

*Greetings, today our manna is from Numbers 5; Psalm 39; Songs 3; Hebrews 3.*

## *April 28 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective*

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### **Numbers 5**

Numbers 5 addresses three processes.

1. Unclean individuals, either male or female, should be placed outside the camp and away from where YHWH dwelt among the people.
2. Process for confession and restitution.
3. Process of dealing with the 'spirit of jealousy' to determine if adultery by the woman had been committed or not.

The first, had both physical and spiritual implications. We have just reviewed the close proximities of the encampments around the Dwelling place of YHWH. Men or women with conditions such as physical leprosy or a discharge, would need to be isolated outside the camp as to prevent the spread of disease among the people. Being spiritually unclean, had previously been addressed. Defilement, whether physical or spiritual, had to be addressed according to His Word.

Today, we have the advantage to know what is physically contagious and what is not. For health reasons, a physically contagious person should be isolated from others as to not spread disease or infection.

More importantly is a person's spiritual condition as Paul addresses in 1Cor. 5 below. We should come before Him with unleavened sincerity and truth. **We should feed on His pure unleavened Word!** We should clean out old leaven that served a purpose for a period in time, such as the Aaronic Levitical Priesthood system; we should also clean out leaven of man-made traditions involving evil and wickedness as added false doctrine.

Leaven can represent sins; but the more **profound meaning of leaven** is clinging to OLD DOCTRINE, FALSE DOCTRINE, or DOCTRINE OF MEN. These things should not be practiced among us nor found in our presence with Him.

1Co 5:7 Therefore cleanse out the old leaven, so that you are a new lump, as you are unleavened. For also Messiah our Pěsaḥ was slaughtered for us.

1Co 5:8 So then let us celebrate the festival, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of evil and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

1Co 5:9 I wrote to you in my letter not to keep company with those who whore.

1Co 5:10 And I certainly did not mean with those of this world who whore, or with the greedy of gain, or swindlers, or idolaters, since then you would need to go out of the world.

1Co 5:11 But now I have written to you not to keep company with anyone called 'a brother,' if he is one who whores, or greedy of gain, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or a swindler – not even to eat with such a one.

1Co 5:12 For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Do you not judge those who are inside?

1Co 5:13 But Elohim judges those who are outside. And **put away the wicked one from among you!**<sup>a</sup> [Deu 13:5](#). Footnote: <sup>a</sup>See [Deu 17:7](#), [Deu 17:12](#), [Deu 19:19](#), [Deu 21:21](#), [Deu 22:21](#).

**Secondly** confession and restitution principles are given. Today, we have our High Priest and Mediator Yahusha HaMashiach, that we can come before and confess our sins. Sometimes it may involve making restitution with an individual; or with YHWH, by going and sinning no more. His desire is for us to not only be hearers of His Word but doers of His Word.

Psa 32:5 I acknowledged my sin to You, And my crookedness I did not hide. I have said, **"I confess my transgressions to יהוה,"** **And You forgave the crookedness of my sin.** Selah.

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Pro 28:13 He who hides his transgressions does not prosper, But **he who confesses and forsakes them finds compassion.**

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1Jn 1:8 If **we say that we have no sin, we are misleading ourselves, and the truth is not in us.**

1Jn 1:9 **If we confess our sins,** He is **trustworthy and righteous to forgive us the sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

1Jn 1:10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His Word is not in us.

**Thirdly**, Numbers 5 deals with the 'spirit of jealousy', to determine if adultery by a woman had been committed or not. Today, Yahusha has given us His armor for such spiritual warfare. In the days of the Tabernacle system, it was different. They didn't possess individual authority through the Ruach HaKodesh for such spiritual warfare; but, if they lived in obedience to His commandments; YHWH would protect them.

Today we see that the 'spirit of jealousy' is very much alive and at times even 'promoted' through soap operas and other media. The 'spirit of Jezebel' or the 'spirit of Delilah' are powerful seducing 'strong man' spirits incorporating spirits of lust, jealousy, and envy.

