

*Greetings, today our manna is 1Sam. 28; 1Cor. 9; Ezekiel 7; Psalms 45.*

## *September 4 - Melchizedek Devotional Perspective*

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### **1Sam. 28**

#### **Saul and the Medium of En-dor**

**1Sa 28:1** And it came to be in those days that the Philistines gathered their armies for battle, to fight with Yisra'ël. **And Akish said to Dawid, "You know, of course, that you are to go out with me in the army, you and your men."**

Here is where it gets a little sticky. Israel under Saul had changed. This happens depending on who rules a country. The nation of Israel was floundering under Saul and he had used the nation of Israel for his own personal use as a weapon against David.

David now lived in Ziklag. He had bloomed where he was planted and with that meant his daily life was among wheat and tares. Akish and David had established a level of trust and mutual respect. Now, the day had come when the Philistines were once again targeting Israel; and this time Akish calls upon David to go with him.

David agrees to go with Akish.

**1Sa 28:2** And Dawid said to Akish, "Very well, you shall know what your servant should do." And Akish said to Dawid, "Very well, I make you one of my chief guardians forever."

The nation of Israel was grieving over the loss of Samuel. It is noted that Saul had all the mediums and spiritists put away from the land; therefore, Saul lacked direction whether from good or evil sources.

**1Sa 28:3** And Shemu'ël had died, and all Yisra'ël had mourned for him and buried him in Ramah, in his own city. And Sha'ul had put away the mediums and the spiritists from the land.

**1Sa 28:4** And the **Philistines were gathered, and came and encamped at Shunēm.** And Sha'ul gathered all **Yisra'ël, and they encamped at Gilboa.**

**1Sa 28:5** And **when Sha'ul saw the army of the Philistines, he was afraid,** and his heart

trembled greatly.

Saul inquires to YHWH, but YHWH does not answer him by dreams, by Urim or by the prophets. In other words, YHWH was not with Saul. I'm not sure who these other prophets were but whoever they were; YHWH wasn't speaking to them either.

**1Sa 28:6** And Sha'ul inquired of יהוה, but יהוה did not answer him, either by dreams or by Urim or by the prophets.

With the unnerving silence, Saul sends his servants to find him a woman whom was a medium; and they tell him of a woman in Ĕn Dor; the 'witch of Ĕn Dor.' Saul disguises himself by wearing other 'garments' and goes to see her by night.

**1Sa 28:7** Sha'ul then said to his servants, "Find me a woman who is a medium, to go to her and inquire of her." And his servants said to him, "Look, there is a woman who is a medium at Ĕn Dor."

**1Sa 28:8** And Sha'ul disguised himself and put on other garments, and went, he and two men with him. And they came to the woman by night. And he said, "Please divine for me, and bring up for me the one I shall name."

Saul allays the fears of the witch of Ĕn Dor and asks her to 'bring up' Samuel. Notice she was to 'bring Samuel up' not 'wake Samuel up.' Bring him up from where? Those that died in faith prior to Yahusha; went to the comfort side of Sheol; sometimes referred to as Abraham's bosom. This is where I understand Samuel would have been located. We know no one could enter the presence of YHWH in the heavenlies prior to Yahusha HaMashiach atoning for sins. Yahusha now has 'opened the door' for those by grace through faith to enter. Yahusha is the Door; no one can come to the Father except through Him! Praise Yah!

**1Sa 28:9** But the woman said to him, "Look, you know what Sha'ul has done, how he has cut off the mediums and the spiritists from the land. Why then do you lay a snare for my life, to put me to death?"

**1Sa 28:10** And Sha'ul swore to her by יהוה, saying, "As יהוה lives, no punishment comes upon you for this matter."

**1Sa 28:11** And the woman said, "Whom do I bring up for you?" So he said, "Bring up Shemu'el for me."

The 'witch of Ĕn Dor' sees who Saul is and becomes extremely upset. She does bring Samuel up and Saul inquires of him.

**1Sa 28:12** And when the woman saw Shemu'ël, she cried out with a loud voice. And the woman spoke to Sha'ul, saying, "Why have you deceived me? You yourself are Sha'ul!"

**1Sa 28:13** And the sovereign said to her, "Do not be afraid. What did you see?" And the woman said to Sha'ul, "I saw a spirit coming up out of the earth."

**1Sa 28:14** And he said to her, "What is his form?" And she said, "An old man is coming up, and he is covered with a mantle." And Sha'ul knew that it was Shemu'ël, and he bowed with his face to the ground and did obeisance.

**1Sa 28:15** And Shemu'ël said to Sha'ul, "Why have you disturbed me by bringing me up?" And Sha'ul answered, "I am deeply distressed, for the Philistines are fighting against me, and Elohim has turned aside from me and does not answer me any more, neither by prophets nor by dreams. So I have called you, to reveal to me what I should do."

