](#) and also in [Revelation Simplified](#) on YouTube).

So, there will be a lot of things that show the pace is definitely heating up. But a lot of things Yahweh says are not allowed.

Now, if someone wants to make the choice, but they do not want to obey Yahweh's Torah, that is okay, but do not call yourself a Nazarene. Or, I do not want to say it is okay, but we cannot stop you. The point is, do not call yourself a sect of the Nazarenes, because by definition we believe everything that is written in the Torah and in the Prophets as the apostle Shaul says in the book of Acts.

Timotheus Bet (2 Timothy) 3:16

16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of Elohim, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,

So, when Yahweh says something is not allowed, you can do that, but you cannot be a Nazarene. And do something that Scripture said, this is an opt-in club for people who love Scripture and want to obey Scripture cover to cover with the understanding of the Spirit and want to do everything Yeshua says to do; that is what our club is about under the New World Order.

The New World Order says people can be with animals. The Sabbatean Frankist government and the Amalek media is trying to tell us, *“No, that is okay. That is the*

*way to go. We got to teach those children this in those public schools.”* Yahweh says it is not allowed.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 18:23

23 Nor shall you mate with any animal, to defile yourself with it. Nor shall any woman stand before an animal to mate with it. It is perversion.

If you are looking for some good resources check out the [Beit Sefer](#) website.

But Yahweh tells us again, and again, and again, that if we as His bridal nation, if we will do according to His voice and do the things He says, we will be His treasured, prized possession among all the peoples of the earth.

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 26:18

18 Also today Yahweh has proclaimed you to be His special people, just as He promised you, that you should keep all His commandments,

But if He is going to bring us into the land of the Canaanites and then we are going to disobey - He is going to bring us out of Egypt and into the land of the Canaanites and then we are going to do the exact same things as we He wanted us to leave behind in Egypt before the immersion in the Red sea?

And if we do the things that got the Canaanites vomited out of the land, then why would He not vomit us out of His land?

Verse 14, Yahweh says He would cast us out of His land, and He did it. Here we are today, we are in the dispersion because He did it. Do we understand that we do not get to go home unless we start doing what He said?

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 22:14-15

14 Can your heart endure, or can your hands remain strong, in the days when I shall deal with you? I, Yahweh, have spoken, and will do it.

15 I will scatter you among the nations, disperse you throughout the countries, and remove your filthiness completely from you.

This is my concern; I think the masses of Ephraim do not get the fact that we do not get to go back home to the land if we are still doing the same things that got us kicked out of the land.

I mean think about it. You do something wrong, you get kicked out of the house, you say, "Dad, can I come back home?" He is like, "*Are you going to change? Have you changed already? Have you made up your mind? You are going to obey My rules; you are going to obey My Torah? You are going to obey My laws, you are going to keep my statutes and judgments?*"

*"When I talk to you, are you going to listen to what I tell you to do, not just check, check, check, check? Oh! Cleaned my room. Oh! Took out the garbage. But are you going to love Me? Are you going to try and help out around the house? Are you going to be part of the family? You want to marry My Son, but you do not want to be part of the family?"*

There are some people, some in Ephraim, they think He is going to be more lenient with us today because we allegedly have Yeshua's Spirit. Okay, but if we allegedly have Yeshua's Spirit and we are not completely quenching it, then how come we are not doing the same things as what Yeshua's Spirit would be doing if Yeshua were here?

Thesaloniqim Aleph (1 Thessalonians) 5:19  
19 Do not quench the Spirit.

Because Yeshua's Spirit is here, it is supposed to be here, it is supposed to be dwelling in each one of us. We are supposed to be giving our lives over completely to Him and His Spirit. That is part of being His bridal nation. And then organizing and performing the deeds that He has for us to do, that is part of the Covenant; as part of the bridal Contract.

Yochanan (John) 14:17

17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

How many do have in Ephraim who think we get to skip that part of the bridal Contract because it is not easy; it is more than just resting and reading on the Sabbath?

Well, I get very concerned for people, because as we show in the Revelation studies, the wedding does not come until after the judgment at trumpet 7.

So, first we the heavenly court, it is seated and the judgment takes place upon the harlot Babylon at trumpet seven. And then that is when the cup judgments are poured out. And Yeshua only comes for His bride after the judgment is passed at trumpet 7. And the cup judgments are then poured out.

Hitgalut (Revelation) 16:1

1 Then I heard a loud voice from the temple saying to the seven angels, "Go and pour out the bowls of the wrath of Elohim on the earth."



And remember Yeshua might get delayed in His coming, if that tells us how bad things are going to get. But the purging has to have time to work; we have got to be cleaned.

Well, only then, after all the purging, after all the cleaning, then comes Armageddon and the wedding feast. And if we read Scripture for what it says, brothers and sisters, the destruction is going to be so bad that only a tiny remnant of Ephraim and Judah are going to be left alive.

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 10:20

20 And it shall come to pass in that day that the remnant of Israel, and such as have escaped of the house of Jacob, will never again depend on him who defeated them, but will depend on Yahweh, the Set-apart One of Israel, in truth.

So, if we think about what it means that it will be as it was in the days of Noah, so shall the coming of the Son of Man be. Everything is written there in Matthew 24.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 24:37

37 But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.

Let us ask ourselves, are we going to be the wise virgin brides who took time to prepare all summer long, who were diligent; they had oil, they had wicks when the bridegroom came and He was delayed. Or we are going to be the foolish virgin brides who were unprepared; took the summer easy; took the summer off. Oh! We expect the bridegroom to wait on us while we get more wicks and oil?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:8

8 And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.'

He is not going to wait. We have got to be ready for Him when He comes. Whenever that is, no one knows how long we have left. Any one of us could die tonight.

Well, back in Parasha Mishpatim, Yahweh told our ancestors that He would melt them like silver and tin in fire, purified like gold and silver in the fire. That He would do that basically for all the same abominations that our ancestors committed, that we in our societies and our nations are still committing today.

So, Yahweh said our ancestors had become like dross, okay? Dross is the slag it is the impurities that you take away when you smelt metal and you apply all the heat to melt it. And then what you do is, the impurities rise to the surface and you scrape those away. That is the dross, that is the slag; that is what you take out of the metal to make it pure. Yahweh is saying that, we as His people have become so bad, we have become the filth that He wants to take away for us to become refined.

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 22:18

18 "Son of man, the house of Israel has become dross to Me; they are all bronze, tin, iron, and lead, in the midst of a furnace; they have become dross from silver.

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 1:18

18 "Come now, and let us reason together," says Yahweh, "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

So, He sent us to clean up the land of Canaan, but we ended up just walking just like the Canaanites with a little bit of mix from the Egyptians. I mean, forgive me, but just look at the land of Israel today. Can Yahweh be pleased? Look at the Ephraimite nations today; look where we have gotten to. Can Yahweh be pleased with that?

Well, brothers, if we know we are wrong and we repent, then how can we be renewed? We need to make changes. What should we do instead? So, for questions like this that deal with renewal, let us turn to the Renewed Covenant (or the Brit Chadasha). And this week, Ephesim (or Ephesians) chapter 5 hits things from another angle. If we want to be Yeshua's bride, then verses 1 and 2 tell us we need to walk in the love of Yeshua Messiah; imitating Elohim. So, do we do that?

Ephesim (Ephesians) 5:1-2

- 1 Therefore be imitators of Elohim as dear children.
- 2 And walk in love, as Messiah also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to Elohim for a sweet-smelling aroma.

If we try to love everyone we meet, we may have a word of discipline, but do we love them and not just those who love us?

It is like Yeshua says in the beatitudes. Verse 3 tells us to put off fornication; got to be married if you are living together. Put off all uncleanness and all covetousness.

Ephesim (Ephesians) 5:3

- 3 But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints;

Well, verse 4 tells us to put off filth, foolish talking, and course jesting. This is like Yeshua tells us that we will be judged according to every idle word.

Ephesim (Ephesians) 5:4

4 neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks.

So, basically the net upshot is we should only speak the words He gives us to speak, especially if we are seeking the prophetic gift. We write about that in the [Nazarene Scripture Studies](#) series.

A prophet is one who hears Elohim's voice and then speaks according to it. And we are all supposed to be earnestly desiring the gift of prophecy. So, if that is an office or gift we want to develop, we should learn to hear His voice and then to speak only the words He gives us to speak; that is the role of a prophet.

And verse 4 tells us to give thanks in everything. And give thanks for everything, that is such a key. There is no way to take joy in trials, or maybe there is, but I do not know of a way to take joy in trials without giving thanks for everything; it is such a key. It takes everything to the next level when we learn to give thanks for everything and in everything because of what we learn and how we are becoming refined.

Verse 5 tells us that you must not be a fornicator (you have got to be married). No to unclean persons, no to covetous men, and no to idolaters.

Ephesim (Ephesians) 5:5

5 For this you know, that no fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has

any inheritance in the kingdom of Messiah and Elohim.

We know what an idolater is, that is someone who puts something of the world ahead of their relationship with Elohim. No one who puts anything in front of their relationship with Elohim has any inheritance in the kingdom of Yeshua and Elohim because it is not total dedication and commitment to Him. And Elohim's wrath will come upon the sons of disobedience who claim Yeshua's blood, but who did not sign up for Yeshua's bridal training program because that is just hypocrisy.

Ephesim (Ephesians) 5:6

6 Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of Elohim comes upon the sons of disobedience.

How can we say that we love and serve Him when we do not do what He says? It is like Yeshua says, *"Why do you call yourselves My disciples when you do not do what I say?"*

Luqa (Luke) 6:46

46 "But why do you call Me 'Master, Master,' and not do the things which I say?"

Well, what we would suggest is that anyone who wants to be taken as one of Yeshua's wise virgin brides should go ahead and read this whole chapter and basically ask Yahweh to show you, ask Him to show us what we need to know. What we do not want to do, we do not want to read Scripture as if we are getting it right already.

It is like the parable of the Pharisee with the tax collector; Pharisee, which is humbling himself, and we are like, *"Well, I already get it. I already rest on the Sabbath. I*

*already rest on the Feasts. I am already keeping Torah. I took work off for Sukkot, at least for the High Days. I am getting it right already. Look how righteous I am.”*

Okay, that is not the question we should be asking ourselves. The question we should be asking ourselves is, our forefather was an Aramean, we went down into slavery in Egypt and we were slave girls for 430 years and we learned all sorts of wrong things in Egypt. Now we have got to get cleaned up. And there are all sorts of wrong things going on in the land of Canaan and we have got to stay away from those things, okay? And we are supposed to form a brotherhood that can make sure none of these abominations take place within any of the countries where we dwell and that is a function of the brotherhood; getting things right is a function of obeying everything Yeshua says to do.

Yochanan (John) 15:10

10 If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

So, the question we ought to be asking ourselves is: Where are we getting things wrong? How can we improve? That is what we need to be asking ourselves while we are reading Scripture. How can we be found faithful in His sight? These are questions for fellowship.

Tehillim (Psalms) 19:12-13

12 Who can understand his errors? Cleanse me from secret faults.

13 Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and I shall be innocent of great transgression.

Again, fellowship is not friendship. A lot of people, they have friendship and fellowship. What they do is they have friendship on Shabbat, they call it fellowship, but it is not really fellowship. Fellowship is when we are asking ourselves, *“Yahweh, how can we do better? Yahweh, we know we are sinful. Yahweh, we know we do not measure up. Yahweh, we know we have got to be renewed and transformed.”* Even the apostle Paul did not consider that he had arrived.

So, how can we become more pleasing to Him? How can we become that Proverbs 31 bride who pledges herself to Him for life; for better for worse, in sickness and in health? How can we renew and redouble our love for Him? How can we renew or double our dedication for Him? We are talking about renewal; these are questions for the Renewed Covenant.

So, if you are Jewish and you are listening - we know we have some Jewish listeners - have you read the Renewed Covenant for yourself or have you just listened to what the Rabbis have to say about it?

And do you understand that the Renewed Covenant is an intensely Jewish book? Because the Christians do not understand it as an intensely Jewish book, it does not mean it is not an intensely Jewish book, because our Messiah is Jewish.

Yochanan (John) 4:22

22 You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews.

So, maybe, someone will say, “Well, I would read it, but I do not like to pay. So, well, if you are Jewish you do not have to pay. If you are Jewish, look up the society for distributing Hebrew Scriptures and just ask for a free

copy and they will send you a free Tanakh and a free parallel Brit Chadasha in both Hebrew and I believe your language of choice among the languages they have to offer. And their books have the Hebrew on the right-hand side, the position of honor, and the language, like English, on the left-hand side. It is a very good resource.

If you are an Ephraimite, you must pay. Do not worry about it. It is a good resource, but if you are Jewish, it is free. Look up the society for distributing Hebrew Scriptures out of England.

And this year, Acharei Mot lines up with Sukkot. And again, *Acharei Mot* means *after the death* referring to the death of Aharon's two sons back in Parasha Shemini. And it shows us that even priests have to obey the rules, or they also will die.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 10:1-2

1 Then Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aharon, each took his censer and put fire in it, put incense on it, and offered profane fire before Yahweh, which He had not commanded them.

2 So fire went out from Yahweh and devoured them, and they died before Yahweh.

And that is something to think about if you are teaching, or if you are calling yourself a minister, or if you have a *Saturday Night Live* TV program, we also need to obey the rules or we also will suffer an even greater punishment (something to think about).

Ya'akov (James) 3:1

1 My brethren, let not many of you become teachers, knowing that we shall receive a stricter judgment.



So, if we think about it, it is only after the deaths that take place during the Tribulation and the cup judgments, that we are eventually going to arrive at Armageddon. And it is going to be continuous downward spiral from here.

And as we show in our study on [Revelation and The End Times](#) and in [Revelation Simplified](#) on YouTube, Armageddon is the wedding feast. Surprise! So, it has got some funny jokes. So, the bride's dress does not have any spots or wrinkles, but she arrives wearing combat boots.

So, there are a lot of things we could say, but as we celebrate the fact, the amazing fact that Yahweh chose us, let us remember what the big picture is, okay?

We are entering the wedding week, that is what Sukkot symbolizes. So, we have made it, but let us remember the Tribulation and Armageddon come first.

In Shemote (or Exodus) chapter 34, starting in verse 10, Yahweh tells us that, if we want to be His Son's bride, meaning if we want to survive the Tribulation, if we want to survive to see the wedding feast (which again that is what Sukkot symbolizes), once again, we need to listen for His voice and do all that He says to do, diligently. That we need to keep all the written commandments and statutes as well.

Shemote (Exodus) 34:10

10 And He said: "Behold, I make a covenant. Before all your people I will do marvels such as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation; and all the people among whom you are shall see the work of Yahweh. For it is an awesome thing that I will do with you.

So, to do this, do we not need to pray for hearing in the Spirit?

Yochanan (John) 3:34

34 For He whom Elohim has sent speaks the words of Elohim, for Elohim does not give the Spirit by measure.

There is a lot of people out there, they love Yahweh, they love Elohim, but they do not hear in the Spirit, okay?

Well, let us be like the widow with the unjust judge, okay? Let us ask and seek and knock until He gives us this good gift of His Spirit (or His Son's Spirit) and the ability to hear in the Spirit. And if we should earnestly desire the prophetic gift then, we should desire the ability to speak according to what we hear in the Spirit as well. That is gifts any one of us can ask for if Yahweh chooses to give the gift. Then, it is up to us to learn how to develop it.

Luqa (Luke) 18:6-8

6 Then the Master said, "Hear what the unjust judge said.

7 And shall Elohim not avenge His own elect who cry out day and night to Him, though He bears long with them?

8 I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?"

Verse 20, if we love Yahweh, like we all say we do, then why do we not tithe?

Ephesim (Ephesians) 5:20

20 Give thanks always for all things to Elohim the Father in the name of our Master Yeshua Messiah.

Brothers, sisters, why do we come up to Yahweh's Feasts empty-handed so that there is nothing to help the priesthood further Yeshua's kingdom when Yahweh specifically says not to do that?

Shemote (Exodus) 34:20

20 The firstborn of a donkey you shall redeem with a lamb, or if you will not redeem it you shall break its neck. All the firstborn of your sons you shall redeem. And none shall appear before me empty-handed.

Or do we think that Yahweh does not see the fact that we are not tithing and offering? It does not matter what I think, what does Yahweh think? That is the question.

We need to be asking ourselves: Do we think that Yahweh maybe does not know? Or we think maybe Yahweh does not care that we are not doing what He said to do? You think Yahweh does not care that we claim to have His Son's Spirit and still we are not obeying everything that His Son died for?

Well, finally, as we explain in the Revelation study, Yechezkel (or Ezekiel) chapters 38 and 39 speak of two wars of Gog and Magog. One takes place before the Millennium, the other takes place at the end of the Millennium. Only to keep the secret sealed up until the times of the end. First we have the second war of Gog and Magog in Ezekiel chapter 38, then we have the first war of Gog and Magog in Ezekiel chapter 39.

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 38:16

16 You will come up against My people Israel like a cloud, to cover the land. It will be in the latter days that I will bring you against My land, so that the

nations may know Me, when I am set-apart in you,  
O Gog, before their eyes.”

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 39:4-5

4 You shall fall upon the mountains of Israel, you and all your troops and the peoples who are with you; I will give you to birds of prey of every sort and to the beasts of the field to be devoured.

5 You shall fall on the open field; for I have spoken,” says Yahweh Elohim.

So, the first war of Gog and Magog, as we explained in the book, is also called Armageddon. And Armageddon is the wedding feast. We cover that in some detail in [Revelation and The End Times](#) and [Revelation Simplified](#) on YouTube; we all need to know what is in that study, so we will understand what is taking place in the timeline as events progress, so that we do not become deceived. We need to all know and understand that study.

But now notice in both chapters, both Ezekiel chapter 38 and Ezekiel chapter 39, there is a huge fiery judgment and a huge fiery refinement before Elohim finally arrives and saves the day. It is these refinements that are what is going to determine who among us will survive and go on to the wedding feast.

So, the concept is, we are supposed to be refining ourselves. If we refine ourselves then He does not have to; if we refine ourselves then He does not need to punish us to give us that incentive to refine ourselves.

And of course we know from Scripture that most of Ephraim and Judah (and in fact most people), they are not going to be refined, they are going to go on to death.

There is a huge, huge purge coming before the wedding feast, okay?

Kepha Aleph (1 Peter) 1:7

7 that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Yeshua Messiah,

So, the point is, we all love Sukkot and Sukkot is a wonderful time of getting together with friendship and fellowship, let us use the fellowship time for true fellowship. Let us use the fellowship time around the campfire to figure out what does He want from us, how can we please Him, how can we serve Him together.

Most people, they get involved in an assembly when their children need to get married, then they have to find spouses for their children. Yes, Yeshua wants us involved even when there is nothing in it for us (so to speak). Even when there is only something in it for our Husband. He wants us involved.

So, Sukkot, again, symbolizes the wedding feast and that is when we are going to begin our new life together with Yeshua as His queen.

But we have got to remember, okay, to make it to the wedding feast, first comes the greatest refinement ever and the cleansing of the land and distress among all the nations and judgment upon the land of Babylon. If you can imagine World War 4 and World War 5, that is what it is going to look like when the judgment comes upon the land and judgment comes upon Babylon.

Hitgalut (Revelation) 18:2

2 And he cried mightily with a loud voice, saying, "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and has become a dwelling place of demons, a prison for every foul spirit, and a cage for every unclean and hated bird!

Now, even after all that, when Yeshua comes, only five of the virgins have taken the time to prepare and get ready, only five of the virgins prepared spiritually for what was coming. That is to say, only five of the virgins dedicated themselves to their Husband, Yeshua and preparing for their new life with their Husband, Yeshua in His Father's house.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 25:10

10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut.

No matter what happens, we are, for better for worse, whether in sickness or in health, they are pledging that they will be loyal, we will be loyal to Yeshua. If we want to be ready for Yeshua we need to begin by preparing now.

So, will we do the things we know we need to do? Will we make that wonderful choice to choose life and choose obedience? The two go hand in hand.

Will we do the things it takes in order for Him to be pleased with us?

Brothers and sisters, it is up to each one of us to decide. But him who has ears, let him hear.

Sukkot Shalom.

# Parasha Kedoshim

*Leviticus 19-20; Amos 9; 1 Corinthians 6, Galatians 5*

This is Parasha Kedoshim for 2022, where we ask ourselves the question: Are we setting ourselves apart like Yahweh says He wants us to set ourselves apart?

And the reason we ask is that in Vayiqra (or Leviticus) chapter 19 in verse 2, Yahweh told our forefathers to be set-apart (or holy, or kadosh), as He is Set-apart (or Holy). But what does that mean really and what is that supposed to look like in today's times?

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 19:2

2 "Speak to all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say to them: 'You shall be set-apart, for I Yahweh your Elohim am Set-apart.

The average Christian, or Messianic, or Ephraimite, says we all have the Set-apart Spirit, and we will see that later when we get to Parasha Korach, but if we all had His Spirit, then would we not discipline ourselves to keep Yeshua's Torah the way Yeshua says to keep it?

So, what is it when Yeshua's people think that they have His Spirit, but they do not want to do all the things that Yeshua said to do and all that implies? Join us to find out.

## **Kedoshim 2022**

We should really cover a few important administrative announcements.

So, now, this year on the Torah (or aviv barley) Calendar, we are talking about using the true first fruits of barley. The first, FIRST fruits, not just some random sheaf the Karaites or the Messianics take from the middle of the crop; using the true first fruits of barley which we were commanded to use. We have all kinds of studies about that on the website.

