Greetings, today our manna is 1Kings 19; 1Thes. 2; Daniel 1; Psalm 105.

October 16 - Melchizedek Devotional Perspective

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1Kings 19

Elijah Flees Jezebel

1Ki 19:1 And when Aḥaḇ reported to Izeḇel all that Ěliyahu had done, also how he slew all the prophets with the sword,

1Ki 19:2 Izebel sent a messenger to Eliyahu, saying, "So let the mighty ones do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by tomorrow about this time."

Without consulting YHWH, Elijah takes his servant and flees. With receiving such a threatening message, the rational thought would be to get out of immediate harms way. Each situation is different and there are definitely times fleeing is the option. At some point however, we should be asking YHWH for direction. Thankfully He knows us better than we know ourselves and provides for us amid chaotic times.

1Ki 19:3 And he feared, and rose up and ran for his life, and went to Be'ersheba, which belongs to Yehudah, and <u>left his servant there</u>.

BDB Definition: Beer-sheba = "well of the sevenfold oath" 1) a city at the south edge of Israel

1Ki 19:4 But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a broom tree, and prayed that he might die, and said, "It is enough! Now, take my life, for I am no better than my fathers!"

In 1Kings 17 YHWH commands the ravens to sustain Elijah by the brook Kerith. Now, we see that a messenger of YHWH is sent to sustain Elijah.

1Ki 19:5 And he lay and slept under a broom tree, and see, a messenger touched him, and said to him, "Rise, eat."

1Ki 19:6 And he looked and saw by his head a cake baked on coals, and a jar of water. So he ate and drank, and turned and lay down.

1Ki 19:7 And the messenger of יהוה came back the second time, and touched him, and said, "Rise, eat, for the journey is too much for you."

1Ki 19:8 And he rose up and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights as far as Horeb, the mountain of Elohim.

We find ourselves in the wilderness with Elijah being provided baked cake and a jar of water. **BDB Definition H5692: 1) disc or cake (of bread)** These provisions sustain him to make the 40 day and 40-night journey to Mount Horeb, also known as Mount Sinai. The various elements mentioned within the text connect us to several other Scriptures.

We know wilderness experiences are often connected to 'witnessing.'

- The Israelites wandered in the wilderness 40 years and served as a 'witness' to the surrounding nations of the mighty Elohim they served. YHWH provided the Israelites manna from heaven and water from a rock.
- Satan tried to temp Yahusha in the wilderness after 40 days and nights to no avail; again, a situation that served as a 'witness' to us on how to resist Satan and his tactics by using the sword; the Word of YHWH.
- The woman in Rev. 12 is nourished in the wilderness and will serve as a witness. Rev 12:14 And the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, to fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, Dan_7:25, Dan_12:7 from the presence of the serpent.
- These connections are meant to help us glean deeper meaning and understanding. They are repetitious patterns.

YHWH Speaks to Elijah

1Ki 19:9 And there he went into a cave and spent the night there. And see, the word of יהוה came to him, and said to him, "What are you doing here, Eliyahu?"

1Ki 19:10 And he said, "I have been very jealous for יהוה Elohim of hosts, for the children of Yisra'ěl have forsaken Your covenant. They have thrown down Your slaughter-places, and they have killed Your prophets with the sword, and I am left, I alone, and they seek my life, to take it."

1Ki 19:11 And He said.

- "Go out, and stand on the mountain before יהוה." And see, יהוה passed by,
- and a great and strong wind tearing the mountains and breaking the rocks in pieces before יהוה יהוה was not in the wind.
- And after the wind an earthquake יהוה was not in the earthquake,
- 1Ki 19:12 and after the earthquake a fire יהוה was not in the fire,
- and after the fire a still small voice.

It is very important to be able to 'tune in' to <u>YHWH's still small voice</u>. There are many other sights, sounds, and voices that try to compete with His still small voice. His people learn and know His voice.

1Ki 19:13 And it came to be, when Ěliyahu heard it, that he wrapped his face in his robe and went out and stood at the cave opening. And see, a voice came to him, and said, "What are you doing here, Ěliyahu?"

This is really a good question. Whenever we need affirmation or direction from YHWH, we should ask Him. YHWH, am I doing what you want me to be doing? Am I where you want me to be? – Ask, seek, and knock.

