

Greetings, today our manna is from Num. 36; Psalm 80; Isaiah 28; 2John 1.

May 27 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective

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Numbers 36 Marriage of Female Heirs and Land Inheritances

We recall in **Numbers 27** that Tselophhad had five daughters and no sons. The five daughters brought forth a land inheritance question before Mosheh, Elazar, and the congregation by the door of the Tent of Appointment. Moses brought their case before YHWH and He agreed that they should receive the inheritance of their father.

Now, in **Numbers 36**, more questions are brought before Moses and the leaders by the clans of the sons of Joseph, regarding how the land inheritances would be affected by marriage and Yobel [Jubilee]

Marriage of Female Heirs

Num 36:1 And the heads of the fathers of the clans of the children of Gil'ad, son of Makir, son of Menashsheh, of the clans of the sons of Yosëph, came near and spoke before Mosheh and before the leaders, the heads of the fathers of the children of Yisra'ël,

Num 36:2 and said, “יהוה commanded my master to give the land as an inheritance by lot to the children of Yisra'ël, and my master was commanded by יהוה to give the inheritance of our brother Tselophhad to his daughters.

Marriage

Num 36:3 “Now if they are married to any of the sons of the other tribes of the children of Yisra'ël, then their inheritance shall be taken from the inheritance of our fathers, and shall be added to the inheritance of the tribe into which they marry, and taken from the lot of our inheritance.

Yobel

Num 36:4 “And if the Yobel^a of the children of Yisra'ël takes place, then their inheritance shall be added to the inheritance of the tribe into which they marry, and their inheritance taken away from the inheritance of the tribe of our fathers.”

Num 36:5 And Mosheh commanded the children of Yisra'ël according to the word of יהוה, saying, “What the tribe of the sons of Yosëph speaks is right.

Num 36:6 “This is the word which יהוה has commanded, for the daughters of

Tselophhad, saying, ‘Let them marry who is good in their eyes, but let them marry only within the clan of their father’s tribe.’

Num 36:7 “And the inheritance of the children of Yisra’el is not to change hands from tribe to tribe, for every one of the children of Yisra’el is to cling to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers.

Num 36:8 “And every daughter possessing an inheritance in any tribe of the children of Yisra’el is to be the wife of one of the clan of her father’s tribe, so that the children of Yisra’el possess each the inheritance of his fathers.

Num 36:9 “Thus the inheritance is not to change hands from one tribe to another, but every tribe of the children of Yisra’el is to cling to its own inheritance.”

Num 36:10 As יהוה commanded Mosheh, so did the daughters of Tselophhad.

Num 36:11 For Maḥlah, Tirtsah, and Hoḡlah, and Milkah, and No’ah, the daughters of Tselophhad, were married to the sons of their father’s brothers.

Num 36:12 And they were married into the clans of the children of Menashsheh, the son of Yosēph, and their inheritance remained in the tribe of their father’s clan.

Num 36:13 These are the commands and the right-rulings which יהוה commanded the children of Yisra’el by the hand of Mosheh in the desert plains of Mo’ab by the Yardēn of Yeriḥo.

Inheritance Commands Given

- ‘Let them marry who is good in their eyes, but let them marry only within the clan of their father’s tribe.’
- “And the inheritance of the children of Yisra’el is not to change hands from tribe to tribe, for every one of the children of Yisra’el is to cling to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers.
- “And every daughter possessing an inheritance in any tribe of the children of Yisra’el is to be the wife of one of the clan of her father’s tribe, so that the children of Yisra’el possess each the inheritance of his fathers.
- “Thus the inheritance is not to change hands from one tribe to another, but every tribe of the children of Yisra’el is to cling to its own inheritance.”

Thus the daughters of Tselophhad were married to the sons of their father’s brothers. They were married into the clans of the children of Menashsheh, the son of Yosēph, and their inheritance remained in the tribe of their father’s clan.

These were the right-rulings and commands given by YHWH.

Psalm 80

Psalm 80 connects to Isaiah 27

Isa 27:2 In that day sing to her, “A vineyard of red wine!

Isa 27:3 “I, יהוה, do guard it, I water it every moment; lest any hurt it, I guard it night and day.

The positional perspective of the opening verses of **Psalm 80** is very interesting.

Psa 80:1 Give ear, O Shepherd of Yisra'ël, Who leads Yosëph like a flock; Who dwells between the kerubim, shine forth!

Psa 80:2 Before Ephrayim, Binyamin, and Menashsheh, Stir up Your might, And come and save us!