Samuel repeats to Saul what he had already told him before.

**1Sa 28:16** Then Shemu'ël said, "And why do you ask me, seeing יהוה has turned aside from you and has become your enemy?"

**1Sa 28:17** "And יהוה has done for Himself as He spoke by me. For יהוה has torn the reign out of your hand and given it to your neighbor, to Dawid."

Samuel also repeats 'why' YHWH had torn the reign from Saul.

- **1Sa 28:18** "Because you did not obey the voice of יהוה
- nor execute His burning wrath upon Amalëq,
- therefore יהוה has done this matter to you today.

Then Samuel imparts shocking prophecy to Saul.

- **1Sa 28:19** "Further, יהוה also gives Yisra'ël with you into the hand of the Philistines.
- **And tomorrow you and your sons are with me.**
- יהוה also **gives the army of Yisra'ël into the hand of the Philistines.**"

Saul falls out! He had been under tremendous stress and torment; and now, he had just heard the prophecy of his impending death; his son's deaths; the defeat of Israel; and the defeat of Israel's army into the hands of the Philistines!

The witch of Ĕn Dor and Saul's servants finally get him to eat some unleavened bread and meat. And after they had eaten Saul and his servants depart.

**1Sa 28:20** And immediately Sha'ul fell on the ground, his complete length, and greatly

feared because of the words of Shemu'el. And there was no strength in him, for he had eaten no food all day or all night.

**1Sa 28:21** And the woman came to Sha'ul and saw that he had been greatly disturbed, and said to him, "See, your female servant has obeyed your voice, and I have put my life in my hands and have listened to the words which you spoke to me.

**1Sa 28:22** "And now, please listen to the voice of your female servant too, and let me set a piece of bread before you. And eat, so that you have strength when you go on your way."

**1Sa 28:23** But he refused and said, "I am not going to eat." But his servants, together with the woman, urged him. And he listened to their voice. So he rose from the ground and sat on the bed.

**1Sa 28:24** And the woman had a fatted calf in the house, and she quickly slaughtered it. And she took flour and kneaded it, and baked unleavened bread from it.

**1Sa 28:25** And she brought it before Sha'ul and his servants. And they ate, and rose up and went away that night.

**Bible Quiz on Saul and the Witch of Endor on the next page:**



# Bible Pathway Adventures

BIBLE QUIZ

## WITCH OF ENDOR

Match the question with the  
answer on the right.

### QUESTIONS

- \_\_\_ King Saul was king of which people?
- \_\_\_ Which army wanted to fight the Israelites?
- \_\_\_ Why did King Saul want to talk to a witch?
- \_\_\_ In which town did King Saul talk to a witch?
- \_\_\_ Who did King Saul ask the witch to raise from the grave?
- \_\_\_ Why did King Saul want to talk to Samuel?
- \_\_\_ What did Samuel tell King Saul?
- \_\_\_ What happened to King Saul after he visited the witch of Endor?
- \_\_\_ Where in the Bible does Yahweh forbid trying to talk to dead people?
- \_\_\_ How did King Saul lose his life?

### ANSWERS

1. Philistines
2. Endor
3. Deuteronomy 18
4. Saul and his sons will lose their lives
5. Fell on his sword
6. Israelites
7. Went into battle against the Philistines
8. The prophet Samuel
9. To understand the future
10. To learn how to defeat the Philistines

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## 1Corinthians 9

Paul sets matters straight with his Corinthian audience. Read and listen to his heart and see why he had previously said to them to 'be imitators of me.' Paul 'talked the talk' but more importantly he 'walked the walk'; even more so, because he always went above and beyond in sharing the 'Good News' of Yahusha HaMashiach.

### Paul Surrenders His Rights

**1Co 9:1** Am I not an emissary? Am I not free? Have I not seen **יהושע** Messiah our Master? Are you not my work in the Master?

**1Co 9:2** If to others I am not an emissary, I certainly am to you. For you are the seal of my office of the emissary in the Master.

**1Co 9:3** My defense to those who examine me is this:

**1Co 9:4** Do we not have a right to eat and drink?

**1Co 9:5** Do we not have a right to take along a sister – a wife – as do also the other emissaries, and the brothers of the Master, and Kěpha?

**1Co 9:6** Or do only Barnaba and I have no right to refrain from working?

**1Co 9:7** Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat of its fruit? Or who shepherds a flock and does not feed on the milk of the flock?

**1Co 9:8** Do I say this as a man? Or does not the Torah say the same too?

**1Co 9:9** For it has been written in the Torah of Mosheh, "**You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain.**" [Deu. 25:4](#) Is it about oxen Elohim is concerned?