1Ki 19:14 And he said, "I have been very jealous for יהוה Elohim of hosts, for the children of Yisra'ěl have forsaken Your covenant. They have thrown down Your slaughter-places, and they have killed Your prophets with the sword, and I am left, I alone, and they seek my life, to take it."

1Ki 19:15 And יהוה said to him,

- "Go, return on your way to the Wilderness of Dammeseq.
- And you shall go in and anoint Haza'el as sovereign over Aram.
- And anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel Meholah as prophet in your place.

1Ki 19:17 "And it shall be

- that whoever escapes the sword of Haza'el, Yehu does kill.
- And whoever escapes from the sword of Yěhu, Elisha does kill.

1Ki 19:18 "And I shall leave <u>seven thousand in Yisra'ěI</u>, all whose knees have not bowed to Ba'al, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

Remnants:

Rom 11:1 I say then, has Elohim rejected His people? Let it not be! For I also am of Yisra'ĕl, of the seed of Aḇraham, of the tribe of Binyamin.

Rom 11:2 <u>Elohim has not rejected His people</u> Psa_94:14 whom He knew beforehand. Or do you not know what the Scripture says of Eliyahu, how he pleads with Elohim against Yisra'el, saying,

Rom 11:3 <u>"הוה", they have killed Your prophets and overthrown Your slaughter-places, and I alone am left, and they seek my life"?</u> 1Ki 19:10, 1Ki 19:14.

Rom 11:4 But what does the answer *of Elohim* say to him? "I have left for Myself seven thousand men who have not bowed the knee to Ba'al." 1Ki 19:18.

Rom 11:5 So therefore also, at this present time a remnant according to the choice of favor has

come to be.

Eze 9:4 and יהוה said to him, "Pass on into the midst of the city, into the midst of Yerushalayim, and you shall <u>put a mark on the foreheads of the men who sigh and cry over all the</u> abominations that are done within it."

Eze 9:5 And to the others He said in my hearing, "Pass on into the city after him and strike, do not let your eye pardon nor spare.

Rev 7:3 saying, "Do not harm the earth, nor the sea, nor the trees <u>until we have sealed the</u> <u>servants of our Elohim upon their foreheads.</u>" Footnote: ^aSee <u>Rev_9:4</u>, <u>Rev_14:1</u>, Rev_22:4.

Rev 7:4 And I heard the number of those who were sealed, one hundred and forty-four thousand, sealed out of all the tribes of the children of Yisra'ěl:

The Call of Elisha

1Ki 19:19 And he went from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was ploughing with twelve yoke of oxen before him, and he was with the twelfth. And Eliyahu passed by him and threw his robe on him.

1Ki 19:20 And he left the oxen and ran after Ěliyahu, and said, "Please let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I follow you." And he said to him, "Go, turn back, for what have I done to you?"

1Ki 19:21 And he turned back from him, and took a yoke of oxen and slaughtered them and cooked their flesh, using the implements of the oxen, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he rose up and followed Ěliyahu, and became his servant.

1Thes. 2

Just as when Aaron and his sons were being washed, consecrated, ordained, and setapart by Moses, so that the 'esteem of YHWH' would appear (Lev. 8-9:6); we now see Paul saying the same thing to the Thessalonians. Paul and Silas had demonstrated the life of a true believer and encouraged them (and us) to do the same. We are to run the race of <u>sanctification in Him</u>. We are to walk worthily as <u>His kingdom of priests</u> from every tongue, tribe, people, and nation. The foot-washing at the Covenant confirming meal, was a priestly act of ordination and consecration by Yahusha our High Priest of the Melchizedek Order.

Joh 13:8 Kěpha said to Him, "By no means shall You wash my feet, ever!" יהושע answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me."

Paul's Ministry to the Thessalonians

1Th 2:1 For you yourselves know, brothers, that our coming to you was not in vain.

1Th 2:2 But having suffered before and having been mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we were bold in our Elohim to speak to you the Good News of Elohim in much struggle.

