

Greetings, today our manna is from Deut. 2; Psalm 83 & 84; Isaiah 30; Jude 1.

May 29 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective

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Deuteronomy 2

Deuteronomy reminds me of the ‘campfire’ chats we used to have with our dad. He loved to recall the precious memories and the ‘funnies’ he would pull on mom. Most families do have a relative or a friend that loves to tell the old stories of the past, while everyone listens and journeys back with them to that time in history. We probably haven’t done enough of that these days.

Quality time is sharing time. For most, ‘wisdom’ does come with age; especially for those that walk with Him. Our personal testimony of the roads we have traveled bring life lessons to the next generation. Most importantly, we too should be recounting the steps of the exodus generation; just like Moses is doing in Deuteronomy. Why? As a sweet friend recently reminded me, we will know the ‘end’ from the ‘beginning.’

His Word teaches His people in cycles; to PREPARE them for the PRESENT & the FUTURE; by what has already taken place in the PAST. He wants us to know; and what is not clear, He will make clear, ‘just in time.’

Isa 46:9 **“Remember the former events of old, for I am Ēl, and there is no one else – Elohim, and there is no one like Me,**

Isa 46:10 **declaring the end from the beginning, and from of old that which has not yet been done,** saying, ‘My counsel does stand, and all My delight I do,’

So, Moses recounts the wilderness years with the next generation before they enter the promise land. There is always something for us to learn in good times as well as in times of trials. So, Moses begins and tells them about the times...

- They stopped going around the mountain; and move north
- When they were to peaceably pass by the land of Seir; the land of Esau [noting the Horites had dwelt there formerly]
- Passing from Edom/Esau, they came to Wilderness of Moab, again peaceably [noting the Emites had dwelt there formerly]
- From there they had passed over the wadi of Zered [from Kadesh Barnea to the time they passed over the wadi of Zered, **was 38 years – until the men of battle perished among the people.**]

- Then they were to pass peaceably through Ammon [YHWH had given Lot's descendants the land of Ammon]; [the Rephaites formerly dwelt there but the Ammonites called them Zamzummim]
- Then there is a recalling of the people YHWH had driven out of the lands:
 - Rephaites (the Anaqim)– YHWH destroyed them before them, and they dispossessed them and dwelt in their place (Deut. 2:21)
 - YHWH destroyed the Horites for Esau's descendants (Deut. 2:22)
- Then YHWH gave His people the land Heshbon of the sovereign Sihon, the Amorite
- YHWH instilled fear of His people, Israel, in the lands
- Moses then recalled the defeat of King Sihon; he recalled Sihon would not let YHWH's people pass through their land on the highway; YHWH had already started giving the land as a possession to His people; Sihon had come out to fight with the children of Israel at Yahats; Israel prevailed.

The Wilderness Years

Deu 2:1 “Then we turned and set out into the wilderness, the way of the Sea of Reeds, as **יהוה** spoke to me, and we went round Mount Sě'ir, many days.

Deu 2:2 “And **יהוה** spoke to me, saying,

Deu 2:3 You have gone around this mountain long enough, turn northward.

Deu 2:4 And command the people, saying, “You are about to pass over into the border of your brothers, the descendants of Ęsaw, who live in Sě'ir, and they are afraid of you. So be on your guard.

Deu 2:5 “Do not strive with them, for I do not give you any of their land, no, not so much as one footstep, because I have given Mount Sě'ir to Ęsaw as a possession.

Deu 2:6 “What food you buy from them with silver you shall eat. And also, what water you buy from them with silver you shall drink.

Deu 2:7 “For **יהוה** your Elohim has blessed you in all the work of your hand. He has known your wandering through this great wilderness. These forty years **יהוה** your Elohim has been with you, you have not lacked any matter.” ’

Deu 2:8 “And when we passed beyond our brothers, the descendants of Ęsaw who dwell in Sě'ir, away from the way of the desert plain, away from Ęylath and Etsyon Geber, we turned and passed over by way of the Wilderness of Mo'ab.