Sadly, though believers have been given His armor to spiritually combat such, many have never been taught how to use His armor; or they minimize its importance. Paul took spiritual warfare very seriously as stated in Ephesians 6. The battle first begins in the

mind by what we think. If those thoughts are contrary to YHWH's Word; and are not taken captive and brought into submission to His will; then, those thoughts will lead to physical actions, words, and deeds of sin.

Eph 6:11 **Put on the complete armor of Elohim**, for you to have power to stand against the schemes of the devil.

Eph 6:12 Because **we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against authorities, against the world-rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual matters of wickedness in the heavenlies.**

Eph 6:13 Because of this, **take up the complete armor of Elohim**, so that you have power to withstand in the wicked day, and having done all, to stand.

Under Covenant Torah, Yahusha raised the bar to higher standards as to what adultery meant. Why? Because through Yahusha HaMashiach, He has given us power and authority through the Ruach HaKodesh dwelling in us, to take such thoughts captive and resist the devil so that he will flee. **We are clothed in His full armor**. To whom much is given; much is required. (Paraphrase Luke 12:48)

We are the Temple. We are living stones being built together into the 'one new man'. Yahusha HaMashiach is the head and we are the living stones making up the body.

We are made up of spirit, soul, and body. His Spirit now lives in us; our soul realm (mind, will and emotions) is what we bring into submission to His Word; so that our emotions carry out actions, words, and deeds in the body that are pleasing to Him. So, we have the mind of Messiah; we carry out the will of the Father; and bring our emotions (actions, words, and deeds) into submission to His Word.

We have Yahusha, our Advocate, that is also readily available to intercede for us; strengthen us; or help us if we fail. He has his guardian angels, warrior angels, ministering angels, and messaging angels always on stand-by and at His service.

**Psalm 34:7 The messenger of יהוה encamps all around those who fear Him, And rescues them.**

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Mat 5:27 "You heard that it was said to those of old, '**You shall not commit adultery.**'  
**Exo 20:14, Deu 5:18.**

Mat 5:28 "But I say to you that everyone **looking at a woman to lust for her** has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

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Heb 13:4 Let marriage be respected by all, and the bed be undefiled. But Elohim shall judge those who whore, and adulterers.

Heb 4:12 For the Word of Elohim is living, and working, and sharper than any two-edged sword, cutting through even to the dividing of being and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

Heb 4:13 And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all are naked and laid bare before the eyes of Him with whom is our account.

There is still much to be said about this chapter, but we will leave it here. His Word is living and sharper than any two-edged sword and His Word speaks to us any many ways; sometimes one verse can give us a whole different perspective on any one topic depending on our present need.

### Unclean People

**Num 5:1** And יהוה spoke to Mosheh, saying,

**Num 5:2** "Command the children of Yisra'el to send out of the camp every leper, and everyone who has a discharge, and whoever becomes defiled for a being.

**Num 5:3** "Send out both male and female, send them outside the camp, so that they do not defile their camps in the midst of which I dwell."

**Num 5:4** And the children of Yisra'el did so, to send them outside the camp. As יהוה had spoken to Mosheh, so the children of Yisra'el did.

### Confession and Restitution

**Num 5:5** And יהוה spoke to Mosheh, saying,

**Num 5:6** "Speak to the children of Yisra'el, 'When a man or woman commits any sin that men commit in trespass against יהוה, and that being is guilty,

**Num 5:7** then they shall confess their sin which they have done. And he shall restore his guilt in its principal, plus one-fifth of it, and give it to whom he has been guilty.

**Num 5:8** But if the man has no relative to restore the guilt to, the guilt which is restored goes to יהוה, for the priest, in addition to the ram of the atonement with which atonement is made for him.

**Num 5:9** And every contribution of all the set-apart *gifts* of the children of Yisra'el, which they bring to the priest, becomes his.

**Num 5:10** And every man's set-apart *gifts* becomes his, whatever any man gives the priest becomes his.' "

### A Test for Adultery

**Num 5:11** And יהוה spoke to Mosheh, saying,

**Num 5:12** "Speak to the children of Yisra'el, and say to them, 'When any man's wife turns aside and has committed a trespass against him,

**Num 5:13** and a man has intercourse with her, and it is hidden from the eyes of her husband, and it is concealed that she has defiled herself, and there was no witness against her, nor was she caught,

**Num 5:14** and a spirit of jealousy comes upon him and he becomes jealous of his wife

who has defiled herself, or a spirit of jealousy comes upon him and he becomes jealous of his wife although she has not defiled herself,

**Num 5:15** then the man shall bring his wife to the priest. And he shall bring the offering for her, one-tenth of an ephah of barley flour. He is not to pour oil on it or put frankincense on it, because it is a grain offering of jealousy, an offering for remembering, for bringing crookedness to remembrance.