Ephrayim, Binyamin, and Menashsheh were the three tribes that camped west of the Dwelling Place in the Wilderness and **would walk behind the Levites carrying the Ark.** These were the tribes of Joseph and of his younger brother Binyamin. To see the Ark ever before them, had to be difficult, especially during the times of their epic failures. To constantly have in their vision, the One that rescued them out of Egypt and had shown Joseph their father/brother favor all those years.

He was ever before them, and their soul moaned to feel His compassion and love for them again; to have His face shine upon them. To know of the pain, they had caused the One that loved them; and how they had failed Him.

When camped, the Ark would be in the Dwelling place; and apparently out of sight out of mind. But when they broke camp, the Ark would be wrapped properly and be carried on the poles by the Levitical priests right in front of them.

They walked as unruly sheep behind their faithful Shepherd that they had greatly spurned and rejected. Their regret was deep. The journey was sorrowful and was more like a funeral procession; and their hearts wondered each time they failed Him; might it be their last.

Psa 80:3 Cause us to turn back, O Elohim, And cause Your face to shine, That we might be saved!

Psa 80:4 O יהוה Elohim of hosts, How long shall You be wroth Against the prayer of Your people?

Psa 80:5 You have caused them to eat the bread of tears, And have caused them to drink With tears, a third time.

Psa 80:6 You have made us a strife to our neighbours, And our enemies laugh among themselves.

Psa 80:7 Turn us back, O Elohim of hosts, And cause Your face to shine, That we might be saved!

We read the **words of repentance in Psalm 80:8-19**, longing for YHWH to return to the vine, Israel, the vine He had rescued from Egyptian slavery; driving out the nations before them; and planting them in the promise land. We see repeatedly **that their spirit is willing, but their flesh is weak**. His adulterous bride moans in regret; and longs for His face to shine upon them again. They have reaped what they sowed; it was their sins that separated them from His favor just as it is today.

It was only out of His **loving commitment to His people** throughout the ages; that there was hope. He has always loved us while we were yet sinners! His love is immeasurable, and one can only stand in awe.

Psa 80:8 You brought a vine out of Mitsrayim; You drove out the nations, and planted it.

Psa 80:9 You cleared a place for it, And caused it to take deep root, And it filled the land.

Psa 80:10 Hills were covered with its shadow, And the mighty cedars with its twigs.

Psa 80:11 She spread her branches to the Sea, And her shoots to the River.

Psa 80:12 Why have You broken down her hedges, So that every passer-by plucked her fruit?

Psa 80:13 The boar out of the forest ravages it, And the wild beast of the field devours it.

Psa 80:14 Return, we beg You, O Elohim of hosts; Look down from heaven, and see, And visit this vine,

Psa 80:15 And the stock which Your right hand has planted, And the Son whom You made strong for Yourself.

Psa 80:16 It is burned with fire, it is cut down; They perish at the rebuke of Your face.

Psa 80:17 Let Your hand be upon the One at Your right hand, Upon the Son of Adam whom You made strong for Yourself,

Psa 80:18 And we shall not backslide from You. Revive us, and let us call upon Your Name.

Psa 80:19 Turn us back, O יהוה Elohim of hosts, And cause Your face to shine, That we might be saved!

Isaiah 28

Isaiah speaks of judgement to Ephrayim and Jerusalem; therefore, it also speaks directly to the 12 dispersed tribes and those grafted in. Do we see this same debauchery in lives today?

Isaiah wastes no time in painting the picture of the ‘carefree’ and ‘careless’ lives the people were living. Life was a drunken party of ‘eat, drink, and be merry.’ YHWH was out of sight and out of mind; he had been replaced with golden calves and Baal worship on their high places. They were under the delusion that they had ‘no needs unmet.’

This is believed to have been the time of the Assyrian invasion that ultimately exiles the house of Israel [Ephrayim] and badly plunders Jerusalem, the house of Judah. Isaiah's voice reminds us of our present-day voices of believers crying in the wilderness, 'wake-up'; 'wake-up'; only to have our voices unheard due to the wild riotous living **in the world of 'bread and circus.'**

Does everyone understand the meaning behind 'bread and circuses?' If not, let us take a brief pause.