Parasha Kedoshim for 2022 falls during Chag haSukkot (or the Pilgrimage Feast of Tabernacles) so, we are going to combine the two teachings in this video because really there is a lot in common; the messages are very similar.

But in the [Torah Calendar](#) study we explained that this year from the barley of 2022 until the first fruits of barley of 2023, for reasons we explain in that study, this is probably the Shemitah (or the Land Rest Year) which happens every seven years.

And you can read about that in our study on the Shemitah and the Jubilees in the *Torah Calendar* study, so happy studying.

But according to Devarim (or Deuteronomy) chapter 31 starting in verse 9, during the Shemitah (or the Land Rest Year) when we live in the land, Yahweh wants us to assemble and read this Torah aloud so that everyone can hear, and learn, and obey it.

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 31:9-11

9 So Moses wrote this Torah and delivered it to the priests, the sons of Levi, who bore the ark of the covenant of Yahweh, and to all the elders of Israel.

10 And Moses commanded them, saying: "At the end of every seven years, at the appointed time in the year of release, at the Feast of Tabernacles,



11 when all Israel comes to appear before Yahweh your Elohim in the place which He chooses, you shall read this Torah before all Israel in their hearing.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 25:2

2 “Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: ‘When you come into the land which I give you, then the land shall keep a Sabbath to Yahweh.

Well, I know that when we are listening to the Torah in pieces, bit by bit, it is different, but it is really something when you listen to the whole thing together; it gives a much better overview.

But obviously we are not in the land right now, so the commandment does not apply to us as a commandment, but the principle (or the precept) is still valid, it is still worthwhile to hear all of the Torah (or at least all of Deuteronomy), read all together.

And Yahweh is getting ready to bring us back home. And we had to leave home because we were not doing His commandments. So, now that He is getting ready to bring us home, it is a really good idea to read the Torah over Sukkot, the whole Torah, and then we will do it again in seven years.

However, it takes about 14 to 15 hours just to read the Torah straight through (or to listen to the Torah on audio straight through) and that is with no discussion, no Rabbi trails, no deep dive studies, no detours, nothing like that.

But there is an age-old dispute about this passage. So, many believe that, while Yahweh is really saying, here in Deuteronomy, is that He wants us to read Devarim (or Deuteronomy) every seven years. And that takes a few

hours, but it is definitely very doable. Depending, of course, on how many side-stops and detours and Rabbi trails you take. But it is generally doable for anyone who wants to do it.

So, if you at all can, we advise, please read or listen to the whole Torah over Sukkot this year. But if you cannot, if you honestly cannot - then there is an absolute bare-bones minimum - then please be sure to read or listen to Devarim (or Deuteronomy).

Now, let us dive into Parasha Kedoshim for 2022.

So, usually a Parasha gets its name from something in the first two sentences of the Parasha which describes the main theme of the Parasha. And so, in this case, 'Parasha Kedoshim' means, 'Parasha set-apart ones,' because the word 'Kedoshim' refers to Yahweh's faithful people that separate themselves (or set themselves apart) from the world; they leave Egypt and follow Him so they can remain undefiled, so they can walk set-apart unto Him and not after the ways of the world. And of course, there is a lot to that; we are talking about that week by week.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 19:2

2 "Speak to all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say to them: 'You shall be set-apart, for I Yahweh your Elohim am Set-apart.

And I guess, just to mention, some people (I guess) do not like camping, but really we all need to get used to it because in Hoshea 12 and verse 9, Yahweh tells us that we will again dwell in tents as it was when we left Egypt. And in the [Revelation](#) study, we explain what will take place after trumpet seven, which is coming right up courtesy of the Sabbatean Frankist sect.

Hoshea (Hosea) 12:9

9 “But I am Yahweh your Elohim, ever since the land of Egypt; I will again make you dwell in tents, as in the days of the appointed feast.

Now, we are going to be dwelling in tents with Him, and according to the [Ancient Hebrew Wedding](#) Model, this time of dwelling in tents with Him is symbolic of the consummation and the wedding week. So, this is the consummation of the wedding, so we do not want that; we do not like that. Are we sure we do not like camping? Are we sure we do not want a honeymoon with Yeshua? That is what we are saying if we do not want to go camping with Yeshua, we are saying we do not want the honeymoon with Yeshua. Word to the wise is sufficient.

Well, we are to be set-apart people. We are not to follow the ways of Egypt; we are not to seek the pleasures of the flesh. That is not supposed to be us, we are supposed to value Yeshua so much. We do not want that; that is garbage to us. We do not want that, we want Him!

Luqa (Luke) 12:31

31 But seek the kingdom of Elohim, and all these things shall be added to you.

So, for Sukkot, we leave our comfortable houses and our nice comfortable beds for eight days, and we dwell in a flopsy, unstable shelter that really does not provide much shelter, or much protection from the elements, or from thieves or, from enemies, or even from wild animals. Sometimes the weather can be really hot or it can be really cold, depending on where we live. Sometimes it can rain and then all the children get sick.

It is not always a real fun vacation, but it is a critical time, because even though Sukkot is technically an open Feast (it is supposed to be open to all those of the nations), it sets us apart by just attending Sukkot. Because we are not really here to have fun, we are not really here to share stories about the world and to make basically worldly friendships under the cover of Sabbath and Feasts. What we are here to do is to serve our Husband Yeshua and His Father, Yahweh, whatever they want. And we know they are military people, we know that they have a very exacting regimen for us to follow if we want to become His bride.

So, we are also here to prepare to leave the world, or to leave Egypt, physically. The second Exodus is coming up, and we will again dwell in tents.

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:17

17 And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of Elohim abides forever.

So, now in Yochanan (or John) chapter 17 in verse 16 Yeshua tells us that His people would not be of the world, His people do not love Egypt, His people do not love mystery Babylon, okay?

Yochanan (John) 17:16

16 They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.

He is coming for a set-apart bride without spot, without wrinkle, without blemish. And we know Yeshua did not come to change His Father's standards, He did not come to change His Father's commands. Yeshua still wants us to be a set-apart people, He says so. We will see that in a moment.

Hitgalut (Revelation) 22:12

12 “And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work.

Yochanan (John) 6:38

38 For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.

So, in Vayiqra 19 in verse 2, Yahweh tells us to be holy (or set-apart), what does that mean? What are we supposed to do?

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 19:2

2 “Speak to all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say to them: ‘You shall be set-apart, for I Yahweh your Elohim am Set-apart.

Okay, well, we like to look up Hebrew words with Strong's Hebrew Concordance, so we look it up and we see its Strong's Hebrew 6918 *kadosh*, and it comes from Hebrew 6942, and it means, *set-apart* or *separated*.

קָדוֹשׁ qâdôwsh, (kaw-doshe'); or קִדְּוֹשׁ qâdôsh; from H6942; sacred (ceremonially or morally); (as noun) Elohim (by eminence), an angel, a saint, a sanctuary:—set-apart (One), saint.  
[Strongs Concordance]

Just like Israel was to separate from Egypt and be a people dedicated unto Him; we also are to separate ourselves from the world. We are lights in the world, but we are not of the world.

Yochanan (John) 17:16

16 They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.

So, what is it to be set-apart? To be set-apart means we are going to shun the world and the things of the world. If any man loves the world, the love of the father is not in Him. It means we are to set ourselves apart from seeking after our own desires so we can seek the fulfillment of His desires.

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:15

15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

Romim (Romans) 12:2

2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of Elohim.

If we have an afternoon, what are we going to do with it? Are we going to go pleasure our flesh? Are we going to go riding in the Florida Keys on our bicycles? Or are we going to have fun for ourselves? Are we going to spend that time for Yeshua helping Him fulfill His desires?

Well, we are to set ourselves apart, just as Yeshua set Himself apart. He is our example after all; we are to walk as He walked, we are to do as He did.

Yochanan (John) 15:10

10 If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:6

6 He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked.

Kepha Aleph (1 Peter) 2:21

21 For to this you were called, because Messiah also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps:

Well, okay, Vayiqra 20 in verse 7, Yahweh again tells us to set ourselves apart from the defilements of the world so that we can be kadosh, so we can be set-apart just like Yahweh is Kadosh, just like Yahweh is Set-apart.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 20:7

7 Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be set-apart, for I am Yahweh your Elohim.

And remembering that this Angel (or Messenger) of Yahweh who spoke with Moshe was Yeshua, because Yahweh the Father has never left the throne room in heaven.

Shemote (Exodus) 23:20-21

20 "Behold, I send an Angel before you to keep you in the way and to bring you into the place which I have prepared.

21 Beware of Him and obey His voice; do not provoke Him, for He will not pardon your transgressions; for My name is in Him.

So, then where do Christians get this idea that Yeshua came to overthrow or overturn His Father's Torah? What? Like Yeshua is Absalom or something like that. Yahweh forbid, Yeshua did not come to overthrow His Father's Authority. It does not make any sense.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 5:17

17 "Do not think that I came to destroy the Torah or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill.

Now, if we have questions on the relationship between the Torah (or Law) on the one hand and favor (or grace) on the other, then I would encourage you to read the [Nazarene Israel](#) study, it is a primer. We answer all those kind of questions in there. And if you will read and understand what that study says, you will literally know more about your Bible than 99 percent of all Christians and Jews out there. That is not an exaggeration.

But notice, we can search the Scriptures from Genesis to Revelation, we are not going to find any passage where Yahweh tells us, *“You no longer need to cleanse yourself from sin after the Messiah comes.”* Or *“you no longer need to be kadosh. You no longer need to be set-apart. You no longer need to leave Egypt.”*

In fact, quite the opposite. As we are going to see, even Yeshua's disciples are going to quote Yahweh, we are going to see that near the end of this presentation, they are going to tell us to be set-apart, for Yahweh Elohim is Set-apart; it is the same language.

Kepha Aleph (1 Peter) 1:15-16

15 but as He who called you is set-apart, you also be set-apart in all your conduct,

16 because it is written, “Be set-apart, for I am Set-apart.”

And Yahweh-Yeshua also is the one who gave us the statutes, commandments, judgments, and ordinances, so that we would learn to be kadosh for Him.

Yochanan (John) 14:15-16

15 “If you love Me, keep My commandments.

16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—



It is kind of – again, what Yahweh originally wanted was for us to hear and obey His voice, including His written commandments.

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 28:1

1 “Now it shall come to pass, if you diligently obey the voice of Yahweh your Elohim, to observe carefully all His commandments which I command you today, that Yahweh your Elohim will set you high above all nations of the earth.

What Yahweh did then is He gave us a step-by-step kind of like a guard rail, or a road. If you do not go outside the guard rails, you will be okay. So, but a lot of people, I guess they learn to drive down the road by scraping the guard rails as they go (or something like that). Really, we need to bear in mind that, what Elohim wants is to restore the broken and lost relationship that was severed in the Garden of Eden, when we decided not to hear and obey His voice. All the rest is history, as they say. Except there is also a plan that we are to live for Him, together.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 18:11

11 For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost.

So, now, let us notice, in Vayiqra chapters 19 and 20, Yahweh is going to give us a lot, really, a lot of commandments, statutes, ordinances, judgments. And these are things to show us how He wants us to live, these are things for us to do for Him. And He also lists some other things that He counts as abominations, and these are things that we should never do.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 19:37

37 'Therefore you shall observe all My statutes and all My judgments, and perform them: I am Yahweh.'

Well, we will see, some of these prohibitions crop up again in the Renewed Covenant. Like, we are going to see the four prohibitions of Acts chapter 15. Those are extracts, or they are principles, those are precepts, those are things that are going to get us cut off from the nation of Israel. And most Christians have no idea that these four prohibitions are still binding on us today.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 20:22

22 'shall therefore keep all My statutes and all My judgments, and perform them, that the land where I am bringing you to dwell may not vomit you out.

Because why? Because they all speak to Torah principles or precepts. So, these are things we have to do if we want to not be cut off from the nation. Plus, we need to remember this was a ruling of the Spirit, so it is binding on us today.

Yochanan (John) 4:23

23 But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him.

So, now notice in verse 37, Yahweh tells us to keep (or to shomer) all of His statutes, and judgments. How many is all? Remember, this is Yeshua talking, okay?

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 19:37

37 'Therefore you shall observe all My statutes and all My judgments, and perform them: I am Yahweh.'

Then, in verse 26, Yahweh-Yeshua tells us again, "*And you shall be set-apart to Me, for I, Yahweh, am Set-apart.*" And notice He says, "*I have separated you from the peoples that you should be mine, and not your father the devil.*"

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 20:26

26 And you shall be set-apart to Me, for I Yahweh am Set-apart, and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be Mine.

But does this not imply that, in order to be His, do we not need to separate from the other peoples? Do we not need to not dangle our toes in the pool of the world? Do we not need to be separated from the world? Do we not need to come out of the world like our forefathers had to leave Egypt; that we need to leave Egypt in our hearts?

We need to do everything that He says, being thankful and grateful that He would even consider us for such a role as His Son's bride, slave queen of the Universe. You are a slave, but you are a queen; show me a better deal than that one. I have not heard of anything like it.

Now, all throughout the Torah, we see it again, and again, and again, and again, Yahweh calls us to be *kedoshim*, as in Parasha kedoshim. He wants us to be set-apart unto Him, and that is what His commandments, and statutes, and ordinances are all about.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 19:2

2 “Speak to all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say to them: ‘You shall be set-apart, for I Yahweh your Elohim am Set-apart.

They are like, when you follow those little footsteps on the pavement, right? This is the way I want you to go. It is like having a guard rail on the road, okay? That is what we are supposed to do.

Yeshua did not come to change His Father's rules, it does not make any sense. He is not going to take a disobedient bride back to His Father's house, to thumb her nose at His Father. That is not going to work, okay?

We also cannot say, “*Well, we have the Spirit,*” and then continue in sin. If we have the Set-apart Spirit, are we walking according to it?

Romim (Romans) 6:1-2

1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound?

2 Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?

Meaning, are we doing the things that Yeshua would be doing if He would be here?

Yochanan (John) 15:10

10 If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

Because He is here, in Spirit, and we are supposed to be His body; His hands and His feet, doing the things He says for us to do. Doing the things that please His Father, Yahweh. Forsaking the things of the world and of

Babylon that displease Yahweh. That is what we are supposed to be doing is it not?

Ephesim (Ephesians) 5:8

8 For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Master. Walk as children of light

Okay, but, now brothers, sisters, let us be honest all right? Let us take a look at the prophecies. Is Yahweh pleased with Ephraim? Today we look at ourselves like, *“Hey, we are resting on Sabbath and Feasts, we are reading the Torah, we understand our Israelite identity,”* but is Yahweh pleased with us in Ephraim today?

Prior to Armageddon, prior to the great culling that is coming, what does Yahweh say is going to happen? What does Yahweh say we are like, right now?

So, this all brings us to our Haftara prophetic portion in Amos 9. Now, Amos was a prophet to the northern kingdom of Ephraim, he was a prophet to our forefathers. And they believe he was an older contemporary of Hoshea and Yeshayahu (or Isaiah). That means they all lived together about the same time. And he was a little older than Hoshea and Isaiah (or Yeshayahu) were.

But now Amos has some critical information for us today in Ephraim that we (basically) need to deal with; we need to sit down and count the cost. Now, there is nothing pleasant about this. Of course, with most of the prophets, there is nothing too pleasant. But brothers, sisters, if we want to survive, then do we not need to be realistic, that we need to think soberly and not think like the drunkards of Ephraim that Yahweh says are not going to make it home?

Okay, so Amos chapter 9, I speak as to wise disciples who love Yeshua, Amos speaks of Yahweh's coming judgment and His judgment is coming upon us here in Ephraim (that is who this epistle is to). It is to us, okay? To our forefathers, but also to us. And these passages are for us, in verse 7.

If we are willing to take a sober look at things, we can see what Yahweh thinks about our present performance. We think we are great. We are resting on Sabbath, we are resting on the Feasts, we know to read the Torah, all these things. Let us take a look at what Yahweh thinks of most of Ephraim, us.

Spoiler Alert! He thinks our performance stinks. He says that Israel (or Ephraim, us) is unto Him like the nation of Ethiopia, that is how bad we are in His sight, at the present moment, before the refinement.

Amos 9:7

7 "Are you not like the people of Ethiopia to Me, O children of Israel?" says Yahweh. "Did I not bring up Israel from the land of Egypt, the Philistines from Caphtor, and the Syrians from Kir?"

And as such, Yahweh promises to send His Son to bring us the Rapture-bus and He is going to save us all from the tribulation before it hits so that we do not have to go through any refinement, so we do not have to obey Yahweh's statutes and judgments? That is why Yeshua came, right; to nail the Law to His cross? HalleluYah, right?

And then, oh, and then we are going to zoom straight to the throne room in Yeshua's Cloud; Ray-Bans on, and theme music playing! That is going to be the coolest thing. Check us out! Listen! We are going to fly straight

to heaven where we are going to sit to the left hand and the right hand of Yahweh the Father, but wait a moment...

What version was that?

Well, um, okay. Brothers, verse 8 says Yahweh promises to destroy the sinful kingdom, He is referring to us, He is referring to the House of Ephraim (House of Israel, the Northern Kingdom, Northern House, us), okay? We should sit with that a little bit.

Amos 9:8

8 "Behold, the eyes of Yahweh Elohim are on the sinful kingdom,

And I will destroy it from the face of the earth; yet I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob," says Yahweh.

Yahweh says He is not going to kill the faithful ones of us, He is going to preserve the faithful ones of us. We may have food and clothing and that is it, but when we have food and clothing, we shall be satisfied with these. But notice He is going to destroy the sinful kingdom. And who is He talking to? He is talking to us.

Well, in our study on [\*Revelation and The End Times\*](#) (or [\*Revelation Simplified\*](#) on YouTube), we explain that this may be referring to the United States of America. Look for the final chapter in the book study called, "[\*America, Land of Babylon\*](#)".

So, Yahweh-Yeshua says that, as it was in the days of Noah, He will leave only a tiny remnant of the House of Ephraim (or Israel, us, the Northern Kingdom, House of Joseph), okay?

Luqa (Luke) 17:26-27

26 And as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man:

27 They ate, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all.

And Yahweh says He will sift the whole House of Israel among all the Nations, wherever we have gone, and that the good ones who want to leave Egypt and are doing everything they can to glorify His Son's name in the meantime, those are the ones He is going to bring back, okay?

Amos 9:9, 14

9 "For surely I will command, and will sift the house of Israel among all nations, as grain is sifted in a sieve; yet not the smallest grain shall fall to the ground.

14 I will bring back the captives of My people Israel; they shall build the waste cities and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and drink wine from them; they shall also make gardens and eat fruit from them.

He is sifting like wheat to get rid of all the chaff, those are the ones He is going to bring back; the ones that want to live set-apart unto Him, the ones that want to be kedoshim and are walking that way; walking the way Yeshua walked in the first century.

However, in verse 10 it says that all - how many is all? - all of the sinners of Yahweh's people will die.



Amos 9:10

10 All the sinners of My people shall die by the sword,

Who say, 'The calamity shall not overtake nor confront us.'

So, now, sin is the transgression of the Torah.

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 3:4

4 Whoever commits sin also commits Torahlessness, and sin is Torahlessness.

Does that not mean that everyone who breaks the Torah will die? Meaning that everyone who does not keep the whole Torah will die, even if they say they are keeping Torah but they are not really truly doing everything? Well, that would include the vast majority of those of us in Ephraim.

Ya'akov (James) 2:10

10 For whoever shall keep the whole Torah, and yet stumble in one point, he is guilty of all.

We think we are good, right; everything is good here, everything is cool? No calamity shall not overtake us nor even confront us because we have Yeshua? We know to rest on Sabbath and Feasts, we know to read the Torah. Therefore, Amos is a liar? We do not need to keep Yahweh's statutes and judgments? No, no, no, no, no, no, not us.

Reality Check! Brother, look at your Facebook page, I speak as to the wise, everyone you know who does not choose to do all of Yahweh's Torah, what does Amos say happens to them?

Well, there is some good news in verse 11. Yahweh tells us that, after He has destroyed all of the people who do not keep the whole Torah, that is when He is going to raise the Tabernacle of David back up.

Amos 9:11

11 "On that day I will raise up the Tabernacle of David, which has fallen down, and repair its damages; I will raise up its ruins, and rebuild it as in the days of old;

And we know that the Tabernacle of David is a means of spiritual governance that we are supposed to rule and reign with His rod of iron. We explain that in the [Revelation](#) study and in many other places. And that, brothers and sisters, that is when Yahweh's promises to bring back the captives of His people, Israel, after the sinners have been purged.

We are talking about how Israel left Egypt all of a sudden, and they had 40 years of attrition wandering in the wilderness. So, the sinners did not make it last time. And again, it is going to be 40 years of attrition and then a sudden Exodus. But once again, the sinners among His people are not going to make it. And the difference is that, this time the sinners of His people, if that includes your children, your children will not go home to the land because His land is going to be purged, His land is going to be refined by fire this time. We talked about that in the [Revelation](#) study.

Well, what does all this look like? Okay, what does it mean to us? Well, what it means to me is that, if we are not paying our tithes, and if we are not doing all of the Torah that we can do right now, we are not going to make it, we are not going to make it home.

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 20:38

38 I will purge the rebels from among you, and those who transgress against Me; I will bring them out of the country where they dwell, but they shall not enter the land of Israel. Then you will know that I am Yahweh.

