

Greetings, today our manna is 1Sam. 14 Romans 12; Jeremiah 51; Psalms 30.

August 22 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective

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1Sam. 14 F. B. Meyer gives a concise summary which is worthy to read:

Jonathan was a true knight of God [YHWH]. He was the Hebrew Galahad, a soldier without fear and without reproach. His life was pure, his word was true, he was faithful to the high claims of human love, and followed the Christ [Messiah], though as yet he knew Him not.

He had entered into the spirit of the divine Covenant, and could not believe that God [YHWH] had forgotten and forsaken. Was not the old promise true that “one [should] chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight”? [Deu 32:30](#). Happy are they who can rise above depression and misfortune into the clear heaven of fellowship with God [YHWH], allying their weakness with His might, their ignorance with His wisdom! “It may be that the Lord [YHWH] will work for us,” said Jonathan; “for there is no restraint to the Lord [YHWH] to save by many or by few.” Then he offered himself as the humble instrument of God’s [YHWH’s] will. The people recognized this. They said: “He hath wrought with God [YHWH] this day.” And the soul that reckons on God [YHWH] cannot be ashamed. “*The Lord [YHWH] saved Israel that day.*” In such works God [YHWH] and man co-operate. See [Joh 3:21](#).

Joh 3:21 “But the one doing the truth comes to the light, so that his works are clearly seen, that they have been wrought in Elohim.”

Jonathan Defeats the Philistines – He goes forth by faith.

1Sa 14:1 And it came to be one day that Yonathan son of Sha’ul said to the young man who bore his armor, “Come, and let us go over to the outpost of the Philistines which is on the other side.” But he did not inform his father.

1Sa 14:2 And **Sha’ul remained at the outskirts of Gib’ah** under a pomegranate tree at Miḡron, and the people **who were with him were about six hundred men**.

1Sa 14:3 And **Ahiyah** son of Ahitub, Ikaḇod’s brother, son of Pineḡas, son of Ėli, **the priest of יהוה** in Shiloh, was wearing a shoulder garment. And the people did not know that Yonathan had gone.

1Sa 14:4 And between the passes, by which Yonathan sought to go over to the outpost of the Philistines, there was an edge of a rock on one side and an edge of a rock on the other side. And the name of one was Botsĕts, and the name of the other Seneh.

1Sa 14:5 The one edge was on the north opposite Miḡmash, and the other on the south opposite Gib’ah.

1Sa 14:6 And Yehonathan said to the young man who bore his armour, “Come, and let us go over to the outpost of these uncircumcised. If so be, יהוה does work for us. **For there is no hindrance for יהוה to save by many or by few.**”

1Sa 14:7 And his armor-bearer said to him, “Do all that is in your heart, incline yourself. See, I am with you, according to your heart.”

Not only was Jonathan brave; Jonathan was a proven warrior. His armor-bearer had no doubt with Jonathan’s decision. An armor bearer must be with his commanding soldier 100%. A commanding soldier doesn’t need anyone ‘second guessing’ or ‘hesitating’ following through with orders. This armor-bearer was brave and encouraged Jonathan to do all that was in his heart!

1Sa 14:8 And Yehonathan said, “See, we are passing over to the men – and show ourselves to them.

1Sa 14:9 “If they say this to us, ‘Wait until we come to you,’ then we shall stand still in our place and not go up to them.

1Sa 14:10 “But if they say this, ‘Come up to us,’ then we shall go up. For יהוה has given them into our hand, and this is the sign to us.”

1Sa 14:11 And both of them disclosed themselves to the outpost of the Philistines, and the Philistines said, “See, the Hebrews are coming out of the holes where they have hidden.”

Apparently, the Philistines had seen the men of Israel scatter and hide. They were feeling overly confident in their power, might, and numbers. Therefore, they boasted.

1Sa 14:12 And the men of the outpost called to Yonathan and his armor-bearer, and said, “Come up to us, and let us teach you a lesson.” Then Yonathan said to his armor-bearer, **“Come up after me, for יהוה has given them into the hand of Yisra’ël.”**

1Sa 14:13 And Yonathan climbed up on his hands and knees with his armor-bearer after him. And they fell before Yonathan, and his armor-bearer was putting them to death behind him.

1Sa 14:14 And that first smiting which Yonathan and his armor-bearer struck was about **twenty men, in about half an acre of land.**

1Sa 14:15 And there was trembling in the camp, in the field, and among all the people. The outpost and the raiders also trembled, and the ground shook. And it became a trembling of Elohim.

YHWH’s heart is moved by those faithful to Him. He most certainly takes note.

1Sa 14:16 And the watchmen of Sha'ul in Gib'ah of Binyamin looked and saw the crowd melting away, and they went here and there.

Jos 23:10 “One man of you put a thousand to flight, for יהוה your Elohim is He who is fighting for you, as He has promised you.

Jos 23:11 “And you shall diligently guard yourselves, to love יהוה your Elohim.

1Sa 14:17 And Sha'ul said to the people who were with him, “Please inspect and see who has gone from us.” So they inspected and saw that Yonathan and his armour-bearer were missing.

1Sa 14:18 And Sha'ul said to Aḥiyah, “Bring the ark of Elohim here.” For the ark of Elohim was with the children of Yisra'el on that day.

1Sa 14:19 And it came to be, while Sha'ul talked to the priest, that the noise which was in the camp of the Philistines went on, and became great, so Sha'ul said to the priest, “Withdraw your hand.”

Brave hearts inspire others to be strong. It is not so much ‘when’ a person puts ‘skin in the game’; its that they do! Faith without action is dead. No one can expect to only ‘follow’ those of faith; they too must take action steps of faith and courage.

1Sa 14:20 And Sha'ul was called, and all the people who were with him , and they went to the battle. And see, every man's sword was against his neighbor – a very great confusion.

1Sa 14:21 And the Hebrews who were with the Philistines before that time, who went up with them into the camp, **turned round, they too, to be with Yisra'el, who were with Sha'ul and Yonathan.**

1Sa 14:22 And **all the men of Yisra'el who had hidden in the mountains of Ephrayim, heard that the Philistines fled, and they also pursued them in the battle.**

1Sa 14:23 **Thus יהוה saved Yisra'el that day, and the battle passed over to Bēyth Awen.**

Saul's Rash Vow

1Sa 14:24 And the men of Yisra'el were distressed that day, for Sha'ul had placed the people under oath, saying, “Cursed be the man who eats food until evening, and I have taken revenge on my enemies.” Therefore none of the people tasted food.

It seems this would have been a time of celebration rather than being restricted by Saul's oath. His oath, made it seem as if 'no good deed goes unpunished.' This could have been a sign of Saul wanting to appear to the people; that he too still had a part in this victory. He was still presently king; however, YHWH was already looking for his replacement.

1Sa 14:25 And all *they* of the land came into the woods, and **there was honey on the ground.**

1Sa 14:26 **And the people came into the woods and saw the honey, dripping. But no one put his hand to his mouth, for the people feared the oath.**

1Sa 14:27 But Yonathan had not heard that his father had taken an oath of the people, and he stretched out the end of the rod that was in his hand and dipped it in a honeycomb, and put his hand to his mouth. And his eyes lit up.

1Sa 14:28 Then one of the people said, "Your father strictly took an oath of the people, saying, 'Cursed be the man who eats food today.'" And the people were weary.

Saul's rash oath made no sense to his son Jonathan.

1Sa 14:29 And Yonathan said, "**My father has troubled the land.** Now see how my eyes lit up when I tasted a little of this honey.

1Sa 14:30 "**How much better if the people had well eaten today of the spoil of their enemies which they found! For then, would not the slaughter among the Philistines have been greater?"**

1Sa 14:31 And they struck the Philistines that day from Mikdash to Ayalon. So the people were very weary,

1Sa 14:32 and the people pounced on the spoil, and took sheep, and cattle, and calves, and slew them on the ground. And the people ate with the blood.