**1Co 9:10** Or does He say it because of us all? For this was written because of us, that he who ploughs should plough in expectation, and the thresher in expectation of sharing.

**1Co 9:11** If we have sown spiritual seed among you, is it too much if we reap material goods from you?

**1Co 9:12** If others share authority over you, should not rather we? But we have not used this authority, but we put up with all, lest we hinder the Good News of Messiah.

**1Co 9:13** **Do you not know** that those serving the Set-apart Place eat from the Set-apart Place, and those attending at the slaughter-place have their share of the offerings of the slaughter-place?

**1Co 9:14** So also the Master instituted that those announcing the Good News should live from the Good News.

**1Co 9:15** But I have used none of these, nor have I written this that it should be done so to me. For it would be better for me to die than that anyone should make my boasting empty.

**1Co 9:16** For if I bring the Good News, it is no boasting for me, for necessity is laid on me, and **it is woe to me if I do not bring the Good News!**

**1Co 9:17** **For if I do this voluntarily I have a reward**, but if not voluntarily, I am entrusted with a management.

1Co 9:18 What then is my reward? That in bringing the Good News, I should offer the Good News of Messiah without cost, so as not to abuse my authority in the Good News.

1Co 9:19 **For though I am free from all, I made myself a servant to all, in order to win more,**

1Co 9:20 and to the Yehudim I became as a Yehudi, that I might win Yehudim; to those who are under Torah, as under Torah, so as to win those who are under Torah;

1Co 9:21 to those without Torah, as without Torah – not being without Torah toward Elohim, but under **Torah of Messiah** – so as to win those who are without Torah.

1Co 9:22 To the weak I became as weak, so as to win the weak. To all *men* I have become all, so as to save some, by all means.

1Co 9:23 And I do this because of the Good News, so as to become a fellow-partaker with it.

1Co 9:24 **Do you not know** that those who run in a race indeed all run, but one receives the prize? **Run in such a way as to obtain it.**

1Co 9:25 And everyone who competes controls himself in every way. Now they do it to receive a corruptible crown, but we for an incorruptible crown.

1Co 9:26 Therefore I run accordingly, not with uncertainty. Thus I fight, not as one who beats the air.

1Co 9:27 **But I treat my body severely and make it my slave, lest having proclaimed to others, I myself might be rejected.**

**Ezekiel 7** Ezekiel 7 is listed as the last chapter of the 13th Scroll which brings us to the 'day of wrath' of YHWH. So, we obviously also see Ezekiel 7 as an end time prophetic word.

EZEKIEL 13 SCROLLS REFERENCE CHART		
SCROLLS	Text in Chronological Order (Chapter & Verse)	Date Given in Text (M/D/Y) (or King Jehoiachin's captivity)
13	1:1-2 - 7:27 (Priestly Commission of judgment discharged as rebellious Israel has rejected the constitution set forth)	04/05/30

### The Day of the Wrath of YHWH

**Eze 7:1** And the word of יהוה came to me, saying,

Eze 7:2 **“And you, son of man, this is what the Master יהוה said to the land of Yisra’el, ‘An end! The end has come upon the four corners of the land.”**

1Pe 4:7 But the end of all has drawn near. Therefore be sober-minded, and be attentive in the prayers.

Eze 7:3 Now the end is upon you,

- and I shall send My displeasure against you,
- and judge you according to your ways,
- and repay you for all your abominations.
- Eze 7:4 And My eye shall not pardon you, nor would I spare,
- for I repay your ways while your abominations are in your midst. And you shall know that I am יהוה!

Rev 20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before the throne, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is *the Book of Life*. And the dead were judged from what was written in the books, according to their works.

Rev 20:13 And the sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and She'ol gave up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.

Eze 7:5 “Thus said the Master יהוה, ‘A calamity, an only calamity, look, it has come!

Mat 24:21 “For then there shall be great distress,<sup>c</sup> such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. Footnote: <sup>c</sup>Or *great pressure, or great affliction*.

Eze 7:6 An end has come, the end has come! It has awakened against you, look, it has come!

2Pe 2:4 For if Elohim did not spare the messengers who sinned, but sent them to Tartaros,<sup>b</sup> and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be kept for judgment, Footnote: <sup>b</sup>Possibly from Hebrew: Taḥti - See Explanatory notes - She'ol.

2Pe 2:5 and did not spare the world of old, but preserved Noah, a proclaimer of righteousness, and seven others, bringing in the flood on the world of the wicked,

2Pe 2:6 and having reduced to ashes the cities of Sodom and Amarah condemned them to destruction – having made them an example to those who afterward would live wickedly,

2Pe 2:7 and rescued righteous Lot, who was oppressed with the indecent behavior of the lawless<sup>c</sup> Footnote: <sup>c</sup>The Greek word here, and in 2Pe 3:17, is *athesmos* (not the usual one, *anomos*) but it also means “lawless.”