And the problem is, that is a bad gamble, that is what we read in Scripture, I speak as to the wise, most of the drunkards of Ephraim are making this bad gamble at the moment and Amos says they will not make it, okay?

So, now, we can do the math, okay? Most of us are not going to make it, sad fact, how are we going to set ourselves apart from the rest of them; from those who are not wanting to do all the Torah, who do not truly want to go home? Serving Yeshua and helping Him build His kingdom is not truly their top priority in life, how do we separate ourselves from those people who do not want to obey and do not want to do what Elohim says?

Luqa (Luke) 9:62

62 But Yeshua said to him, "No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of Elohim."

Hmm... let us see.

Now, how can we set ourselves apart from the majority of Ephraim who are not keeping all the Torah? Hmm... Okay, well, let us pray on that one.

But the Christians are going to say, *"Oh, no, no, we do not need to set ourselves apart. No, we have Yeshua. We have Yeshua in our hearts. We no longer need to set ourselves apart from the world because Paul says so,*

*right?"* No, he does not. We talk about that in the *Nazarene Israel* study.

Kepha Bet (2 Peter) 3:15-17

15 and consider that the longsuffering of our Master is salvation—as also our beloved brother Shaul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you,

16 as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which untaught and unstable people twist to their own destruction, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures.

17 You therefore, beloved, since you know this beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked;

And we also explain in the [Nazarene Israel](#) study that, in Second Peter (or Kepha Bet) chapter 3, starting in verse 15, Kepha explains to us that the apostle Shaul can be very hard to understand, and he is basically very easy to misinterpret. And there were people in the first century who did twist and misinterpret what the apostle Shaul was saying. And in the Nazarene Israel study, we show that those people are the Christians.

So, now in Qorintim Aleph (or First Corinthians) chapter 6, starting in verse 9, the apostle Paul tells us that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of Elohim.

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 6:9

9 Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of Elohim? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites,

So, anyone who is saying that we can break the Torah, what they need to understand is that, in Hebraic thought, righteousness is defined as keeping Yahweh's commandments. That is how we become righteous, is to keep Yahweh's commandments. And here we have the apostle Shaul telling us that, those who are unrighteous, those who are not keeping all the commandments, will not inherit the kingdom of Elohim, okay? You can pull whatever other verses you want out of your hat, but let us not ignore this verse.

Now, since righteousness in Hebraic culture means keeping Yahweh's Torah commandments, and Torot, the whole thing what it means is those who do not keep the Torah commandments are not going to inherit the kingdom. It is very clear right there on the page. What part about it do we not understand?

It tells us not to be deceived. If we are fornicating, if we have any kind of an idol (and we go into some detail on idolatry in the *Nazarene Israel* study, there are a lot of idols people do not realize are idols), anyone who is committing adultery or even adultery in your heart, anyone who is a homosexual or a sodomite, thieves, covetous, drinkers, revilers - how many revilers do we see in that room, how many extortioners? - we will talk about that in another place - they will not inherit the kingdom of Elohim, okay?

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 6:9-10

9 Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of Elohim? Do not be deceived.

Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites,

10 nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of Elohim.

And the Christian says, well, why not? After all, they call on the name of Jesus do they not? And they prophesy in His name and do many mighty works in His name.

Okay, but the problem is, we are still breaking the Torah and that is not righteousness. We can claim that even the demons believe and they tremble, but the demons do not do the things Yahweh says to do. So, we do like the demons, right? And somehow we think we also will escape judgment, right? Just because we call in the name of Yeshua, but we are not obeying Yeshua.

Ya'akov (James) 2:19

19 You believe that there is one Elohim. You do well. Even the demons believe—and tremble!

So, do we still need to set ourselves apart? You can pull out verses from the apostle Shaul, but what about Romim (or Romans) chapter 12 and verse 2 which tells us not to be conformed to this world, not to be conformed to Egypt; not to merge, not to mix, not to mingle, we do not like the world. But to be transformed by the renewing of our minds that we may prove what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of Elohim.

Romim (Romans) 12:2

2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of Elohim.

How are we going to serve the great Spirit if we do not have a spiritual transformation? And does this not say that, if we have Yeshua's Spirit in truth that we will be transformed? If we surrender to Yeshua's Spirit, will we not be transformed? And if we have not yet been transformed by Yeshua's Spirit, if we have not yet

surrendered to his Spirit, then do we truly have His Spirit? Or if we do have it, are we quenching it?

So, brothers and sisters, and any Christians that happen to be watching, do we still need to set ourselves apart from the world? Do we actually need to leave Egypt in our hearts?

Qorintim Aleph (or First Corinthians) chapter 6 in verse 15, Shaul asks us, do we not know that our bodies are members of Messiah? Shall we take the members of Messiah and join them with the members of a harlot? Certainly not. Yahweh forbid! Or do we not know that He is who is joined to a harlot becomes one body with her? For the two, he says, shall become one flesh. Except that he who is joined to the Master is one Spirit with Him.

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 6:15-17

15 Do you not know that your bodies are members of Messiah? Shall I then take the members of Messiah and make them members of a harlot? Certainly not!

16 Or do you not know that he who is joined to a harlot is one body with her? For "the two," He says, "shall become one flesh."

17 But he who is joined to the Master is one spirit with Him.

So, again, are we one Spirit with Him? Are we seeking to do with our time and our money, the same things Yeshua would be seeking to do with His time and His money? Are we taking Yeshua's last name in the wedding (so to speak); and are we becoming one flesh with our Husband?

But then we want to bring other spirits into the mix, we do not want to set ourselves apart from the world, not

really. We still like our vacations, we still like our fancy this and our fancy that. Do we not realize that Elohim's Spirit cannot mix with things of the world; cannot let us pollute Him? I mean, it would be self-defense on His part, not to take us as His bride, if we think about that.

Ya'akov (James) 4:4

4 Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with Elohim? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of Elohim.

And then in Qorintim Aleph (or First Corinthians) chapter 6 in verse 19, now Shaul asks us if we know that our body is the Temple of the Set-apart Spirit who is in us, or should be in us, unquenched, whom we have from Elohim as a precious gift.

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 6:19

19 Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Set-apart Spirit who is in you, whom you have from Elohim, and you are not your own?

We are no longer supposed to be our own, for we were bought with the price. This means we are Elohim's property, it means we are Elohim's slaves. Therefore, we should glorify Elohim in our bodies, and in our Spirits, which are supposed to be Elohim's. We are not supposed to have a separate life apart from building our Master's Kingdom.

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 6:20

20 For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify Elohim in your body and in your spirit, which are Elohim's.



Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 7:22

22 For he who is called in the Master while a slave is the Master's freedman. Likewise he who is called while free is Messiah's slave.

And then in Galatim (or Galatians) chapter 5 in verse 16, Shaul tells us that, if we will walk in the Spirit, then we will not fulfill the lusts of the flesh, but we have to walk in the Spirit.

Galatim (Galatians) 5:16

16 I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

Well, we need to remember that the Spirit is contrary to the things of the flesh. The flesh lusts against the Spirit and the Spirit lusts against the flesh. And these two things, they are contrary to one another, because the Spirit and the flesh are polar opposites. So, we need to surrender to the Spirit to the extent that we no longer do the things that we wish.

Galatim (Galatians) 5:17

17 For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.

I remember one time we did an immersion, and we did the immersion and then the people just got up and they made plans to go off and go flying in their airplane (or whatever). They were not going to do anything for Elohim on the Sabbath, they were going to go flying in their airplane for their pleasure; speaking their own words doing their own things. They thought they were great! They had an immersion on Sabbath, check. They thought they were done. It was difficult to explain it to

them, like it is difficult to explain things to a lot of Ephraim.

But what we need to understand is, if we are truly His, like we say, we are that, we no longer want to do our own thing; all we want to do is to serve our Husband so that one day we can be with our Husband, so that we can help Him get His kingdom, which His Father sent Him to get. So, we need to do the things He wishes, not the things we wish.

Verse 18, only if we are led by the Spirit, that we are not under the Torah, which means we are not saved by works of Torah, which never was the case.

Galatim (Galatians) 5:18

18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Torah.

But that was the mythology that our Rabbinical brethren still practice, today. They still do works of Torah in order to become qualified and saved. We are not saved by the works of our hands, we are saved by His Spirit, by His unmerited favor, by His grace. We did not do anything worthy of salvation, He gives us salvation.

So, now that we have that relationship with Him, now that we are abiding in Him, Him in us, Him in the Father and the Father in Him, now we want to do the things that please Him because we are letting His Spirit lead us. Our Spirit has to get out of the way, there is no room for our separate spirit. Or at least, the very least, it is like the old saying: If Yahweh is your co-pilot, switch seats, hand Him the steering wheel, let Him take control.

Shaul tells us that, if we will set ourselves apart unto Yahweh and walk in the Spirit, meaning let the Spirit

move us, then we will witness the fruits of the Spirit and not the works of the flesh. But we must set our minds apart for this to work, we have to be renewed by the renewing of our minds. We cannot keep the Torah in our flesh.

Ephesim (Ephesians) 4:22-23

22 that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts,

23 and be renewed in the spirit of your mind,

That is the thing our Rabbinical brethren do not understand. To do things to Elohim's satisfaction, there has got to be a restoration of that relationship that was lost in the Garden of Eden.

There is no love of Yahweh our Father because it is that restoration of that relationship that was lost, that is what He wants. And He wants it to come through His Son, that is what He wants. But once we are in relationship with Him, and He is our Husband, and we are His helper, do we want to do nothing for Him? Who wants to do everything we can for Him like a good Proverbs 31 bride?

Verse 19 says, now the works of the flesh are evident: Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, - we have rules against these in the Torah – idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions - any of that in the Messianic movement? - Heresies, - any of that in the Messianic movement? - envy, murders, drunkenness, - there are rules against these in the Torah – revelries, and the like, doing our own thing. Of which I tell you beforehand just as I also told you in times past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the

kingdom of Elohim, because they are doing their own will instead of doing and keeping His will.

Galatim (Galations) 5:19-21

19 Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness,  
20 idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies,  
21 envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of Elohim.

Verse 22 tells us that the fruit of the Spirit is different, it is not like the works of the flesh. But when we are letting the Spirit move through us, we feel love, we feel joy, we feel at Shalom. We are at one with Yahweh, we are at Shalom; there is peace in our world. We have long suffering with those who need long-suffering, and not with those who do not. But kindness, goodness, faithfulness, these are not things that come from us, these are fruits of a spiritual transformation. Gentleness, self-control, there is no law against these. The Torah never ever says you cannot be gentle; you cannot be self-controlled.

Galatim (Galations) 5:22-23

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,  
23 gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no Torah.

It implies that we need to be gentle, we need to be self-controlled. Yahweh never prohibits the fruits of the Spirit, it is the works of the flesh that the Torah commandments prohibit. And that is why those who are truly Messiahs

have already crucified the flesh with its passions and its desires. We reject those; our flesh wants something, we reject it, we get rid of it. That is what this means. We crucify the flesh, we die into Yeshua's death, so we can be raised in newness of life with Him.

Galatim (Galations) 5:24

24 And those who are Messiah's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

That is why we crucify our flesh, put it to death, put our own will to death along with all its passions and all its desires.

Qolossim (Colossians) 3:5

5 Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.

And the reason we do that is because we are already surrendered to the Spirit. Now we seek to do the Spirit's will, rather than our own will. We get some free time, we get some extra money, we ask Father, *"What do you want us to do with your time, and your money? Because I belong to you, Father."*

Well, if we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Do not just name it and claim it, walk in it.

Galatim (Galatians) 5:25

25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

Verse 26, let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another like they do in the Messianic movement. They do not even know they are

doing anything wrong. They wonder why there is so much division there, apart from TV shows.

Galatim (Galatians) 5:26

26 Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

But someone will say, *“No, no, no, you still did not prove to my satisfaction that we have to still walk in set-apartness after Yeshua's sacrifice.”*

First Thessalonians (or Thessaloniquim Aleph) Chapter 4 in verse 7 tells us, Elohim did not call us to uncleanness, He calls us in set-apartness, He calls us to be kadoshim. He says, Therefore, he who rejects the call to set-apartness that comes from Elohim and the need to walk and live set-apart, he is not rejecting man, he is rejecting Elohim who is calling us to be set-apart.

Thessaloniquim Aleph (1 Thessalonians) 4:7-8

7 For Elohim did not call us to uncleanness, but in set-apartness.

8 Therefore he who rejects this does not reject man, but Elohim, who has also given us His Set-apart Spirit.

And He is also the One who gave us His set-apart Spirit. So, we say we have the set-apart Spirit, are we still claiming that Shaul says we can ignore the Torah commandments? We are still claiming Shaul says you can do what you want?

Romim (Romans) 6:1-2

1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound?

2 Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?

Well, shaliach Kepha (or the apostle Peter) chimes in. He tells us how to interpret on this vital matter, we talk about this a lot in the [Nazarene Israel](#) study, we go into more detail on that there. But in Kepha Aleph (or First Peter) chapter 1 verse 13, Kepha tells us, therefore, to gird up the loins of our minds (so to speak) and be sober (do not be the drunkards of Ephraim but be sober) and to rest our hope fully upon the favor (or the grace) that is to be brought to us at the revelation of Yeshua Messiah.

Kepha Aleph (1 Peter) 1:13

13 Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Yeshua Messiah;

We are talking about Armageddon. Something big, something special will take place at Armageddon, okay? And in the meantime, even then, we need to be as obedient children, trusting Yahweh as our parent, trusting Him as our Father and doing what He says, like when we were children. Not conforming ourselves to our former lusts in the world, for the things of the world as in our earlier ignorance.

Kepha Aleph (1 Peter) 1:14

14 as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance;

Because we are not supposed to seek the world and the things of the world. If any man loves the world, the love of the Father is not in Him. But as Yahweh who called us is Set-apart, so also must we be set-apart in all our conduct. Because it is written, and he quotes Yahweh-Yeshua, *“Be set-apart, for I am Set-apart.”*

Kepha Aleph (1 Peter) 1:15-16

15 but as He who called you is Set-apart, you also  
be set-apart in all your conduct,  
16 because it is written, "Be set-apart, for I am Set-  
apart."

Be kedoshim! Be Yahweh's set-apart ones.

So, is not Shaul repeating here, Yahweh-Yeshua's  
command? Is not Kepha also repeating Yahweh-  
Yeshua's command?

So, what about us, brothers, sisters, if we want to be part  
of Yeshua's bride, what should we do? What steps  
should we take? How can we set ourselves apart from  
the disobedient so we will find favor in his sight in that  
day?

Sukkot Shalom.



# Parasha Emor

*Leviticus 21-24; Ezekiel 44; Luke 11-12*

We have been talking all about being a set-apart people onto Yahweh and that takes listening and also obeying what we hear, including all of Yahweh's written commandments.

Shemote (Exodus) 19:5-6

5 Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine.

6 And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a set-apart nation.' These are the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel."

But some have written, some have asked, how do we do this? How can we hear Yahweh's voice and how are we supposed to be able to abide 24/7 in Yeshua's Spirit, 100 percent, all of the time?

And, you talk about if Yahweh is your co-pilot, switch seats, so how can we do that? We have lives, we have to hold down jobs, how can we let Him lead?

Well, to find out the answers to these questions and more, please join us for Parasha Emor 2022.

## **Emor 2022**

In Hebrew the word *Emor* means, *speak*. And what we want to see is a special pattern in the speaking that repeats itself, even unto today.

Now, in Parasha Emor, Yahweh is speaking to His people, thus, Parasha Emor. And what Yahweh is doing in speaking to His people is He is teaching them what His standards truly are. He is teaching the people what He wants, how He wants us to do things. And then, Yahweh expects His priesthood to speak (or teach, in context) His standards to all the people. That is how it is supposed to work.

Melachim Aleph (1 Kings) 2:3

3 And keep the charge of Yahweh your Elohim: to walk in His ways, to keep His statutes, His commandments, His judgments, and His testimonies, as it is written in the Torah of Moshe, that you may prosper in all that you do and wherever you turn;

But one of the keys is, the priesthood was never supposed to make up their own standards and rules. And, rather, they were to pass along Yahweh's standards and rules that they heard from the prophet, to the people. Are you listening brother Judah?

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 4:2

2 You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of Yahweh your Elohim which I command you.

Well, for example, in Vayiqra (or Leviticus) chapter 21 in verse 1 we read, Yahweh said to Moshe, speak to the priests, the sons of Aharon and say to them, (basically) if you want to make Me happy, then listen and do what I say. And then, in turn, Moshe speaks (or teaches) Yahweh's words to Aharon and his sons, just like Yahweh says to do.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 21:1

1 And Yahweh said to Moshe, "Speak to the priests, the sons of Aharon, and say to them: 'None shall defile himself for the dead among his people,

What that means, though, and what we need to see here, is the principle behind this, the precept behind this. Which is that, the prophet is going to hear Yahweh's words and then pass Yahweh's words along to the priesthood.

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 1:9, 17

9 Then Yahweh put forth His hand and touched my mouth, and Yahweh said to me: "Behold, I have put My words in your mouth.

17 "Therefore prepare yourself and arise, and speak to them all that I command you. Do not be dismayed before their faces, lest I dismay you before them.

And then the priesthood, in turn, is going to teach Yahweh's words to the people. The priesthood is not supposed to make up their own rules, okay?

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 17:9

9 And you shall come to the priests, the Levites, and to the judge there in those days, and inquire of them; they shall pronounce upon you the sentence of judgment.

But now, we are going to see a very special pattern here. When you take good note of this, tuck it away, because we are going to see this happen again, and again and again, throughout Scripture.

What we are going to see is that Yahweh is going to use the anointed prophet (or the anointed judge), in this case

Moshe ha-Nasi, He is going to use the anointed Prophet to transmit the correct doctrine (or the correct Torah) to the priesthood.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 6:25

25 “Speak to Aharon and to his sons, saying, ‘This is the law of the sin offering: In the place where the burnt offering is killed, the sin offering shall be killed before Yahweh. It is most set-apart.

Do you understand what I am saying? The super saying is, the prophet who transmits the Torah to the priesthood, is effectively training the priesthood. And then, once the priesthood knows what to do, really, they should be able to take it from there.

Now, it sounds simple, but this is a very important pattern for us. We talk about it a little bit in our four-part mini-series on the [“Tabernacle of David”](#) which is located in [Nazarene Scripture Studies, Volume Four](#). We hope to do a lot more with that study later; we could we could talk about that a long time.

But one of the most important things we see in that study is that the anointed Judge, King David, was used to establish the correct doctrine for the priesthood for the Melchizedekian Order, serving in the Tabernacle of David. And because David was a prophet, he could effectively serve as Melchizedekian priest.

Tehillim (Psalms) 119:44-45

44 So shall I keep Your law continually, forever and ever.

45 And I will walk at liberty, for I seek Your precepts.

So, the pattern that we see all throughout Scripture is that the anointed judge (or the anointed prophet,

because a judge is a prophet), he is the one who delivers the Torah, he is the one who delivers the instructions to the priesthood, okay?

So, we are going to see this pattern followed in King David's day; the prophet that instructed the Melchizedekian Order.

Shemuel Bet (2 Samuel) 6:12

12 Now it was told King David, saying, "Yahweh has blessed the house of Obed-Edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of Elohim." So David went and brought up the ark of Elohim from the house of Obed-Edom to the City of David with gladness.

We also see it happening in Yeshua's day. We know that Yeshua was a Prophet, and what did He do? He delivered the instructions to those who would purify themselves to become His bride.

So, it is the anointed judge (or the prophet), which in our case was Yeshua, who gives Yahweh's instructions (or Yahweh's Torah) to the priesthood. And then it is the priesthood's job to take it from there.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 10:5-6

5 These twelve Yeshua sent out and commanded them, saying: "Do not go into the way of the Gentiles, and do not enter a city of the Samaritans.

6 But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

Now, the priesthood has to instruct all the people and make sure the people know what they are supposed to do, and tell them what Yahweh says to do and not do, okay?

Hitgalut (Revelation) 22:18

18 For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds to these things, Elohim will add to him the plagues that are written in this book;

The priests were never ever, ever, supposed to make up their own rules. Are you listening brother Judah?

Okay, well, for their part, the people were to remain humble, we are all to remain humble, which means, remain teachable. We are supposed to do everything Yahweh says, okay?

But there has never been any commandment telling us we have to obey the Rabbis, okay? That is a fiction, that verse does not exist. And because the Rabbinical order is not commanded in Scripture, it is not part of Yahweh's will. In fact, as we speak about in other places, He is planning to utterly destroy it. Are you listening brother Judah?

Well, this week we want to spend more time in our Haftera prophetic portion, and also in the Brit Chadasha (or the Renewed Covenant), but we are going to see the same pattern in the Haftera prophetic portion.

So, Yehezkel (or Ezekiel) chapter 44 and verse 23. Now, just for some perspective, this is timed in the future. Yahweh writes it as if it is already passed, but we know that it is in the future. It is past for Him because He lives outside of time, but for us, this is after the coming third temple, or what we call the anti-Yeshua (or the anti-Messiah) temple.

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 44:23

23 “And they shall teach My people the difference between the set-apart and the unset-apart, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.

So, this is after the Tribulation and after Armageddon. We talk all about that in the [Revelation](#) study. Now, this fourth Temple this is the good Temple, the one in Ezekiel, we can trust that one. And the prophets have already taught the priesthood in this; in this context the prophets have already taught the priesthood what Yahweh's standards are because the Torah still applies.

