

*Greetings, today our manna is from Num. 32; Psalm 77; Isaiah 24; 1John 2.*

## *May 23 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective*

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### **Numbers 32**

In Numbers 32 the baton is soon to be handed over to Joshua to lead the people into the promise land beyond the Jordan. Before this happens, Rueben and Gad approach Moses, Elazar, and the leaders of the congregation, with a proposition. Their tribes apparently had a great number of livestock and they saw that the eastern lands they had just conquered by favor of YHWH, were perfect for raising livestock.

#### **Reuben and Gad Settle in Gilead**

**Num 32:1** And the children of Re'ubēn and the children of Gaḏ had much livestock, a large number. And they saw the land of Ya'zēr and the land of Gil'aḏ and saw that the place was a place for livestock.

**Num 32:2** So the children of Gaḏ and the children of Re'ubēn came and spoke to Mosheh, and to El'azar the priest, and to the leaders of the congregation, saying,

**Num 32:3** “Ataroth, and Diḅon, and Ya'zēr, and Nimrah, and Ḥeshbon, and El'alēh, and Seḅam, and Neḅo, and Be'on,

**Num 32:4** **the land which יהוה had stricken before the congregation of Yisra'ēl, is a land for livestock, and your servants have livestock.”**

**Num 32:5** And they said, “If we have found favour in your eyes, **let this land be given to your servants as a possession, and do not let us pass over the Yardēn.”**

At first Moses has a traumatic flash-back as to what occurred at Kadesh-Barnea. After Moses reminds them of that epic failure and tells them his concerns; Reuben and Gad commit all their fighting men to still go into the promise land; help possess the land; and see that all the tribes are given their inheritance. Afterwards, Rueben and Gad would return to the lands mentioned on the east side of the Jordan.

**Num 32:6** And Mosheh said to the children of Gaḏ and to the children of Re'ubēn, “Are your brothers to go into the battle while you yourselves sit here?”

**Num 32:7** “Now why do you discourage the heart of the children of Yisra'ēl from passing over into the land which יהוה has given them?”

**Num 32:8** “Thus your fathers did when I sent them away from Qaḏēsh Barnēa to see the land.

**Num 32:9** “For when they went up to the wadi Eshkol and saw the land, they

discouraged the heart of the children of Yisra'ël, so that they did not go into the land which יהוה had given them.

**Num 32:10** “Then the displeasure of יהוה burned on that day, and He swore an oath, saying,

**Num 32:11** Not one of the men who came up from Mitsrayim, from twenty years old and above, is to see the land of which I swore to Aḇraham, Yitshaq, and Ya'aqob, because they did not follow Me completely,

**Num 32:12** except Kalēḇ son of Yephunneh, the Qenizzite, and Yehoshua son of Nun, for they have followed יהוה completely.’

**Num 32:13** “So the displeasure of יהוה burned against Yisra'ël, and He made them wander in the wilderness forty years, until all the generation that had done evil in the eyes of יהוה was destroyed.

**Num 32:14** “And see, you have risen in your father’s place, an increase of men, sinners, to add still more the burning displeasure of יהוה against Yisra'ël.

**Num 32:15** “For if you turn away from following Him, He shall once again leave them in the wilderness, and you shall destroy all these people.”

**Num 32:16** Then they came near to him and said, “Let us build sheep-enclosures here for our livestock, and cities for our little ones,

**Num 32:17** but let us ourselves be armed, hastening before the children of Yisra'ël until we have brought them to their place. And our little ones shall dwell in the walled cities because of the inhabitants of the land.

**Num 32:18** “We shall not return to our homes until every one of the children of Yisra'ël has received his inheritance.

**Num 32:19** “For we shall not inherit with them on the other side of the Yardēn and beyond, because our inheritance has fallen to us on this eastern side of the Yardēn.”

**Num 32:20** **And Mosheh said to them,** “If you make this promise: if you arm yourselves before יהוה for battle,

**Num 32:21** and all your armed ones pass over the Yardēn before יהוה until He has driven out His enemies from before Him,

**Num 32:22** and the land has been subdued before יהוה, then afterward you shall return, and be guiltless before יהוה and before Yisra'ël. And this land shall be your possession before יהוה.

Both sides come into agreement and Moses commands Joshua and Elazar to follow that agreement accordingly. Later in this chapter we see [half the tribe of Menashsheh](#) is also included.

**Num 32:23** “But if you do not do so, then see, you shall sin against יהוה, and know: your sin is going to find you out.

**Num 32:24** “Build cities for your little ones and enclosures for your sheep, and do what

you have promised.”