**Num 5:16** And the priest shall bring her near, and shall make her stand before יהוה.

**Num 5:17** And the priest shall take set-apart water in an earthen vessel, and take some of the dust that is on the floor of the Dwelling Place and put it into the water.

**Num 5:18** And the priest shall make the woman stand before יהוה, and shall uncover the woman's head, and put the offering for remembering in her hands, which is the grain offering of jealousy, while the priest holds in his hand the bitter water that brings a curse.

**Num 5:19** And the priest shall make her swear, and say to the woman, "If no man has lain with you, and if you have not turned aside to uncleanness under your husband's *authority*, be free from this bitter water that brings a curse.

**Num 5:20** "But if you have turned aside under your husband's *authority*, and if you have defiled yourself and some man other than your husband has lain with you" –

**Num 5:21** then the priest shall make the woman swear with the oath of the curse, and he shall say to the woman – "יהוה make you a curse and an oath among your people, when יהוה makes your thigh waste away and your belly swell,

**Num 5:22** and this water that causes the curse shall go into your inward parts, and make your belly swell and your thigh waste away." And the woman shall say, "Aměn, aměn."

**Num 5:23** And the priest shall write these curses in a book, and shall wipe them off into the bitter water,

**Num 5:24** and shall make the woman drink the bitter water that brings the curse, and the water that brings the curse shall enter her to become bitter.

**Num 5:25** And the priest shall take the grain offering of jealousy from the woman's hand, and shall wave the offering before יהוה, and bring it to the slaughter-place.

**Num 5:26** And the priest shall take a hand filled with the offering, as its remembrance offering, and burn it on the slaughter-place, and afterward make the woman drink the water.

**Num 5:27** And when he has made her drink the water, then it shall be, if she has defiled herself and has committed a trespass against her husband, that the water that brings the curse shall enter her and become bitter, and her belly shall swell, and her thigh shall waste away, and the woman shall become a curse among her people.

**Num 5:28** But if the woman has not defiled herself, and is clean, then she shall be clear and shall conceive children.

**Num 5:29** This is the Torah of jealousy, when a wife turns aside under her husband's *authority* and defiles herself,

**Num 5:30** or when a spirit of jealousy comes upon a man, and he becomes jealous of

his wife. Then he shall make the woman stand before יהוה, and the priest shall do to her all this Torah.

**Num 5:31** And the man shall be clear from crookedness, but the woman bear her crookedness.’ ”

## Psalm 39

David was familiar with both spiritual and physical warfare. We see David, of the righteous lineage of the Melchizedek Order, pray to YHWH. He asks Him to guard His ways from sinning with his tongue. David was full of emotions! He felt inner pain and describes his heart burning within him. He was struggling and wrestling within.

David asks for deliverance from all his transgressions so as not to be a reproach of the foolish. He understands that YHWH chastens those that He loves, and His refining fire is much to bear. We read in Hebrews about this refining process.

**Heb 12:11** And indeed, no discipline seems pleasant at the time, but grievous, but afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.<sup>a</sup> Footnote: <sup>a</sup>See also Deu 8:2.

### What Is the Measure of My Days?

**Psa 39:1** I have said, “Let me guard my ways Against sinning with my tongue; Let me guard my mouth with a muzzle, While the wrongdoer is before me.”

**Psa 39:2** I became dumb, keeping still; I was silent, from good; And my pain was stirred.

**Psa 39:3** My heart was hot within me; While I was meditating, the fire burned. Then I spoke with my tongue:

**Psa 39:4** “יהוה, let me know my end, And the measure of my days, what it is, Let me know how short-lived I am.

**Psa 39:5** “See, You have made my days as handbreadths, And my lifetime is as non-existence before You; Only, all men standing, are all breath. Selah.