The people were ravished and did not properly prepare the meat. Saul does intercede to correct their wrong; possibly because he too saw his error in making such a rash vow. Saul follows through with building his first slaughter place to YHWH.

1Sa 14:33 And they told Sha'ul, saying, "Look, the people are sinning against יהוה by eating with the blood!" And he said, "You have acted treacherously. Roll a large stone to me today."

1Sa 14:34 And Sha'ul said, "Scatter among the people, and say to them, 'Each one bring his ox near to me, and each one his sheep, and you shall slay them here, and eat.'

And do not sin against יהוה by eating with the blood.’ ” So every one of the people brought his ox with him that night, and slew it there.

1Sa 14:35 And Sha’ul built a slaughter-place to יהוה. It was the first slaughter-place he built to יהוה.

1Sa 14:36 And Sha’ul said, “Let us go down after the Philistines by night, and plunder them until the morning light, and not leave a man of them.” And they said, “Do whatever seems good to you.” But the priest said, “Let us draw near to Elohim here.”

1Sa 14:37 **And Sha’ul asked of Elohim, “Should I go down after the Philistines? Do You give them into the hand of Yisra’el?” But He did not answer him that day.**

YHWH does not answer Saul. This was a possible sign that things were changing.

1Sa 14:38 And Sha’ul said, “Come over here, all you chiefs of the people, and know and see what this sin was today.

- 1Sa 14:39 “For as יהוה lives, who saves Yisra’el, though it be in Yonathan my son, he shall certainly die.” But not one among all the people answered him.

1Sa 14:40 And he said to all Yisra’el, “You be on one side, and my son Yonathan and I be on the other side.” And the people said to Sha’ul, “Do what seems good to you.”

1Sa 14:41 Then Sha’ul said to יהוה Elohim of Yisra’el, “Give a perfect lot.” And Sha’ul and Yonathan were taken, but the people escaped.

Adam Clarke: 1 Samuel 14:41 Lord God of Israel, Give a perfect lot - Both the Vulgate and Septuagint add much to this verse: And Saul said to the Lord God of Israel, Lord God of Israel, give judgment. Why is it that thou hast not answered thy servant to-day? If the iniquity be in me, or Jonathan my son, make it manifest. Or if this iniquity be in thy people, give sanctification.

1Sa 14:42 And Sha’ul said, “Cast lots between my son Yonathan and me.” And Yonathan was taken.

1Sa 14:43 Sha’ul then said to Yonathan, “Explain to me what you have done.” And Yonathan explained to him, and said, “I only tasted a little honey with the end of the rod that was in my hand. See, let me die!”

1Sa 14:44 And Sha’ul answered, **“Elohim do so and more also, for you shall certainly die, Yonathan.”**

Saul was behaving in his flesh. He makes another rash oath; and wants to kill Jonathan over the honey he had tasted; and doesn't even acknowledge the victory given to the men of Israel through Jonathan by the hand of YHWH.

The people intercede for Jonathan and against 'King Saul.' That was definitely sending a message.

1Sa 14:45 But the people said to Sha'ul, **“Should Yonathan die, who has wrought this great salvation in Yisra'el? Far be it! As הוה' lives, let not one hair of his head fall to the ground, for he has wrought with Elohim this day.”** Thus the people ransomed Yonathan, and he did not die.

1Sa 14:46 And Sha'ul returned from pursuing the Philistines, and the Philistines went to their own place.

Saul Fights Israel's Enemies

1Sa 14:47 And Sha'ul took the reign over Yisra'el, and fought against all his enemies round about, against Mo'ab, and against the children of Ammon, and against Edom, and against the sovereigns of Tsoḅah, and against the Philistines. And wherever he turned, he inflicted punishment.

1Sa 14:48 And he gathered an army and struck the Amalēqites, and delivered Yisra'el from the hands of those who plundered them.

1Sa 14:49 And the sons of Sha'ul were Yonathan and Yishwi and Malkishua. And the names of his two daughters were these: the name of the first-born Měrab, and the name of the younger Miḳal.

1Sa 14:50 And the name of Sha'ul's wife was Aḥino'am the daughter of Aḥima'ats. And the name of the commander of his army was Abnēr son of Nēr, uncle of Sha'ul.'

1Sa 14:51 And Qish was the father of Sha'ul, and Nēr the father of Abnēr was the son of Abi'ēl.

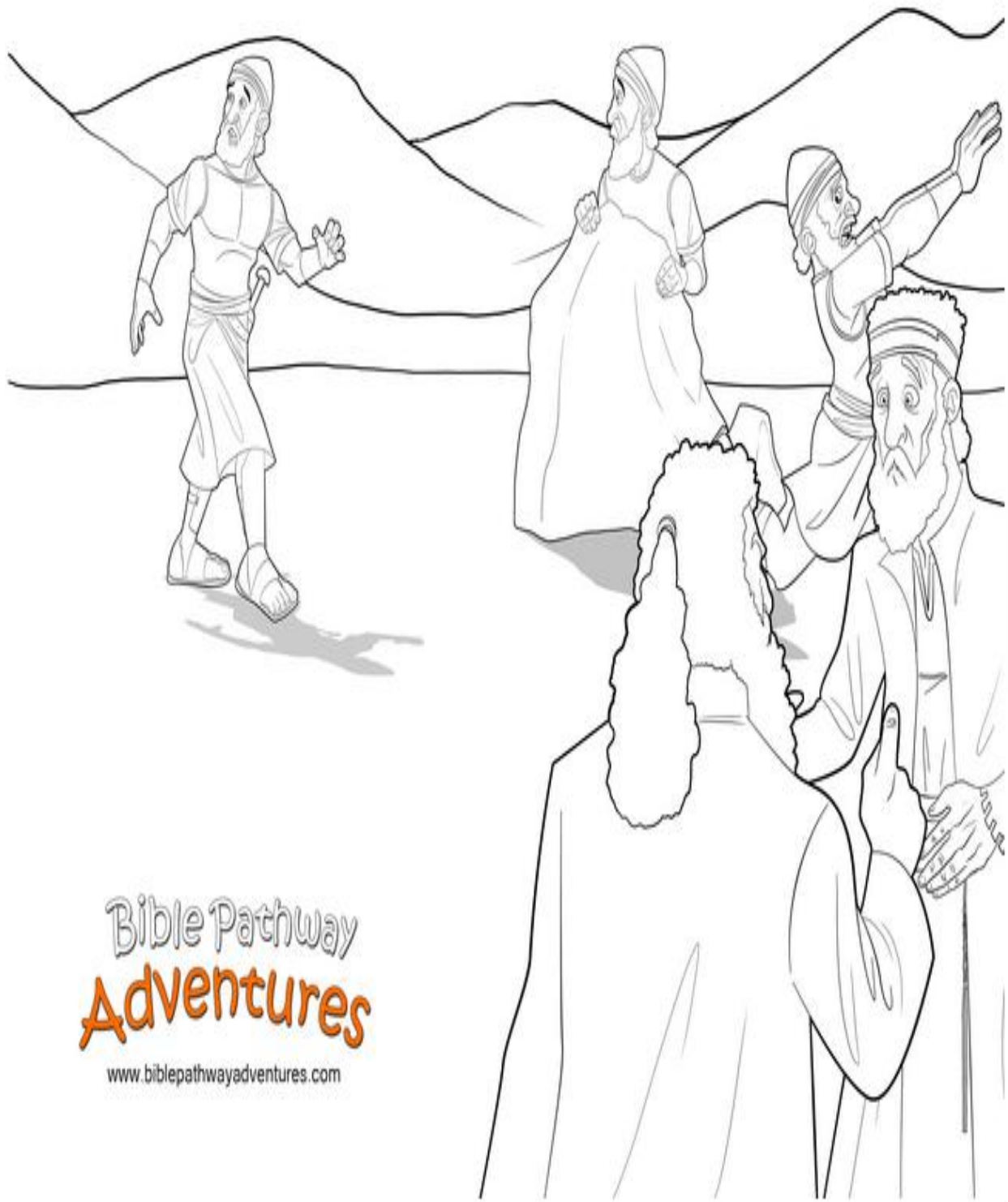
1Sa 14:52 And there was tough^a fighting against the Philistines all the days of Sha'ul. And when Sha'ul saw any mighty man or any brave man, he took him for himself.