**Num 32:25** And the children of Gaḏ and the children of Re’uḇĕn spoke to Mosheh, saying, “Your servants are going to do as my master commands.

**Num 32:26** “Our little ones, our wives, our flocks, and all our livestock are going to be there in the cities of Gil’aḏ,

**Num 32:27** but your servants are passing over, every armed one of the army, before **יהוה**, to battle, as my master says.”

**Num 32:28** And Mosheh gave command concerning them to El’azar the priest, to Yehoshua son of Nun, and to the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Yisra’ĕl.

**Num 32:29** And Mosheh said to them, “If the children of Gaḏ and the children of Re’uḇĕn pass over the Yardĕn with you, every man armed for battle before **יהוה**, and the land has been subdued before you, then you shall give them the land of Gil’aḏ as a possession.

**Num 32:30** “But if they do not pass over armed with you, they shall have possessions among you in the land of Kena’an.”

**Num 32:31** Then the children of Gaḏ and the children of Re’uḇĕn answered, saying, “As **יהוה** has said to your servants, so we do.

**Num 32:32** “We ourselves are passing over armed before **יהוה** into the land of Kena’an, but the possession of our inheritance remains with us beyond the Yardĕn.”

**Num 32:33** **So Mosheh gave to the children of Gaḏ, to the children of Re’uḇĕn, and to half the tribe of Menashsheh, son of Yosĕph, the reign of Siḥon sovereign of the Amorites and the reign of Oġ sovereign of Bashan, the land with its cities within the borders, the cities of the land round about.**

Children of Gad:

**Num 32:34** And the children of Gaḏ built Diḇon and Ataroth and Aro’ĕr,

**Num 32:35** and Atroth, Shophan and Ya’zĕr and Yoġbehah,

**Num 32:36** and Bĕyth Nimrah and Bĕyth Haran, walled cities, and enclosures for sheep.

Children of Reuben:

**Num 32:37** And the children of Re’uḇĕn built Ḥeshbon and El’alĕh and Qiryathayim,

**Num 32:38** Neḇo and Ba’al Me’on – the names being changed – and Shiḇmah. And they gave other names to the cities which they built.

Children of ½ the tribe of Menashsheh:

**Num 32:39** And the sons of Maḳir son of Menashsheh went to Gil’aḏ and took it, and dispossessed the Amorites who were in it.

**Num 32:40** So Mosheh gave Gil’aḏ to Maḳir, son of Menashsheh, and he dwelt in it.

**Num 32:41** And Ya’ir son of Menashsheh went and took its small towns, and called

them Ḥawoth Ya'ir.

**Num 32:42** And Nōḇaḥ went and took Qenath and its villages, and he called it Nōḇaḥ, after his own name.

Later we will see when Assyria invades Israel, these are the first territories to be taken into exile.

1Ch 5:26 So the Elohim of Yisra'el stirred up the spirit of Pul sovereign of Ashshur, even the spirit of Tiglath-Pileser sovereign of Ashshur. And he took the Re'uḇēnites, and the Gaḏites, and the half-tribe of Menashsheh into exile, and brought them to Ḥalah, and Ḥaḇor, and Hara, and the river of Gozan, unto this day.

## Psalm 77

### In the Day of Trouble I Seek YHWH

**Psa 77:1** My voice is to Elohim, and I cry; My voice is to Elohim, and He listened to me.

**Psa 77:2** In the day of my distress I sought יהוה; My hand was stretched out in the night And it did not cease, My being refused to be comforted.

**Psa 77:3** I remembered Elohim, and groaned; I complained, and my spirit grew faint. Selah.

We know when a distressed child cries out in the night, with arms extended longing to be picked up and comforted; parents respond and rush to child's need. In the same way, YHWH hear our cries and listens to us in our day of distress. Those times of deep distress can only be comforted by Him. Distressing cries are very different than any other cry. That is when He upholds His child with His righteous right hand and He says,

Isa 41:10 Do not fear, for I am with you. Do not look around, for I am your Elohim. I shall fortify you, I shall also help you, I shall also uphold you with the right hand of My righteousness.'

Isa 41:11 **"See, all those who raged against you are ashamed and blush, they are as non-existent. And the men who strive with you perish.**

Isa 41:12 "You seek them but do not find them, those who struggle with you. Those who fight you are as non-existent, as naught.

Isa 41:13 "For I, יהוה your Elohim, am strengthening your right hand, saying to you, 'Do not fear, I shall help you.'

Isa 41:14 **"Do not fear, you worm Ya'aqoḇ, you men of Yisra'el! I shall help you," declares יהוה and your Redeemer, the Set-apart One of Yisra'el.**

**Psa 77:4** You ceased the watches of my eyes, I was too troubled to speak.

**Psa 77:5** I have thought about the days of old, The years long past.

**Psa 77:6** I remember my song in the night, I meditate within my heart, And my spirit

searches diligently.