**Psa 39:6** “As but a shadow each one walks; They busy themselves, only in vain; He heaps up *wealth*, But knows not who gathers them.

**Psa 39:7** “And now, יהוה, what do I wait for? My expectancy is in You.

**Psa 39:8** “Deliver me from all my transgressions; Do not make me the reproach of the foolish.

**Psa 39:9** “I was dumb, I did not open my mouth, Because it was You who did it.

**Psa 39:10** “Turn aside Your stroke from me; I am overcome by the blow of Your hand.

**Psa 39:11** “When You chastise man for crookedness with reproofs, You consume what

he loves, like a moth; All men are but a breath. Selah.

**Psa 39:12** “Hear my prayer, O יהוה, And give ear to my cry; Do not be silent at my tears; For I am a stranger with You, A sojourner, as all my fathers were.

**Psa 39:13** “Look away from me, That I might brighten up, Before I go away and am no more.”

### Song 3

YHWH is the beloved of our being. His bride has been put under oath to not awaken love until it pleases Him; and Him only. Do not give one’s heart to what this world has to offer but wait on Him. Be His set-apart bride preparing herself to meet her beloved.

We have read of His appearance before as a pillar of cloud in the wilderness; we have read of the perfumed aromas of myrrh and frankincense in His presence. In Hebrews 1 we have read of our beloved:

Heb 1:5 For to which of the messengers did He ever say, **“You are My Son, today I have brought You forth”?** Psa 2:7 And again, **“I shall be to Him a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son”?**<sup>b</sup> 2Sa 7:14 Footnote: <sup>b</sup>See also 2Ch 17:13.

Heb 1:6 And when He again brings the first-born into the world, He says, **“Let all the messengers of Elohim do reverence to Him.”** Psa 97:7.

Heb 1:7 And of the messengers indeed He says, **“... who is making His messengers spirits and His servants a flame of fire.”** Psa 104:4.

Heb 1:8 But to the Son *He* says, **“Your throne, O Elohim, is forever and ever, a sceptre of straightness is the sceptre of Your reign.**

Heb 1:9 **“You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness. Because of this, Elohim, Your Elohim, has anointed You with the oil of gladness more than Your companions.”** Psa 45:6-7.

Heb 1:10 And, **“You, Master, did found the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of Your hands.**

Heb 1:11 **“They shall perish, but You remain. And they shall all grow old like a garment,**

Heb 1:12 **and like a mantle You shall fold them up, and they shall be changed. But You are the same, and Your years shall not fail.”** Psa 102:25-27.

Heb 1:13 And to which of the messengers did He ever say, **“Sit at My right hand, until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet”?** Psa 110:1.

Heb 1:14 Are they not all serving spirits sent out to attend those who are about to inherit deliverance?

We also know our beloved as the Lion of the tribe of Judah; the Conqueror.

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



[Act 10:42](#).

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

Rev 19:13 and having been dressed in a robe dipped in blood – and His Name is called: The Word of יהוה.<sup>c</sup> Footnote: <sup>c</sup> [Joh 1:1](#) and [Joh 1:14](#).

Rev 19:14 And the armies in the heaven, dressed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses.

Rev 19:15 And out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should smite the nations.

**And He shall shepherd them with a rod of iron.** [Psa 2:9](#) And He treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Ėl Shaddai.

Rev 19:16 And on His robe and on His thigh<sup>d</sup> He has a name written: SOVEREIGN OF SOVEREIGNS AND MASTER OF MASTERS.

### The Bride's Dream

**Son 3:1** On my bed at night I sought the beloved of my being; I sought him, but I did not find him.

**Son 3:2** "Come, let me arise, and go about the city, In the streets and in the broad places I seek the beloved of my being." I sought him, but I did not find him.

**Son 3:3** The watchmen who go about the city found me, to whom I said, "Have you seen the beloved of my being?"

**Son 3:4** Scarcely had I passed by them, When I found the beloved of my being. I held him and would not let him go, Until I had brought him to the house of my mother, And into the room of her who conceived me.

**Son 3:5** I have put you under oath, O daughters of Yerushalayim, By the gazelles or by the does of the field, Do not stir up nor awaken love until it pleases.