Footnote: ^aLit. strong.

Saul vigilantly fought against the enemies of Israel. Was he working out the frustrations in his own life; or was he trying to 'prove himself, and make YHWH change His mind about looking for another king? It is hard to say. All we know is that Saul went out conquering enemies and personally taking on any brave or mighty man.

We also see a list of Saul's children; his wife; and his uncle for future connections and reference.

Free Coloring Page of Samuel's meeting with King Saul.



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Romans 12

Teaching Commentary [in brown] on Romans 12 by Matthew Nolan

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Are you performing your act of reasonable temple service? Shaul/Paul understood that this concept not only started prior to the construction of the tabernacle or temple, but would be vital to Daniel's prophetic vision of our future. Discover how a willful mistranslation, a Daniel deception, can reshape your eschatological views and harmonize with the whole of Scripture.

A Living Sacrifice

Rom 12:1 I call upon you, therefore, brothers, through the compassion of Elohim, to present your bodies a living offering – set-apart, well-pleasing to Elohim – your reasonable worship.

Rom 12:2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you prove what is that good and well-pleasing and perfect desire of Elohim.

Gifts of Grace

Rom 12:3 For I say, through the favor which has been given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think *of himself* more highly than he should think, but to think soberly, as Elohim has given to each a measure of belief.

Rom 12:4 For as we have many members in one body, but all members do not have the same function,

Rom 12:5 so we, the many, are one body in Messiah, and members each one of one another.

Rom 12:6 Now having different gifts, according to the favor which was given to us, *let us use them accordingly*: if prophecy, according to the proportion of belief;

Rom 12:7 if serving, in the serving; or he who is teaching, in the teaching;

Proverbs 14:12 There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

Ephesians 5:7 Be not ye therefore partakers with them.

V.1 is reminiscent of the early Ebionite Nazarene disciples creed where they rejected all animal sacrifices – **V.1 I beg you therefore, Yisraelite brothers, by the mercy of vuvh [YHWH], that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to vuvh, which is your act of reasonable temple service.**

Gk: “humōn logikos latreia.” ‘It’s the logical temple service for you’. “latreia” is wrapped up in how we’re to act in worship and service in relation to Yahusha’s redemptive work at Passover Exodus 12:25, 26 – Heb ābōdâh – עֲבֹדָה. This words genesis is prior to any manmade tabernacle or temple construction.

Epiphanius writes: **The Ebionites “do not accept Moses’ Pentateuch in its entirety; certain sayings they reject... stating Christ has revealed this to me and will blaspheme most of the Levitical legislation”** (Panarion 30.18.7-9). Epiphanius then quotes the Gospel of the Ebionites/Hebrews where Yahusha declares: **“I have come to destroy the sacrifices”** (Panaron 30.16.5).

In the Gospel of the Nazirenes Yahusha said, **“For they, making a god of their belly, sacrificed to their God the innocent creatures of the earth, in place of the carnal nature within themselves. And eating of their flesh and drinking of their blood to their own destruction, corrupted their bodies and shortened their days, even as the Gentiles who did not know the truth, or who knowing it, have changed it into a lie.”**

Now we understand the words of Paul when he commanded the Gentiles to **“Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature” (Colossians 3:5)?** Or the requirement that **“For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live” (Romans 8:13):** Which means that we must transform the beastly, carnal nature, into a fit sacrifice on the altar of our Inner Living Temple.

The Daniel deception

Daniel 8:9 And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land. 10 And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them. 11 Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down. (The place of יהוה's sanctuary is Yahusha.)

Daniel 8:11 in all known English translations has translated the^[SEP]Hebrew word ‘Ruwm’ (Strong’s 7311) as *“taken away”*. This word’s meaning comes from the context of *‘rising’ or ‘raising’* and has more often than not been translated *‘exalt’ or ‘exalting’*.

The word ‘Ruwm’ has been used 209 times in the Old Testament. The overwhelming support of the interpretation of this word shows us that it means *“to rise”^[SEP] or ‘exalt’*. It has several times been translated *“take up” or “take from”^[SEP]* but in context has always been in a sense of *‘raising’ NOT ‘taking away’ or ‘casting away’^[SEP]*.

Daniel uses the Hebrew word ‘Ruwm’ 13 times in his book. Of these 13 uses ALL have a context of something being raised or lifted up or exalted or being made high. So why here is it used as *“taken away?”*

What's weird is in Daniel 8:11 in some manuscripts the word 'Ruwm' is used twice consecutively. The literal translation of the text would read, **He was magnified before the prince of the host and the daily sacrifice was exalted, the exalted cornerstone of the holy place (the messiah) was cast down.**

The **exalting** of a daily sacrifice of bulls or goats or of any blood other than Yahusha IS THE ABOMINATION!

This can be seen in Hebrews 9:23-10:18 very clearly. This places the prophecy of Daniel's "*midst of the week*" starting with the Daily sacrifice being "*called back*" not being "*taken away*". And herein lies the Jewish, Messianic Jewish, Hebrew Roots and Christian Zionist deception!

Daniel 12:11 And from the time that the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days – 3 1/2 years.

The Hebrew word here for "taken away" is 'Cuwr' (Strong's 5493). This word has a meaning of turning.

This translation of "*taken away*" appears to be in direct contrast to Daniel 8:11. This can only be reconciled by determining what is being turned from. It's apparent from the context that they are turning from one thing to something that's an abomination.

Daniel 12:11 And from the time that the daily sacrifice shall be called back (i.e. a turning away from one realm to an abominable realm) and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days – 3 1/2 years.

Knowing that any animal or daily sacrifice is insufficient is key. The translation of the word 'Cuwr' means being "called back". What this means is the Daily Sacrifice would be called back to prominence which would be turning from the true Malki Tzedik sacrifice (Yahusha) and turning to the unacceptable Levitical sacrifice (blood of bulls and goats) that the prophecy of Daniel's "*midst of the week*" starts with the Daily sacrifice being "*called back*" not being "*taken away*" as Messianic's teach!

The elevation of the blood of bulls and goats is the end time casting down the one true sacrifice (Yahusha).

Rom 12:2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you prove what is that good and well-pleasing and perfect desire of Elohim.

The Gospel of the Nazarenes

Known as 'The original Gospel of the Holy Twelve' which was published in 1870

CHAPTER 28: Yeshua Releases the Rabbits and Pigeons

28:3.“You believe that Moses indeed commanded creatures to be slain and offered in sacrifice and eaten, and so do you in the temple, but behold a greater than Moses is here, and He comes to put away the bloody sacrifice of the law, and the feasts on them, and to restore to you the pure oblation and unbloody sacrifice as in the beginning, even the grains and fruits of the earth.” (instead of “but behold a greater than Moses is here”, the 1997 translation reads: “I have come to light The Way back to The Law, even the true Law of Moses”)⁴.”Of that which you offer to God in purity will you eat, but of that kind which you offer not in purity will you not eat, for the hour comes when your sacrifices and feasts of blood will cease, and you will worship God with a holy worship and a pure oblation.” ⁵.”Let these creatures therefore go free, that they may rejoice in God and bring no guilt to man.” And the young man let them free, and Yeshua broke their cages and their bonds.