But in this passage in particular, the Renewed Levitical Priests (this is after Armageddon, okay) they have the job of teaching Yahweh's people the difference between the set-apart and the profane.

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 44:23

23 “And they shall teach My people the difference between the set-apart and the unset-apart, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.

Okay, now, brother Judah, excuse me, how are you going to do that if you change the Torah that Yahweh gave to Moshe? Okay, if you are not going to follow Yahweh's words, how can you teach Yahweh's words to the people? Because you believe you can follow the majority opinion of the Rabbis, because there are many of you and only one of Him, that you outvote Him (or something like that).

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 22:26

26 Her priests have violated My Torah and profaned My set-apart things; they have not

distinguished between the set-apart and unset-apart, nor have they made known the difference between the unclean and the clean; and they have hidden their eyes from My Sabbaths, so that I am profaned among them.

Well, if we change His standards, how can we expect to teach His standards to the people? How can we teach His standards when we do not even know what they are, because we thought we would change them?

Okay, well, we are not going to get on Judah, we have to be concerned about ourselves. Or, if we can serve for Ephraim, we need to clean up our own house. And, brothers and sisters, I have been in this movement since 1999, our own house is a mess, okay? And we need a teacher to help set us straight, we need a teacher to let us know what is going on. And this is precisely what Yeshua promises in His word; is a teacher who will teach us all what He likes, right? And that teacher is His Spirit.

Yochanan (John) 15:26

26 "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.

Now, we talk about that more in our study on the [Ancient Hebrew Wedding](#) model and talk about it all throughout, because that is what we are really doing. We are talking to Yeshua's Best-friend, which is His Spirit, to learn what He likes, so we can purify ourselves.

Yochanan (John) 16:13

13 However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.



But we see, all through Scripture, we already know what He likes. It is just a question, now, do we want to do it or not? Oh, big choice. Let us see... Do we want to be obedient or disobedient?

Well, as we show in other places, the Spirit is a feminine, both in Hebrew, and in Aramaic. So, in Yochanan (or John) chapter 14 starting in verse 15, Yeshua is telling His disciples (basically) how to get the Spirit. They want to know what the Spirit is about. And notice what He says, because most people miss this completely, most people have no idea what Yeshua is really saying; because they have never just stopped long enough to sit with it until it sinks completely in and we become one with it (so to speak).

But in verse 15, Yeshua says something so simple, something any father would say to his children, He says, *“If you love Me, then keep My commandments (do what I said)”*. Then He will pray to the Father. First, we obey, we love Him enough to do what He says, find out what He wants. He wants us to keep His commandments; we are not going to get around that. No, Father forbid. We love Him, we want to please Him, we do not want to get around Him.

Yochanan (John) 14:15-16

15 “If you love Me, keep My commandments.

16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—

This is our Husband we are talking about. If we will serve Him by obeying His commandments, we will become refined, we will show Him our sincerity, we will show Him our commitment. And then He will pray to the Father, and

the Father will give us another Helper, that She may abide with us, forever.

She is called the Spirit of Truth. But it is the spirit of Torah, because if any man wills to do His will, he shall know concerning the doctrine.

Yochanan (John) 14:17

17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

Well, how does he know that he takes the correct Spirit? We know from the Psalms (Tehillim) and other places that Yahweh's Torah is the truth. David says, *“Your instruction is truth, Your Torah is truth (Your law is truth).”*

Tehillim (Psalms) 119:142

142 Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and Your Torah is truth.

Well, Yeshua seemed to agree completely with this. He seems to have believed exactly the same way. Oh, imagine that! He and His Father are One! He did not come to do away with His Father's law, like He says in Matthew 5 in verse 17.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 5:17

17 “Do not think that I came to destroy the Torah or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill.

But Yeshua calls Her, the Spirit of Truth, whom the world cannot receive, because the world never made a commitment to Yahweh. Yes, the world, they do not have a clue, they are not interested in the spiritual realm, they do not want to know.

Yochanan (John) 14:17

17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

Babylon, they are interested in the spiritual realm, but they have other spirits in mind, instead of the Set-apart Spirit.

But Yeshua says we know Her because we have made a commitment. So, because of that, Lady Wisdom shows us Her face; Lady Wisdom shows us Her favor. She helps us, she makes things clear to us, she teaches us while we are walking along in the way; this is the path, turn and walk in it. Whenever you turn to the right hand or whenever you turn to the left.

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 30:21

21 Your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it," whenever you turn to the right hand or whenever you turn to the left.

And it ought to be clear to all of us, Yahweh is the truth. How is He going to send His Son to tell His people to ignore Him? It does not make any sense at all. The entire Christian world goes running after this mythology.

The thing is, Yeshua is saying, if we love Him, do what He says. It is the same thing Yahweh says with the Spirit, "*Hear My voice, do what I say, including everything that was written.*" That is how He knows we love Him. That is how we know we love the truth. Because Yahweh is Truth, Yahweh is Love, Yahweh is Light.

So, are we truly changed? Have we become truly transformed? Because we love the truth, are we inviting Lady Wisdom in, moment by moment?

I mean, the thing about Lady Wisdom is, She is really a lady, we have to welcome Her in, or She is not going to come if you do not; she will not stay. But we have to welcome Her in. If we are not welcoming Her in, that is called 'quenching the Spirit.' You could have the Spirit, but you are not paying attention, not welcoming Her in. Bye! And that is where most of Ephraim goes, 99+ percent of them.

Thessaloniquim Aleph (1 Thessalonians) 5:19-20  
19 Do not quench the Spirit.  
20 Do not despise prophecies.

The thing is, the more we focus on Yahweh, the closer we come to Him. There has got to be something in us that is always paying attention to Yahweh. Whether you are a visual person, or auditory, or whatever, your olfactory (perhaps), whatever you are doing, there needs to be some part of us constantly tuned on Yahweh, and some part that is constantly tuned on us and our behavior, because Yeshua tells us to take heed to ourselves.

So, this shows commitment. And if we do not show commitment, then, really, it is kind of the same thing as idolatry because we have got something coming in between us and Yeshua.

Well, what do you put in between you and Yeshua but an idol? This is your Husband, this is our Husband. Are we going to put something in between us and our Husband? What are you going to do, put something

there? No, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no. So, let us notice something essential, alright?

We have eyes to read. Is Yeshua not (effectively) saying, *“Okay, you say you want My Spirit, yes? Okay, I am saying, ‘Obey the Torah commandments, first.’”* Let us understand what He is really saying here, okay?

*“Show Me you love Me by obeying the Torah commandments, first. Yes, then, after you show Me some kind of commitment by starting to guard the whole of the Torah, meaning all the commandments, then, once you show Me some commitment, that is when I am going to pray to My Father for you, and that is when He is going to send you another Helper. Because when I say, ‘Oh! This one, he has shown some commitment, or she has shown commitment, they are showing some commitment.’”*

Yochanan (John) 14:15-16

15 “If you love Me, keep My commandments.

16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—

Well, after we begin by obeying, then we can hear the Torah spoken. And at some point, we need to make a decision that we are going to do like King Josiah, we are going to take charge of everything within our domain and make things right for Yahweh, everything under our roof (so to speak).

Melachim Bet (2 Kings) 23:24

24 Moreover Josiah put away those who consulted mediums and spiritists, the household gods and idols, all the abominations that were seen in the land of Judah and in Jerusalem, that he might

perform the words of the Torah which were written in the book that Hilkiyah the priest found in the house of Yahweh.

Now, we get a lot of questions when we get correspondence, and we get some very interesting emails and requests. Some people ask us, *“How can I get Yeshua's Spirit without tithing?”*

So, basically, how can I get Yeshua's Spirit and still enjoy my life in the world? And, basically, the simple answer to that is, you cannot, none of us can. We are not supposed to be able to do that, okay?

That is, by design, we are supposed to choose between Yahweh and the world, that is it. It is a binary decision. And we can fool ourselves, and most of Ephraim does, (you know) the drunkards of Ephraim.

But the thing is, Yahweh literally makes it so we have to choose between Him and the world, we have to. That is a decision we all have to make.

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:15

15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

That is what Joshua the son of Nun said, *“As for me and my house, we shall choose to serve Yahweh.”*

Yehoshua (Joshua) 24:15

15 And if it seems evil to you to serve Yahweh, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the elohim which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the elohim of the Amorites, in whose land you

dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve Yahweh.”

And (you know) this is a binary choice. It is an either, or. Either we choose to serve Yahweh Elohim with everything we have, or He counts us traitors, treasonous, and worthy of death. To me that is fair.

So, He is going to send His Son to die for us and we are not going to respond after so many years?

Yochanan (John) 3:16

16 For Elohim so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

We will talk next week about the fig tree that did not produce fruit, but we will talk about that then.

So, I think what we need to say, brothers, sisters, is that I think there are some of us who have never truly stopped and sat down and counted the cost.

Luqa (Luke) 14:28

28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has enough to finish it—

If we have eyes to read, what we are looking at here in Scripture, does that not mean (paraphrasing) that, if we do not keep the whole of the Torah, He will not pray to the Father? Meaning, we will not get His Spirit?

I mean, if we are going to serve Yeshua as our King, or we are going to try for the bridehood, I mean, do you not think it makes sense that we better learn who He is and what He wants? And we better do what He says, we

better give it to Him, and we better make Him happy if we want to be taken as His bride.

Well, the same theme is going to continue in the Brit Chadasha (or the Renewed Covenant) portion. So, we go to Yochanan (or John) chapter 11 and verse 21. And He says, *“He who has My commandments and...”* oh, there is that word, *“...keeps them (shomer, guards) My commandments, it is He who loves Me.”*

Yochanan (John) 14:21

21 He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.”

Remember, Yeshua was the Angel (or the Messenger) that was sent before our forefathers, when we were exiting Egypt, after the first Pesach.

Shemote (Exodus) 23:21

21 Beware of Him and obey His voice; do not provoke Him, for He will not pardon your transgressions; for My name is in Him.

So, Yeshua was the One to give us the Torah, that is, our bridal Covenant, contract. Yeshua says, *“He who has My commandments and keeps them, who does My commandments, who keeps the bridal Covenant contract who keeps the plan for purification, it is he who loves Me, it is he who cares enough to become transformed so he can serve Me (or she can serve Me). And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I also will love him.”* Oh! here is a special word, *“And We will manifest Myself to *him*.”*



Yochanan (John) 14:21

21 He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.”

You know, a lot of people might think they have the Spirit, how many people think they can manifest Yeshua, or be open to be used as an empty vessel for Yeshua; to manifest His will through, not that we are Yeshua, but that we allow ourselves to manifest Yeshua's will through us?

Okay, well this means Yeshua manifests in us, okay? That is the goal, that is the renewed creation we are headed for. Here at Armageddon, we know everything is going to change after Armageddon, yet this is what we are headed for, this is the goal, this is what we want to become, a renewed creature led by the Spirit and not of the flesh.

So, brothers, sisters, it is the Spirit of truth, okay? We depend upon the Spirit of truth to guide us into all truth, okay?

But notice, is Yeshua not telling us that It is only given to those who have already made the choice to keep the whole of the Torah? And does He not give It to those who lay down their lives in the world? Because that is what the Torah is talking about.

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:4

4 He who says, “I know Him,” and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

And by ignoring the things of the world, by ignoring the t-ball, and the Rotary clubs, and the camping vacations, and this party, that party, it makes more time to serve Him. Not just a “*Check, I believe Yeshua, check, said a prayer, check.*” No, it makes more time for us to volunteer and serve Him to show our love for Him by helping to build His kingdom.

So, He gives the Spirit to the people who have already made the choice to help Him build His kingdom. And He knows that His yardstick is, they are keeping all of His commandments. That is why He said, in Matthew 5 and verse 17, not to think that He came to do away with the bridal Covenant, contract, with the Ketubah.

Yochanan (John) 14:23

23 Yeshua answered and said to him, “If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him.

But the Spirit, in Scripture, it is only given to those who are already doing their best to further Elohim's kingdom, or in our case, to help Yeshua build His kingdom. He does not just give the Spirit gratuitously.

I have seen all kinds of people take the bath (so to speak), but their hearts do not change, they do not seek Elohim, they do not seek to be filled by Him. So, you have got to start by asking, seeking and knocking.

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 55:6

6 Seek Yahweh while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near.

Well, we kind of have to remember who Yahweh is, right? So, He is a King, He is a war Elohim, right? So,

what is a war Elohim like? You have got that kind of power. He wants us to humble ourselves and serve Him. What does that look like for us? What are we supposed to do?

Shemote (Exodus) 15:3

3 Yahweh is a man of war; Yahweh is His name.

So, is a war Elohim like that, is He going to pass out the Spirit gratuitously to people who not going to obey? He might pass out the Spirit, but do they have the proper witness; they are keeping the Torah?

Shemote (Exodus) 8:20

20 And Yahweh said to Moshe, "Rise early in the morning and stand before Pharaoh as he comes out to the water. Then say to him, 'Thus says Yahweh: "Let My people go, that they may serve Me.

Remember, we have got to have both, we are going to have both the letter of the Torah and the Spirit. Because the goal is to hear and obey His voice, including all the written commandments; it is a two-part deal. These are two things that show us whether we truly have the Spirit, whether we are truly disciplining ourselves to walk according to it.

So, go figure, Yahweh is going to give the Spirit to those who want to serve Him according to the way He wants to be served. Not the way we want to serve Him, the way He says He wants to be served.

So, a lot of us receive the gift of the Spirit and we know it, we just do not use it for Him, we do not discipline ourselves to put Him first. Can we see how selfish that is?

Just talking between brothers, what we always need to be asking ourselves is, what would Yahweh get out of it? Would Yahweh like it if we ask that? Would that do anything for Yeshua? If Yahweh likes, it is a sure bet that Yeshua is going to like it also.

But still the question remains, what are we asking Him for? Why are we asking Him for it? Are we doing it for His purposes, or for our own? Well, are we truly dead to our flesh? Are we truly walking in His Spirit and not our own flesh?

Well, verse 26, Yeshua tells us that, *“the Helper, the Ruach or the Set-apart Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, She will teach you all things...”* And get this, *“...bring to your remembrance, all things that I said to you.”*

So, is the Spirit mentioning the fact that we are supposed to be ordered and organized a certain way? She is the one who teaches us all these things, if we are listening, if we remain teachable. She is the one who brings to mind all the things that Yeshua said to our forerunners, the apostles.

And in context, remembering that He is the One that Yahweh sent before our forefathers coming out of Egypt. He is also the One who gave the Torah to our forefathers in the wilderness.

So, these are all the things that the Spirit is going to bring to mind if we dedicate ourselves such that we begin doing everything that Scripture says to do. Once we begin doing what Scripture says to do, then we can receive the Spirit.

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:27

27 But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you do not need that anyone teach you; but as the same anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you will abide in Him.

But people say, *“But I do not want to do everything Scripture says, cannot I get the gift of the Spirit without doing everything Scripture says to do, first?”* Some amazing questions we get. Those are some amazing conversations. *“How can I get the Set-apart Spirit without giving Him anything? How can I get the gift of the Spirit? I do not want to give, I do not want to volunteer, I do not want to give anything back to Him, I just want to take. Now, I want gifts and I want to pray for stuff, and I want Him to look out for me, I do not want to give anything to build His Son a kingdom, but how can I get the Spirit without really buying in?”*

And the answer is, you cannot. There is no way, there is no possible way.

I mean, we want Yeshua’s Spirit, right? Okay, well, Yeshua tithed and volunteered, right?

Yochanan (John) 10:14-15

14 I am the good shepherd; and I know My sheep, and am known by My own.

15 As the Father knows Me, even so I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep.

He was as active as He could be. In fact, if we have Yeshua's Spirit, then do we not also need to tithe and volunteer as much as we can? Do we get it? Do we know what Yeshua's Spirit is?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 23:23

23 "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!  
For you pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin,  
and have neglected the weightier matters of the  
law: justice and mercy and faith. These you ought  
to have done, without leaving the others undone.

It is so easy, it is like people just do not think about it. I think people do not think it through, I guess, I do not really know. But one way or another, we all have to do what He says. And we have to want it, we have to be eager for it as a bride is eager to please her husband; just as the husband is eager to provide for his bride, and looks out for her, and these kind of things.

The bride also needs to be eager to serve her husband. And if she does not because she is not obeying the commandments, she is not refining herself according to the ketubah, he is under no obligation.

So, we are showing up, we are bags of dust and we want to become altar worthy, we have to be ready to change, we have to be ready to become altered. And the problem is, most of us do not really want to be spiritually transformed yet. I mean, I guess we are not ready, we are not willing to be changed 100 percent yet, I guess, I do not know; just from guessing, from surmising from people's behavior.

But what Scripture says, is that, if we want the good gifts He has for those who love Him, first we must sign up (basically) for Yeshua's program. We talk about that in [Acts chapter 15 Order](#). We have to show our allegiance to Him as our King by obeying the things that are written in Scripture, because of the Set-apart Spirit, the real Ruach HaKodesh.

Once we show our willingness to obey all the things, once we are willing to obey all the do's and do not's, then He is going to send His Spirit to teach us all things. Once we show Him that dedication and love, He is going to pray to the Father and the Father is going to send the Spirit.

Yochanan (John) 14:16

16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—

He is not going to give the Spirit to people who are lukewarm, why should He do that? What benefit is it to Him? Is He going to cast His pearls before swine so that we can ignore His commandments in a spiritual way? *“Oh, Father! Please give me Your Spirit, so I can ignore your commandments in a spiritual way. I want to be more spiritual, Father, but I do not really want to do everything your Word says.”*

Some of the correspondence we get boils down to this. And the problem is, it is just so very simple. He wants a people who are attentive to Him, and are listening to Him, and want to speak and act according to His words. He wants to restore that relationship that was lost in the Garden of Eden.

And He is breaking it down for us. We could not handle it when we first came out of Egypt, so, He is breaking it down for us. He gives us a whole list of things to do as a nation, with everyone involved. No one is allowed to sit on the sidelines, no one is allowed to sit on the benches. If you do that, you are out, and not in a good way.

So, if we will do everything that the Spirit says, plus all the written commandments, then the Father will love us, and He is going to take us as His Son's bride. He is going to take extra special care of us. It means hard work, a lot of hard work, but He is going to take care of us.

Shemote (Exodus) 19:5

5 Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine.

Here is the problem, and we have forgotten this since the days of kingships of Europe and before, if we do anything less than our utmost for our King, look out.

Luqa (Luke) 13:24

24 "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able.

So, it has been a long time since Ephraim's lived under kingships, so we have forgotten what kingships are like. Well, Yeshua is a King, so what does our King want? Well, what our King, what our Husband wants, is the same thing it has always been, He wants us to hear, He wants to restore the relationship that was lost in the Garden of Eden, He wants us to hear His voice and be diligent to do everything He says. And we are also responsible for His written word, because that is just when He spoke earlier and someone wrote it down.

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 8:6

6 "Therefore you shall keep the commandments of Yahweh your Elohim, to walk in His ways and to fear Him.



So, we are accountable to the written word, and, additionally, to His Spirit. If we do not hear in the Spirit, then if we are not willing to make that effort, then the solution is you have to come into right relationship with someone that is hearing the Spirit.

And so, there really is no option (basically), when we understand what Scripture is saying, in truth. Yeshua has a program, and He wants us all to participate in it. And it costs us our life in the world, it costs us our life in Egypt. Plus, we are further told to come out of Babylon, the deception where you follow your desires and call that the anointing, or whatever they do.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 10:37

37 He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.

So, this is the question, brothers, sisters, are we diligently listening for His voice, and are we diligently doing what we hear, and are we diligently doing everything that is in the written word? That is the message we take from the Torah portion.

Well, now we come to our Haftara prophetic portion. And what we are going to see here is, if we want to set ourselves apart from the world, to set ourselves apart unto Yahweh, if we want to learn everything by His Spirit, then the very first thing that we need to realize, coming out of Egypt, is that our Focus needs to change.

So, in Egypt we are focused on the world and the things of the world, our desires in the world, the lusts of our eyes, the lusts of our flesh, and pride. Are these things all acceptable to chase after? Riches and the things the moth can destroy, things that the thief can break in and

steal? Our focus needs to be different than that; we need to be different than the rest of the people in the world.

Yochanan Bet (2 John) 1:2

2 because of the truth which abides in us and will be with us forever:

So, this is what Yahweh is trying to help our forefathers understand, was that we need to develop a spiritual focus. Of course, our forefathers did not do the best on that, or at least not with the spiritual focus. It is also being obedient to Yahweh, a spiritual focus. We need a spiritual focus that obeys all of the written commands.

Romim (Romans) 12:2

2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of Elohim.

So, now in Yehezkel (or Ezekiel) chapter 44, we also see that the priest's focus was to be on Yahweh and His service, 100 percent of the time. Or, rather, in the future, the renewed Levitical Priesthood's focus is to be upon Yahweh and upon His service 100 percent of the time (or at least during the times that they are on duty).

Now, maybe they did not realize it, but their focus was always supposed to be on His Spirit. Too bad they did not figure that one out.

Now, verse 28 tells us the Levitical priests were not supposed to have any earthly inheritance, whatsoever. And that is because Yahweh wanted Him to be their inheritance, 100 percent. In the one hand you have the riches of the world, and in the other hand you have your relationship with Yahweh.

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 44:28

28 "It shall be, in regard to their inheritance, that I am their inheritance. You shall give them no possession in Israel, for I am their possession.