### Solomon Arrives for the Wedding

**Son 3:6** Who is this coming out of the wilderness Like columns of smoke, Perfumed with myrrh and frankincense, From all the merchant's fragrant powders?

**Son 3:7** See, it is Shelomoh's couch – Sixty mighty men are around it, Of the mighty men of Yisra'el,

**Son 3:8** All of them holding swords, Skilled in battle, Each one has his sword on his thigh Because of fear in the night.

**Son 3:9** Sovereign Shelomoh made himself A litter of the wood of Lebanon;

**Son 3:10** He made its posts of silver, Its support of gold, its seat of purple, Within it was decked with love By the daughters of Yerushalayim.

**Son 3:11** Go forth, O daughters of Tsiyon, And see Sovereign Shelomoh with the crown With which his mother crowned him on the day of his wedding, And on the day of his gladness of heart.



## Hebrews 3

The author of Hebrews has torn down the first pillar of Judaism: angelology. Now, the author corrects the audience from elevating Moses to the level of deity; though the author does most certainly agree that Moses was a very trustworthy servant of YHWH.

We never want to elevate religious or worldly leaders to ‘deity or idol level.’ Some may do good things and prove trustworthy; but our hope is in our one and only Savior and there are none besides Him.

The author of Hebrews tells his audience to closely consider the Emissary and High Priest of their confession, Yahusha HaMashiach. He goes on to say:

### Yahusha Greater Than Moses

**Heb 3:1** Therefore, set-apart brothers, partakers of the heavenly calling, closely consider the Emissary and High Priest of our confession, Messiah יְהוֹשֻׁעַ,

**Heb 3:2** who was trustworthy to Him who appointed Him, as also Mosheh in all His house.<sup>a</sup> Footnote: <sup>a</sup>See [Num 12:7](#).

**Heb 3:3** For **this One has been deemed worthy of more esteem than Mosheh**, as much as He who built the house enjoys more respect than the house.

**Heb 3:4** For every house is built by someone, but He who built all is Elohim.

**Heb 3:5** And Mosheh indeed was trustworthy in all His house as a servant, for a witness of what would be spoken *later*,

**Heb 3:6** but Messiah as a Son over His own house, whose house we are if we hold fast the boldness and the boasting of the expectation firm to the end.

### A Rest for the People of Elohim

**Heb 3:7** Therefore, as the Set-apart Spirit says, **“Today, if you hear His voice,**

**Heb 3:8 do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, in the day of trial in the wilderness,**

**Heb 3:9 where your fathers tried Me, proved Me, and saw My works forty years.**

The bride of Yahusha HaMashiach should hold fast and not turn away as they did in the wilderness. His bride does not go astray in her heart; she waits for Him in obedience.

**Heb 3:10 “Therefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, ‘They always go astray in their heart, and they have not known My ways.’**

The author then states a fact. The fact was that they had all become partakers of Messiah. They had entered the New Covenant with Him. They had accepted His proposal; ratified by His blood and partook of the Covenant Confirming meal. Does one after hearing His voice then harden his heart and rebel as in the wilderness? He tells them to hold fast to that very beginning of their trust in Him! **Hold fast!** Don't turn back! Don't rebel! **Closely consider** Yahusha HaMashiach, our High Priest of the Melchizedek order!

**Heb 3:11** “As I swore in My wrath, ‘If they shall enter into My rest...’ ” Psa 95:7-11.

**Heb 3:12** Look out, brothers, lest there be in any of you a wicked heart of unbelief in falling away from the living Elohim,

**Heb 3:13** but encourage one another daily, while it is called “Today,” lest any of you be hardened by the deceivableness of sin.

**Heb 3:14** For we have become partakers of Messiah if we hold fast the beginning of our trust firm to the end,

**Heb 3:15** while it is said, **“Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.”** Psa 95:7-8.

**Heb 3:16** For who, having heard, rebelled? Was it not all who came out of Mitsrayim, led by Mosheh?

**Heb 3:17** And with whom was He grieved forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose corpses fell in the wilderness?

**Heb 3:18** And to whom did He swear that they would not enter into His rest, but to those who did not obey?

**Heb 3:19** So we see that they were unable to enter in because of unbelief.

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