CHAPTER 49: The True Temple of God

49:3.“But **the true temple is the body of man**, in which God dwells by the spirit, and when this temple is destroyed, in three days, God raises up a more glorious temple, which the eye of the uncultivated man does not perceive.” (1997 translation reads: “which the eye of the natural man perceives not”) ⁴. Don’t you know that you are the temples of the Holy Spirit? And who so destroys one of these temples destroys himself.”⁵.”And some of the scribes, hearing Him, sought to entangle Him in His talk and said, “If you end to the sacrifices of sheep and oxen and birds, what is the purpose of this temple built for God by Solomon, which has been now been in restoration for the last forty six years?”⁶.”And Yeshua answered and said, “It is written in the prophets, ‘My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations, for the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.’ But you have made it a house of slaughter and filled it with abominations.”⁷.”Again it is written, ‘From the rising of the sun to the setting of the sun, my name will be great among the Gentiles, and incense with a pure offering will be offered to me.’ But you have made it a desolation with your offerings of blood and used the sweet incense only to cover the ill savor thereof. I have come not to destroy the law, but to fulfill it.”⁸.” Don’t you know what is written? Obedience is better than sacrifice and to attend what is being said is better than the fat of rams. I, the Lord, am weary of your burnt offerings, and vain oblation, your hands are full of blood.” ⁹.” Aren’t the true sacrifices specified in the writings? Wash and purify yourself! Take away the evil from before my eyes! Cease to do evil! Learn to do good! Do justice for the fatherless and the widows, and all those who are oppressed! In so doing you will fulfill the law.”¹⁰.”The day will come when all those who are in the outer court, and that which pertaineth to blood offerings, will be taken away and pure worshippers will worship the eternal in purity and truth.”¹¹.”And they said, “Who are you to do away with the sacrifices, and to despise the seed of Abraham ? You have learned this blasphemy from the Greeks and the Egyptians.” ¹². And Yeshua said, “Before Abraham was ‘I Am’ .” And they refused to listen and some said, “He is inspired by a demon.” Others said, “He is mad.” And they went their way and told these things to the priests and elders. And they were wrath, saying, He hath spoken blasphemy.

CHAPTER 71: The Cleansing of the Temple

71:1. And the Jews’ Passover was at hand, and Yeshua went up again from Bethany into Jerusalem. He found sitting, in the temple those who sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money. ².”And when He had made a scourge of seven cords, He drove them all out of the temple and untied the sheep and the oxen, and the doves, and poured out the changers’ money, and overturned the tables;” ³.”And said to them, “Take these things hence; make not my Father’s House a House of merchandise. Is it not written, ‘My House is a House of Prayer, for all nations?’ But you have made it a den of thieves, and filled it with all manner of abominations.” ⁴. And He would not suffer that any man should carry any vessel of blood through the temple, or that any animals should be slain.

CHAPTER 86: Yeshua Appears in the Temple and Blood Sacrifices Cease

86:1.(This is after his resurrection) The same day, at the time of sacrifice in the temple, there appeared among the dealers in beasts and in birds, One clothed in white raiment, bright as light,

and in His hand a whip of seven cords. 2.And at the sight of Him, those who sold and bought fled in terror, and some of them fell as dead men, for they remembered how before His death Yeshua had driven them away from the temple enclosure, in like manner. 3.And some declared that they had seen a spirit. And others that they had seen Him who was crucified and that He had risen from the dead. 4.And the sacrifices ceased that day in the temple, for all were in fear, and none were willing to sell or to buy, but, rather, they let their captives go free. 5.And the priests and elders caused a report to be spread, that they who had seen it were drunken, and had seen nothing. But many affirmed that they had seen Him with their own eyes, and felt the scourge on their backs, but were powerless to resist; for when some of the bolder among them put forth their hands, they could not seize the form which they beheld, nor grasp the whip which chastised them. 6.And from that time, these believed in Yeshua, that He was sent from God, to deliver the oppressed and free those that were bound. And they turned from their ways and sinned no longer. 7.To others He also appeared in love and mercy and healed them by His touch and delivered them from the hands of the persecutor. And many like things were reported of Him, and many said, "Of a truth the kingdom is come." 8.And some of those who had slept and risen, when Yeshua rose from the dead appeared, and were seen by many in the holy city, and great fear fell upon the wicked, but light and gladness came to the righteous in heart.

Testament of Levi Chapters 5, 8, 14,15 & 18.

5:1 I saw the holy temple, and upon 2 a throne of glory the Most High. And He said to me: Levi, I have given thee the blessings of the 3 priesthood until I come and sojourn in the midst of Israel.....

8:13 And the 13 first portion shall be great; yea, greater than it shall none be. The second shall be in the priesthood. 14 And the third shall be called by a new name, because a king shall arise in Judah, and shall 15 establish a new priesthood, to all the Gentiles. And His presence is beloved, as a prophet of the Most High, of the seed of Abraham our father.....

14:2 For our father Israel is pure from the transgressions of the chief priests [who shall lay their hands upon the Saviour of the world]14:7 And ye shall be puffed up because of your priesthood, lifting yourselves up against 8 men.....

15:1 Therefore the temple, which the Lord shall choose, shall be laid waste through your uncleanness.....

18:1 the priesthood shall fail. 2 Then shall the Lord raise up a new priest.....

18:6 And From the temple of glory shall come upon him sanctification, With the Father's voice as from Abraham to Isaac.....

18:9 And in his priesthood the Gentiles shall be multiplied in knowledge.

Gifts of Grace

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Rom 12:4 For as we have many members in one body, but all members do not have the same function,

Rom 12:5 so we, the many, are one body in Messiah, and members each one of one another.

Boards and Sockets in the Tabernacle Exodus 26.

"Set in order one against each other."

"Mishilabot ishshah el echotah – and equally connected, each one to it's sister."

Ex 26:17 'Tenon' – 'Yated' = 'nail' – a nail will hold the structure of the congregation together making the whole equally connected, each one to it's sister.

Masoretic text 'Yated' is spelled yâd = hand/ יד

LXX and Masoretic = “nailed hand holds the whole structure together.”

Ephesians 2:19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of Elohim; **:20** And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Yahusha Messiah himself being the chief corner stone; **21** In whom all the building fitly framed together grows unto an holy temple in יהוה . In whom you also are builded together for a habitation of Elohim through the Spirit.

Hebrews 3:1 Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Messiah Yahusha; **2** Who was faithful to him that appointed him, as also Moses was faithful in all his house.**3** For this man was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as he who has builded the house has more honour than the house.**:4** For every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is Elohim.**5** And Moses verily was faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after;**6** But Messiah as a son over his own house; whose house we are!

Yeshua wasn't a carpenter! Greek tektōn – carpenter. Hebrew – charash – designer/architect.

Exodus 26:30 And you shall raise up/quwm the Tabernacle according to the fashion of it that was shown you on the mount.

Shall raise up – Hebrew/quwm – the Tabernacle.

LXX raise up – anasteseis – in the Brit = RESURRECTION!

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-----Romans 12 Part 2-----

Have you come into the community? Despite current popular doctrines, a walk of faith is not simply “me and Jesus”. Shaul/Paul sides with Yahusha in gathering believers together for corporate unity under Messiah. Division becomes a byproduct of a person being called into the Israel of Elohim.

In Rom 12 part 1 we're admonished to present our individual bodies together as a corporate holy, living sacrifice! How can you do that if you don't commit to joining a fellowship?

Paul now in this section of the letter (Chapter 12 &13) refocuses our attention on Yahusha; in particular the Sermon on the Mount:

PAUL

YAHUSHA

12:14: Bless those who persecute you, bless and do not curse.

12:17: Never pay back evil for evil to anyone.

12:18 If possible, so far as you are able, be at peace with men.

12:20 But if your enemy is hungry, feed him.

12:20 Render to all what is due them; tax to whom you serve, as their due

13:8 For he who loves neighbor has fulfilled the Torah.

13:9 And if there is any other commandment, it is summed up in this saying, you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

13:11 Awake from sleep, for now salvation is nearer to us than when we first believed!

14:10 – 17; (Judging, stumbling blocks, KingdomMatt Ch's 6, 7 & 18: isn't eating & drinking, but righteousness.

Lk. 6:28 Bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.

Matt 5:39:...do not resist an evil person.

Matt 5:9; Mk. 9:50: blessed are the peacemakers; be at peace with one another.

Lk.6:27; Matt 5:44...love your enemies, do good to those who hate you.