**Psa 77:7** Would הוה' reject forever, And never again be pleased?

**Psa 77:8** Has His loving-commitment ceased forever, Has the promise failed for all generations?

**Psa 77:9** Has Ĕl forgotten to show favour? Has He shut up His compassions in displeasure? Selah.

**Psa 77:10** And I said, "This is my grief: That the right hand of the Most High has changed."

**Psa 77:11** I remember the deeds of Yah, For I remember Your wonders of old.

**Psa 77:12** And I shall meditate on all Your work, And talk of Your deeds.

**Psa 77:13** Your way, O Elohim, is in [Set-apartness](#);<sup>a</sup> Who is a great Ĕl like Elohim?

**Footnote:** <sup>a</sup> [Isa 35:8](#).

**Psa 77:14** You are the Ĕl who does wonders; You have made known Your strength among the peoples.

**Psa 77:15** By Your arm You have redeemed Your people, The sons of Ya'aqob and Yosëph. Selah.

**Psa 77:16** The waters saw You, O Elohim; The waters saw You, they were afraid; The depths also trembled.

**Psa 77:17** The clouds poured out water; The heavens rumbled; Also, Your arrows flashed back and forth.

**Psa 77:18** The voice of Your thunder rolled along; Lightnings lit up the world; The earth trembled and shook.

**Psa 77:19** Your way was in the sea, And Your path in the great waters, And Your footsteps were not known.

**Psa 77:20** You did lead Your people like a flock By the hand of Mosheh and Aharon.

Brothers and sisters all around the world find comfort in Him, His Word. In Psalm 77, the Psalmist recounts YHWH's faithfulness and how through His power and might rescued Israel out of Egypt. We too walk by faith, as individuals and [as part of the one new man](#). We keep our eyes on Him and on those things unseen; knowing whatever we face, His arm is not too short to protect us or uphold us.

We know, for those that love Him and are called according to His purpose, [He works all things together for good](#). The Scriptures and the Ruach HaKodesh comfort us on earth. The Scriptures are His voice, His being; and the Ruach HaKodesh is His arms of comfort. Through the Ruach HaKodesh, our clay vessels are infused with power from on High, so that our arms, feet, and mouths should be used for His purposes.

We trust Him in good times and bad times. Does He not see all? Does He not know the numbers of hairs on our head? Is He too weak to carry us through the storm? Does He slumber? Does he not know us better than we know ourselves?

**Just because YHWH works mightily for His people; doesn't mean we sit on the sidelines. We also intercede for others, because silence is consent!**

Jer 30:4 And these are the words יהוה spoke concerning Yisra'el and Yehudah.

Jer 30:5 "For this is what יהוה said, **'We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace.'**

Jer 30:6 Ask now, and see if a man is giving birth. Why do I see every man with his hands on his loins like a woman in labour, and all faces turned pale?

Jer 30:7 **Oh! For great is that day, there is none like it. And it is the time of Ya'aqob's distress, but he shall be saved out of it.**

Jer 30:8 And it shall be in that day,' declares יהוה of hosts, **'that I break his yoke from your neck, and tear off your bonds, and foreigners no more enslave them.'**

Jer 30:9 And they shall serve יהוה their Elohim and Dawid their sovereign, whom I raise up for them.

Jer 30:10 **And you, do not fear, O Ya'aqob My servant,' declares יהוה, 'nor be discouraged, O Yisra'el. For look, I am saving you from afar, and your seed from the land of their captivity. And Ya'aqob shall return, and have rest and be at ease, with no one to trouble him.**

Jer 30:11 **For I am with you,' declares יהוה, 'to save you.** Though I make a complete end of all nations<sup>a</sup> where I have scattered you, **yet I do not make a complete end of you.** But I shall reprove you in judgment, and by no means leave you unpunished.' Footnote: <sup>a</sup>See Jer 46:28, Isa 34:2, Isa 45:17, Dan 2:44, Amo 9:8, Hag 2:22.

Mat 10:28 "And do not fear those who kill the body but are unable to kill the being. **But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both being and body in GëHinnom.**

Mat 10:29 "Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground without your Father.