- 1Th 2:3 For the appeal we make does not come from delusion, nor from uncleanness, nor from deceit.
- 1Th 2:4 But as we have been approved by Elohim to be entrusted with the Good News, so we speak, not as pleasing men, but Elohim who proves our hearts.
 - ➤ 1Th 2:5 For we never came with a word of flattery, as you know,
 - nor with a cloak for greed Elohim is witness –
 - ➤ 1Th 2:6 nor were we looking for praise from men, not from you nor from others,
 - > though we could have been a burden to you, as emissaries of Messiah.
- 1Th 2:7 But we were gentle in your midst, like a nursing mother warmly loving her own children.
- 1Th 2:8 So, having a tender affection for you, we were well pleased to share with you not only the Good News of Elohim, but also our own lives, because you have become beloved to us.
- 1Th 2:9 For you remember, brothers, our toil and hardship, for laboring night and day, in order not to burden any of you, we proclaimed to you the Good News of Elohim.
- 1Th 2:10 You are witnesses, Elohim also,
 - how set-apart
 - and righteously
 - and blamelessly we behaved ourselves among you who believe,
 - ↓ 1Th 2:11 even as you know how each one of you, as a father to his children, encouraging and comforting and bearing witness to you,
 - ♣ 1Th 2:12 that you would walk worthily of Elohim who is calling you into His own reign and esteem.
- 1Th 2:13 And because of this we thank Elohim without ceasing, that when you received the Word of Elohim which you heard from us, you welcomed it not as the word of men, but as it is truly, the Word of Elohim, which also works in you who believe.^a Footnote:

 aSee Heb_13:21.
- Th 2:14 For you, brothers, became imitators of the assemblies of Elohim which are in Yehudah in Messiah יהושע, because you also suffered the same *treatment* from your own countrymen as they also from the Yehudim,
- 1Th 2:15 who killed both the Master יהושע and their own prophets, and have persecuted us, and who displease Elohim and are hostile to all men,
- 1Th 2:16 forbidding us to speak to the nations that they might be saved, so as to fill up their sins always. But the wrath has come upon them to the utmost.

Paul's Longing to See Them Again

- 1Th 2:17 But we, brothers, having been taken away from you for a short while in presence, not in heart were much more eagerly trying to see your face, with much longing.
- 1Th 2:18 We would therefore have come to you, I indeed, Sha'ul, more than once, but

Satan hindered us.

1Th 2:19 For what is our expectation, or joy, or crown of boasting? Is it not even you, before our Master יהושע Messiah at His coming?

1Th 2:20 For you are our esteem and joy.

Daniel Introductory Excerpts

<u>Adam Clarke:</u> 'Daniel is said to have descended from the royal family of David; and he appears to have been carried into Babylon when very young, in the fourth year of Jehoiakim king of Judah, A.M. 3398, b.c. 602, or 606 before the vulgar era. <u>He and his three fellow-captives, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah</u>, being likely youths, were chosen to be about the king's court, and were appointed to have an education suitable to the employments for which they were destined.' They all choose not to eat the diet of the Babylonian king and instead eat vegetables and drink water; and they flourish in health.

'Daniel's interpretation of Nebuchadnezzar's dream of the variously compounded metallic image raised his credit so high at the court that he was established governor of the province of Babylon, and made chief of all the Magians, or wise men in that country. The chief facts and incidents of his history are so particularly woven throughout the book bearing his name, and undoubtedly written by himself, that they need not be detailed here.'

"...the prophecy of the seventy weeks of Daniel exceeds all that have gone before..."

'The rabbins have endeavored to degrade Daniel, and have placed his prophecies among the hagiographa, books which they consider to possess a minor degree of inspiration; and it is probable that he meets with this treatment from them because his prophecies are proofs too evident that Jesus Christ [Yahusha HaMashiach] is the true Messiah, and that he came at the very time that Daniel said the Prince Messiah should come.'

'It is very probable that Daniel did not return at the general restoration from the Babylonish captivity. At that time, if alive, he must have been an old man; and it is most likely that he finished his days in Babylon, though some Asiatic authors hold that he returned to Judea with Ezra, came back afterward to Persia, and died in the city of Susa.'

'This book divides itself into two parts.

Part 1 is historical and is contained in the six former chapters.

Part 2: is prophetical and occupies the other six.'

Daniel 1

Daniel Taken to Babylon

Dan 1:1 In the third year of the reign of Yehoyaqim [Jehoiakim], sovereign of Yehudah, Nebukadnetstsar, sovereign of Babel came to Yerushalayim and besieged it.