This phrase originates from Rome in *Satire X* of the Roman satirical poet Juvenal (circa AD 100). In context, the Latin *panem et circenses* (bread and circuses) identifies the only remaining interest of a Roman **populace which no longer cares for its historical birthright of political involvement.** Here Juvenal displays his contempt for the declining **heroism** of contemporary Romans, using a range of different themes including lust for power and desire for old age to illustrate his argument.^[6] Roman politicians passed laws in 140 BC to keep the votes of poorer citizens, **by introducing a grain dole: giving out cheap food and entertainment, "bread and circuses", became the most effective way to rise to power.** https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bread_and_circuses

The conceptual phrase, 'bread and circus' was coined in the time period of AD100 alluding to a populace no longer caring for its historical birthright. For us, we see selling of royal birthrights dating back to Adam and Eve; or Esau selling his birthright for stew. **Bread and circus is trading off ones birthright for the things of this world;** such as, the 'flesh pots' of Egypt; the rich unhealthy and unclean foods today that capture gluttonous appetites; the mega sports and coliseum distractions; the liquor stores on every corner; the bright lights and greed for gambling on lotteries or trips to 'sin city', Las Vegas; the 'sexual' perversion industries. How utterly ignorant to do such! One only does these things **if their understanding is veiled** from who they truly are and to whom their birthright comes from.

This was the state in Ephrayim, and Jerusalem was quickly following suit. This is the state this world is in now. There is an awakening of **His kingdom of priests**; but there are many believers that are very ill because they have one foot in the kingdom and one foot in the world; and His right ruling and right judgement; well, it IS COMING SOONER THAN ANYONE THINKS! Just like in the days in which we read in **Isaiah 28**. They had made 'unholy' alliances and now would reap what they sowed.

A nation or a person cannot make any ‘good deal’ with the devil; or with the world under his influence. The devil has already lost his inheritance and he does NOT want you to get the inheritance that he lost! Will we just sit there? We are to work out our own salvation by examining our own lives. Are we living our lives according to His Word that tells us of our inheritance and to whom we belong? Are we cleaning our ‘temple’ of the things of this world? Have we taken off the rose-colored glasses when viewing the ‘bread and circus’ schemes of this world? If a person doesn’t care about these things, fine; that is a person’s choice. But that person is buying into Satan’s Ponzi scheme, with eternal consequences. Life is but a vapor; choose life in Him.

YHWH is backing His remnant that have NOT sold their birthright. He has cloaked them with His royal kingly righteousness, and they have stay in covenant with Him. He gives His remnant strength.

Judgment on Ephraim and Jerusalem

Isa 28:1 Woe to the proud crown of the drunkards of Ephrayim, and to the fading flower of its splendid comeliness that is on the head of the fertile valley, to those who are overcome with wine!

Isa 28:2 See, **יהוה** has one who is strong and potent, like a downpour of hail and a destroying storm, like a flood of mighty waters overflowing, who casts down to the earth with the hand.

Isa 28:3 The proud crown of the drunkards of Ephrayim, is trampled under foot;

Isa 28:4 and the fading flower of its splendid comeliness that is on the head of the fertile valley, like the first fruit before the summer, which, when one sees it, he eats it up while it is still in his hand.

Isa 28:5 In that day **יהוה** of hosts is for a crown of splendour and a head-dress of comeliness to the remnant of His people,

Isa 28:6 and a spirit of right-ruling to him who sits in right-ruling, and strength to those who turn back the battle at the gate.

This remnant is NOT going to be who you think it will be. Many of the ones that walk in their religious long flowing robes; eat at the banquet tables of ‘sovereigns’; and fill pulpit positions are spoken of in the next verses.

Isa 28:7 And these too have gone astray through wine, and through strong drink wandered about. Priest and prophet have gone astray through strong drink, they are swallowed up by wine, they wander about through strong drink, they go astray in vision, they stumble in right-ruling.

Isa 28:8 For all tables shall be covered with vomit, no place without filth.

Because of the enemy's infiltration within the body of believers, the **cancerous debauchery of mixing the pure with profanity has badly sickened and weakened the 'church'** [and note the root word for 'church' is 'circus']. The original gatherings of believers in Yahusha were called the assembly; congregation; taught ones; followers of the way.

The very ones positioned to carry the mantle of Truth, were they themselves in such disarray, that the **tables were covered in vomit and no place was without filth!** Pretty clear picture!

Have people not noticed that the traditional and 'emerging' 'church' of today has been corrupted; and birthrights are being sold? And that HIS TRUE PEOPLE ARE coming out of 'her' – out of the beast and false prophet system! Can we answer the following question posed through Isaiah?