Deu 2:9 “And **יהוה** said to me, ‘Do not distress Mo'ab, nor stir yourself up against them in battle, for I do not give you any of their land as a possession, because I have given Ar to the descendants of Lot as a possession.’ ”

Deu 2:10 (The Ęmites had dwelt there formerly, a people as great and numerous and tall as the Anaqim.

Deu 2:11 They were also reckoned as Repha'ites, like the Anaqim, but the Mo'abites call them Ęmites.

Deu 2:12 And the H̄orites formerly dwelt in Sě'ir, but the descendants of Ęsaw dispossessed them and destroyed them from before them, and dwelt in their place, as Yisra'ěl did to the land of their possession which יהוה gave them.)

Deu 2:13 “ ‘Now rise up, and pass over the wadi Zered.’ So we passed over the wadi Zered.

Deu 2:14 “And the time we took to come from Qaděsh Barněa until we passed over the wadi Zered was thirty-eight years, until all the generation of the men of battle was consumed from the midst of the camp, as יהוה had sworn to them.

Deu 2:15 “And also, the hand of יהוה was against them, to destroy them from the midst of the camp until they were consumed.

Deu 2:16 “And it came to be, when all the men of battle had finally perished from among the people,

Deu 2:17 that יהוה spoke to me, saying,

Deu 2:18 This day you are to pass over at Ar, the boundary of Mo'ab.

Deu 2:19 And when you come near the children of Ammon, do not distress them nor stir yourself up against them, for I do not give you any of the land of the children of Ammon as a possession, because I have given it to the descendants of Lot as a possession.’

Deu 2:20 (That was also reckoned as a land of Repha'ites. Repha'ites formerly dwelt there. But the Ammonites call them Zamzummim,

Deu 2:21 a people as great and numerous and tall as the Anaqim. But יהוה destroyed them before them, and they dispossessed them and dwelt in their place,

Deu 2:22 as He had done for the descendants of Ęsaw, who dwelt in Sě'ir, when He destroyed the H̄orites from before them. They dispossessed them and dwelt in their place, even to this day.

Deu 2:23 And the Awwim who dwelt in villages as far as Azzah, the Kaphtorim who came from Kaphtor, destroyed them and dwelt in their place).

Deu 2:24 Arise, set out and pass over the wadi Arnon. See, I have given into your hand Siḥon the Amorite, sovereign of Ḥeshbon, and his land. Begin to possess it, and stir up yourself against him in battle.

Deu 2:25 This day I begin to put the dread and fear of you upon the peoples under all the heavens, who, when they hear the report of you, shall tremble and shake because of you.’

The Defeat of King Sihon

Deu 2:26 “Then I sent messengers from the Wilderness of Qeděmoth to Siḥon sovereign of Ḥeshbon, with words of peace, saying,

Deu 2:27 Let me pass over through your land on the highway. I shall go on the highway and turn neither to the right nor to the left.

Deu 2:28 What food you sell me for silver I shall eat, and what water you give me for silver I shall drink. Only let me pass over on foot,

Deu 2:29 as the descendants of Ęsaw who dwell in Sě'ir and the Mo'abites who dwell

in Ar did for me – until I pass over the Yardĕn to the land **יהוה** our Elohim is giving us.’

Deu 2:30 “But Siĥon sovereign of Ĥeshbon would not let us pass over, for **יהוה** your Elohim hardened his spirit and strengthened his heart, to give him into your hand, as it is this day.

Deu 2:31 “And **יהוה** said to me, ‘See, I have begun to give Siĥon and his land over to you. Begin to possess – in order to possess his land.’

Deu 2:32 “And Siĥon and all his people came out against us to fight at Yahats,

Deu 2:33 and **יהוה** our Elohim gave him over to us, so we struck him, and his sons, and all his people.

Deu 2:34 “And **we took all his cities at that time**, and we put the men, women, and little ones of every city under the ban, we left none remaining.