Eze 7:7 **The turn has come to you**, O inhabitants of the land. **The time has come, a day of uproar is near, and not of rejoicing in the mountains.**

Zep 1:14 Near is the great day of **יהוה**, near and hurrying greatly, the noise of the day of **יהוה**. Let the mighty man then bitterly cry out!

Zep 1:15 That day is a day of wrath, a day of distress and trouble, a day of waste and ruin, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness,

Zep 1:16 a day of a shophar and sounding – against the walled cities and against the corner towers.

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1Pe 4:17 Because it is time for judgment to begin from the House of Elohim. And if firstly from us, what is the end of those who do not obey the Good News of Elohim?

1Pe 4:18 **And if the righteous one is scarcely saved, where shall the wicked and the sinner appear?** Pro 11:31.

Eze 7:8 **Soon I shall pour out My wrath**, and shall complete My displeasure upon you, and **judge you according to your ways, and repay you for all your abominations.**

Nah 1:6 **Who does stand before His rage?** And who rises up in the heat of His displeasure? His wrath is poured out like fire, and the rocks have been broken by Him.

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**The Seven Bowls of YHWH's Wrath**

**Rev 16:1** And I heard a loud voice from the Dwelling Place saying to the seven messengers, “Go and pour out the bowls of the wrath of Elohim on the earth.”

Rev 16:2 And the first went and poured out his bowl upon the earth, and an evil and wicked sore came upon the men, those having the mark of the beast and those worshipping his image.

Rev 16:3 And the second messenger poured out his bowl on the sea, and it became blood, as of a dead one, and every living creature in the sea died.

Rev 16:4 And the third messenger poured out his bowl on the rivers and fountains of water, and they became blood.

Rev 16:5 And I heard the messenger of the waters saying, “You are righteous, O **יהוה**, the One who is and who was and who shall be, because You have judged these.

Rev 16:6 “Because they have shed the blood of set-apart ones and prophets, and You have given them blood to drink. For they deserve it.”

Rev 16:7 And I heard another out of the slaughter-place saying, "Yes, יהוה Ā Shaddai, true and righteous are Your judgments."

Rev 16:8 And the fourth messenger poured out his bowl on the sun, and it was given to him to burn men with fire.

Rev 16:9 And men were burned with great heat, and they blasphemed the Name of Elohim who possesses authority over these plagues. And they did not repent, to give Him esteem.

Rev 16:10 And the fifth messenger poured out his bowl on the throne of the beast, and his reign became darkened. And they gnawed their tongues from pain.

Rev 16:11 And they blasphemed the Elohim of the heaven for their pains and their sores, and did not repent of their works.

Rev 16:12 And the sixth messenger poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates, and its water was dried up, in order to prepare the way of the sovereigns from the east.

Rev 16:13 And I saw *coming* out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits, as frogs,

Rev 16:14 for they are spirits of demons, doing signs, which go out to the sovereigns of the entire world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of יהוה the Almighty.

Rev 16:15 "See, I am coming as a thief. Blessed is he who is staying awake and guarding his garments, lest he walk naked and they see his shame."

Rev 16:16 And they gathered them together to the place called in Hebrew, Har Meğiddo.

### The Seventh Bowl

Rev 16:17 And the seventh messenger poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the Dwelling Place of the heaven, from the throne, saying, "It is done!"

Rev 16:18 And there came to be noises and thunders and lightnings. And there came to be a great earthquake, such a mighty and great earthquake as had not come to be since men were on the earth.

Rev 16:19 And the great city became divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell. And great Babel was remembered before Elohim, to give her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath.

Rev 16:20 And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.

Rev 16:21 And great hail from the heaven fell upon men, every hailstone about the weight of a talent. And men blasphemed Elohim for the plague of the hail, because that plague was exceedingly great.

Eze 7:9 And My eye shall not pardon, nor would I spare. I give you according to your ways while your abominations are in your midst. And you shall know that I am יהוה who

strikes.

Gal 6:7 Do not be led astray: Elohim is not mocked, for whatever a man sows, that he shall also reap.

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Rev 20:13 And the sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and She'ol gave up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.

Eze 7:10 See, the day! See, it has come! **The turn has come**, the rod has blossomed, pride has budded.

1Th 5:3 For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then suddenly destruction comes upon them, as labour pains upon a pregnant woman, and they shall not escape.

1Th 5:4 But you, brothers, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief.

1Th 5:5 For you are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness.