So, sure, the Levitical priesthood had to have the resources needed to do the job, it takes a lot of money to run a Temple the right way. The Levitical priesthood was around 8 percent of the population. And it is going to take all of us in the Melchizedekian Order, working together according to Yeshua's instructions, in order to establish Yeshua's kingdom the way He says He wants us to do it. It takes all of us to obey Yeshua the way He wants us to.

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 15:58

58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Master, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Master.

So, but further, if anyone wants to join the priesthood one day, or perhaps serve as a congregational Elder, or serve as a congregational Deacon, we need to see something critical, and that is what we need to see, which is that we have the same focus as Yeshua had, which was the same focus as the Levites. We are supposed to have that.

So, in Ezekiel 44, what we see is that Yeshua did not care about any earthly thing. What Yeshua cared about was building His Father's kingdom, that is Yeshua's main focus.

Yochanan (John) 6:27

27 Do not labor for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to everlasting life, which

the Son of Man will give you, because Elohim the Father has set His seal on Him.”

And since Yeshua is the prophet who established the Torah, or the operating instructions, for His renewed Melchizedekian Priesthood, it was completely correct of Him to have the same focus as His Father.

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 18:15

15 “Yahweh your Elohim will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your midst, from your brethren. Him you shall hear,

It was completely correct of Him to have the same focus of the Torah, considering He is the One who gave us the Torah as we were coming out of Egypt.

Yochanan (John) 12:49

49 For I have not spoken on My own authority; but the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, what I should say and what I should speak.

But the focus on Him and His Spirit is critical. Like, they talk about how you cannot legislate morality. And if you are going to work in the priesthood, someone is going to handle a lot of money. If you are going to work in government service, someone is going to handle a lot of money. Anything you do in business; we need to keep our eyes on Him and upon the kingdom. That is what the transformation is all about.

And do not be part of the Mystery Babylon in disguise, in the Messianic movement, like some of the Messianic book salesmen, bringing home six figure plus incomes. *“I am coming to my trailer,”* said the wolf to the sheep.

We need to be doing things with the correct heart. And if we do not have the correct heart, then we cannot distinguish between, let us say, a narrow and afflicted path, versus a broad easy road where people do not really feel like they have to leave the world, do not really have to leave Babylon, do not really have to do like Yeshua did, they just have to worship Yeshua.

Tehillim (Psalms) 51:10

10 Create in me a clean heart, O Elohim, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

*"I have become transformed, but just have to worship Yeshua."* That is the church right there. *"I haven't change, I just have to worship Him, put some money in the bucket, then I go on about my life in the world."* That is Mystery Babylon.

Well, this all brings us to our Brit Chadasha (or our Renewed Covenant) portion. And here we are in Luqa (or Luke) chapters 11 and 12. And we are going to see through this what Yeshua is teaching us about the correct Spirit, by teaching us about the correct attitudes that we are supposed to have.

And basically, that is because an attitude is a spirit, it is the same thing. It is just that one is an English way of saying it, and one is the ancient Hebrew way of saying it. The ancient Hebrew way is better of course. But the question is, what attitude do we as His believers have, as His disciples (hopefully), what attitude or attitudes do we choose to take? What attitude or attitudes, what spirits do we choose to have? What do we take? Life is a blank slate sometimes, in certain respects. What are we giving place to?

So, in each moment of our lives, are we giving place to Yahweh, or are we giving place to Satan? Are we giving place to the light? Are giving place to darkness? What are we giving place to?

[Okay, maybe the grammar police will knock, knock... okay, to *'whom'* are we giving place? Okay, well that kind of case logic distinction does not exist in Hebrew, so we are going to leave that one alone.]

But the point is, if we call ourselves His disciples, we need to be ready to make some real changes. If we are going to go up to His altar, then do we not need to be ready to become altered?

Now, there are things that we need to be doing on our own. We need to show some initiative. And it is really sad because most Christians, and even most Messianics and Ephraimites, are still in Mystery Babylon, they are still treating Yahweh like He is some kind of a genie in a bottle (or something). You just rub a little and you get whatever you want. Just say the right words and you get whatever you want. It never occurs to them to imagine what it must be like to literally be Yahweh's slaves and everything that comes along with that.

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 7:22

22 For he who is called in the Master while a slave is the Master's freedman. Likewise he who is called while free is Messiah's slave.

I mean, Yahweh wants His servants to suit up and show up for duty. You think, maybe, Yahweh might want His servants to ask Him what He wants done today? His will be done. It is like not, *"Oh! Can I have this? And, oh! Can I have that? And, oh! Would You please bless me in this*

*way? Can I have that over there? Would You please bless me in that way over there?"* So, this is the bless me club, with your host, give me more....

So, I mean, what Yeshua is saying is, listen this is not that, if we want His Spirit, we need to start by remembering that we are slaves.

Qorintim Aleph (1 Corinthians) 6:20

20 For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify Elohim in your body and in your spirit, which are Elohim's.

We are slave princesses in training who need to obey all of the Ketubah. It is just, we were bought with a price. And in Scripture, Hebrew servants are always very attentive to their masters. Think about Eleazar. They are trustworthy, they can be sent on mission to do very important things and they are disciplined to do their masters instructions. Are we?

So, Yeshua is telling us that, when we pray, the goal is not to ask for what we want, right?

Luqa (Luke) 12:31

31 But seek the kingdom of Elohim, and all these things shall be added to you.

*Give me, give me, give me more.* That is not proper, that is Mystery Babylon. Instead, the goal is to ask Him what He wants. *"Father, thank You for calling us to Your service. What would you like us to do today, Father?"*

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 5:14

14 Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.

We are not trying to ask Him for more, we are trying to show Him that we want to please Him more. We ask Him, *“Father, how can we become more pleasing to you?”* It is just like any good employee should ask their boss, how can they do better. A good employee should ask that, are we asking Yahweh how we can do better every day?

Timotheus Bet (2 Timothy) 2:15

15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to Elohim, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

And are we always listening for His response, we are always listening for His direction? And Scripture says, Yahweh speaks, but once, He sees no need for twice. So, we need to be listening at all times, especially when we are upset, that is especially when we need to listen.

So, Yaakov (or James) chapter 4 and verse 3 tells us that, the problem with most of us (He is talking to us, He is talking to Ephraim) is that we are not asking Yahweh to show us what He wants, but we are asking for what we want. In other words, we ask for blessings, so we can spend it on our lusts.

Ya'akov (James) 4:3

3 You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures.

That is basically prosperity doctrine in a nutshell. *“Give me this and give me that. I want to so I can give praise and worship to you.”* Do you become conformed to Yeshua's walk? They are basically disguising greed and vanity as the worship of the living Elohim, it is repugnant to Him.



But if we are asking Yahweh for what we want so we can spend it on ourselves, then who do we really have set on the throne really? Do we set Him on our throne, or are we still sitting on our thrones, and He is still washing our feet? We need to set Him on His throne, we need to go wash His feet, when you show up for service.

But 99 percent of the people walk abroad easy roads, seeking what they want. Elohim is looking to see those who want to be different, who understand. They have sat down, they have counted the cost, they know it is not going to be free. The disciples did not do everything in the first century so that now we do not have to do anything, that is not it. And I mean, that is what you can learn in the Messianic movement, that is not right.

So, there is a big job that He has given us to do, and it takes all of us to do it. But let us notice what Yeshua says here in His model prayer for those who consider themselves to be His disciples. And that is in Luke chapter 11 (or Luqa chapter 11).

Luqa (Luke) 11:2

2 So He said to them, "When you pray, say: Our Father in heaven, Set-apart be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

First, Yeshua says we should recognize that Yahweh is a Set-apart Elohim, He is our Set-apart Elohim, okay? The first commandment, okay? And what that means is, we need to treat Yahweh like He is Set-apart.

And there are a lot of stories we could get into. People (basically) in the world, when you are in the world, in the business world, it is, how much can you get for how little,

and that is the game. How much can you get for how little?

There are so many people bringing that attitude toward the worship of Yahweh, and it is repugnant to Yahweh, it is offensive to Him. Because we value Him the same way as the world.

So, I mean, what does this all mean? What should it look like? Or what does it look like and what should it look like?

Well, if we can just imagine ourselves being transported back to King David's time, or perhaps King David, if he is raised today, how are we going to treat the man who wins Yahweh's wars? If he is the King, how are we going to treat him?

Shemote (Exodus) 22:28

28 "You shall not revile Elohim, nor curse a ruler of your people.

If King David told us to do something, would we not hasten, lickety-split, to do everything King David said, especially with regards to the Tabernacle of David? If we consider ourselves in any kind of a ministerial capacity, would we hasten to obey King David's instructions?

Okay, well, if we would hasten to heed King David's instructions, then what is with Ephraim today, that we as His people are not obeying His instructions? You know what I am saying? Why are we not all eagerly doing everything Scripture says to do? I am talking about right now, today. Where is the dedication? Where is the commitment?

And people say, *“Well, how can I get the Spirit without making such kind of a commitment?”* Brother, sister, why should Yahweh entrust us with what is basically the crown jewels, with His Spirit, His Son's Spirit, if we are not showing Him any loyalty?

In the military, there is an old saying which is that familiarity breeds contempt. That is a true saying for most Ephraimites that I have met. For most Ephraimites I have seen once we get to know Yahweh, once we figure we have got a relationship with Yahweh, we basically take Him for granted, meaning we do not keep His commands because we are no longer really scared of Him; He is no longer truly a Set-apart Elohim in our eyes. There is no longer fire and thunder and sound of trumpet and lightning on the mountain, so we do not think about Yahweh being here among us like that, so we forget to be scared.

We figure, well, there is no problem. The problem is, Yahweh is looking to see who loves Him enough to take action, even when they are not being pushed. *“Okay, well, we are not really scared, nothing is going on, it seems. Well, we do not really love Him either, so we do not fear Him. We do not love Him. Why do we need to do what He says?”*

Mishle (Proverbs) 1:7

7 The fear of Yahweh is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

For, if we loved Him, we would do what He said. If we loved Him, we would do all that He said, eagerly and we would be happy to do it. We would be encouraging other people to do it. But if we do not really love Him, we do not really fear Him, why do what He says?

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 5:3

3 For this is the love of Elohim, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.

Luqa (Luke) 6:46

46 "But why do you call Me 'Master, Master,' and not do the things which I say?"

So, I mean, if this applies to anyone, this is what taking heed to our spirit means. Today is the day to soften the neck. Today is the day to soften the heart. Today is the day of salvation.

Qorintim Bet (2 Corinthians) 6:2

2 For He says: "In an acceptable time I have heard you, and in the day of salvation I have helped you."

Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

Yochanan (or John) chapter 3 and verse 4 says, we are not supposed to pray for stuff that we want, just so we can have more good stuff here in the world, okay? This is not to pray for what we want, so we can spend it on our own lusts. Rather, we are supposed to pray for what He wants; His will be done. So, that we and our families can serve Him. That is what we are supposed to be praying for, that is the first part of the disciple's prayer. Focus on Him. We are not focusing on ourselves anymore, our Focus becomes on Him.

Yochanan (John) 3:4

4 Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?"

When the disciples focused on Yeshua, they keep a good walk on water. When we take our eyes off of Yeshua and put them on the wind and the waves of the world, down you go.

Second in the disciple's prayer, Yeshua tells us to pray that we would become transformed, perhaps like Shaul talks about, by the renewing of our minds as it were. But we have to become transformed so that our wants begin to align more and more with what He wants.

Luqa (Luke) 11:2

2 So He said to them, "When you pray, say: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Romim (Romans) 12:2

2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of Elohim.

Again, we are changing our focus. Now we are asking, how can we conform ourselves to His will, not how we can conform Him to our will; how can we conform ourselves to his will? If we are going to be His helper, then are we helping Him? Are we only asking Him to give us what we want, all the time? We never really think about what He wants? Maybe we like it that way, maybe we never thought about it. Hear the rod, Scripture says.

Well, third in Yeshua's disciple's prayer, His model prayer, He tells us that, our number one single priority, 'numero uno' priority, every day should be to make sure that Yahweh is getting what He wants.

Luqa (Luke) 11:2

2 So He said to them, "When you pray, say: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Is that what it says? I mean, think about it. If Yahweh is not happy, nobody is going to be happy; everybody is going to be very unhappy. Do you know what I am saying?

Okay, fourth, Yeshua's disciple's prayer shows us we are to seek to please Yahweh before anything else in life.

He is our King. In medieval Europe, in Christian Europe, you swore to protect your king with your life. You told your king, his life was more precious than yours, and that is how you behaved. And if you did not agree to that, if you did not want to do that, that was considered treason, possible by death. So, considering that Yeshua also is a King, how do we think Yeshua looks at that, if we do not want to do everything He said, like good citizens of His realm? Well, let us just take a giant step back together, let us just get a different perspective, okay?

So, if we are truly Yeshua's servants in our hearts, then do we not need to have a care that our Husband is getting what He wants? Or, how about this, *"Hey boss, I want You to help me get what I want. I do not really care about what You want; I do not want to hear about what You want. Or I will read about it, but do not expect me to do it."* How many of us, that is maybe not what we say, but that is maybe how we behave.

Hey, beloved bride crew. *"You are so great. You are the love of my life. I love You so much. I love You more than life itself, that is why I do not need to volunteer, or get*

*involved, or tithe, or support the ministry in any way. You will still marry me if I break all the wedding vows, right? You will still marry me if I break the Torah, right?"* Anyone in Ephraim living here, after? Is the Ephraim-body home?

Hey this is some really powerful stuff in this passage, if people take the time to stop and think about what it truly says. What does Yeshua truly asking us to do for Him?

Fifth, Yeshua tells us to ask Yahweh for our daily needs, day by day. That is different than what goes on in prosperity gospel churches. And then, asking Him for our daily needs, then trust, as humble servants, that He will give us what we need to serve Him.

Luqa (Luke) 11:3

3 Give us day by day our daily bread.

And notice what it says. And no this does not mean that we get out of volunteering and tithing because we bought a house and we have to pay the mortgage. No, it does not mean Yahweh is going to give us a pass on volunteering time and tithing, because we have to put our children through Masonic Lodge college (or something like that). No, it does not mean we are going to pray that you will win the lottery. We get asked questions like this. It is like, really? Seriously? Are you kidding?

So, we are not going to pray that you are going to win the lottery and then after you win the lottery and become rich then you can start to tithe. How many times do we get asked these things?

I mean, you think it is like, "Whoa!" We get letters like this. So, brothers, sisters, that is what is called praying

for your own lusts, that is what is called, pranks. You can spend it on your own lusts, it is a sign of a completely wrong spirit, it is the sign of a completely wrong heart condition, when we spend our time to pray and ask Yahweh for what we want to then spend it on our own lusts. What does that do for Yahweh? What does that do for our King? What does that do for our Husband, Yeshua?

Okay, the problem with these prayer requests is they do not place the kingdom of Elohim first.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 6:33

33 But seek first the kingdom of Elohim and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

That means they are of a wrong spirit, or they are the flesh; one way or another, they are of the flesh or they are of a wrong spirit. Luke 16 and verse 10 is pretty clear is it not?

Luqa (Luke) 16:10

10 He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much.

Brothers, sisters, if we are not willing to give Elohim what is Elohim's, what are we doing? We are not going to give Elohim what it says in Scripture to give Elohim; including dedication, service, our tithes, and our volunteer time? What are we doing?

We can lie to ourselves, change the channel, find another YouTube channel, to tell us something we like to hear.



Okay, we might think that, because the numbers are small - we are not making this particular - some of the individuals that ask this are millionaires. They are buying airplanes, spending \$1,250,000 on an airplane. You did not have any money to tithe, no money for Yahweh, no money to build His kingdom.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 19:23

23 Then Yeshua said to His disciples, "Assuredly, I say to you that it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven.

This issue has grown. I mean, I met some amazing people saying, *"Well, please pray for me that I will win the lotto. If I win the lottery, then I will start tithing."* I mean, okay, so, wait a minute, okay? Where is our focus? Who are we trying to serve with this, okay? And what makes us think we are going to be faithful all of a sudden, when the numbers get big? Okay, if we cannot be faithful in little things like money...

Luqa (Luke) 16:10

10 He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much.

And, anyway, but Martin Luther made a joke, he said, *"The last part of a man to be converted is his wallet, okay?"* We have a love-hate relationship with Martin Luther because he was anti-Semitic later in life. But if we cannot be faithful in little things like money, how are we going to claim to be faithful in big things, like saving souls, like bringing people to Yeshua, like bringing people back to their Husband? Because the ministry is starving for funding.

If you tell me again, how this is loving Yeshua or loving Yahweh with all of our heart, with all of our soul, with all of our strength? But not with our money, and not with our time, how does that work? Tell me again how that works. Because I do not understand that. If we are not willing to change for Yeshua, then how did we change for Yeshua? It does not make sense.

Sixth, Yeshua tells us not to doubt and not to worry over our daily needs. He says that Yahweh already knows what we need before we even ask Him, okay? So, why do we worry?

Luqa (Luke) 11:3

3 Give us day by day our daily bread.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 6:8

8 "Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him.

Why not rather just give thanks for what Yahweh provides and save the asking for when we truly need something that is needed to advance the Great Commission.

Whereas our focus, that is what this prayer helps us to do, is to refocus, not on the things of the world, but upon the things of the spirit. If we trust Him, why do we worry? There is an old saying, if you pray, do not worry, and if you are still worrying, you are not done praying yet.

Okay, seventh, Yeshua tells us to pray that we will forgive one another as we also want to be forgiven. Maybe He is saving the hardest one for last.

Luqa (Luke) 11:3-5

3 Give us day by day our daily bread.

4 And forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who is indebted to us. and do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one.”

We have a study on forgiveness on the Nazarene Israel website in [Covenant Relationships](#). If anyone has problems with forgiveness, I recommend reading that. Because the old saying is true, the err is human, and to hold grudges is of the devil. That you forgive your neighbors and also your enemies, that cannot be done under human power, so that is divine.

Thessaloniquim Aleph (1 Thessalonians) 5:15

15 See that no one renders evil for evil to anyone, but always pursue what is good both for yourselves and for all.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 5:44

44 But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you,

So, we cannot do that without His Spirit, that is divine. No way, we cannot do that alone.

So, that is why, in verse 9, Yeshua tells us to ask, seek, knock, because He tells us that the Ephraim-body who asks, receives and Ephraim-body who seeks, He finds. And the Ephraim-body who knocks, it shall be opened, okay?

Luqa (Luke) 11:9

9 "So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.

But do not just stop with calling, okay? Keep knocking until you get the election. Most people, they stop at the calling, they have received the Spirit, are they walking in it? Not yet. Ouch. Not saying you will not make it to the land, but if you do not correct that attitude, you are not going to like the ride, okay? Just a word to the wise is sufficient.

We know we have the election because we eagerly want to do all we can for our Husband whom we love. We want to do what we can for Him, we want to be His Proverbs 31 bride. We want to serve Him to the utmost of our abilities, thinking of ourselves only as servants, that is it.

Like, *"Father, please take me back as one of Your hired workers, as one of Your servants."* And we do not stop for anything less than that. Because if we do, it is not the right Spirit.

So, that is what Yeshua was trying to help us learn was, how to walk in the correct Spirit. What does that look like? What does it look like to walk in the correct Spirit?

So then, a certain woman shouts out, *"Blessed is the womb that bore you and blessed are the breasts which nursed you!"* But Yeshua said, *"More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of Elohim and keep it,"* meaning to shomer it (or to guard it), like a good shomeranim (good guardians) of the Torah.

Luqa (Luke) 11:27-28

27 And it happened, as He spoke these things, that a certain woman from the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, “Blessed is the womb that bore You, and the breasts which nursed You!”

28 But He said, “More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of Elohim and keep it!”

Cannot we tell Yeshua still expects us to hear and obey Yahweh's voice through our connection with Him; us in Him and Him in us; Him in the Father and the Father in Him? That is supposed to be our connection, it is supposed to be our lifeline, supposed to be our Helper, so we can learn to walk in the Spirit, so we can learn how to help build Yeshua's true kingdom, so we can get a reward when Yeshua comes.

Yochanan (John) 14:16

16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—

Because He tells us, His reward is with Him, to give to everyone according to his work.

People are like, “*Well, how do I get the Spirit? Really? I got to do all the stuff it says?*” How do you solve a problem like Ephraim?

Brothers, sisters, we are to earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered for everyone, for all. It is a specific format. We need to do it. Yeshua says, when the Son of Man returns, will He find *the* faith on the earth?

So, there is lots of people who are believers, but the rewards are to the disciples, enough said. I mean, the

point is, like, I do not understand these questions; they blank my mind.

Because it is like, if we are not going to build, if we do not want Yeshua's Spirit so we can use it to do the same things He is doing, it does not compute. It is like we are asking for Yeshua's Spirit, so if we have Yeshua's Spirit we are going to do the same things Yeshua's Spirit is doing, which is building His kingdom.

He is a Prince, He is going to be a King. He has gone off to receive a kingdom for Himself and return, and He wants His servants to be busy with their minas while He is gone.

Well, what do we want the Spirit for? We want it to build His kingdom, or we want to have the Spirit so we have the power of the Spirit, so we can hear things in the Spirit and use them for ourselves, so we know how to pray more effectively and be able to spend things on our own lusts; to get around keeping his commandments?