Deu 2:35 “Only the livestock we took as plunder for ourselves, and the spoil of the cities which we captured.

Deu 2:36 “**From Aro’ĕr**, which is on the edge of the wadi Arnon, and the city that is by the wadi, as far as **Gil’ad**, there was not one city too high for us. **יהוה** our Elohim gave all to us.

Deu 2:37 “Only you **did not** go near the land of the children of Ammon – anywhere along the wadi Yabboq, or to the cities of the mountains, or anywhere as **יהוה** our Elohim commanded us.

Psalm 83 & 84

Like the Psalmist in Psalm 83, we see the enemy warring against YHWH and His people; and anyone else that gets in their path. The Psalmist names the enemies and those plotting against them. We too know our enemy by their fruit; by the trail of destruction and death they leave behind.

O YHWH, Do Not Keep Silence

Psa 83:1 O Elohim, do not remain silent! Do not be speechless, And do not be still, O Ĕ!

Psa 83:2 For look, Your enemies make an uproar, And those hating You have lifted up their head.

Psa 83:3 They craftily plot against Your people, And conspire against Your treasured ones.

Psa 83:4 They have said, “Come, And let us wipe them out as a nation, And let the name of Yisra’ĕl be remembered no more.”

Psa 83:5 For they have conspired together with one heart; They have made a covenant against You –

Psa 83:6 The tents of Eđom and the Yishma’ĕlites, Mo’ab and the Haġarites,

Psa 83:7 Geḅal, and Ammon, and Amalĕq, Philistia with the inhabitants of Tsor,

Psa 83:8 Ashshur also has joined with them, They have helped the children of Lot. Selah.

Psa 83:9 Do to them as to Miđyan, As to Sisera, As to Yaḅin at the wadi Qishon,

Psa 83:10 Who perished at Ĕndor, Who became as dung for the ground.

Psa 83:11 Make their nobles like Orëḅ and like Ze'ëḅ, And all their princes like Zəḅah and Tsalmunna,

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

The Psalmist calls for YHWH:

Psa 83:13 O my Elohim, **make them as whirling dust, As stubble before the wind!**

Psa 83:14 As a fire consumes a forest, And as a flame sets mountains on fire,

Psa 83:15 So pursue them with Your whirlwind, And frighten them with Your storm.

Psa 83:16 **Fill their faces with shame, And let them seek Your Name,**^a **יהוה**. Footnote:

^aSee also [Psa 44:21-22](#), [Psa 74:18](#), [Isa 52:5](#), [Jer 23:26-27](#).

Psa 83:17 Let them be ashamed and alarmed forever; And let them become abashed and perish,

Psa 83:18 **And let them know that You, Whose Name is יהוה, You alone are the Most High over all the earth.**

Have no doubt YHWH protects His Name and destroys His enemies. Though at times His people are longing for swift action to right the wrongs; YHWH's timing is perfect.

Today, YHWH has His people scattered throughout the whole world. He has even used that scattering for good; so that the enemy doesn't have just 'one big single target.' All twelve tribes are scattered throughout the lands; and by doing so, He has hidden His bride and nourished her in the wilderness. His bride is a mystery to most and frustrates the enemy.

The enemy attacks His people through 'conventional and unconventional warfare'. The enemy creates chaos in order to gain 'control'. Control comes through persecution and the control of food and water; then the enemy rises to implement provisions; but only according to their standards, and eventually only for those receiving the mark.

Psalm 84

We dwell in YHWH's courts spiritually now; and one day we will be in His presence and in the place, He has gone to prepare for us. What a day of rejoicing that will be!

My Soul Longs for the Courts of YHWH

Psa 84:1 How lovely are Your dwelling places, O יהוה of hosts!

Psa 84:2 My being has longed, and even fainted, For the courts of יהוה; My heart and my flesh cry out for the living Ėl.

Psa 84:3 Even the sparrow has found a home, And the swallow a nest for herself, Where she has put her young ones – Your slaughter-places, O יהוה of hosts, My Sovereign and my Elohim.