Mk.12:14 Is it lawful to pay tax to Caesar, or not?...

Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to יהוה what are YHWH's.

Matt 22:37- You shall love יהוה your Elohim, you shall love your neighbor as yourself; on these two mitzvoth hang the whole Torah and Prophets.

Matt 7:12 In all things, treat one another the same way as you desire to be treated, for this is the Torah and the Prophets.

Mk. 13:36; Lk. 21:28: In case he should suddenly come and find you asleep...your redemption is drawing nigh.

Rom 12:6 Now having different gifts, according to the favor which was given to us, *let us use them accordingly*: if prophecy, according to the proportion of belief;

Rom 12:7 if serving, in the serving; or he who is teaching, in the teaching;

Rom 12:8 or he who encourages, in the encouragement; or he who is sharing, in sincerity; he who is leading, in diligence; he who shows compassion, joyously.

You can see the corporate emphasis again. We've got to slay the post enlightenment individualism that we've been taught in the mainstream Western religious culture...it's not all about me...and it's not all about you...

Marks of the True Christian

Rom 12:9 Let love be without hypocrisy. Shrink from what is wicked, cling to what is good.

Rom 12:10 In brotherly love, tenderly loving towards one another, in appreciation, giving preference to each other;

Rom 12:11 not idle in duty, ardent in spirit, serving the Master;

Rom 12:12 rejoicing in the expectancy, enduring under pressure, continuing steadfastly in prayer;

Rom 12:13 imparting to the needs of the set-apart ones, pursuing kindness towards strangers.

Paul is hoping this portion of his letter will unify the believers in Rome, both ethically and religiously. He's trying to foster a spirit of unity of which the Jewish believers and the returning lost sheep of the house of Israel will accept.

The Jews are the minority with their Judaic traditions, whereas the Israelites are the majority with their Messianic awakened Scriptural zeal.

Rom 12:14 Bless those who persecute you – bless and do not curse.

Rom 12:15 Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep.

Rom 12:16 Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not be proud in mind, but go along with the lowly. Do not be wise in your own estimation.

Rom 12:17 Repay no one evil for evil. Respect what is right in the sight of all men.

Proverbs 20:22 Do not say, I will repay evil; wait on יהוה, and He will save you.

1 Thessalonians 5:15 See that not any one returns evil for evil to anyone, but always pursue the good, both towards one another and towards all.

Rom 12:18 If possible, on your part, be at peace with all men.

Rom 12:19 Beloved, do not revenge yourselves, but give place to the wrath, for it has been written, **"Vengeance is Mine, I shall repay,"** says יהוה. [Deu 32:35](#).

Matthew 10:34 Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword . **35** I came to divide a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a bride against her mother-in-law. **36** "Ones hostile to the man shall be those of his own house." (Mic. 7:6) **37** The one loving father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And the one loving son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. **38** And who does not take up his staff and walk in my ways is not worthy of Me.

Yahusha draws His sword within marriages and families, when those not yet called aren't willing to accept changes in the individual or the corporate family that's being; or been called!

Yahusha doesn't intentionally divide families. Rather, division is a byproduct of a person being called into the Israel of Elohim.

But there's also the appearance of disparity between Yahusha's own words:

Matthew 5:9 Blessed are the peacemakers! For they shall be called sons of Elohim.

Peacemaking seeks to avoid conflict; the grey man! Peacemakers seek to resolve conflict, the peacemaker is the breaker in the breach that seeks to separate two warring parties from one another. The peacemaker labors to transform warring parties into allies...

Proverbs 16:7 When a man's ways are pleasing to יהוה, He makes even his enemies to be at peace with him.

The irony to the saved, the redeemed is this: we must leave room for YHWH's wrath precisely because we've received his mercy.

How can someone who's experienced YHWH's mercy extract vengeance and wrath themselves?

In context; this section of the letter is really addressing the problem with the rising tensions in Judea between the Roman legions and the Jewish zealots that are now arriving in their midst.

Rom 12:20 “Instead, if your enemy hungers, feed him; if he thirsts, give him a drink, for in so doing you shall heap coals of fire on his head.” [Pro 25:21-22](#).

Rom 12:21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Eighteen arrows of how to overcome; to place within your quiver:

1. Overcome: From the Greek word ‘nikao’ meaning to mightily prevail over, to master, to be victorious. We have a choice in every situation to either be a victor or to be vanquished. Too many of us are failing to experience consistent victory over our anger, fear and self-centered responses to adversity.
2. Overcome with praises to יהוה: **that you are already a conqueror through Messiah who loves you. Romans 8:37**
3. Overshadow any opposition with His mighty power. **“Then the angel said to Mary, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you and the power of the Most High will overshadow you like a shining cloud and so the holy offspring will shall be born of you.” Luke 1:13**
4. Overlook others faults. Proverbs 19:11, **“A man’s wisdom gives him patience; it is to his glory to overlook an offense.”**
5. Overflow with love, hope, joy and faith. The Greek word is ‘hyperperisseuo’, which means to abound more exceedingly. To overflow means to extend beyond the limits by going over the brim of vessel. David wrote, **“My cup overflows.”** (Psalms 23:5,6)
6. Overpower with Messiah’s mighty power working in and through you. Paul wrote, **“I can do everything יהוה asks me to do with the help of Messiah who gives me the strength and power.”** (Phil. 4:13)
7. Overrule with the power of the Holy Spirit’s presence, power and perspective. Yahusha said, **“In the world, you will have tribulation but be of good cheer as I have overcome the world. I will send to you another comforter who will be with you.”** Satan dwells in the arena of magnification and imaging.
8. Do not over inflate negative pressures.
9. Do not over react to problems.
10. Do not overstate your difficulties. **“No temptation that has taken you but such as is common to man. But Elohim will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able. With each temptation He will provide a way of escape so you can be able to bear it.”** (I Corinthians 10:13).
11. Do not go overboard by showing extreme fear, intimidation or anger at the enemy. **Greater is He who is in us than He who is in the world. (I John 4:4).**
12. Do not be overwhelmed by what you’re up against. **“Whatever is born of Elohim is victorious over the world; and this is the victory that overcomes the world, even our faith. Who is it that is victorious over the world and**

who conquers the world, but he who believes that Yahusha is the Son of Elohim, who trusts, adheres and relies on that fact.” I John 5:4,5.

13. Do not be overly critical of evil people. יהוה opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble. Submit to יהוה, resist the devil and he will flee from you.” James 4:2.
14. Do not overemphasize hardship (wilderness murmurings).
15. Do not demand to understand why bad things happen to good people: Deuteronomy 29:29 says, “The secret things belong to יהוה our Elohim, but the things revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may follow all the words of this law.
16. Do not dwell on the negative. We’re to rejoice always, pray without ceasing and in everything give thanks for this is the will of Elohim in Messiah Yahusha concerning you. (I Thessalonians 5:16)
17. Do not hesitate to take the offensive: Joshua and Caleb went up at once and took The Land. David said to Goliath “You come against me with sword and spear and javelin but I come against you in the name of the יהוה Tzevoth, the Elohim of the armies of Israel, whom you defied’.
18. Finally; be overjoyed in יהוה: “Rejoice in יהוה always, again I say rejoice”, Paul wrote in Philippians 4:4. “Trust in יהוה and do good. Dwell in the land and cultivate faithfulness. Delight yourself in יהוה and He will give you the desires of your heart. Trust also in Him and He will bring things to pass. Commit your way to יהוה and He will do it.” (Psalms 37:3-5).

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Romans 12 opened with the best advice ever! And closed with the best advice ever!

Rom 12:1 I call upon you, therefore, brothers, through the compassion of Elohim, to **present your bodies a living offering – set-apart, well-pleasing to Elohim** – your reasonable worship.

Rom 12:2 And **do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind**, so that you prove what is that good and well-pleasing and perfect desire of Elohim.