1Th 5:6 So, then, we should not sleep, as others do, but we should watch and be sober.

Eze 7:11 The violence has grown into a rod of wrongdoing. There is none of them, and none of its crowd, and none of their riches, and none eminent among them.

Mic 2:2 And they coveted fields and seized them, also houses, and took them away. And they oppressed a man and his house, a man and his inheritance.

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Mic 3:1 Then I said, "Hear now, O heads of Ya'aqob, and you rulers of the house of Yisra'el: Should you not know right-ruling,

Mic 3:2 you who are hating good and loving evil, **tearing away the skin from My people, and the flesh from their bones,**

Mic 3:3 and **who have eaten the flesh of My people, and stripped off their skin, and have broken their bones, and have cut it up as into a pot, like flesh in the cooking pot?**" [Cannibalism]

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Mic 6:12 "For her rich men are filled with cruel unrighteousness, and her inhabitants have spoken falsehood, and their tongue is deceit in their mouth.

Eze 7:12 **The time has come, and the day has arrived.** 'Let not the buyer rejoice, nor the seller mourn, for wrath is on all its crowd.

Jas 5:7 So, brothers, be patient until the coming of the Master. See, the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, waiting patiently for it until it receives the early and latter rain.

Jas 5:8 You too, be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Master has drawn near.

Jas 5:9 Do not grumble against each other, brothers, lest you be judged. **See, the Judge is standing at the door!**

Eze 7:13 For the seller shall not return to what has been sold, though they are still alive. For the vision is for all its crowd – it shall not turn back. And in the crookedness of his life a man shall not strengthen himself.

Eze 7:14 They have blown the trumpet and all is prepared, but no one goes to battle, for My wrath is on all its crowd.

Eze 7:15 **The sword is outside**, and **the pestilence and the scarcity of food inside**. He who is in the field dies by the sword, and he who is in a city, scarcity of food and pestilence devour him,

Eze 7:16 while they who escape of them shall escape and be on the mountains like doves of the valleys, all of them mourning, each for his crookedness.

### Him Whom They Have Pierced

Zec 12:10 “And I shall pour on the house of Dawiḏ and on the inhabitants of Yerushalayim a spirit of favor and prayers. And they shall look on Me whom they pierced, and they shall mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son. And they shall be in bitterness over Him as a bitterness over the first-born.

Zec 12:11 “In that day the mourning in Yerushalayim is going to be great, like the mourning at Haḏaḏ Rimmon in the valley of Meḡiddo.

Zec 12:12 “And the land shall mourn, every clan by itself: the clan of the house of Dawiḏ by itself, and their women by themselves; the clan of the house of Nathan by itself, and their women by themselves;

Zec 12:13 the clan of the house of Lěwi by itself, and their women by themselves; the clan of Shim'i by itself, and their women by themselves;

Zec 12:14 all the rest of the clans, every clan by itself, and their women by themselves.

[The divisions noted in Zec. 12:12-14, brought to my thoughts the 144,000 representing 12,000 per clan/family/tribe in Rev.7. I could not locate what tribe Nathan was from, but we do see a pattern of those that are specifically noted: David, Nathan, and Levi – representing the diversity of kingship, prophet, and priest. Of course, we know that David served in all three diverse roles. Not sure about the specificity of mentioning Shim'i.]

Eze 7:17 All hands go limp, and all knees become as water.

Eze 7:18 And they shall gird on sackcloth, and be covered with trembling. And shame

shall be on every face, and baldness on all their heads.

Gen 15:12 And it came to be, when the sun was going down, and a deep sleep fell upon Abram, that see, **a frightening great darkness** fell upon him.

Rev 6:14 And heaven departed like a scroll being rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place.

Rev 6:15 And the sovereigns of the earth, and the great ones, and the rich ones, and the commanders, and the mighty, and every slave and every free one, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains,

Rev 6:16 and **said to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us Hos 10:8** from the face of Him sitting on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb,

Rev 6:17 because the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"

Eze 7:19 They throw their silver into the streets, and their gold becomes as filth. Their silver and their gold is unable to deliver them in the day of the wrath of יהוה. They do not satisfy their appetite, nor fill their stomachs, because it has been their stumbling-block of crookedness.

Rom 11:7 What then? Yisra'el has not obtained what it seeks, but the chosen did obtain it, and the rest were hardened.

Rom 11:8 As it has been written, "**יהוה has given them a spirit of deep sleep, eyes not to see and ears not to hear, unto this day.**" Deu 29:4, Isa 29:10.

Rom 11:9 Dawid also says, "**Let their table become for a snare, and for a trap, and for a stumbling-block and a recompense to them,**

Rom 11:10 **let their eyes be darkened, not to see, and bow down their back always.**" Psa 69:22-23.