Psa 84:4 Blessed are those who dwell in Your house, They are ever praising You. Selah.

Psa 84:5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in You, *Your* Highways are in their heart.

Psa 84:6 Passing through the valley of weeping, They make it a fountain; The Teacher also covers it with blessings.

Psa 84:7 They go from strength to strength, Appearing before Elohim in Tsiyon.

Psa 84:8 O יהוה Elohim of hosts, hear my prayer; Give ear, O Elohim of Ya'aqob! Selah.

Psa 84:9 O Elohim, see our shield, And look upon the face of Your anointed.

Psa 84:10 For a day in Your courts Is better than a thousand *days*. I have chosen rather to be a doorkeeper In the House of my Elohim, Than to dwell in the tents of the wrong.

Psa 84:11 For יהוה Elohim is a sun and a shield; יהוה gives favour and esteem; He withholds no good *matter* From those who walk blamelessly.

Psa 84:12 O יהוה of hosts, Blessed is the man who trusts in You!

Joh 14:2 “In My Father’s house are many staying places. And if not, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

Joh 14:3 “And if I go and prepare a place for you, I shall come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, you might be too.

 Rev 21:1 And I saw a **renewed heaven and a renewed earth**,^a [Isa 65:17](#) for the former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea is no more.

Footnote: ^aAlso see [Isa 66:22](#).

Rev 21:2 And I, Yoḥanan, saw the set-apart city, renewed Yerushalayim, coming down out of the heaven from Elohim, **prepared as a bride adorned for her husband**.

Rev 21:3 And I heard a loud voice from the heaven saying, “See, **the Booth of Elohim is with men**, and **He shall dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and Elohim Himself shall be with them and be their Elohim**.”^b [Lev 26:11-12](#) Footnote:

^bAlso see [Isa 7:14](#), [Isa 8:8](#), [Isa 8:10](#), [Jer 31:33](#), [Eze 37:27](#), [2Ch 6:18](#).

Rev 21:4 “And Elohim shall wipe away every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, nor mourning, nor crying. And there shall be no more pain, for the former *matters* have passed away.”

Rev 21:5 And He who was sitting on the throne said, “See, I make all *matters* new.” And He said to me, **“Write, for these words are true and trustworthy.”**

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No matter what, trust Him. He is true.

Isaiah 30

YHWH's displeasure burns against Jerusalem! For them to take counsel and make unholy alliances with Egypt was an open act of defiance and rejection of YHWH. Not smart; and He tells them so! Just read the following verses. And yes, it was worthy of a "Woe!"

Isa 30:1 "Woe to the stubborn children," declares יהוה, "**to make counsel, but not from Me**, and to **devise plans, but not of My Spirit**, in order to add sin to sin;

Isa 30:2 who are setting out to go down to Mitsrayim, and have not asked My mouth, to be strengthened in the strength of Pharaoh, and to seek refuge in the shadow of Mitsrayim!

Isa 30:3 "And the strength of Pharaoh shall become your shame, and the refuge in the shadow of Mitsrayim your confusion."

Isa 30:4 "For his princes were at Tso'an, and his messengers came to Hanes.

Isa 30:5 "They were all ashamed of a people who do not profit them, not for help or profit, but a shame and also a reproach."

Isa 30:6 **The message concerning the beasts of the South**. Through a land of trouble and distress, from which came **the lioness and lion, the adder and fiery flying serpent**, they convey their riches on the backs of young donkeys, and their treasures on the humps of camels, to an unprofitable people,

Isa 30:7 even Mitsrayim, whose help is vain and empty. Therefore I have called her Rahab-Hēm-Shebeth. [Meaning: Their strength will sit still.]

A Rebellious People

Isa 30:8 And go, write it before them on a tablet, and inscribe it on a scroll, that it is for a latter day, a witness forever:

Isa 30:9 that this is a rebellious people, lying children, children who refuse to hear the Torah of יהוה,

Isa 30:10 who say to the seers, "Do not see," and to the prophets, "Do not prophesy to us what is right. Speak to us what is smooth, prophesy deceits.