Mat 10:30 **'And even the hairs of your head are all numbered.'**

Mat 10:31 **So do not fear, you are worth more than many sparrows.**

Mat 10:32 **'Everyone, therefore, who shall confess Me before men, him I shall also confess before My Father who is in the heavens.'**

Mat 10:33 **'But whoever shall deny Me before men, him I shall also deny before My Father who is in the heavens.'**

## Isaiah 24

This earth has been defiled and is passing away. This earth is under a 'consuming curse.' There will be nowhere to hide and nowhere to run. He is our shelter; He is our help; He is our Savior; He is man's only Hope! If today, you hear His voice, run to Him without

hesitation! His arms are wide-open longing to embrace you and show you His great love. He lives!

### Judgment on the Whole Earth

**Isa 24:1** See, **יהוה** is making the earth empty and making it waste, and shall overturn its surface, and shall scatter abroad its inhabitants.

**Isa 24:2** And it shall be – as with the people so with the priest, as with the servant so with his master, as with the female servant so with her mistress, as with the buyer so with the seller, as with the lender so with the borrower, as with the creditor so with the debtor;

**Isa 24:3** the earth is completely emptied and utterly plundered, for **יהוה** has spoken this word.

**Isa 24:3** **the earth is completely emptied and utterly plundered, for יהוה has spoken this word.**

**Isa 24:4** The earth shall mourn and wither, the world shall languish and wither, the haughty people of the earth shall languish.

**Isa 24:5** For **the earth has been defiled under its inhabitants, because they have transgressed the Torot,<sup>a</sup> changed<sup>b</sup> the law, broken the everlasting covenant.<sup>c</sup>**

Footnotes: <sup>a</sup>Torot - plural of Torah - teaching. <sup>b</sup> Jer 23:36. <sup>c</sup>See also [Isa 13:9](#), [Isa 13:11](#), [Isa 26:21](#), [Isa 66:24](#), [Mic 5:15](#), [Zep 1:2-18](#).

### A Consuming Curse!

**Isa 24:6** Therefore **a curse shall consume the earth,** and those who dwell in it be punished. Therefore the inhabitants of the earth shall be burned, and few men shall be left.

**Isa 24:7** The new wine shall fail, the vine shall languish, all those glad at heart shall sigh.

**Isa 24:8** The joy of the tambourine shall cease, the noise of those who rejoice shall end, the joy of the lyre shall cease.

**Isa 24:9** No more do they drink wine with a song, strong drink is bitter to those who drink it.

**Isa 24:10** The deserted city shall be broken down, every house shall be shut, no one enters.

**Isa 24:11** There is a crying for wine in the streets; all joy shall be darkened, the gladness of the earth shall be gone.

**Isa 24:12** The city is left in ruins, and the gate is stricken with destruction.

**Isa 24:13** For thus it is to be in the midst of the earth among the peoples, like the shaking of an olive tree, like the gleaning of grapes when the grape harvest is done.

**Isa 24:14** They lift up their voice, they sing of the excellency of **יהוה**, they shall cry aloud from the sea.

**Isa 24:15** Therefore praise **יהוה** in the east, the Name of **יהוה** Elohim of Yisra'el in the

coastlands of the sea.

**Isa 24:16** From the ends of the earth we shall hear songs, “Splendour to the Righteous One!” But I say, “I waste away, I waste away! Woe to me! The treacherous betray, with treachery the treacherous betray.”

**Isa 24:17** Fear and the pit and the snare are upon you, O inhabitant of the earth.

**Isa 24:18** And it shall be that he who flees from the noise of the fear falls into the pit, and he who comes up from the midst of the pit is caught in the snare. For the windows from on high shall be opened, and the foundations of the earth be shaken.

**Isa 24:19** The earth shall be utterly broken, the earth shall be completely shattered, the earth shall be fiercely shaken.

**Isa 24:20** The earth shall stagger like a drunkard. And it shall totter like a hut, and its transgression shall be heavy upon it, and it shall fall, and not rise again.

**Isa 24:21** And in that day it shall be that יהוה punishes on high the host of exalted ones, and on the earth the sovereigns of the earth.

**Isa 24:22** And they shall be gathered together, as prisoners are gathered in the pit, and shall be shut up in the prison, and be punished after many days.

**Isa 24:23** And the moon shall blush, and the sun shall be ashamed, for יהוה of hosts shall reign on Mount Tsiyon, and in Yerushalayim,<sup>d</sup> and before His elders, in esteem! Footnote: <sup>d</sup> Isa 12:6, Isa 16:5, Isa 46:13, Isa 52:8, Isa 59:20, Psa 102:16, Eze 43:7-9, Joe 3:17 and Joe 3:21, Mic 4:7-8, Zep 3:14-17, Zec 1:16-17, Zec 2:10, Zec 8:3-8, Zec 14:1-11, Act 1:6-7, Rev 21:1-27.

What is left to be said? To whom or what is our trust and hope in?