Eze 7:20 And the splendor of His ornaments, He set it in excellency. But they made from it the images of their abominations and their disgusting *matters*. Therefore I shall make it like filth to them.

### The Valley of Slaughter

Jer 7:30 "For the children of Yehudah have done what is evil in My eyes," declares יהוה. "They have set their abominations in the house which is called by My Name, to defile it.

Jer 7:31 "And they have built the high places of Topheth, which is in the Valley of the Son of Hinnom, to burn their sons and their daughters in the fire, which I did not command, nor did it come into My heart.

Jer 7:32 “Therefore see, the days are coming,” declares **יהוה**, “when it shall no longer be called Topheth, or the Valley of the Son of Hinnom, but the Valley of Slaughter, for they shall bury in Topheth until no room is left.

**Eze 7:21** And I shall give it for a prey into the hands of strangers, and to the wrong of the earth for a spoil, and they shall profane it.

**Eze 7:22** And I shall turn My face from them. And they shall profane My secret place, for destroyers shall enter it and profane it.

**Eze 7:23** Make a chain, for the land has been filled with crimes of blood, and the city has been filled with violence.

### **Judgment on Jerusalem and the Nations**

Zep 3:1 Woe to her who is rebellious and defiled, the oppressing city!

Zep 3:2 She did not obey the voice, she did not accept instruction, she did not trust in **יהוה**, she did not draw near to her Elohim.

Zep 3:3 Her rulers in her midst are roaring lions, her judges are evening wolves, they shall leave no bone until morning.

Zep 3:4 Her prophets are reckless, treacherous men. Her priests have profaned the set-apart place, they have **done violence to the Torah**.<sup>a</sup> Footnote: <sup>a</sup> Eze 22:26, Luk 16:16.

[The “Noahide Laws” and the Babylonian Talmud are great examples of the “violence done to the Torah”; taking it by force and using it to meet their evil desires.]

Luke 16:16 “The Torah and the prophets are until Yoḥanan. Since then the reign of Elohim is being announced, and everyone is doing **violence**<sup>b</sup> upon it.

Footnote: <sup>b</sup>See Eze 22:26, Zep 3:4.

**Eze 7:24** And I shall bring the evil ones of the nations, and they shall possess their houses. And I shall cause the pride of the strong to cease, and their set-apart places shall be profaned.

Psa 83:12 Who have said, “Let us take possession of the pastures of Elohim For ourselves.”

**Eze 7:25** Destruction shall come. And they shall seek peace, but there is none.

Mic 1:12 Though the inhabitants of Maroth waited for good, yet evil came down from **יהוה** to the gate of Yerushalayim.

**Adam Clarke: Micah 1:12 The inhabitant of Maroth** - There was a city of a similar name in the tribe of Judah, [Jos 15:59](#).

**Eze 7:26** Calamity upon calamity shall come, and report shall be upon report. And they shall seek a vision from a prophet. But the teaching has perished from the priest, and counsel from the elders!

**Eze 7:27** Let the sovereign mourn, and let the prince put on despair, and let the hands of the common people tremble. And I shall deal with them according to their way, and judge them with their own right-rulings. And they shall know that I am **יהוה**! ”

**Joe 3:16** And **יהוה** shall roar from Tsiyon, and give forth His voice from Yerushalayim. And the heavens and earth shall shake, but **יהוה** shall be a refuge for His people, and a stronghold for the children of Yisra'el.

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Joe 3:17 “Then you shall know that I am **יהוה** your Elohim, **dwelling in Tsiyon, My set-apart mountain.**<sup>a</sup> And Yerushalayim shall be set-apart, and foreigners shall not pass through her again. Footnote: <sup>a</sup>See [Joe 3:21](#) and footnote at [Isa 24:23](#).

Joe 3:18 “And it shall be in that day that the mountains drip with new wine, and the hills flow with milk. And all the streams of Yehudah shall be flooded with water, and a fountain flow from the House of **יהוה** and water the wadi Shittim.

Joe 3:19 “Mitsrayim shall become a ruin, and Edom a ruin, a wilderness, because of violence done to the people of Yehudah, whose innocent blood they shed in their land.

Joe 3:20 “But Yehudah shall dwell forever, and Yerushalayim to all generations.

Joe 3:21 “And I shall avenge their blood, which I have not avenged. And **יהוה** shall be dwelling in Tsiyon!”

## **Psalm 45** The Bride in the Presence of the Melchizedek High Priest

### Your Throne, O YHWH, Is Forever

**Psa 45:1** My heart is overflowing with a goodly word; I address my works to the Sovereign; My tongue is the pen of a speedy writer.