Isa 30:11 "Turn aside from the way, swerve from the path, cause the Set-apart One of Yisra'el to cease from before us."

Isa 30:12 Therefore thus said the Set-apart One of Yisra'el, "Because you despise this word, and trust in oppression and perverseness, and rely on them,

Isa 30:13 therefore this crookedness is to you like a breach ready to fall, a bulge in a high wall, whose breaking comes suddenly, swiftly."

Isa 30:14 And He shall break it like the breaking of the potter's vessel, which is broken in pieces, without sparing, so that there is not found among its fragments a sherd to take fire from the hearth, or to take water from the cistern.

Isa 30:15 For thus said the Master יהוה, the Set-apart One of Yisra'el, "In returning and rest you are saved, in stillness and trust is your strength." But you would not,

Isa 30:16 and you said, "No, for we flee upon horses," therefore you flee! And, "We ride

on swift horses,” therefore those who pursue you are swift!

Isa 30:17 One thousand *flee* at the rebuke of one; at the rebuke of five you shall flee until you are left as a pole on top of a mountain and as a sign on a hill.

YHWH Will Be Gracious

Isa 30:18 And therefore יהוה shall wait, to show you favour. And therefore He shall be exalted, to have compassion on you. For יהוה is an Elohim of right-ruling. Blessed are all those who wait for Him.

Isa 30:19 For the people shall dwell in Tsiyon at Yerushalayim, you shall weep no more. He shall show much favour to you at the sound of your cry; when He hears, He shall answer you.

Isa 30:20 Though יהוה gave you bread of adversity and water of affliction, your Teacher^a shall no longer be hidden. But your eyes shall see your Teacher,^b [Footnotes](#); ^aOr *teachers* ^bOr *teachers*. See also [Joe 2:23](#).

Isa 30:21 and your ears hear a word behind you, saying, “This is the Way, walk in it,” whenever you turn to the right, or whenever you turn to the left.

YHWH shows compassion to those that truly repent and sincerely turn to Him. Isaiah 30 has prophetic words for both the current time period; and for end-time events. Below are some cross-referenced **highlights**.

Isa 30:22 And you shall defile the covering of your graven images of silver, and the plating of your moulded images of gold. You shall throw them away as a menstrual cloth and say to them, “Be gone!”

Isa 30:23 And He shall give the rain for your seed with which you sow the ground, and bread of the increase of the earth. And it shall be fat and rich, your cattle grazing in an enlarged pasture in that day,

Isa 30:24 and the oxen and the young donkeys that work the ground eat seasoned fodder winnowed with shovel and fan.

Zec 13:2 “And it shall be in that day,” declares יהוה of hosts, “[that I cut off the names of the idols from the earth,](#)^a and they shall be remembered no more, and I shall also remove the prophets and the unclean spirit from the earth. [Footnote: ^a Exo 23:13, Deu 12:3, Jos 23:7, Hos 2:17, Zep 3:9.](#)

Rev 19:20 And the beast was seized, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he led astray those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshipped his image. The two were thrown alive into the lake of fire burning with sulphur.

All earthly kingdoms and high places will fall.

Isa 30:25 And on every high mountain and on every high hill there shall be rivers and streams of waters, in the day of great killing, when the towers fall.

Rev 22:1 And he showed me a river of water of life, clear as crystal, coming from the throne of Elohim and of the Lamb.

Isa 30:26 And the light of the moon shall be as the light of the sun, and the light of the sun be sevenfold, as the light of seven days, in the day that יהוה binds up the breach of His people, and heals the wound of His blows.

Rev 21:23 And the city had no need of the sun, nor of the moon, to shine in it, for the esteem of Elohim lightened it, and the **Lamb is its lamp.**

Isa 30:27 See, **the Name of יהוה is coming from afar, burning with His wrath,** and heavy smoke. His lips shall be filled with rage, and His tongue be **as a devouring fire;**

Isa 30:28 and His breath shall be as an overflowing stream, which reaches up to the neck, **to sift^c** the nations with a sieve of falsehood, and a misleading bridle on the jaws of the peoples.