Isa 28:9 Whom would He teach knowledge? And whom would He make to understand the message? Those weaned from milk, those taken from the breasts!

Isa 28:10 For it is: command upon command, command upon command, line upon line, line upon line, here a little, there a little.

The answer is His bride, His hidden remnant is being nourished in the wilderness of this world! His people are coming out of the beast and false prophet system; albeit weakened; malnourished, and lacking power. Now, the tide is turning. He has taken such weaklings, weaned from 'powdered water-down milk'; and He, the Great Shepherd has fed His lambs and sheep! He has taught us His covenant commandments! He has taught us precept upon precept; line upon line, here a little, there a little. He has raised up new teachers and leaders. There is more than enough nourishment to go around though even with the remnant, scavengers come in. The enemy is quick to sow tares.

Isa 28:11 For with a jabbering lip and a foreign tongue He speaks to this people,

Isa 28:12 to whom He said, "This is the rest, give rest to the weary," and, "This is the refreshing." But they would not hear.

Isa 28:13 But the Word of יהוה was to them, "Command upon command, command upon command, line upon line, line upon line, here a little, there a little," so that they go and shall stumble backward, and be broken and snared and taken captive.

Isaiah 28:14-29 gives us many parallels to ponder in our current age. **Unholy alliances and selling one's birthright** are always bad ideas; and snares of Satan. There is only One Holy alliance we should be in covenant with; and for those that reject that covenant; it becomes a Stone of stumbling; of great stumbling.

There would be, **and will be**, wave upon wave of persecution coming to the point of complete exile and desolation. The luxurious beds and ornate covering would be no more. YHWH is methodical in reaching out to His people; first he sends 'word' through His prophets and commandments; then He addresses accordingly. The deeds in Isaiah 28 would be carried out as a threshing or tribulum process.

A Cornerstone in Zion

Isa 28:14 Therefore hear the Word of **יהוה**, you men of scorn, who rule this people who are in Yerushalayim,

Isa 28:15 because you have said, "We have made a covenant with death, and with She'ol we have effected a vision. When the overflowing scourge passes through, it does not come to us, for we have made lying our refuge, and under falsehood we have hidden ourselves."

Isa 28:16 Therefore thus said the Master **יהוה**, "See, I am laying in Tsiyon a stone for a foundation, a tried stone, a precious corner-stone, a settled foundation. He who trusts shall not hasten away.

Isa 28:17 And I shall make right-ruling the measuring line, and righteousness the plummet. And the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lying, and the waters overflow the hiding place.

Isa 28:18 And your covenant with death shall be annulled, and your vision with She'ol not stand. When an overflowing scourge passes through, then you shall be trampled down by it.

Isa 28:19 As often as it passes through it shall take you, for it shall pass through every morning, and by day and by night. And it shall be only trembling to understand the message."

Isa 28:20 For the bed shall be too short for a man to stretch out on, and the covering shall be too narrow to wrap himself in it.

Give ear and hear His Word! We WILL know the end from the beginning. YHWH works in cyclic patterns; He is coming again! Do not be deceived! The shofar and the watchmen are sounding the alarm with 'words'; if not heeded, there is head-long stumbling into the deed of threshing.

Isa 28:21 For **יהוה** rises up as at Mount Peratsim, and He is wroth as at the Valley of Gib'on, to do His work, His strange work, and to do His deed, His strange deed.

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perâtsiyim **BDB Definition:** Perazim = “breaches” 1) a mountain in Palestine

1a) possibly the same as ‘Baal-perazim’ which was the scene of a victory of David over the Philistines located in the valley of Rephaim, south of Jerusalem, on the road to Bethlehem

Isa 28:22 And now, do not be scoffers, lest your bonds be made strong. For I have heard from the Master **יהוה** of hosts, a destruction decreed upon all the earth.

Isa 28:23 Give ear and hear my voice, listen and hear my Word.

Isa 28:24 Does the ploughman keep ploughing all day to sow? Does he keep turning his soil and breaking the clods?

Isa 28:25 When he has levelled its surface, does he not sow the caraway and scatter the cummin, plant the wheat in rows, the barley in the appointed place, and the spelt in its place?

Isa 28:26 For He instructs him for right-ruling, his Elohim teaches him.

Isa 28:27 For caraway is not threshed with a threshing sledge, nor is a wagon wheel rolled over cummin, but caraway is beaten out with a stick, and cummin with a rod.

Isa 28:28 Grain is crushed, so one does not go on threshing it forever, nor break it with his wagon wheel, nor crush it with his horsemen.