This is key to our survival in this sick and twisted world. To maintain our royal set-apart garments [our full armor] through Yahusha HaMashiach and be transformed by the renewing of our minds! We do this by staying daily in His Word and staying in prayer and worship. His Word is sharper than any two-edged sword, just think about that. It is reminiscent of Gen. 3:24.

Gen. 3:24 So He drove out the man and stationed cherubim on the east side of the Garden of Eden, **along with a whirling sword of flame to guard** the way to the tree of life.

His Word is like that ‘flaming sword’ protecting us; all around, above and below. The Angel of YHWH encamps around us like a whirling sword of flames to guard, lead, and protect us. He is the Word and He is a consuming fire!

In closing we read:

Rom 12:18 If possible, on your part, be at peace with all men. 19 Beloved, do not revenge yourselves, but give place to the wrath, for it has been written, **”Vengeance is Mine, I shall repay,”** says יהוה. Deu 32:35. 20 **“Instead, if your enemy hungers, feed him; if he thirsts, give him a drink, for in so doing you shall heap coals of fire on his head.”** Pro 25:21-22.
Rom 12:21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

We are to do our due diligence in being at peace with all men and share our gifts. That is not to say we are to be a ‘door mat’. His Ruach HaKodesh lives in us and provides us wisdom. The more we know His Word, the more wisdom we will have; the better we will respond to and treat others; and the more peace we will have toward men; knowing our lives are but a vapor. We walk in His Covenant Torah.

Jeremiah 51 Judgment and utter destruction comes to Babylon; and will again prophetically come to mystery Babylon in the end of days.

Jer 51:1 Thus said יהוה,

- “See, I am stirring up **the spirit of a destroyer** against Babel, against those who dwell in Lëb – My opponents.
- **Jer 51:2** And **I shall send winnowers to Babel**, who shall winnow her and empty her land. For they shall be against her all around, in the day of evil.
- **Jer 51:3** “Let the archer draw his bow, and let him stand ready in his armor. Do not spare her young men, **put all her army under the ban**.
- **Jer 51:4** “And the slain shall fall in the land of the Kasdim, and the pierced-through in her streets.

Jer 51:5 “For neither Yisra’ël nor Yehudah is widowed by his Elohim, יהוה of hosts, though their land has been filled with sin against the Set-apart One of Yisra’ël.”

Jer 51:6 Flee from the midst of Babel,^a and let each one save his life! Do not be cut off in her crookedness, for this is the time of the vengeance of יהוה, the recompense He is repaying her. Footnote: ^aSee Rev 18:4.

Rev 18:4 And I heard another voice from the heaven saying, “Come out of her, my people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues.”^a Footnote: ^a Jer 51:6, Jer 51:9, Jer 51:45. Also see Jer 50:8, Jer 50:13, Jer 50:28.

Jer 51:7 Babel was a golden cup in the hand of יהוה, making drunk all the earth.^b The nations drank her wine, that is why the nations went mad! Footnote: ^bSee [Rev 17:1-18](#).

The Great Prostitute and the Beast

Rev 17:1 And one of the seven messengers who had the seven bowls came and spoke with me, saying to me, "Come, I shall show you the judgment of the great whore sitting on many waters,^a Footnote: ^aSee [Rev 17:15](#).

Rev 17:2 with whom the sovereigns of the earth committed whoring, and the inhabitants of the earth were made drunk with the wine of her whoring."^b Footnote: ^b [Jer 51:7](#).

Rev 17:3 And he carried me away in the Spirit into the wilderness. And I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast covered with names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.

Rev 17:4 And the woman was dressed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, holding in her hand a golden cup filled with abominations and the filthiness of her whoring,^b Footnote: ^b [Jer 51:7](#).

Rev 17:5 and upon her forehead a name written, a secret: BABEL THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF THE WHORES AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

Rev 17:6 And I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the set-apart ones, and with the blood of the witnesses of יהושע. And having seen her, I marvelled – greatly marvelled!

Rev 17:7 And the messenger said to me, "Why did you marvel? Let me explain to you the secret of the woman and of the beast she rides, which has the seven heads and the ten horns.

Rev 17:8 "The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about to come up out of the pit of the deep and goes to destruction. And those dwelling on the earth, whose names are not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world,^c shall marvel when they see the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. Footnote: ^c [Dan 12:1](#).

Rev 17:9 "Here is the mind having wisdom: The seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sits.

Rev 17:10 "And there are seven sovereigns: five have fallen, and one is, and the other has not yet come. And when he comes, he has to remain a little while.

Rev 17:11 "And the beast that was, and is not, is himself also the eighth, and is of the seven, and goes to destruction.

Rev 17:12 "And the ten horns which you saw are ten sovereigns who have not yet received a reign, but receive authority as sovereigns with the beast for one hour.

Rev 17:13 "They have one mind, and they shall give their power and authority to the beast.

Rev 17:14 "They shall fight with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them, for He is **Master of masters** [Deu 10:17](#) and Sovereign of sovereigns. And those with Him are called, and chosen, and trustworthy."

Rev 17:15 And he said to me, "The waters which you saw, where the whore sits, are peoples, and crowds, and nations, and tongues.

Rev 17:16 "And the ten horns which you saw on the beast, these shall hate the whore, and lay her waste and naked, and eat her flesh and burn her with fire.

Rev 17:17 "For Elohim did give it into their hearts to do His mind, to be of one mind, and to give their reign to the beast, until the words of Elohim shall be accomplished.

Rev 17:18 "And the woman whom you saw is that great city having sovereignty over the sovereigns of the earth."

Jer 51:8 **Babel shall suddenly fall and be broken.** Howl for her! Take balm for her pain – if so be, she might be healed.

Jer 51:9 We would have healed Babel, but she is not healed. **Let us leave her and each go to his own land, for her judgment reaches to the heavens and is lifted up to the clouds.**

Jer 51:10 **יהוה** has brought forth our righteousness. Come and let us relate in Tsiyon the work of **יהוה** our Elohim.

Jer 51:11 Polish the arrows! Put on the shields! **יהוה** **has stirred up the spirit of the sovereigns of the Medes.** For His plan is against Babel to destroy it, because it is the vengeance of **יהוה**, the vengeance for His Hēḵal.

- Jer 51:12 Lift up a banner on the walls of Babel, strengthen the watch, station the watchmen, prepare the ambush. **For יהוה has both planned and done what He spoke concerning the inhabitants of Babel.**
- Jer 51:13 You who dwell upon many waters, great in treasures, **your end has come, the measure of your greedy gain.**
- Jer 51:14 **יהוה** of hosts has sworn by Himself, **“I shall certainly fill you with men, as with locusts, and they shall lift up a shout against you.”**

Jer 51:15 He made the earth by His power, He established the world by His wisdom, and stretched out the heavens by His understanding.

Jer 51:16 **When He gives forth His voice the waters in the heavens roar,** and He makes vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; He makes lightnings for the rain, and He brings the wind out of His treasures.

Jer 51:17 All mankind has become too brutish to know, every smith has been put to shame by the carved image, for **his molded image is falsehood, and there is no breath in them.**

Jer 51:18 **They are worthless, a work of mockery.** In the time of their punishment they perish.

Jer 51:19 **The Portion of Ya'aqob is not like them,** for He is the Maker of all, and **Yisra'ēl is the tribe of His inheritance. יהוה** of hosts is His Name.

Jer 51:20 “You are My battle-axe, weapons of battle, and with you I shall break nations in pieces, and with you I shall destroy reigns.

Jer 51:21 “And with you I shall break in pieces the horse and its rider, and with you I shall break in pieces the chariot and its rider.

Rev 19:18 to eat the flesh of sovereigns, and the flesh of commanders, and the flesh of strong ones, and the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, both small and great.”

Jer 51:22 “And with you I shall break in pieces man and woman, and with you I shall break in pieces old and young, and with you I shall break in pieces the young man and

the maiden.

Jer 51:23 “And with you I shall break in pieces the shepherd and his flock, and with you I shall break in pieces the farmer and his yoke of oxen. And with you I shall break in pieces governors and rulers.