Dan 1:2 And יהוה gave

- Yehoyaqim sovereign of Yehudah into his hand,
- with some of the utensils of the House of Elohim,
- which he brought to the land of Shin'ar to the house of his mighty one.

And he brought the utensils into the treasure house of his mighty one.

With the first siege, King Nebukadnetstsar requests a certain selection of captives.

Dan 1:3 And the sovereign said to Ashpenaz, the chief of his eunuchs,

- to bring some of the children of Yisra'ěl
- and some of the sovereign's descendants
- and some of the nobles.
 - Dan 1:4 young men in whom there was no blemish,
 - but good-looking,
 - o having insight in all wisdom,
 - having knowledge and understanding learning,
 - o capable to stand in the sovereign's palace,
 - o and to teach them the writing and speech of the Kasdim.

King Nebukadnetstsar also wanted the select captives to be well fed; therefore, he appoints them to be fed the king's food and wine over their three-year training period. However, Dani'ěl request the chief eunuch to feed him and Ḥananyah, Misha'ěl, and Azaryah vegetables and water, so as not to defile themselves. The chief eunuch/overseer reluctantly agrees to a '10-day trial'; after which, the eunuch sees they look healthier and fuller than the others.

Dan 1:5 And the sovereign appointed for them a daily ration of the sovereign's food and of the wine which he drank, and three years of training for them, so that at the end thereof they should stand before the sovereign.

Dan 1:6 Now among them were from the sons of Yehudah: Dani'el, Ḥananyah, Misha'el, and Azaryah.

Babylonian names given.

Dan 1:7 And the chief of the eunuchs gave them names.

- For he called Dani'el, Belteshatstsar;
- 🖶 and Hananyah, Shadrak;
- and Misha'ěl, Měyshak;
- 🖶 and Azaryah, Abed-Nego.

Daniel's Faithfulness

Dan 1:8 But Dani'ěl laid it upon his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the sovereign's food, nor with the wine which he drank. **So he asked** *permission* from the chief of the eunuchs not to defile himself.

Dan 1:9 And Elohim granted Dani'ěl loving-commitment and compassion from the chief of the eunuchs,

Dan 1:10 but the chief of the eunuchs said to Dani'ěl, "I fear my master the sovereign, who has appointed your food and drink. For why should he see your faces looking worse than the young men who are your age? Then you would make my head guilty before the sovereign!"

Dan 1:11 And **Dani'ěl said to the overseer** whom the chief of the eunuchs had set over Dani'ěl, Ḥananyah, Misha'ěl, and Azaryah,

- Dan 1:12 "Please try your servants for ten days,
- and let them give us vegetables to eat
- and water to drink.
- ♣ Dan 1:13 "Then let our appearances be examined before you, and the appearances of the young men who eat the portion of the sovereign's food. And do with your servants as you see fit."
- ♣ Dan 1:14 And he listened to them in this matter, and tried them ten days.
- ♣ Dan 1:15 And at the end of ten days their appearances looked better and fatter in flesh than all the young men who ate the portion of the sovereign's food.

Dan 1:16 And it came to be that the overseer took away their portion of food and the wine they were to drink, and gave them vegetables.

Elohim gives the four young men favor, knowledge, and skill in all learning and wisdom. In addition, <u>Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams</u>.

Dan 1:17 As for these four young men, Elohim gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom. And Dani'ěl had understanding in all visions and dreams.

Dan 1:18 And at the end of the days, when the sovereign had said that they should be brought in, the chief of the eunuchs brought them in before Nebukadnetstsar.

Dan 1:19 And the sovereign spoke with them, and <u>none among them all were</u> found like Dani'ěl, Hananyah, Misha'ěl, and Azaryah, so they stood before the <u>sovereign.</u>

The four were found to be ten times better...

Dan 1:20 And in any word of wisdom and understanding about which the sovereign examined them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians, the astrologers, who were in all his reign.

Dan 1:21 And Dani'ěl continued until the first year of Sovereign Koresh [Cyrus].

Psalm 105 We are to remember: A beautiful 'go to' Psalm of praise and remembrance.

Tell of All His Wonderful Works

Psa 105:1 Give thanks to יהוה! Call upon His Name, Make known His deeds among!

the peoples.