Isa 28:29 Even this has come from **יהוה** of hosts, who did wonders in counsel, who made wisdom great.

Plowing of fields do not go on forever nor does the processing of the grain harvested. If either happens continuously, the seed would never be planted, and the grain would become over processed dust. We either learn righteousness or we don't. We either become fruitful or we lay waste.

His love for us is so great that He paints for us pictures through prophetic parables. He even gives us living 3-dimensional parables as with the Tabernacle in the Wilderness or Ezekiel laying on his side! What great trouble He goes through for such an unappreciative rebellious people; an adulteress bride! What great love and commitment He shows us! What sadness there will be when the entry through the Door is SHUT! Then, when it is too late, there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

2John 1

URGENT MESSAGE FROM JOHN – stay the course with Yahusha HaMashiach!

After John opens with a loving greeting to YHWH's people; acknowledges the 'birthing' of more into the faith; encouraging love and to share His TRUTH among the brethren; he quickly delves into an urgent message about those that lead astray.

He reminds us that we must be sure to love one another; yet be discerning! Love and TRUTH builds us up; but there is also a 'deceptive Jezebel spirit of love and lies' that wants to steal, kill, and destroy. Again, he is emphasizing the lesson about discerning between the Spirit of Elohim and the spirit of delusion.

Each day the spiritual warfare rages. Take up and put on the full armor of YHWH and be sure not to forget 'the garment of praise!'

Greeting

2Jn 1:1 The elder, to a chosen Kuria and her children, whom I love in truth, and not only I, but also all those who have known the truth,

2Jn 1:2 because of the truth which stays in us and shall be with us forever:

2Jn 1:3 Favor, compassion, peace be with you from Elohim the Father, and from the Master **יהושע** Messiah, the Son of the Father, in truth and love.

F. B. Meyer Commentary: 2 John 1:1-13 WALKING IN TRUTH

This exquisite letter, a model of old-world correspondence, was probably written when the Apostle was the guest of the nephews of the lady addressed. The Epistle revolves around the two words, *love* and *truth*, which were the poles of his life. When Christ is in us, not only are we true in judgment and speech, but we recognize truth wherever it is to be found. No horizon bounds the vision of the true and truth-loving soul. Be true and loving, and you will have a rich heritage of grace, mercy, and peace. Love is best shown by obedience. [2Jn 1:8](#) shows a pastor's anxiety. Don't go on without Christ or you will lose God, [2Jn 1:9](#). Remember that love can be stern, [2Jn 1:10](#).

The letter reveals the strength, purity, and love of the primitive Church. Let us put into our letters thoughts which will make them worth receiving and keeping.

Walking in Truth and Love

2Jn 1:4 I rejoiced greatly because I found some of your children walking in truth, as we received a command from the Father.

2Jn 1:5 And now I ask you, Kuria, not as though I wrote a fresh command to you, but that which we have had from the beginning: that we love one another.

Kuria [G2959](#) *koo-ree'-ah* Feminine of [G2962](#); *Cyria*, **a Christian woman**: - lady.

2Jn 1:6 And this is the love, that we walk according to His commands.^a This is the

command, that as you have heard from the beginning, you should walk in it. Footnote:
^aSee [1Jn 5:3](#) and [Joh 14:15](#).

2Jn 1:7 Because many who are leading astray went out into the world who do not confess יהושע Messiah as coming in the flesh. This one is he who is leading astray and the **anti-messiah**.

Anti-messiah spirits are prevalent today; and one day the Anti-messiah will manifest.

2Jn 1:8 See to yourselves, that we do not lose what we worked for, but that we might receive a complete reward.

2Jn 1:9 Everyone who is transgressing and not staying in the teaching of Messiah does not possess Elohim.^b The one who stays in the teaching of Messiah possesses both the Father and the Son.^c Footnotes: ^b [1Ti 6:3](#). ^cSee [1Jn 1:3](#), [1Jn 2:22](#), [1Jn 5:20](#).

Stern warning.

2Jn 1:10 **If anyone comes to you and does not bring this teaching, do not receive him into your house nor greet him,**

2Jn 1:11 **for he who greets him shares in his wicked works.**

Final Greetings

2Jn 1:12 Having much to write to you, I did not wish to do so with paper and ink, but I expect to come to you and speak face to face, so that our joy might be complete.

2Jn 1:13 The children of your chosen sister greet you. Amēn.

Shalom ~ Libby

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