Jer 51:24 “And I shall repay Babel and all the inhabitants of Chaldea for all the evil they have done in Tsiyon before your eyes,” declares **יהוה**.

Rev 19:2 “**Because true and righteous are His judgments, Psa 19:9** because He has judged the great whore who corrupted the earth with her whoring. And **He has avenged on her the blood of His servants shed by her.**” **Deu 32:43.**

Rev 19:3 And a second time they said, “Halleluyah! And her smoke rises up forever and ever!”

Rev 19:4 And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshipped Elohim who sat on the throne, saying, “Amēn! Halleluyah!”

Jer 51:25 “See, I am against you, O destroying mountain, who destroys all the earth,” declares **יהוה**. “And I shall stretch out My hand against you. And I shall roll you down from the rocks, and make you a burnt mountain.

Jer 51:26 “And they shall not take from you a stone for a corner nor a stone for a foundation, but you shall be a waste forever,” declares **יהוה**.

Rev 18:20 “Rejoice over her, O heaven, and you set-apart emissaries and prophets, for Elohim has completely avenged you on her!”

Rev 18:21 And one mighty messenger picked up a stone like a great millstone and threw it into the sea, saying, “With such a rush the great city Babel shall be thrown down, and shall not be found any more at all.

Rev 18:22 “And the sound of harpists, and musicians, and flautists, and trumpeters shall not be heard in you any more at all. And no craftsman of any trade shall be found in you any more at all. And the sound of a millstone shall not be heard in you any more at all.

Rev 18:23 “And the light of a lamp shall not shine in you any more at all. And the voice of bridegroom and bride shall not be heard in you any more at all. For your merchants were the great ones of the earth, for by your drug sorcery all the nations were led astray.

Rev 18:24 “**And in her was found the blood of prophets and set-apart ones, and of all who were slain on the earth.**”

Jer 51:27 Lift up a banner in the land, blow a shophar among the nations! Prepare the nations against her, call the reigns together against her: Ararat, Minni, and Ashkenaz. Appoint a commander against her, bring up horses like hairy locusts.

Jer 51:28 Separate the nations against her, with the sovereigns of the Medes, its governors and all its rulers, all the land of his rule,

Jer 51:29 so that the land shakes and writhes in pain. For every plan of **יהוה** shall be established against Babel, to make the land of Babel a ruin, without inhabitant.

Jer 51:30 The mighty men of Babel have ceased to fight, they remained in their strongholds. Their might has failed, they became like women, they have burned her dwelling places. The bars of her gate have been broken.

Amo 1:5 “And I shall break the bar of Dammeseq, and cut off the inhabitant from the Valley of Awen, and the one who holds the sceptre from Běyth Ĕden. And the people of Aram shall go exiled to Qir,” said **יהוה**.

Jer 51:31 One runner runs to meet another, and one reporter to meet another, to report to the sovereign of Babel that his city is taken on all sides,

Jer 51:32 and the fords have been captured, and they have burned the reeds with fire, and the soldiers are startled.

Jer 51:33 For thus said **יהוה** of hosts, the Elohim of Yisra’ěl, “The daughter of Babel is like a threshing-floor at the time it is trodden. Yet a little while and the time of her harvest shall come.”

Rev 14:15 And another messenger came out of the Dwelling Place, crying with a loud voice to the One sitting on the cloud, “Send Your sickle and reap, because the hour has come for You to reap, because the harvest of the earth is ripe.”

Rev 14:16 And the One sitting on the cloud thrust in His sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped.

Rev 14:17 And another messenger came out of the Dwelling Place which is in the heaven, and he too held a sharp sickle.

Rev 14:18 And another messenger came out from the slaughter-place, having authority over the fire, and he cried with a loud cry to him having the sharp sickle, saying, “Send your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, because her grapes are ripe.”

Rev 14:19 And the messenger thrust his sickle into the earth and gathered the vine of the earth, and threw it into the great winepress of the wrath of Elohim.

Rev 14:20 And the winepress was trodden outside the city, and blood came out of the winepress, up to the bridles of the horses, for about [one thousand six hundred stadia^d](#). Footnote: ^dApprox. [296 kilometres or 184 miles](#).

Jer 51:34 “Nebūkadretsar the sovereign of Babel has devoured us, he has crushed us, he has made us an empty vessel, he has swallowed us up like a monster. He has filled his stomach with my delicacies, he has driven us away.

Jer 51:35 “Let the violence done to me and my flesh be upon Babel,” says the inhabitant of Tsiyon. And, “Let my blood be upon the inhabitants of Chaldea,” says Yerushalayim.

Rev 6:9 And when He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the slaughter-place the beings of those having been slain for the Word of Elohim and for the witness which they held,

Rev 6:10 and they cried with a loud voice, saying, “How long, O Master, set-apart and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?”

Jer 51:36 Therefore thus said **יהוה**, “See, I am pleading your case. And I shall take vengeance for you and **dry up her sea and make her fountain dry.**”

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.

Jer 51:37 “And Babel shall become a heap, a habitation of jackals, an astonishment and a hissing, without inhabitant.

Zep 2:15 This is the exultant city that is dwelling in safety, that said in her heart, “I am it, and there is none but me.” How has she become a waste, a place for beasts to lie down! Everyone who passes by her whistles and shakes his fist.

Jer 51:38 “Together they roar like lions, they shall growl like lions’ cubs.

Jer 51:39 “In their heat I prepare their feasts. And I shall make them drunk, so that they rejoice, and sleep a never-ending sleep and not awake,” declares **יהוה**.

Jer 51:40 “I shall bring them down like lambs to the slaughter, like rams with male goats.

Jer 51:41 “Oh, how Shēshaḳ has been captured, the praise of all the earth been seized! How Babel has become a ruin among the nations!

TSK Cross Reference: Sheshach: Sheshach was probably an idol worshipped at Babylon, from which the city derived this name; and the festival which was held when the city was taken, when they were heated with wine, was perhaps observed in honour of it. [Jer 25:26](#); [Dan 5:1-3](#)

BDB Definition:

Sheshach = “thy fine linen”

1) another name for Babylon apparently taken from the goddess ‘Shach’

Jer 51:42 “The sea has risen over Babel, she has been covered with the roaring of its waves.

Jer 51:43 “Her cities have become a ruin, a dry land and a desert, a land where no one dwells, neither does son of man pass by it.

Jer 51:44 “And I shall punish Bēl in Babel. And I shall make him spew out what he has swallowed, and nations shall no longer stream to him. Even the wall of Babel shall fall.

Jer 51:45 “Come out^c of her midst, My people! And let everyone deliver his being from the burning displeasure of **יהוה**. **Footnote:** ^cSee [Rev 18:4](#).

Rev 14:8 And another messenger followed, saying, “**Babel is fallen, is fallen,**” [Isa 21:9](#) that great city, because she has made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her whoring.”

Footnote: ^bAlso see [Jer 51:8](#).

Rev 14:9 And a third messenger followed them, saying with a loud voice, “If anyone worships the **beast and his image, and receives his mark upon his forehead or upon his hand,**

Rev 14:10 he also shall drink of the wine of the wrath of Elohim, which is poured out undiluted into the cup of His wrath. And he shall be tortured with fire and sulphur before the set-apart

messengers and before the Lamb.

Rev 14:11 “And the smoke of their torture goes up forever and ever. And they have no rest day or night, those worshipping the beast and his image, also if anyone receives the mark of his name.”

Jer 51:46 “And lest your heart grow faint, and you fear the report heard in the land – for a report shall come one year, and after that, in another year a report shall come, and violence in the land, ruler against ruler –

Luk 21:9 “But when you hear of fightings and unrests, do not be alarmed, for these have to take place first, but the end is not immediately.”

Luk 21:10 Then He said to them, “Nation^a shall rise against nation, and reign against reign.

Footnote: ^aThe Greek word for nation is *ethnos* which could also mean “ethnic group.”