Isa 30:29 Let the song be to you as in a night set apart for a festival, and gladness of heart as he who is going with a flute, to come into the mountain of יהוה, to the Rock of Yisra'el.

Amo 9:9 “For look, I am commanding, and I shall sift^b the house of Yisra'el among all the nations, as one sifts^b with a sieve, **yet not a grain falls to the ground.**

Zep 3:8 **“Therefore wait for Me,” declares יהוה, “until the day I rise up for plunder. For My judgment is to gather nations, to assemble reigns, to pour out on them My rage, all My burning wrath. For by the fire of My jealousy all the earth shall be consumed.**

Isa 30:30 And יהוה shall cause His excellent voice to be heard, and show the coming down of His arm, **with raging wrath and the flame of a consuming fire, with scattering, downpour and hailstones.**

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

Rev 1:16 And in His right hand He held seven stars, and out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword,^b and His face was as the sun shining in its strength.

Isa 30:33 For Topheth was ordained of old, even for the sovereign it has been prepared. He has made it deep and large, its fire pit with much wood; the breath of יהוה, as a stream of burning sulphur, is burning in it!

[Adam Clarke Commentary]

For Topheth is ordained - Topheth is a valley very near to Jerusalem, to the southeast, called also the valley of Hinnom or Gehenna; where the Canaanites, and afterwards the Israelites, sacrificed their children, by making them pass through the fire, that is, by burning them in the fire, to Molech, as some suppose. It is therefore used for a place of punishment by fire;...

Jude 1

Jude begins with a greeting identifying himself as the servant of Yahusha Messiah and brother of James. He is writing to those set-apart to Elohim the Father; and preserved in Yahusha HaMashiach.

Though we may not always ponder very long at these various greetings; we must understand they all hold significance and teach us a great deal. For instance:

- It is important for us to confess who we are as servants of Yahusha Messiah to one another; especially when addressing a new group of believers.
- By the blood of the Lamb and the word of our testimony in Yahusha, a true believer also has the Father. For one cannot have the Father without the Son.
- Jude's audience are those that are set-apart by YHWH the Father and preserved in the Yahusha HaMashiach.
- Jude follows with a blessing: compassion, peace, and love be increased to you.

Jude then wastes no time in getting to his point.

Greeting

Jud 1:1 Yehudah, a servant of יהושע Messiah, and brother of Ya'aqob, to those who are called, set-apart by Elohim the Father, and preserved in יהושע Messiah:

Jud 1:2 Compassion, and peace, and love be increased to you.

Judgment on False Teachers

Jud 1:3 Beloved ones, making all haste to write to you concerning our common deliverance, I felt the necessity to write to you urging you to earnestly contend for the belief which was once for all delivered to the set-apart ones.

Jud 1:4 For certain men have slipped in, whose judgment was written about long ago, wicked ones^a perverting the favour of our Elohim for indecency, and denying the only Master יהוה and our Master יהושע Messiah. Footnote: ^aSee also [Mat 13:1-58](#) and [2Th 2:1-17](#).

Though we read of people that lived 2,000 years ago, they all seem familiar to us. They are all in the faith and Word of Yahusha HaMashiach. We become like-minded by having the mind of Yahusha and following the will of the Father. The mind of Yahusha is the Word. If our lives are guided by His Word; we naturally think alike and walk in agreement. Shalom, peace, is present.

Jude has an urgent message just as John did in 2John 1. **Our belief in Him is of great value!** Jude is encouraging true believers to earnestly contend and be zealous for the belief delivered to the set-apart ones. He then goes on to caution about wicked men that have slipped in perverting YHWH's favor for indecency; and DENYING the only Master YHWH and our Master Yahusha Messiah.