What do we want the Spirit for? What do we want it for? Because if we truly love Him, we shall know concerning the doctrine. And His Spirit will be given to us, and we will use it to build Yeshua's kingdom like He tells us to do.

Thessaloniquim Aleph (1 Thessalonians) 1:6  
6 And you became followers of us and of the Master, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Set-apart Spirit,

We explain in our study on [Acts chapter 15 Order](#), and also in our study on [Torah Government](#), if you want a top level approach.

But what if we do not want to build His kingdom; we do not want to give anything back to Yahweh, our time and our money?

What do you need Yeshua's Spirit for? You do not want to build Yeshua's kingdom, what do you need His Spirit for? You do not want to make a contribution like Yeshua did. What do you need Yeshua's Spirit for?

Yochanan (John) 15:5

5 "I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.

Because Yeshua's Spirit, by definition, is going to lead us to build His kingdom. We have already established in the conversation that certain people do not really want to do that. What reward do they have?

It is true that, if we do not have His Spirit, we are not going to be part of the bride. I mean, that much is, that is pretty clear, right? Do we understand? We have already covered that earlier in this series that we probably will not survive the Tribulation without His Spirit, without doing the things His Spirit will lead us to do.

Tehillim (Psalms) 91:3

3 Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the perilous pestilence.

But if we do not want to help build His kingdom, then what do we want the Spirit for? He did not just hand out His Son's Spirit to anyone who wants to survive the Tribulation. He only gives His Son Spirit out to those who really want to love His Son and want to help Him build the kingdom that He, Himself sent His Son to build.

Luqa (Luke) 12:11-12

11 “Now when they bring you to the synagogues and magistrates and authorities, do not worry about how or what you should answer, or what you should say.

12 For the Set-apart Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say.”

So, Yahweh commanded Yeshua, gave us instructions, and He has gone off to receive the kingdom for Himself. And when He returns, He wants to know who did what with the money, what we do with the mina.

Well, okay, so when we read Luqa (or Luke) chapter 12, Yeshua continues to train His disciples to focus on Elohim and His kingdom, not on the things of the world. We are going to set ourselves apart from the things of the world, and the lusts of it, and our desires in the flesh, the pride of our lives. We are not going to focus on those, we are going to immerse ourselves, wash ourselves clean, daily, if we have to, to get it to stick.

Okay, yes, I will leave you to read it, but let us take a look at Luke chapter 12 in the context that Yeshua warns us about covetousness in verse 15.

Luqa (Luke) 12:15

15 And He said to them, “Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses.”

And then, in verse 31, He says to seek first our Husband, Yeshua, okay? Seek first our relationship with our Husband, Yeshua. What is He saying? He is saying, seek first the kingdom of Elohim and His righteousness.



Luqa (Luke) 12:31

31 But seek the kingdom of Elohim, and all these things shall be added to you.

In context, that means, seek His level of Torah obedience. How obedient was Yeshua to the Torah? Completely.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 6:33

33 But seek first the kingdom of Elohim and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

Okay, we are to seek His righteousness, we are going to seek His level of Torah obedience. And if we will do that out of love for Him and a genuine desire to serve Him, then everything else is going to follow.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 5:20

20 For I say to you, that unless your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven.

Verse 33, Yeshua tells us not to be greedy, okay? And not to be stupid. Yes, if we want His Spirit, why do we not quit thinking about all the good things that money can buy us, okay?

Luqa (Luke) 12:33

33 Sell what you have and give alms; provide yourselves money bags which do not grow old, a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches nor moth destroys.

When we enlisted in Yeshua's spiritual army, in Yahweh's, His Father, Yahweh's, spiritual army, the

things of the world are not ours anymore, those things belong to the world.

Just like the Levitical Priesthood was to set itself apart from any inheritance in the world. So, we too, in the Melchizedekian Order, are to set ourselves apart from the desires and the defilements of the flesh and of the world.

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:16

16 For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world.

Yes, we still need to handle money in the kingdom, but the thing is, the focus is different. It is like, the difference between a good natural medical doctor who loves and cares about his clients, is trying to do his best for them, on the one hand, and a bad natural medical doctor who is just trying to make a lot of money, on the other. That kind of a thing.

I mean, a lot more money changes hands in a marriage than ever changes hands in called *normal prostitution*. Anyway, we are not talking about the Sabbatean Frankists and their trafficking rings. In time, all wounds heal; those people, they will get theirs. But even those, a lot of money changes hands in a marriage.

The thing is, the marriage is nonetheless set-apart. Because there is supposed to be a commitment and love between the parties before they become intimate. So, if you want to establish a global spiritual government, it takes some operating funds. You cannot run the Levitical Order with nothing; it does not run on air. It cannot be helped.

But if we are hard-hearted towards our Elohim, we are hard-hearted towards our Husband who was the one who gave His Father's instructions to us, Him as the Prophet, then we do not want to do anything with our time and our money, how are we going to please Elohim when we are still thinking about ourselves as independent, sovereign individuals; sovereign people?

This is a concept for democracy. In the democracy you have power sharing between independent sovereigns and everyone agrees to concede a little bit of power toward the joint goal, but there is no surrendering to Yahweh's Spirit, there is no surrendering to Yeshua's Spirit. Democracy is the completely wrong spirit. Mystery Babylon tolerates it; it is compatible with Mystery Babylon, but is not compatible with Yahweh's word.

So, if we are still thinking about our money, our time, our lives, how are we His slaves? How are we His dedicated servants who were bought with a price?

In verse 34, our husband tells us that, where we put our treasure, that is where our heart is. What that means is, we spend our money on the things we love, right? So, how much of our time and how much of our money are we spending on building Yeshua's kingdom like He asks?

Luqa (Luke) 12:34

34 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

You can tell a lot about a person's faith by looking at their calendar and by looking at their wallet, okay? Find out where they freely spend their time and find out where they freely spend their money. This can tell you all sorts of things about what kind of person they really are.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 16:26

26 For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?

Verse 35, we are supposed to keep our lamps burning for Him, continually, just like the wise virgins.

Luqa (Luke) 12:35

35 "Let your waist be girded and your lamps burning;

Verse 42, we are told to be ready when our Master comes, just like the wise virgins. I do not know about you, I do not feel ready, I need to prepare.

Luqa (Luke) 12:42

42 And the Master said, "Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his master will make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of food in due season?"

Okay, verse 48, Yeshua tells us that those who have been given much, they are going to have to account for what they did with it.

Luqa (Luke) 12:48

48 But he who did not know, yet committed things deserving of stripes, shall be beaten with few. For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required; and to whom much has been committed, of him they will ask the more.

So, brothers, sisters, what are we doing for Him? What are we doing with our minas? Are we spending them on ourselves? Are we spending them on Yeshua? What are

we doing with our lives? What are we doing with our saved lives? That is the meaning behind the *mina*.

When we get to the judgment, Yahweh is going to take a look at our lives and He is going to ask us what we did with our time and our money, right? Oh, no. Excuse me, He is going to ask us what we did with His time and His money, right? Because we are bought with a price. So, what are our priorities?

Romim (Romans) 2:5-7

5 But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of Elohim,

6 who “will render to each one according to his deeds”:

7 eternal life to those who by patient continuance in doing good seek for glory, honor, and immortality;

We are wanting His Spirit, but are we remembering, always, the day of judgment? Are we remembering that we are going to be held accountable to what everything we have done and everything we have failed to do for Him?

Well, if the Torah is a codification of Yahweh's, Spirit then is there codification also of what Yeshua is saying, okay? What is the Spirit Yeshua says we need to have?

Yochanan (John) 6:63

63 It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.

If we take a look here, Yeshua is teaching us to place Yahweh's priorities first; first commandment. Place Yahweh-Yeshua's kingdom, first. First commandment, trust Yahweh for all of our needs and to keep our focus on Him.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 6:33

33 But seek first the kingdom of Elohim and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

Second commandment, (and people miss this one all the time, okay) He wants us to place our treasures in Him, especially if we consider ourselves part of the priesthood, okay? We are not to have an inheritance in the world, He wants us to place all of our treasures in Him. He wants us not to place our treasures on worldly desires. He does not like it when we are double-minded.

Yochanan Aleph (1 John) 2:17

17 And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of Elohim abides forever.

We are trying to be set-apart from the world. And we are trying to, but at the same time we are living our lives in the world, and we are trying to be set-apart unto Him, but we are still going off and doing our own thing.

Ya'akov (James) 1:8

8 he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

Oh! We are going to the hot springs for fun. Oh! We are going to the beach, going to the coast. What are we doing for Him with our saved lives? That is what the parable of the minas is all about.

And I do not mean to be judgmental, but from what I have seen, most of our brothers and sisters in Ephraim are completely washed up on this point.

I do not mean to sit in judgment of anyone, but when we take a look at dedication, it is like, you can see that the workers are few and the harvest is enormous. Therefore, pray to the Master of the harvest that They send out workers into the harvest.

Luqa (Luke) 10:2

2 Then He said to them, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; therefore pray the Master of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.

But if we have eyes to read, is Yeshua not saying that we need to make hearing and obeying Yahweh's voice, His voice, our tip-top priority in life? Is He not telling us to dwell in Him, abide in Him and Him in us, that should be our number one thing in life; never to be separated from Him?

Yochanan (John) 17:21

21 that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.

She tells us to do the whole will of Yahweh and not only parts and pieces, right? He tells us to pray, and ask, and knock, until it is this way with us, until this becomes our second nature.

So, at least to us, the lesson of Parasha and more, is that Yahweh is the same yesterday, today and forever, and Yeshua is the same yesterday, today, and forever, just like His Father is.

Ivrim (Hebrews) 13:8

8 Yeshua Messiah is the same yesterday, today,  
and forever.

So, just as Yahweh was speaking to our forefathers in the past, if He is the same, He is still speaking with us today.

Maybe some of us are a little hard of hearing, we got peanut butter in our ears, maybe? Because we do not value it enough. We are listening to music more than we are listening to the voice of Elohim. We are listening to our own thoughts more than we are listening to the voice of Elohim. Maybe we are listening to the serpent tell us we do not need to obey everything Elohim says. As a case, do we value Him enough?

Because He tells us that this Word is our very life, this is what keeps us alive, is to obey every Word that comes from the mouth of Elohim. What if we do not want to do it?

How are we more Set-apart than our fathers, who were so displeasing that they dropped dead in the wilderness and did not make it into the land? Brothers and sisters, if we want to survive the Tribulation that is coming up, if we want to survive Armageddon, if we want Him to commit to us, do we not need to commit to Him?

Sometime we can talk about the Torah. Scripture (basically) is a program designed to weed out the 99 percent who do not truly make a commitment to Him, who do not truly learn to want to do things His way. I mean, He needs a bride that does not want to do things His way? How do we figure that?



If we are willing, if we have ears to receive it, the Torah is effectively one gigantic bozo filter, okay? His job is to filter out those who do not truly love Him and behave accordingly, okay?

Brothers, if we do not love Him enough to find out what He truly likes, and if we do not love Him enough to change, so that we begin doing what He likes - Hello? - then how do we believe He is going to take us as His bride?

Tehillim (Psalms) 40:8

8 I delight to do Your will, O my Elohim, and Your Torah is within my heart.”

We are not doing the Torah, we are not keeping the Ketubah, we are not obeying the bridal Covenant, because we do not love Him enough or because we do not fear Him enough?

Yochanan (John) 14:15

15 “If you love Me, keep My commandments.

Why is He going to take a bride who does not truly love Him enough to do the things He wants her to do? Why would He do that? When you are the King of the universe, you want the wise bride, you do not want the foolish ones.

So, one more thing we should say on this, is that, if we want Yeshua's Spirit, then do we not need to not quench it?

Thessaloniquim Aleph (1 Thessalonians) 5:19-20

19 Do not quench the Spirit.

20 Do not despise prophecies.

Well, in Galatim (or Galatians) chapter 5 verse 17, Shaul actually warns us that the flesh and the Spirit are opposites, okay? They are loggerheads, the flesh and the Spirit, that is two opposite things; they are contrary to one another. So, basically, we have to choose one and not the other. So, basically, we need to choose the Spirit and not the flesh.

Galatim (Galatians) 5:17

17 For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.

So, we do not get to be double-minded, hopping between two opinions. We do not get to hop back and forth between Set-apart, and living our lives in the world. We do not get to choose between being set-apart, and then we do whatever we want, okay?

There are plenty of Messianic Rabbis, Saturday Night Live book salesmen, prosperity doctrine preachers, passion for whatever percent of the truth teachers, fakers and other ministers. They are going to be happy to steal our crowns, brothers. And most of the Messianic world looks to them like they are heroes. They are not heroes. Are they preaching what Yeshua preached? Are they walking as Yeshua walked? Or are they providing a stumbling block for others?

Well, let us ask ourselves because we hear from people all the time, we get a lot of emails from people saying that we no longer need to set ourselves apart by keeping the commandments of Yahweh. That is not connected to righteousness. In Hebraic thought, righteousness is keeping the commandments of Yahweh.

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 6:25

25 Then it will be righteousness for us, if we are careful to observe all these commandments before Yahweh our Elohim, as He has commanded us.'

In Matthew chapter 5 verse 20, righteousness is Torah obedience.

Mattityahu (Matthew) 5:20

20 For I say to you, that unless your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven.

Yeshua was Torah obedient unto the death, and this is the example that He, Himself, set for us, as His disciples to strive for. But if there is no longer any need to walk set-apart according to the Spirit, to obey the earlier words of the Spirit, and then you do not understand why you cannot hear the Torah. You are not putting Yahweh first, you are not focusing on Him without fail. You are not turning away from the things of the world. You do not think you need to obey all the points of the Torah, okay?

So, what do you need the Set-apart Spirit for if you are not going to set yourself apart from the world? What do you need the Set-apart Spirit for? It does not make sense, okay?

And, if we do not need to set ourselves apart from the world, then why does Shaul speak about the differences between the works of the flesh and the fruits of the Spirit. Or perhaps are some people thinking that it is possible to have Yeshua's Spirit, but not to have to help contribute toward His kingdom by tithing and volunteering? Because we get this question a lot.

Galatim (Galatians) 5:19, 22-23

19 Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness,  
22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,  
23 gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no Torah.

And it is not possible at all, because as we saw back in Yochanan (or John) chapter 14 and verse 15, Yeshua says that first we love Him so much that we willingly keep His commandments. That means we are eager, eager, to keep His commandments, then He will pray to the Father and then that is when the Father will give us Yeshua's Spirit, which will eventually lead us into all truth.

But the point is, we have to get to that point, we have to bring ourselves to that point where we love, and we decide. Yeshua says right there in the Great Commission, He says that we are to immerse disciples who keep everything Yeshua said to keep. It is like, why is that rare?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 28:19-20

19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing [immersing] them in My name,  
20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amein.

Brothers, sisters, why are we, talking less than one percent of Ephraim, want to do what is written in Scripture? What does that say? That speaks to me, it speaks the same thing about what is going to happen to the majority of Ephraim. They do not want to do it. They

know what it says, but they do not want to do it. What is Yahweh going to say?

Well, Thessaloniquim Aleph (or First Thessalonians) chapter 4 starting in verse 7, Shaul reminds us that Elohim does not call us to worldliness, He does not call us to uncleanness, He calls us to be in set-apartness, He calls us to be in righteousness.

Thessaloniquim Aleph (1 Thessalonians) 4:7  
7 For Elohim did not call us to uncleanness, but in set-apartness.

Verse 8, therefore, he who rejects Yeshua's kind of set-apartness does not reject man, he rejects Elohim. He is the one who gave us the Set-apart Spirit.

Thessaloniquim Aleph (1 Thessalonians) 4:8  
8 Therefore he who rejects this does not reject man, but Elohim, who has also given us His Set-apart Spirit.

Are we going to reject the Set-apart Spirit because Yahweh is asking too much; Yeshua is asking too much? That we keep the whole of the Torah, that is asking too much? Even though that is the example Yeshua set? That is asking too much? Are you kidding me?

So, what He is saying here, is the Set-apart Spirit, which we get if we are obedient, is supposed to lead us to live lives of righteousness. Again, in context, righteousness means keeping the commandments, keeping the bridal contract, becoming a righteous bride, obeying our Ketubah that our forefathers swore to at Sinai.

But the thing is, we only get His Spirit by making a 100 percent commitment to Yeshua. We have to impress

Him, we have to show Him we are not just talking about it anymore, we are really trying as hard as we can.

So, brothers and sisters, what are we going to choose? If we know this is what Yeshua wants, what are we going to do; what are we, ourselves, going to choose? We need to receive the Spirit so we can focus on Elohim. And Yeshua tells us how to do it, we have to walk in it and not quench it.

So, whatever we have to do, let us read Scripture, not to see what heroes we are, let us read Scripture to see what are the things that we, ourselves, are supposed to be doing to prepare for Yeshua's soon coming arrival.

Today is the day of salvation.

Shabbat Shalom.

## Parasha Behar

*Leviticus 25:1-26:2; Jeremiah 32; Luke 13*

In the parable of the wedding feast, Yeshua tells us that many are called and yet only a few of us will be chosen. Why the discrepancy?

Well perhaps it is the same as when all of our forefathers were called to become His faithful Bridal Nation. There were many of us! And yet sadly, only a few of us chose to respond to that calling. So there were many called but few who chose to respond.

And it is those few who chose to respond that were themselves chosen. Because that is how we become chosen. Is to choose to respond to His calling. We do not just think, *"Hey! I'm called! That is it!" Check! And then we are done! We are good!"*

No, that is not it. So, we need to realize that what Yeshua said in Luqa (or Luke) chapter 21 and verse 36 is true! We need to watch and pray always that we might be among the few who are going to be counted worthy to escape all the things that have come to pass on the Earth. So that we can stand before the Son of Man. And those few of us who do pray always and who do give Yahweh their first and their finest, they will be the few that are chosen.

Luqa (Luke) 21:36

36 Watch therefore, and pray always that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man."

So, do we want to be among them? And if so, are we also willing to respond and do all that Yahweh says He wants? These are the questions we ask in Parasha Behar 2022, and for those of you who are new, let me bring everyone up to speed quickly.

Using the true first fruits of barley (and not just some random sheaf taken from the middle of the main harvest but using the true first fruits of barley) we just celebrated Yom Kippur (or the Day of Atonement) for 2022. And according to the [\*Ancient Hebrew Wedding Model\*](#), that is when Mashiach Yeshua is expected to return for His bride. On Yom Kippur. And as we explain in our studies on the Book of [\*Revelation\*](#), that probably corresponds to Armageddon. So in the flesh, we are talking about a day of great affliction and great refinement in the flesh. But in the spirit, it is the day that our Bridegroom comes to take the few of us who are choosing to refine ourselves and to build His kingdom as His bride forever!

Do not we want to be ready? Do not we want to be among the few that He chooses on that day?

Now we also just celebrated Sukkot (or the Feast of Tabernacles (Booths) for 2022. As we show in our studies on the *Ancient Hebrew Wedding Model*, the Apostle Paul (Shaul) tells us that the feasts serve as prophetic shadow pictures of things and events still to come.

Well, what things are still to come? Okay. So, Sukkot symbolizes the wedding week for those few who chose to respond to His call and who worked for Him. Those who used their time wisely. Sukkot symbolizes the honeymoon for those hard-working Proverbs 31 Brides who prepared, who used their mina wisely to help Yeshua build His kingdom. That is who Yeshua is coming



for. Those who have already proven they want to be His helper. If you want a helper, why not choose someone who is already wanting to help? And the rest... hmm.

What we need to understand and what we need to realize, brothers and sisters, is that our forefathers went into captivity. The first time in Egypt, they just went. Then Yahweh redeemed our forefathers from captivity and gave them His calling as His Bridal Nation.

Well, they received the calling, but they did not respond to that calling. Therefore, they failed in their mission of bridehood.

Now we went into the Assyrian diaspora. And the Assyrian Empire was later subsumed by the Babylonian Empire. So the Assyrian dispersion eventually turned into what we might call the Babylonian exile. Ephraim's version of it. We just call it the Assyrian dispersion for Ephraim. But not only do we need Redemption freedom from the Assyrian captivity and the Babylonian captivity (same thing). But after Redemption we also need to choose to be restored to bridehood.

What do we mean by that? Well, again, this all plays into the Ancient Hebrew Wedding Model. Because it all speaks to our role to be His called Bridal Nation. That is who He called our ancestors to be. His 'called and responding Bridal Nation'.

Now, in our study on [The Torah Calendar](#), in the chapter on "[The Jubilees and the Shemittah](#)", we show how we believe this year 2022 is probably what is called a Shemittah (or a land rest) year. The Shemittah happens once every seven years. And it technically only applies when we live in the land. But we like to obey all the principles and precepts.

Now there is also a special land rest every 50 years called the *yovel* (or the Jubilee). And we know that Yeshua will return in the Year of Jubilee.

We talk about the Shemittah and the *yovel* in the chapter on, you guessed it, "[The Jubilee and the Shemittah](#)" in the [Torah Calendar](#) study. That is a very important chapter. If we are willing to receive it, the Shemittah and the *yovel* serve as years of release, years of redemption. And they have a lot to say about how we also can be redeemed and released from the dispersion. And then how we can choose to respond and become restored to our original status as His Bridal Nation and people.

But it is an active Choice. It is not something that comes easily, not something that comes automatically or naturally.

If you are not sure what we are talking about here, I would encourage you to read and understand the [Nazarene Israel](#) study. That study will show you why, unbeknownst to most of them, the Christians are the spiritual (if not also the literal) descendants of the Lost ten tribes of Israel.