Luk 21:11 “And there **shall be great earthquakes in various places, and scarcities of food and deadly diseases. And there shall be horrors, and great signs from heaven.**

Luk 21:12 **“But before all this,** they shall lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the congregations and prisons, being brought before sovereigns and rulers for My Name’s sake.

Luk 21:13 “And it shall turn out to you for a witness.

Luk 21:14 **“Therefore, resolve in your hearts not to premeditate on what to answer.**

Luk 21:15 **“For I shall give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries shall not be able to refute or resist.**

Luk 21:16 “And **you shall also be betrayed by parents and brothers and relatives and friends. And some of you shall be put to death.**

Luk 21:17 “And you shall be hated by all **because of My Name.**

Luk 21:18 **“But not a hair of your head shall be lost at all.**

Luk 21:19 **“Possess your lives by your endurance!**

Jer 51:47 therefore see, the days are coming that I shall bring punishment on the carved images of Babel, and all her land shall be put to shame, and all her slain fall in her midst.

Rev 19:1 And after this I heard a loud voice of a great crowd in the heaven, saying, “Halleluyah! Deliverance and esteem and respect and power to יהוה our Elohim!

Rev 19:2 **“Because true and righteous are His judgments, Psa 19:9 because He has judged the great whore who corrupted the earth with her whoring. And He has avenged on her the blood of His servants shed by her.” Deu 32:43.**

Rev 19:3 And a second time they said, “Halleluyah! And her smoke rises up forever and ever!”

Rev 19:4 And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshipped Elohim who sat on the throne, saying, “Amén! Halleluyah!”

Rev 19:5 And a voice came from the throne, saying, “Praise our Elohim, all you His servants and **those who fear Him, both small and great!” Psa 115:13.**

The Marriage Supper of the Lamb

Rev 19:6 And I heard as the voice of a great crowd, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunders, saying, **“Halleluyah, for יהוה Ēl Shaddai reigns!**

Rev 19:7 “Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him praise, **for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife prepared herself.**”

Jer 51:48 “And the heavens and the earth and all that is in them shall shout for joy over Babel, for the ravagers shall come to her from the north,” declares **יהוה**.

Jer 51:49 As Babel is to fall for the slain of Yisra’el, so for Babel the slain of all the earth shall fall.

Jer 51:50 You who have escaped the sword, go away! Do not stand still! Remember **יהוה** from afar, and let Yerushalayim come to your heart.

Dan 9:16 “O **יהוה**, according to all Your righteousness, I pray, let Your displeasure and Your wrath be turned away from Your city Yerushalayim, Your set-apart mountain. For, because of our sins, and because of the crookednesses of our fathers, Yerushalayim and Your people have become a reproach to all those around us.

Dan 9:17 “And now, our Elohim, hear the prayer of Your servant, and his supplications, and for the sake of **יהוה** cause Your face to shine on Your set-apart place, which is laid waste.

Dan 9:18 “O my Elohim, incline Your ear and hear. Open Your eyes and see our wastes, and the city which is called by Your Name. For we do not present our supplications before You because of our righteous deeds, but because of Your great compassions.

Dan 9:19 “O **יהוה**, hear! O **יהוה**, forgive! O **יהוה**, listen and act! Do not delay for Your own sake, my Elohim, for Your city and Your people are called by Your Name.”

Jer 51:51 We are ashamed because we have heard reproach. Shame has covered our faces, for **strangers have come into the set-apart places of the House of יהוה**.^d

Footnote: ^d [Psa 79:1-7](#), [Lam 1:10](#), [Dan 8:13](#), [Dan 11:31](#), [Mat 24:15](#).

Jer 51:52 “Therefore see, the days are coming,” declares **יהוה**, “that I shall bring punishment on her carved images, while the wounded groan throughout all her land.

Jer 51:53 “Though Babel should mount up to the heavens, and though she should make the height of her strength inaccessible, ravagers shall come to her from Me,” declares **יהוה**.

Oba 1:3 “The pride of your heart has deceived you, you who dwell in the clefts of the rock, whose dwelling is high, who say in your heart, ‘Who shall bring me down to the ground?’”

Oba 1:4 “Though you rise high as the eagle, and though you set your nest among the stars, from there I shall bring you down,” declares **יהוה**.

Jer 51:54 Listen! A cry from Babel, and great destruction from the land of the Kasdim,

Jer 51:55 because **יהוה is ravaging Babel**, and shall silence her loud voice. And her waves shall roar like great waters, the noise of their voice shall resound,

Jer 51:56 because **the ravager shall come against her**, against Babel, and her mighty men shall be captured. Every one of their bows shall be broken, for **יהוה** is the **Ėl** of recompense, He shall certainly repay.

Jer 51:57 “And I shall make her rulers drunk, and her wise men, her governors, and her deputies, and her mighty men. And they shall sleep a lasting sleep, and not awake,”

declares the Sovereign, whose Name is יהוה of hosts.

Jer 51:58 Thus said יהוה of hosts, “The broad walls of Babel are completely demolished, and her high gates are burned with fire, and peoples labor in vain, and the nations weary themselves for fire.”

Jer 51:59 The word that Yirmeyahu the prophet commanded Serayah son of Nēriyah, son of Maḥsēyah, when he went with Tsidqiyahu the sovereign of Yehudah to Babel in the fourth year of his reign. And Serayah was a quartermaster.

Jer 51:60 So Yirmeyahu wrote in a book all the evil that would come upon Babel, all these words which have been written concerning Babel.

Jer 51:61 And Yirmeyahu said to Serayah, “When you come to Babel and see it, and read all these words,

Jer 51:62 then you shall say, ‘O יהוה, You have spoken concerning this place to cut it off, so that none shall dwell in it, neither man nor beast, for it is a ruin forever.’

Jer 51:63 “And it shall be, when you have ended reading this book, that you shall tie a stone to it and throw it into the midst of the Euphrates,

Jer 51:64 and shall say, ‘So does Babel sink and not rise from the evil that I am bringing upon her, and they shall weary themselves.’ ” Thus far are the words of Yirmeyahu.

Psalm 30

We were once ‘walking dead in our trespasses’ but now we walk in newness of life. In Him, all things become new! To this day the blind see; the deaf hear; the dead are raised in Him!

2Co 5:14 For the love of Messiah compels us, having judged this: that if One died for all, then all died;

2Co 5:15 and He died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves,^c but for Him who died for them, and was raised. Footnote: ^c [Rom 14:7-8](#), [Gal 2:20](#).

2Co 5:16 So from now onwards we know no one according to the flesh. And if we have known Messiah according to the flesh, yet now we no longer know Him thus.

2Co 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Messiah, he is a renewed creature – the old matters have passed away, see, all matters have become renewed!

Joy Comes with the Morning

Psa 30:1 I exalt You, O יהוה, for You have drawn me up, And have not let my enemies rejoice over me.

Psa 30:2 יהוה my Elohim, I have cried to You, And You have healed me.

Psa 30:3 יהוה, You brought me up from She’ol; You have kept me alive, from going down into the pit.

Psa 30:4 Sing praise to יהוה, You lovingly-committed ones of His, And give thanks at the remembrance of His Set-apartness.

Psa 30:5 For His displeasure is for a moment, His delight is for life; Weeping might last for the night, But joy comes in the morning.

Psa 30:6 As for me, I have said in my ease, “Never would I be shaken!”

Psa 30:7 יהוה, in Your good pleasure You have made my mountain to stand strong; You hid Your face, and I was troubled.

Psa 30:8 I cried out to You, O יהוה; And to יהוה I prayed:

Psa 30:9 “What gain is there in my blood, When I go down to the pit? Would dust praise You? Would it declare Your truth?”

Psa 30:10 “Hear, O יהוה, and show me favor; יהוה, be my helper!”

Psa 30:11 You have turned my mourning into dancing for me; **You have torn off my sackcloth and girded me with gladness,**

Psa 30:12 So that esteem might praise You and not be silent. O יהוה my Elohim, I thank You forever.

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