**Psa 45:2** You are more handsome than the sons of men; Favor has been poured upon Your lips; Therefore Elohim has blessed You forever.

Heb 7:26 For it was fitting that we should have such a High Priest – kind, innocent, undefiled, having been separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens,

Heb 7:27 who does not need, as those high priests, to offer up slaughter *offerings* day by day, first for His own sins and then for those of the people, **for this He did once for all** when He offered up Himself.

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Rev 1:13 and in the midst of the seven lampstands **One like the Son of Adam, Dan 7:13 dressed in a robe** down to the feet and **girded about the chest with a golden band. Dan 10:5.**

Rev 1:14 And His head and hair were white as white wool, as snow, and **His eyes as a flame of fire,**

Rev 1:15 **and His feet like burnished brass, Dan 10:6** as if refined in a furnace, and **His voice as the sound of many waters. Eze 1:24, Eze 43:2.**

**Psa 45:3** Gird Your sword upon *Your* thigh, O Mighty One, Your excellency and Your splendor.

Rev 19:15 And out of **His mouth goes a sharp sword,** that with it He should smite the nations. **And He shall shepherd them with a rod of iron. Psa 2:9** And He treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Ēl Shaddai.

**Psa 45:4** And ride prosperously in Your splendor, On the matter of truth and humility, righteousness; And let Your right hand lead You to awesome *matters*.

Rev 19:11 And I saw the heaven opened, and there was a white horse. And He who sat on him was called **Trustworthy and True, and in righteousness He judges and fights.**<sup>a</sup> Footnote: <sup>a</sup>See [Act 10:42](#).

Rev 19:12 And His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns, **having a Name that had been written, which no one had perceived except Himself** – <sup>b</sup> Footnote: <sup>b</sup>See [Rev 2:17](#).

**Psa 45:5** Your arrows are sharp In the heart of the Sovereign's enemies – Peoples fall under You.

Zec 9:13 “For I **shall bend Yehudah for Me,** I shall **fill the bow with Ephrayim,** and I shall **stir up your sons, O Tsiyon, against your sons, O Greece,** and I shall **make you like the sword of a mighty man.**”

Zec 9:14 And יהוה shall appear for them, and **His arrow go forth like lightning,** and **the Master יהוה sound with the shophar.** And He shall go with whirlwinds **from the south,**

**Psa 45:6** Your throne, O Elohim, is forever and ever; The sceptre of Your reign Is a sceptre of straightness.



1Ti 3:16 And, beyond all question, the secret of reverence is great – who was revealed in the flesh, declared right in Spirit, was seen by messengers, was proclaimed among nations, was believed on in the world, was taken up in esteem.

Psa 45:7 You have loved righteousness and hated wrongness;<sup>a</sup> Therefore Elohim, Your Elohim, has anointed You With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.

Footnote: <sup>a</sup>Quoted in [Heb 1:8-9](#) where the Greek text has *lawlessness* instead of *wrongness*.

Rev 21:27 And there shall by no means enter into it whatever is unclean, neither anyone doing abomination and falsehood,<sup>9</sup> but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life. [Dan 12:1](#) Footnote: <sup>9</sup>See [Rev 22:15](#), and [2Th 2:11](#).

Psa 45:8 All Your garments are myrrh and aloes, cassia; Out of the palaces of ivory, Stringed instruments have made You glad.

2Co 2:14 But thanks be to Elohim who always leads us on, to overcome in Messiah, and manifests through us the fragrance of His knowledge in every place.

2Co 2:15 Because we are to Elohim the fragrance of Messiah among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing.

2Co 2:16 To the one we are the smell of death to death, and to the other the fragrance of life to life. And who is competent for these?

Psa 45:9 Daughters of sovereigns are among Your precious ones; At Your right hand stands the sovereigness in gold from Ophir.

Rev 21:24 And the nations, of those who are saved, shall walk in its light,<sup>f</sup> and the sovereigns of the earth bring their esteem into it. Footnote: <sup>f</sup>See [Isa 60:3](#).

Psa 45:10 Listen, O daughter, and see, And incline your ear, And forget your own people and your father's house;

2Co 6:17 Therefore, "Come out from among them and be separate, says יהוה, and do not touch what is unclean, and I shall receive you. [Isa 52:11](#).

2Co 6:18 "And I shall be a Father to you, and you shall be sons and

daughters to Me, says יהוה the Almighty.” [Isa 43:6](#), [Hos 1:10](#).

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2Co 7:1 Having, then, **these promises, beloved**, let us **cleanse ourselves from all defilement of the flesh and spirit, perfecting set-apartness in the fear of Elohim.**<sup>a</sup> Footnote: <sup>a</sup>See also [Gen 12:1](#), [Exo 19:5-6](#), and [Rev 18:4](#).