Now, we are presently scattered in the Assyrian dispersion. Many of us are lost in the land of Babylon. And as we explain in the Revelation study, that is the United States of America. We all need to be redeemed from our captivity in the dispersion. And then after we are redeemed (or released or set free) then we need to choose to be restored to our original role. And again, it is not automatic! If we are not going to make a living sacrifice and if we are not choosing Him, He is not going to choose us! It is just that simple!

And brothers and sisters, we need to be serious about this! How long I have been in, what should we call today, the *Hebrew Roots Movement*? Since 1999! I have not met a whole lot of people that I would call serious! I met some. But not the majority. It looks a lot like the first century. We have a dozen brothers and however many sisters who respond. And the rest of the four thousand and the five thousand, they sure think of themselves as His faithful disciples. But not according to their fruit! Not judging according to their actions!

Brothers and sisters! When are we going to get to the point where we are going to take a look at our fruits and decide? Are these *fit for a King*? Are these fit for our Husband?

Okay. Now to begin. Sometimes the rabbis present Parasha Behar together with Parasha Bechukotai. We separated them this year because there is so much good stuff in Parasha Behar. And we could not combine them because these things pertain to our Redemption and also to our choice to become restored as His bride.

Again, I encourage you to read the chapter on the Shemittah and the jubilees in [The Torah Calendar](#) study. And understand what it has to do with our own redemption and our own restoration to bridehood.

So, we begin in Vayiqra (or Leviticus) chapter 25 starting in verse 2. And Yahweh is telling us some rules that apply when we live in the land. They do not technically apply to us right now. But when we live in His special land, when we come into the land which He will give us, then we need to make sure that the land also receives its Sabbath of rest.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 25:2

2 "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them:  
'When you come into the land which I give you,  
then the land shall keep a sabbath to Yahweh.

Six years we can plant and sow and seed our fields. Six years we can work the ground. We can work the land, we can plant, we can prune, we can harvest, we can use a sickle, we can lay up with a bucket, whatever we want to do. But in the seventh year there is supposed to be a Sabbath of solemn rest for the land. And it is called a Sabbath to Yahweh.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 25:3-4

3 Six years you shall sow your field, and six years  
you shall prune your vineyard, and gather its fruit;  
4 but in the seventh year there shall be a sabbath  
of solemn rest for the land, a sabbath to Yahweh.  
You shall neither sow your field nor prune your  
vineyard.

In this seventh Sabbath year we are not supposed to plant, or cut, or prune anything. We are just supposed to let the land rest. And as we show in the chapter on the Shemittah and the jubilees, Yahweh promises to bless and increase our harvests if we will do that.

Now just as an anecdote, there is an Azure Standard Farms (or an organic farm) in Oregon. And the grandfather told me at one point that when they made the decision to do this, the blessings were actually more than that which was promised in Scripture! They began experiencing a 50 percent (maybe 51 or 54, I cannot remember) but more than a 50 increase every year apart from the land rest year! So, Yahweh's promises are for real!

Now, both on the Shabbat and in a land rest year we cannot harvest. Normally, that means we cannot go out and harvest with the sickle or in a bucket. There is no laying up until later. We cover those rules in the chapter on "[The Sabbath](#)" in the [Torah Calendar](#) study.

But here verse 5 tells us that during the land rest years we can eat what grows of its own accord. This is very similar to on the Sabbath. Yeshua and His disciples are walking through the field, and they are able to pluck and eat. They are just not out there harvesting. They are eating. They are not working the land; they are just eating what grows of its own.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 25:5-7

5 What grows of its own accord of your harvest you shall not reap, nor gather the grapes of your untended vine, for it is a year of rest for the land.

6 And the sabbath produce of the land shall be food for you: for you, your male and female servants, your hired man, and the stranger who dwells with you,

7 for your livestock and the beasts that are in your land—all its produce shall be for food.

In other words, what that means is that yes you can eat the volunteer tomatoes and the volunteer apples and anything else that comes up by itself. We just cannot prune or go out with a bucket and a sickle and harvest it normally. So, we can eat in that Sabbath year. But now there are other blessings we explain in the chapter. But there are some very interesting things about the Jubilee (or the yovel).

If we remember from our teachings on Shavuot (or Pentecost), we are going to count seven sevens and then add one. So, the 50th day becomes Shavuot (or

Pentecost). Some people try to turn that into a 49-day count. That does not work! We show that in *The Torah Calendar* study.

Now notice that the omer count also is seven times seven, plus one. Starting in verse 8 we see that the yovel (or the Jubilee) is counted the exact same way! We are to count seven sevens. I mean seven weeks of years. And then we add one more. 7 times 7 is 49, plus 1 is 50. And we know this because we declare the yovel in the 49th year at Yom Kippur. Then the 50th year is the actual yovel. The 50th year is the actual Jubilee.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 25:8-10

8 And you shall count seven sabbaths of years for yourself, seven times seven years; and the time of the seven sabbaths of years shall be to you forty-nine years.

9 Then you shall cause the trumpet of the Jubilee to sound on the tenth day of the seventh month; on the Day of Atonement you shall make the trumpet to sound throughout all your land.

10 And you shall consecrate the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout all the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a Jubilee for you; and each of you shall return to his possession, and each of you shall return to his family.

And some teachers are mistakenly teaching a 49-year cycle for the yovelim (Jubilees). They count seven sevens, but they do not add one. Okay, well, they are skipping the second half of the Commandment. So, if you want to see a whole bunch of reasons (and we only picked the best ones and there are more!) but if you want to see a whole bunch of reasons why a 49-year jubilee cycle just does not work, then please read our study on the fatal "[Errors in the 49-year Jubilee Cycle](#)" count. And

you can find that in [Nazarene Scripture Studies, Volume Three](#).

Now one thing to remain aware of is that in Vayiqra chapter 25 it talks about how to keep the Shemittah and the Jubilee years. Again, this is a Commandment that only technically pertains when we are inside the land. To be clear, technically the land rest is not compulsory outside the land of Israel. However, we are His people, we want to be His people, we want to be restored to our status. So even in the dispersion, should not we do as much of the Torah as we can? Should we do our utmost? I mean, we got removed from the land and kicked out for not obeying the whole of His Torah! So if we want to go back, should not we try obeying the whole of His Torah?

You know, even if there are things we cannot follow because we do not have a temple and there are some certain specifics that we cannot do, should we at least try to obey the principles and the precepts He gives us to follow?

Well, for those who have not read the Revelation studies, we have what we call the *Egyptian Sequence of Eight*. And Egypt was obviously the first Empire in that sequence. And then Assyria was the second of those Empires. And it is into Assyria that the House of Israel went and that of Judah who is sojourning with the House of Israel. Because Assyria also encroached into Judah's territory. But then the third in the sequence was Babylon.

Now Babylon eventually took over from the Assyrians. That means the oldest Syrian Empire was gobbled up by the Babylonian Empire. So because of this, when we talk about those of us in Ephraim who went into the Assyrian captivity, we eventually got swallowed up by the Babylonian captivity. That is how we got to be in

Babylon. And also that is how we got to be in mystery Babylon. We went into Assyria, got swallowed up by Babylon, and later mystery Babylon.

But if our goal is to leave the mystery Babylonian system and to return to Yahweh, and to begin walking in His ways, and we know that Yahweh's laws and His statutes and His judgments and His ordinances are all very important to Him (because they provide us with a sense of order in our society), and when we choose to do what He says and we choose to make that kind of a living sacrifice (we choose to respond in order to do all that He says), do not we give Him a much better Witness?

I mean if our children look at us and say, "*Well, they are reading this but they are doing that!*", what does that say? And what kind of a witness, what kind of example are we giving for our children? It is like they say, *Live as if you wish your children would!* Because they are going to see what you do and do not do! And if our ancestors were kicked out of the land for not keeping all of His Commandments as a whole, brothers and sisters! Should not we do as much of His Torah as we can do right now to show Him our sincerity? The Commandments of Yahweh, are not those good for us?

In Verse 18 Yahweh says that if our ancestors would guard (shomar or keep) His statutes and judgments and do them then that is when we would dwell in His land in safety! And He would take care of us! All kinds of good things are going to happen to us if we will take care to be His people!

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 25:18-19

18 'So you shall observe My statutes and keep My judgments, and perform them; and you will dwell in the land in safety.



19 Then the land will yield its fruit, and you will eat your fill, and dwell there in safety.

Well Vayiqra 25 speaks about giving the land its Sabbath of rest so that it can be restored to its fruitfulness. The fullness of fruitfulness. That talks about restoring a poor brother who has lost his possessions. It talks about restoring a poor brother who had to sell his property. It talks about restoring a poor brother who is sold into bondage to a foreigner.

As we explain in the *Torah Calendar* study, we believe that Jubilee (or the yovel) is coming up around 2050 CE, plus or minus. We do not know exact dates. We just know sequences. We talk about the sequence in the Revelation study. And as long as I have been tracking the *Revelation* study the sequence is spot on (exact). So we do not know the times, but we do know the seasons. And we know the sequences. And that is about when we expect Yeshua to return is at Armageddon. Again, we show that in our study in [Revelation and the End Times](#) or [Revelation Simplified](#) on YouTube.

But the thing we all need to remember is that Yeshua is not coming for those of us who do not respond to His call. He is coming to choose those of us who choose to respond to His call. And who love Him, who want to help Him build His kingdom. He is coming for a helper bride, right? So, how do you find a helper bride except to look for those who are already helping Him? He is coming for His helper who is already trying to do everything He said, right? Because He is a Great King!

What does He want with a bride that is giving Him less than her best for? If you were a great king and you could choose anyone you wanted, you could choose any bride out there! Who are you going to choose? Are you going

to choose one who chooses to serve you? Are you going to choose one who knows what you want but what they do is something else?

Brothers, sisters, is not it the case that all throughout Scripture Yahweh is always reminding us that we used to be slaves in Egypt? Or even after He redeemed us, because our forefathers continued in Disobedience we went into captivity again! We went into captivity in Syria, remnants of Assyria got swallowed up by the Babylonian Empire. Here we are.

But the thing is, the Babylonian system is going to come to an end at trumpet seven. We explain that in the study on *Revelation*. That is coming soon! It is coming before we know it! When it does come (and it is coming!) are we going to be not only ready to be redeemed from our captivity in Assyria and Babylon, are we going to be ready to be restored to Bridal status? To be restored to our homeland? Obeying all the rules this time? Because we did not last time! Are we repenting and are we returning to Him with all of our heart? And are we showing Him we want to be His helper? We want to be His helper bride! Are we truly showing Him that kind of a sacrifice He sees fit to let us come back into His land?

Or perhaps doing like our forefathers did, are we doing less than all His Commandments? And yet we think we are keeping all His Commandments when we are not really doing all His Commandments? Just like our ancestors?

The point is Redemption is not automatic restoration. It is not automatic! When Yahweh chooses to redeem us, we still need to choose restoration! We still need to choose to respond to His call and become His helper bride! Just expecting that Yahweh is going to forgive our

sins and let us back in after time, that is not going to be, okay? We are not going to make it into land this time that way! So if we want to be one of the few who is chosen, then do not we need to choose to respond by showing Him some sincerity? Have we ever apologized to Him for not keeping all of His Commandments?

Brothers and sisters, we really need to face into this issue! And I get concerned for people because they are not facing into this issue! The issue is, are we showing Yahweh the love of keeping all of his Commandments?

You know, we can imagine a conversation between Father and Son. *“Ephraim, son. You know, I paid your court fees. I paid your bail bond. I got you out of prison But this has got to stop! You are not even listening to Me! I keep trying to tell you, I need you to do everything I say. Not just the easy parts! Okay? But you are not even trying to help out around the house! And you rest, you read, you eat My food! If it is resting or reading, you are good! But do you ever lift a finger? Do you ever try to help out around the house? You know, are you going to change your ways? I redeemed you! Are you going to choose to be restored? Or are we headed for the wood shed, son?”*

And this is Yahweh! He will do it! If we do not believe Yahweh’s word! We Ephraimites, what do we say?

*“Hey Dad! Thanks so much! Thank you for your endless forgiveness and patience! Thank you so much for letting us rest and read and eat your good spiritual food! And never lift a finger to help! That just goes to show what a great, kingly kind of a guy you are! You know, we are back in the bride now, right? We are not helping but we are your helper, right? Because we know we are already pleasing to You! Even though we are not doing*

*everything You said to do, right? You love us so much! You are going to perpetually let us pick and choose what parts of the Torah we want to keep, right?"*

Well, it is the same exact thing in our Haftarah prophetic portion. We look at Yirmeyahu (or Jeremiah) chapter 32. What do we see?

We see Yahweh judging our ancestors for not doing everything He said while thinking they are doing so great! Thinking they are doing everything! They are not doing hardly anything!

Well, for some background, Jeremiah (or Yirmeyahu) was a prophet to the southern Kingdom of Judah. And he served during the Babylonian conquest of Jerusalem over 500 years before Yeshua. And his message was primarily for Judah but also for Israel or Ephraim.

We see where Yahweh brought our people out of the land of Egypt with signs and wonders, with a strong hand and with an outstretched arm, with great works of terror! And He gave us the land of which He swore to our fathers to give us. A land flowing with milk and honey. We get to be His special Bridal Nation! If we will just choose to obey everything!

In verse 23, we came in and took possession of the land. but our ancestors did not obey His voice and did not walk according to His Torah. Our ancestors did practically nothing of all He commanded us to do! All while thinking they were doing everything! just like today! Just like most of Ephraim! That is why He caused all this calamity to come upon our ancestors! That is why He says He is going to cause calamity to come upon us in our day! Because we are doing just like our ancestors!

We also are not helping build Elohim's true spiritual Kingdom, thinking we are doing everything! We are resting. We are reading. What more could Yahweh possibly want? What more could Yeshua want from us? Like the Great Commission?

The Great Commission is not optional, brothers and sisters! If we are thinking we are going to please Elohim and we are not going to obey the Great Commission, we have got another thought coming!

And another thing we need to see is how brother Judah also did not realize that it is Yahweh who is ultimately in charge of all things! When King Nebuchadnezzar's invasion was mounting, the message was clear! Turn back to Yahweh and King Nebuchadnezzar will no longer be a threat! King Nebuchadnezzar will not invade you! If you will obey Me, if you do what I say and take Me seriously, I will make King Nebuchadnezzar turn back!

He is Yahweh's servant, King Nebuchadnezzar! Yeah! In a certain sense, parallels for today, it is a lot like those Christians who were rallying their call for President Trump. And then they go to this rally and then they go to that rally. And they go to this political meeting, and they want to turn the political climate back to the days of the American Revolution of 1776. And they are all for the Freedom Patriots! *"And let us take our country back!"* *"Let us make America great again!"*

They have no idea that they are just completely infected all the way through with the political leaven of Herod. They are focused on the politics of the situation instead of focusing upon repenting and turning back to Yahweh. So that He will make things go well.

He says that *“If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves and pray, and take up arms, and cause a revolution...”*

No! If we will turn to Him with all our hearts and do what He asks us to do!! He gave us the Torah because we could not hear and obey His voice. We just did not know how to do that! Just could not quite figure it out! So now He gives us a step-by-step program. If you just follow all the steps, you will make it all the way through.

*“What happens if we do not follow all the steps? We still make it through, right?”*

Maybe those who are focused on President Trump and the resistance and the Rebellion, they should read what is written in verse 28. Because in verse 28 Yahweh says King Nebuchadnezzar is doing His will. What does it mean that King Nebuchadnezzar is doing Yahweh’s will?

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 32:28

28 Therefore thus says Yahweh: 'Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the Chaldeans, into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and he shall take it.

And in other verses Yahweh calls him King Nebuchadnezzar *My servant*. So why are our ancestors focused on combating an enemy that Yahweh Himself has raised up against them?

In various places Yeshua warns us against what He calls the *leaven of Herod*. What that means is seeking a political solution to a spiritual problem.

In verse 30 Yahweh said the reason He is sending King Nebuchadnezzar against the children of Israel and

Judah is that we (the children of Israel or Ephraim) and the children of Judah have done only evil before Him from our youth! He says we provoked Him to anger with the work of our hands! We have done something other than what He told us to do.

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 32:30

30 Because the children of Israel and the children of Judah have done only evil before Me from their youth. For the children of Israel have provoked Me only to anger with the work of their hands,' says Yahweh.

The end of the chapter, starting in verse 36, Yahweh promises to take His wayward bride Ephraim back again! But notice this is only after millennia of being in the dispersion and Punishment due to our disobedience. Well, to get redeemed from Babylon, to get redeemed and then restored, that is going to take some obedience.

Why not let us turn back to Him? Why not let us show Him our sincerity by beginning to do the things that He says to do? Especially in this year of release?

So, what does He want us to be doing in this year of release? Well, in the year of release it is time for forgiveness of debts. Are we forgiving our debtors? Are we forgiving those who sin against us? It is the same thing every week. Are we diligently asking, seeking, and knocking so that we can hear His voice and then do everything He says to do?

And it is not just about our individual walk as individuals! It is about Him raising up and restoring the whole nation! Are we praying for that? Are we beginning to think as a nation? Do we understand this is our nation? Do we still have identities as with the nations? Do we still think of

ourselves as Americans, or Gringos, or Latinos, or Europeans? Or are we thinking of ourselves as the nation of Ephraim? As the nation of Israel?

And are we taking care of our poor as a nation? Are we paying our third tithes so that we can take care of our poor as a nation?

We are not presently inside the land. But we have an opportunity to witness our faith. Are we taking care of the land and again, are we walking according to all of His commandments, all of His statutes, all of His ordinances, all of His judgments? So that when things go wrong, we look to Yahweh? Or do we march in support of President Trump and the Trumpian Revolution? Do we march to "*Make America Great Again!*"? Do we protest for a reformation of a Babylonian democratic government system?

What are we demanding allegiance to? Are we demanding allegiance to Yahweh and to His word? Or are we demanding allegiance to the constitution and our second amendment rights? Are we marching in support of Yahweh? Or are we marching in support of a Babylonian U.S constitution that is not found in Scripture?

Whether we realize it or not, these same kinds of issues are going on in Jeremiah 32. We have the leaven of Herod. People are looking for political solutions to what are effectively spiritual based problems. The thing is that we (their descendants) are having the exact same issues today. So what is our goal? Is our goal to become *One Nation Under Yahweh* following His word? Or is our goal to become One Nation Under Babylon rallying under the U.S Babylonian Constitution?



When the chips are down, who do we refer to? Do we refer to Yahweh? Or would we refer to the constitution? And if we refer to the constitution, then which one is truly our Elohim? The point is that if we want to be restored as His people then not only do we need to be redeemed but restored. We need to make some big changes. We are not going to be found acceptable 'as is'.

To be found acceptable we need to repent of the entire Egyptian Babylonian system. And rather than referring to the world or to man-made documents, we need to begin referring to Scripture and paying attention to what Yahweh wants. That is what He says. Hear and obey His voice! And then we need to do things the way He says to do them! And not the way we feel free to do them! We need to give Him that honor. We need to give Him that glory.

As we continue to our Brit Chadasha portion, we see this is effectively the same exact message Yeshua is also saying. We come to Luqa (or Luke) Chapter 13. And we have a similar situation going on in the land in the first century. And brother Judah's ancestors are closely related to our ancestors. We see that there are all kinds of bad things happening in the land. Problem is, they are looking to someone other than Yahweh as the cause. And so they are looking for someone other than Yahweh as the cure. This is a big problem. Because it means our ancestors or Judah's ancestors did not fear Yahweh as we are all supposed to. They did not honor Yahweh as we are all supposed to. And again, we are closely related.

In Luqa (or Luke) chapter 13 and verse 1 there is talk going on in the first century about how Pontius Pilate had mingled the blood of certain Galilean Israelites in with their sacrifices. That is nasty!

Luqa (Luke) 13:1

1 There were present at that season some who told Him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.

Well the big question in the chapter is why did this happen? Well, we need to know the context. The whole point of the last two chapters was just how much Yahweh is in charge and just how much we are supposed to fear Yahweh and nothing else. Then in verse 3 Yeshua just comes right out and tells us if we do not do everything Yahweh says to do, we also likewise are going to perish.

Luqa (Luke) 13:3

3 I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish.

Do we get what He is saying there? Do we believe what Yeshua says there?

Then the parable of the barren fig tree. We need to know that the vine represents Ephraim (or Israel) while the fig tree generally represents the southern Kingdom of Judah. Starting in verse 6, Yeshua makes it clear that those who are not bearing good fruit will be cut down! Yahweh's been fertilizing us in Ephraim for a very long time now. Time's up! We are entering into the end times! And do we in Ephraim imagine this can be any different for us and Ephraim than it was for Judah? Because is it equal weights and measures or not equal weights and measures?

Luqa (Luke) 13:6

6 He also spoke this parable: "A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none.

In verse 23, Yeshua's disciples ask Him a very frightening question! They must be looking around. Must be seeing what is going on. They do not see the witness. They say "*Master, are there few who are saved?*" And Yeshua's answer is even more frightening! Yeshua tells us to "*strive to enter in through the narrow gate*". He says "*For many will seek to enter but will not be able.*"

Luqa (Luke) 13:23-24

23 Then one said to Him, "Master, are there few who are saved?" And He said to them,

24 "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able.