## 1John 2

NO ONE DENYING THE SON HAS THE FATHER! This is key! Selah!

### YahushaOur Advocate

**1Jn 2:1** My little children, I write this to you, so that you do not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Intercessor with the Father, **יהושע** Messiah, a righteous One.

**1Jn 2:2** And He Himself is an atoning offering for our sins, and not for ours only but also for all the world.

**1Jn 2:3** And by this we know that we know Him, if we guard His commands.<sup>a</sup>

Footnote: <sup>a</sup>See 1Jn 3:6.

**1Jn 2:4** The one who says, “I know Him,” and does not guard His commands, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

**1Jn 2:5** But whoever guards His Word, truly the love of Elohim has been perfected<sup>b</sup> in him. By this we know that we are in Him.<sup>c</sup> Footnotes <sup>b</sup> Gen 17:1, Psa 119:1, Mat 5:48. <sup>c</sup>See 1Jn 3:24.

1Jn 2:6 **The one who says he stays in Him ought himself also to walk, even as He walked.**

We should follow in the footsteps of Yahusha. We are to have the mind of Yahusha; and do the will of the Father.

### The New Commandment

1Jn 2:7 Beloved, I write no fresh command to you, but an old command which you have had from the beginning. **The old command is the Word which you heard from the beginning.**<sup>d</sup> Footnote: <sup>d</sup>See [1Jn 2:24](#).

1Jn 2:8 Again I write you a fresh command, which is true in Him and in you, **because the darkness is passing away, and the true light now shines.**

- ✚ 1Jn 2:9 The one who says he is in the light, and hates his brother, is in the darkness until now.
- ✚ 1Jn 2:10 The one who loves his brother stays in the light, and there is no stumbling-block in him.
- ✚ 1Jn 2:11 But the one who hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

I write to you...

- ✚ 1Jn 2:12 **I write to you, little children, because your sins have been forgiven on account of His Name.**
- ✚ 1Jn 2:13 **I write to you, fathers, because you have known Him from the beginning.**
- ✚ **I write to you, young men, because you have overcome the wicked one.**
- ✚ **I write to you, little children, because you have known the Father.**
- ✚ 1Jn 2:14 **I wrote to you, fathers, because you have known Him from the beginning.**
- ✚ **I wrote to you, young men, because you are strong, and the Word of Elohim stays in you, and you have overcome the wicked one.**

### Do Not Love the World

1Jn 2:15 **Do not love the world nor that which is in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.**<sup>e</sup> Footnote: <sup>e</sup> [Jas 4:4](#).

1Jn 2:16 **Because 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.
- ✚ 1Jn 2:17 And the world passes away, and the lust of it, **but the one doing the desire of Elohim remains forever.**

It is the last hour.

### Warning Concerning Antichrists

1Jn 2:18 **Little children, it is the last hour.** And as you have heard that the anti-messiah is coming, even now many anti-messiahs have come. **This is how we know that it is the last hour.**

1Jn 2:19 They went out from us, but they were not of us, for if they had been of us, they would have stayed with us – but in order that it might be made manifest that none of them were of us.

1Jn 2:20 And you have an anointing from the Set-apart One, and you know all.

1Jn 2:21 I did not write to you because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and because no falsehood is of the truth.

1Jn 2:22 **Who is the liar, except the one denying that יהושע is the Messiah? This is the anti-messiah, the one denying the Father and the Son.**

1Jn 2:23 **No one denying the Son has the Father.** **The one confessing the Son has the Father as well.**

1Jn 2:24 As for you, let that stay in you which you heard from the beginning. If what you heard from the beginning stays in you, you also shall stay in the Son and in the Father.

1Jn 2:25 **And this is the promise that He has promised us: everlasting life.**

1Jn 2:26 I have written this to you concerning **those who lead you astray.**

1Jn 2:27 But **the anointing which you have received from Him stays in you, and you have no need that anyone should teach you.** But as the same anointing does teach you concerning all, and is true, and is no falsehood, and even as it has taught you, **you stay in Him.**

“Who is the liar, except the one denying that Yahusha is the Messiah? This is the anti-messiah, the one denying the Father and the Son. No one denying the Son has the Father. The one confessing the Son has the Father as well.”

### Children of Elohim

1Jn 2:28 **And now, little children, stay in Him, so that when He appears, we might have boldness and not be ashamed before Him at His coming.**

1Jn 2:29 If you know that He is righteous, you know that everyone doing righteousness has been born of Him.<sup>f</sup> Footnote: <sup>f</sup>See [1Jn 3:7-10](#), [1Jn 5:4](#), [1Jn 5:18](#).

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