- Psa 105:2 Sing to Him, sing praise to Him; Speak of all His wonders.
- Psa 105:3 Make your boast in His set-apart Name; Let the hearts rejoice of those seeking יהוה.
- Psa 105:4 Seek יהוה and His strength; Seek His face always.
- Psa 105:5 Remember His wonders which He has done, His miracles, and the right-rulings of His mouth,
- Psa 105:6 O seed of Abraham His servant, Children of Ya'aqob, His chosen ones!
- Psa 105:7 He is יהוה our Elohim; His right-rulings are in all the earth.
- Psa 105:8 He has remembered His covenant forever, The Word He commanded, for a thousand generations,
- Psa 105:9 The covenant He made with Abraham, And His oath to Yitshaq,
- Psa 105:10 And established it to Ya'aqob for a law, To Yisra'ěl an everlasting covenant,
- Psa 105:11 **Saying**,
 - "To you I give the land of Kena'an,
 - The portion of your inheritance."

His hand of favor was with them.

- Psa 105:12 When they were few in number, Few indeed, and sojourners in it,
- Psa 105:13 And they went about from one nation to another, From one reign to another people,
- Psa 105:14 He allowed no one to oppress them, And He reproved sovereigns for their sakes,
- Psa 105:15 Saying, "Do not touch My anointed ones, And do My prophets no evil."
- Psa 105:16 And He called for a scarcity of food in the land; He cut off all the supply of bread.

He sends Joseph before them; a type and shadow of Yahusha HaMashiach to come.

- Psa 105:17 He sent ahead of them a man, Yoseph, sold as a slave.
- Psa 105:18 They afflicted his feet with shackles, His neck was put in irons.
- Psa 105:19 Until the time that His Word came, The Word of יהוה tried him.
- Psa 105:20 The sovereign sent and released him, The ruler of the people let him loose.
- Psa 105:21 He made him master of his house, And ruler over all his possessions,
- Psa 105:22 To bind his chiefs at his pleasure, And to teach his elders wisdom.

Psa 105:23 Then Yisra'ěl came to Mitsrayim, And Ya'aqob sojourned in the land of Ham.

Psa 105:24 And He increased His people greatly, And made them stronger than their enemies.

Psa 105:25 He turned their heart to hate His people, To conspire against His servants.

Moses and Aaron are chosen to lead them out of Egypt.

Psa 105:26 He sent Mosheh His servant, Aharon whom He had chosen.

Psa 105:27 They set among them the matters of <u>His signs</u>, And wonders in the land of Ham.

- ♣ Psa 105:28 He sent darkness, and made it dark; And they did not rebel against His word.
- Psa 105:29 He turned their waters into blood, And killed their fish.
- ♣ Psa 105:30 Their land teemed with frogs, In the rooms of their sovereigns.
- Psa 105:31 He spoke, and swarms of flies came, Gnats in all their borders.
- ♣ Psa 105:32 He gave them hail for rain, A flaming fire in their land.
 - Psa 105:33 And He struck their vines and their fig trees, And broke the trees of their borders.
- Psa 105:34 He spoke, and locusts came, And larvae, innumerable,
 - Psa 105:35 And they devoured all the plants in their land, And they devoured the fruit of their ground.
- Psa 105:36 Then He struck all the first-born in their land, The first-fruit of all their strength,

Psa 105:37 And brought them out with silver and gold, And among His tribes no one faltered.

Psa 105:38 Mitsrayim was glad when they left, For the fear of them had fallen upon them.

Psa 105:39 He spread a cloud for a covering, And fire to give light in the night.

- ♣ Psa 105:40 They asked, and He brought quail, And satisfied them with the bread of heaven.
- ♣ Psa 105:41 He opened the rock, and water gushed out; It ran in the dry places, a river.
- Psa 105:42 For He remembered His set-apart word, To Abraham His servant.
- Psa 105:43 So He brought out His people with joy, His chosen ones with singing.
- Psa 105:44 And <u>He gave to them the lands of the nations</u>, And <u>they inherited the labor of peoples</u>,

Psa 105:45 In order that they might guard His laws, And watch over His Torot.^a Praise Yah! Footnote: ^aTorot - plural of Torah - teaching.

A Still Small Voice

~ Shalom ~ Líbby

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