Well, then Yeshua talks about all the Ephraimites and Jews and that they think they can just say "*Oh Master, Master! Adon, Adon!*" Then they are automatically restored to bridehood. As if eating and drinking His food in His presence and resting in His house is going to get us into the kingdom. Do we know an Ephraim-body like that? Do we know an Ephraim-body who you thinks he is this wonderful set-apart helper bride, but the only thing is that he not really helping? Do you know an Ephraim-body like that?

You know, the big takeaway in Parasha Behar is that Yahweh is fully and completely in charge. And Yahweh gives us all a mission to do through His Son. There is a job He wants us to do for Him! And if we will do what He says, then we will be His special set-apart treasure in all the Earth!

Yahweh gives us the Shemittah and the Jubilee as a means of taking care of our nation's poor. Because the poor are a part of Yahweh's system. So, Yahweh gives us special measures to take care of our poor in a set-

apart way. The thing is, if we are not taking care of our nation's poor, are we doing what Yahweh said? Or are we displeasing to Yahweh because we are not doing what He said?

["The Jubilees and the Shemittah"](#), I encourage everyone to read this study. These represent years of redemption and freedom from slavery. And then hopefully, hopefully make the choice to be restored as His set-apart helper bride. But to become His helper bride, do not we need to help Him? Maybe just a little bit, kind of sort of?

Because anyone can say they love Yeshua. But how many actually put their money in their hands where their mouth is? How else is Yeshua going to know that we truly have the heart to be a set-apart helper bride if He does not see the fruit? We are told to set up a global spiritual Kingdom for Yeshua whose increase will be without end! And it needs to last forever! And the Shemittah and the Jubilees are part of that global plan. Because a righteous government always needs a way to take care of its poor. And the Shemittah the Jubilee represent Yahweh's redemption and hopefully restoration. Only if we do what He says!

Brothers and sisters. I do not know how many times we can say it. I do not know how many different ways we can say it. We have to make a living sacrifice. We need to choose to lay down this life in the world and pick up our cross (or our tree or our stake) and follow Him! At the end of the day we are going to have to serve someone. Either we are serving Yahweh Elohim or by default, basically, we are serving the world (or Babylon, or Satan, or Egypt). So are we doing the things our Bridegroom tells us He wants us to do? Or are we not yet doing them? Thinking we are going to receive those rewards?

He who has ears to hear, let him hear. Because a word to the wise is sufficient.



# Parasha Bechukotai

*Leviticus 26:3-27; Jeremiah 16-17; Luke 14-15*

We get emails based on our presentations. And from time to time, we get disappointed comments about how we are different than the church. and how it is a surprise to people who are new to Nazarene Israel.

Yes, we are different than the church. So, if you are new to Nazarene Israel, Nazarene Israel is not like the church. Praise Yah! And thank you for noticing!

We are different from the Messianic movement also. And the reason we are different than both the church and the Messianic movement (including most Ephraimites) is that the Roman-style churches (and I include the Messianic assemblies in that) is that they do not do what Scripture says to do. They have a replacement of what Yahweh Elohim says to do. And they do not like to do it like Scripture says to do it. They have their own reasons why they should keep their own ways instead of doing what Scripture says to do. So basically, they make up their own worship.

That is a big problem for us. Because if we worship Yeshua but we never learn to become like Yeshua, then we are not going to end up doing the same things that Yeshua did. Instead, what happens, basically we have Roman-style bread and circuses. I mean, you can laugh. But think about it.

You have this Greco-Roman style amphitheater. And the people file into the Greco-Roman amphitheater. And then they enjoy some good kind of entertainment. We hear some enjoyable message. Maybe they pray some

together. Maybe they even break bread together (or at least a wafer, something like that). But once they pay their admission, they go home. And they do not do like Yeshua did in His synagogue, ever! They do not imitate Yeshua's walk! Basically, they are disobedient to Yeshua, and they will even know it. So that is the Greco-Roman model. They are worshiping and adoring, but they are not really imitating. Not the way Yeshua intends us to.

The thing is that there are really very few true believers who are really trying to do our very utmost to walk the narrow and afflicted path in all aspects of life. Spiritually, financially, volunteering our time. Basically also applying Yeshua's teachings to every aspect of our lives. And the reason there are so few people that want to follow this narrow and afflicted path is that it requires sacrifice.

I have heard it called the *Rent an Ore* model of ministry. And that is about right. Because if we are going to serve Yeshua, we need to bring our sacrifice for Him. A lot of people disdain Rent an Ore. But that is how they did it in Scripture. This is the example we see the apostles giving us.

Like we spoke about in "[Parasha Behar 2022](#)", we can choose to respond to Yeshua's calling, and thus in choosing to respond, we ourselves become chosen so we can show Him our dedication by choosing to respond. Or we can be one of the 4,000 or the 5,000, or the myriads, or the multitudes, or the crowds and the throngs that just pass through. Because they are not there to lay down their lives in service to Yeshua. They are to get something from Yeshua.

What Yeshua really wants is the twelve. Because they made a decision. They made a choice to do all they can



to help further His kingdom. Clearly, it is not popular. Because it does take a lot of discipline to serve in a king's court. People think serving in a king's court is easy. It is not! And plus, our King will only accept the very best of the best! The first choice! The finest part!

There is this assumption in Scripture (and in Israel) that is missing in the Ephraimite world. Which is the understanding that there is a spiritual war going on! And it is for real! And Elohim expects those of us who truly love Him to bring all we have to His fight. Basically, if we do not choose to bring all we have to His fight, He considers that as treason! Because His Son did all that for us! We are not willing to do even this for Him?

Well, perhaps we have lived under Babylonian democracy for so long now that maybe we have forgotten what it is like to serve a king! Kings demand obedience to their orders! They demand our loyal loves. So, Yahweh is expecting obedience to the letter of His word. And is not that what the right thing to do is? That we should obey His Word both in spirit and in truth? Both in spirit and in the letter?

For those who are paying attention, we have some major End-Time activities coming right up! Each week we publish the news on the Revelation timeline on the Nazarene Israel website. And what we are going to see in this Parasha (and others in this series) is that Elohim expects us to come together and begin to operate as one nation. And that is just as our forefathers were supposed to pull together as one nation when they came out of the land of Egypt. So also, we are to pull together as a single nation to serve Yeshua better. And we do that by following the protocols, the procedures, and the rules that Yeshua gave His disciples to keep in the first century. We explain those in all of our works.

But the thing is, as we have covered in past sections, it has to be a real thing with us. We do not just get rewarded for learning about what we are supposed to be doing. If we learn about what we are supposed to be doing but we do not actually do it, maybe we might call that lackadaisical or lukewarm. But Yahweh sees it as treason. He sees it as rebellion. And that is why the lukewarm get vomited out of His mouth! Because they know what they are supposed to do, and they know what their Commander wants! They just do not want to obey their Commander.

That is a big problem! Because Yahweh is a war Elohim. Yahweh is a Man of War. And if we think about it in terms of Him being our Military Commander, and the fact that we are operating in the spiritual wartime, if your commander in the military gives you an order or a standing order, is it optional? You are kidding, right? Because of course, it is not optional. It is mandatory! Or else the penalty is death, right?

The thing is, brothers and sisters, if we know what He wants us to do (because He says the same thing every week) He says, "*Obey Me or I am going to thump you!*" So if we know what He wants us to do and then still we do not want to do, is not that kind of the same as disobeying a direct order from our Commanding Officer? Is not that rebelling against our Commander-in-Chief? And the penalty for rebellion is death, right?

You know, obedience to Yahweh is a very simple black and white matter. He says, basically, "*Obey Me or I am going to smack you until you change!*" And if we obey Yahweh then He is going to make things wonderful! He is going to make things amazing! But if we do not obey, Yahweh promises us a free trip to the backside of the woodshed! If you know what I mean!

So, do we realize that the *Wedding Feast* reflects on those promises? And have we thought about how the wedding is not automatic? But that the wedding is conditional upon our obedience? Do we get that? Also, do we realize that *Armageddon* is the *Wedding Feast*?

We explain that in [\*Revelation and the End Times\*](#) and also in [\*Revelation Simplified\*](#) on YouTube. But the point of all this and the thing we are really trying to say, brothers and sisters, is that if we want to survive these End-Times, then do not we need to be in His favor? And to be in His favor, do not we need to do what He says?

Well, to find out how to survive the Tribulation and be taken as part of His Set-apart bride, please join us for Parasha Bechukotai. We will talk about how Armageddon is the Wedding Feast. And how we get to survive by being on Yahweh's team before that day comes.

Okay. What we have been doing up until now in this Parasha series is what could be called *Evangelical Outreach*. But one of the problems we have noticed here is that we are not getting the advanced insights to the disciples. That does not work for us long term. Our new plan is that I am going to pass my study insights to the disciples. And that is for their studying.

I am also going to try to indicate where newcomers should look and if there are any corresponding studies on our website.

But once we do that, then I need to refocus the rest of my time on the doctrinal studies. Because that is what brings us all together in the right order. The correct doctrine. So again, I have to turn this into study notes for disciples. And that is all the time and resources we would

truly have at the moment. So please pray to the Master of the Harvest to send out workers into His Harvest. Because the Harvest is truly great. And the workers are few and working hard.

Now, as for the specifics, Yahweh called me to this walk in June the 6th, 1999. And since that point in time, if I had to put my finger on one single thing that I wish Ephraim could understand, it seems to be that Ephraim coming out of the church system. Ephraim does not yet quite seem to understand that Yahweh only promises to bless us when we obey *all* of His commandments. And that He promises to punish us where we do not perform *all* of His commandments. So if we are only going to keep part of His commandments, that is not *all*. And that is going to end in punishment. Yeah, it does not leave a lot of space in between, does it?

In today's day and age, we are not supposed to be a binary society anymore, right? But is not this kind of a binary choice? You know, are we doing all His commandments? Or are we doing a part of or not all of His Commandments? Pick one, right? Because is it all? Or is it not all?

And I think people say, "*Well, why all? You mean, all?*" Yeah! I think what all represents to Yahweh is it represents 100 headlong, head-over-heels commitment. That is why He likes it so much! That is why it means so much to Him! And that is also why He does not give us an option to perform only *part* of His Commandments.

Yahweh does not say, "*Well, keep 90 percent, that is an "A"! Keep 80 percent, that is a "B"!*" And let us read the language here in Vayiqra (Leviticus) chapter 26 verse 14.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 26:14-15

14 'But if you **do not obey** Me, and do not observe all these commandments,

15 and if you **despise** My statutes, or if your soul abhors My judgments, **so that you do not perform all My commandments, but break My Covenant,**

*Yahweh says, "But if you do not obey Me and do not guard all of these commandments, and if you despise My statutes or if your soul abhors My judgments so that you do not perform all My commandments but break My Covenant, then I will pound you into oblivion! And not in a nice way!"*

Now, something special of note in this chapter is that Yahweh says several times, if we do not obey all of His commandments, then He is going to bring seven *times* more punishment upon us. And that is just because we were not keeping all of His commandments. We were only keeping parts.

Vayiqra (Leviticus) 26:18

18 'And after all this, if you do not obey Me, then I **will punish you seven times more** for your sins.

And the reason that makes Him upset is because, effectively, we did not consider His Son to be worthy of making that kind of effort.

Now, if we want to find out how partial obedience worked out for our forefathers historically, we can read all about that in the [Nazarene Israel](#) study, in the section where we talk about the "[Mystery of the Two Houses](#)". And while we are there, we can also read about the Parable of the Prodigal Son, which we are going to get into in our Renewed Covenant portion.

But the point is that we need to glean from this is that Yahweh punishes partial obedience. Because He finds it disloyal.

Now, we are all thinking, *“Wow! We kept part of His commandments. We are doing pretty good! We deserve a reward!”*

That is not how Elohim looks at it. He looks at it like it is treason. I mean, are we going to do more of the same things that got our ancestors sent out into the Assyrian diaspora in the first place? If only keeping part of His commandments was a problem for our forefathers back then, why are we going to get called back to land without keeping His whole Torah? Yeah!

Brothers and sisters! A lot of us are the same way! You know? Tithing is too much. Donating time is too much. Doing something to help build Yeshua’s kingdom is too much. Oh, but we love those blessings!

The problem is that we cannot do more of the same partial obedience that got us sent into dispersion in the first place! And then we imagine He is going to bring us home? But we have never really changed? No! First, we need to change. First, we need to show Him our love for Him by doing for Him all that we can. Then He is going to protect us through the Tribulation so we can come home.

Now, for the math, please see the [Nazarene Israel](#) study in the section on the [“Two Houses of Israel”](#). When we run the numbers and do the math, what we see is that there is this Torah principle that Yahweh refers to in Ezekiel chapter 4. And Yahweh said that the northern kingdom of Ephraim (or the northern House of Israel)

would be sent out into the dispersion for their partial obedience.

Now, the dispersion started around 722 BCE. And of course, it did not happen all in one year. It was an invasion; it was a conquering of land. But in Ezekiel chapter 4 and verse 5, Yahweh tells Ezekiel to lie on his left side for 390 days. And He tells Ezekiel that the principle here is a day for each year. That is the prophetic principle of Ezekiel 4.

Yehezqel (Ezekiel) 4:5

5 For I have laid on you the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days, three hundred and ninety days; so you shall bear the iniquity of the House of Israel.

390 days (one day for each year) that our forefathers were supposed to spend in captivity for their partial obedience. This was their jail time for partial obedience. The problem is that they did not repent after 390 years. So, their punishment was extended sevenfold.

We run the numbers and do the math in the [Nazarene Israel](#) study. But that punishment ran out around 1996, 1998, or 2000 depending on various factors. What we see is that this corresponds to the rise that we saw in the *Hebrew Roots Movement* starting around 1996, 1998, 2000.

For example, I was called in 1999. And there is a lot we could say about that. But that is all in the [Nazarene Israel](#) study. I encourage you to read that. If you read that study, you will know more than 99% of all Christians out there.

But the question we have here is, how does all of this apply to the Wedding Feast? How does it apply to the Marriage of the Lamb? How does it apply to us?

Now, we eagerly await Yeshua's return! It is going to be so nice when Satan's finally locked up in the pit and we only have his minions to deal with. It is going to still be a struggle because we still have to battle his minions. But Yeshua says we can do it because He is going to give us His *rod of iron* in that day. And because Satan's then in the pit, then we can organize in that day. So we are eagerly awaiting that day!

And of course we all want Yeshua's blessings! We all want Yahweh's blessings. We all want to sit down at the table with Avraham Yitzhak, and Ya'akov, right? But do not we need to make sure that we do not get cast into the outer darkness instead? Where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth? Because is not that where Yeshua says that the partially obedient go? And can we see that the destruction of the partially obedient is the Tribulation? Because Satan targets them for their obedience, but they do not have enough obedience to be protected. Because our heart's not truly all the way in it.

Did not Yeshua say that it would be only a very few who would enter the Kingdom in that day? Did not He say that the narrow gate was very difficult, and it was afflicted? Only the afflicted could enter in by it! And do we realize that Armageddon is the Wedding Feast?

I mean, that is kind of a different perspective is it not? So, the bride is wearing combat boots. Everyone wants to be the bride. But who wants any part of Armageddon? It does not sound like fun!



Well in Yirmeyahu (or Jeremiah) chapter 16, Ephraim (or Israel) come back home again. As we explained in the [Revelation](#) study, this will happen after the Tribulation and after Armageddon. While we do not know the dates and the times, we do know the seasons. We know the general timeline. While we have been watching the timeline it seems to be dead on! So far, it has been 100 percent accurate.

We know that the prophecies in Jeremiah 16 and 17 are accurate because those are the word of Elohim. So, what does He say? Yahweh says He is going to punish those who are only keeping part of His Commandments. We do not mean to harp on the same topic in every study. But if Yahweh says He is going to punish those who only keep part of His Commandments, then how now should we live?

Well, there is a lot more we could say about Yirmeyahu chapters 16 and 17. But we are going to have to leave it for next year. Right now, we want to see what Yeshua has to say about Armageddon (or the Wedding Feast).

So, we come to Luqa (or Luke) chapter 14. Starting in verse 16 we see that Yeshua is talking about a Great Man who obviously in this case is Elohim (or Yahweh). And He invited many to His Great Supper. Which, of course, is the Wedding Supper of the Lamb (of His Son).

Luqa (Luke) 14:16-17

16 Then He said to him, "A certain man gave a great supper and invited many,

17 and sent His servant at supper time to say to those who were invited, 'Come, for all things are now ready.'

Now the many in this passage here, is it possible that this is the same many as Avraham's seed is supposed to be as the stars of the heaven and as the sand of the seashore, which is neither numbered nor counted for multitude?

When the Great Man invited everyone to His Son's wedding though, what happened? Where did everyone go? Well, everyone made excuses, of course.

Luqa (Luke) 14:18-20

18 **But they all with one accord began to make excuses.** The first said to him, 'I have bought a piece of ground, and I must go and see it. I ask you to have me excused.'

19 And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to test them. I ask you to have me excused.'

20 Still another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.'

They all had things to do that seemed more important to them than attending the wedding of the Son the King of the universe. Just was not a priority in their lives.

But guess what. The Master of the House was not happy. Verse 21 tells us He was angry.

Luqa (Luke) 14:21

21 So that servant came and reported these things to his Master. Then the Master of the House, being angry, said to his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in here the poor and the maimed and the lame and the blind.'

What happened really? What are we really talking about? In the first century, He invited Judah. But Judah

did not come. Now, maybe some in Ephraim are *willing* to come. But they do not have on the correct *wedding garment* which is obedience to their Husband.

So instead, Yahweh invited the poor, the lowly, and the crippled to His feast. And He swore that none of those in Judah and Ephraim who were originally invited would taste of His supper.

Now, is that the same as to say that many will come from east and west and sit down in the Kingdom with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and yet the sons of the kingdom are going to be cast in the outer Darkness?

Mattityahu (Matthew) 8:11-12

11 And I say to you that many will come from east and west, and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven.

12 But the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

And is not that the same as to say that we need to be pure? Are we saying we need to wear the correct wedding garment? Which is loyal obedience to our Husband and everything that He said to do?

Oh, oh! Guess what! It is binary choice! It is either-or. There is no gradation. There is no scale of gray. We just need to choose life! We just need to choose obedience! We just need to choose Elohim and not the world!

This is pretty much a story for both Ephraim and Judah today. So the question then becomes, are we truly making Yahweh Elohim our number one top priority in life? Are we truly putting Him and His Son and His word first in our lives? Or are we living this style of life where

we are pretending to do that? Meaning we are still in the church! (I include the Messianic movement and most of the Ephraimites in that.)

Do we expect a little piece the Kingdom when that great and awesome day finally comes here? Even though we know in our hearts that we are not doing everything that He said to do?

Brothers, do we think our Husband is going to take us as His bride forever? A spotless and blemish-less bride. But we are not making Him our top priority in life? I mean, it is a hard lesson to learn. But we need to be real! Yahweh's promises are not just to *the believers*. They are for *the disciples*. Even the demons believe! And the demons tremble! But yet they do not obey!

Ya'akov (James) 2:19-20

19 You believe that there is one Elohim. You do well. Even the demons believe—and tremble!

20 But do you want to know, O foolish man, that faith without works is dead?

Maybe we might think that we believe (and yet we do not obey). But as we explained in the [Nazarene Israel](#) study, the real question is, do we believe to the point of obeying? Do we believe unto the point of obedience? We explain in the *Nazarene Israel* study about the Hebrew conception of listening and the Greco-Roman concept of listening.

So these are the questions. Not what is obedience to us? But what is obedience to Elohim? What is it that He gets out of this? What does He want? Because He is the one who is going to make the decision, after all!

What we have tried to show all throughout this Parasha series is that there is a big difference between whom Yahweh is going to deliver from the Tribulation (the obedient ones) and those He probably will not (which is everyone else). And just as our forefathers were taken by surprise that partial obedience was not good enough, brothers and sisters! Can we please take a good look at ourselves and our lives? And realize that Tribulation is coming! We do not get to go home, we do not get to survive, unless we obey!

So, why not do as Yeshua says to do in Luqa (Luke) chapter 21 and verse 36. which is that we should watch out and be careful! We need to pray always that we might be counted worthy to escape all these things that are going to come to pass here on this Earth! That we might survive and escape! That we might stand before the Son of Man one day!

Luqa (Luke) 21:36

**36 Watch therefore, and pray always** that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Dear Father Yahweh. Please help us all to watch and pray always to take heed to our spirits. That we also might be counted worthy to escape all these things that we know are going to come to pass in these End-Times. So we might stand before your Son. So that we might be able to serve Him. Father, please help us realize that in order to reach that lofty goal that You are serious about what You say. It is not a joke. We just need to do everything Your word says with the eager, humble, willing, hearts. Thank You, Father. Please help us to walk this way. Please help us to do these things. Father, we ask these things in Yeshua's name. That we might

become better servants for Your Son Yeshua, our  
Messiah and King.

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Shaul (Paul) also tells us that those who are taught should share with those who teach.

Galatim (Galatians) 6:6-9

6 Let him who is taught the word share in all good things with him who teaches.

7 Do not be deceived, Elohim is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.

8 For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.

9 And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

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*If you are reading this, then you probably enjoy reading the Scriptures, right? And you probably know that the Old Testament (the Torah and the books of the prophets) is still an important part of Scripture, right?*

*But have you ever read the Tanakh (the Old Testament) and wondered, "What does this mean for me today?" "How do any of the things written in the Tanakh apply to us now?" "Did not the Torah become obsolete after the resurrection of Yeshua HaMashiach?"*

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