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[Isa 55:3](#) “Incline your ear, and come to Me. Hear, so that your being lives. **And let Me make an everlasting covenant with you, the trustworthy loving-commitments of Dawid.**

[Psa 45:11](#) And let the Sovereign delight in your loveliness; Because He is your Master – bow yourself to Him.

[Zep 3:17](#) “יהוה your Elohim in your midst, is mighty to save. **He rejoices over you with joy, He is silent in His love, He rejoices over you with singing.**”

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[Eph 5:26](#) in order to set it apart and cleanse it **with the washing of water by the Word,**<sup>f</sup> Footnote: <sup>f</sup>[Rev 19:8-9](#).

[Eph 5:27](#) **in order to present it to Himself a splendid assembly, not having spot or wrinkle or any of this sort, but that it might be set-apart and blameless.**

[Psa 45:12](#) And the daughter of Tsor with a gift, The rich among the people seek your favour.

[Isa 60:10](#) “And the [sons of foreigners shall build your walls](#), and their sovereigns serve you. **For in My wrath I have stricken you, but in My delight I shall have compassion on you.**

[Isa 60:11](#) “And **your gates shall be open continually**, they are not shut day or night, to bring to you the wealth of the nations, and their sovereigns in [procession](#).

[Psa 45:13](#) The daughter of the Sovereign Is all esteemed within *the palace*; Her dress is embroidered with gold.

[Rev 3:18](#) “I advise you to **buy from Me gold refined in the fire,**<sup>b</sup> so that you become rich; and white garments, so that you become dressed, so that the shame of your nakedness might not be shown; and anoint your eyes with ointment, so that you see. Footnote: <sup>b</sup>[Psa 19:10](#), [Psa 119:72](#) and [Psa 119:127](#), [Pro 30:5](#).

[Psa 45:14](#) She is brought to the Sovereign in embroidered work; Maidens, her

companions following her, Are brought to You.

Rev 14:1 And I looked and saw a **Lamb standing on Mount Tsiyon**, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having **His Father's Name<sup>a</sup> written upon their foreheads**. Footnote: <sup>a</sup>Some texts read: having *His Name and His Father's Name*.

Rev 14:2 And I heard a voice out of the heaven, like the voice of many waters, and like the voice of loud thunder, and I heard the sound of harpists playing their harps.

Rev 14:3 And they sang a renewed song before the throne, and before the four living creatures, and the elders. And **no one was able to learn that song except the hundred and forty-four thousand who were redeemed from the earth**.

Rev 14:4 They are those who were not defiled with women, for they are maidens. **They are those following the Lamb wherever He leads them on. They were redeemed from among men, being first-fruits to Elohim and to the Lamb.**

Psa 45:15 They are brought with gladness and rejoicing; They enter the Sovereign's palace.

Rev 3:12 "**He who overcomes**, I shall make him **a supporting post in the Dwelling Place of My Elohim**, and **he shall by no means go out**. And **I shall write on him the Name of My Elohim and the name of the city of My Elohim, the renewed Yerushalayim, which comes down out of the heaven from My Elohim, and My renewed Name.**

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Rev 3:21 "**To him who overcomes** I shall give to **sit with Me on My throne**, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.

Psa 45:16 Instead of Your fathers are Your sons, Whom You appoint princes in all the earth.

Rev 1:6 and **has made us sovereigns and priests to His Elohim and Father**, to Him be esteem and rule forever and ever. Amēn.

Rev 5:10 and **made us sovereigns and priests to our Elohim, and we shall reign upon the earth.**"<sup>d</sup> Footnote: <sup>d</sup> [Dan 7:18-27](#).

Rev 20:6 **Blessed and set-apart is the one having part in the first resurrection**. The second death possesses no authority over these, but **they shall be priests of Elohim and of Messiah**, and shall reign with Him a

thousand years.

**Psa 45:17** I cause Your Name to be remembered in all generations; Therefore the people praise You forever and ever.

**1Co 11:26** For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the death of the Master until He comes.

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**Psa 72:17** Let His Name be forever, His Name continue before the sun; And let them bless themselves in Him; Let all nations call Him blessed.

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**Son 6:9** My dove, my perfect one, Is the only one, the only one of her mother, The choice of the one who bore her. The daughters saw, and called her blessed, Sovereignesses and concubines, And they praised her.

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**Isa 61:9** “And their seed shall be known among the nations, and their offspring in the midst of the peoples. All who see them shall acknowledge them, that they are the seed יהוה has blessed.”

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**Isa 62:3** And you shall be a crown of comeliness in the hand of יהוה, and a royal head-dress in the hand of your Elohim.

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