Pay attention how Jude is helping them know **their present situation by the past**. As we discussed in Deuteronomy, YHWH teaches His people in a cyclical manner; a repetitious fashion. Our present day and our future are more clearly revealed by knowing past biblical accounts. Jude begins by reminding them of such.

- YHWH had saved His people out of Egypt and had destroyed those of unbelief.
- The rebellious fallen angels would be judged in the great day.
- Learn what not to do from the debased minds of Sodom and Gomorrah and the like.
- Michael, the chief messenger, functioned in his parameters, when he told the devil that 'YHWH rebukes you!'
- Blasphemers had gone the way of Cain.
- Blasphemers had gone the way of Bilam.
- Rebellious ones follow the ways of Korah.
- Enoch, the 7th from Adam, prophesied that YHWH comes with myriads of His set-apart ones.

Jud 1:5 But I intend to remind you, though you once knew this, that **יהוה**, having saved a people out of the land of Mitsrayim, afterward destroyed those who did not believe.

Jud 1:6 And the messengers who did not keep their own principality, but left their own dwelling, He has kept in everlasting shackles under darkness for the judgment of the great day.

Jud 1:7 Even as Sedom and Amarah and the cities around them in a similar way to these, having given themselves over to whoring and gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, undergoing judicial punishment of everlasting fire.

Jud 1:8 In the same way, indeed, these dreamers defile the flesh, and reject authority, and speak evil of esteemed ones.

Jud 1:9 But Miḵa'el the chief messenger, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Mosheh, presumed not to bring against him a blasphemous accusation, but said, "**יהוה rebuke you!**" Zec 3:2.

Jud 1:10 But these blaspheme that which they do not know. And that which they know naturally, like unreasoning beasts, in these they corrupt themselves.

Jud 1:11 **Woe to them!** Because they have gone in the way of Qayin, and gave themselves to the delusion of Bil'am for a reward, and perished in the rebellion of

Qorah.^b Footnote: ^b [Jud 1:7-11](#); compare with [2Pe 2:6-15](#).

Those that had slipped in were described as:

- ✚ [Jud 1:12](#) These are rocky reefs in your love feasts, feasting with you,
- ✚ feeding themselves without fear,
- ✚ waterless clouds borne about by the winds,
- ✚ late autumn trees without fruit,
- ✚ twice dead,
- ✚ pulled up by the roots,
- ✚ [Jud 1:13](#) wild waves of the sea foaming up their own shame,
- ✚ straying stars for whom blackness of darkness is kept forever.

[Jud 1:14](#) And Hanok, the seventh from Adam, also prophesied of these, saying, **“See, יהוה comes with His myriads of set-apart ones,**

- ✚ [Jud 1:15](#) to execute judgment on all,
- ✚ to punish all who are wicked among them concerning all their wicked works which they have committed in a wicked way,
- ✚ and concerning all the harsh *words* which wicked sinners have spoken against Him.”
- ✚ [Jud 1:16](#) These are grumblers, complainers, who walk according to their own lusts, and their mouth speaks proudly, admiring faces *of others* for the sake of gain.

Persevere and know we have been told mockers would come; those walking in wicked lusts; those causing divisions and not walking in the Spirit.

A Call to Persevere

[Jud 1:17](#) But you, beloved ones, remember the words spoken before by the emissaries of our Master יהושע Messiah,

[Jud 1:18](#) because they told you that there would be mockers in the last time who would walk according to their own wicked lusts.

[Jud 1:19](#) These are the ones who cause divisions, not having the Spirit.

[Jud 1:20](#) But you, beloved ones, building yourselves up on your most set-apart belief, praying in the Set-apart Spirit,

Jude closes with these words:

- ✚ [Jud 1:21](#) keep yourselves in the love of Elohim, looking for the compassion of our Master יהושע Messiah unto everlasting life.
- ✚ [Jud 1:22](#) And show compassion toward some who are doubting,

✚ **Jud 1:23** but others save with fear, snatching them out of the fire, hating, even the garment **defiled by the flesh.**^c Footnote: ^cSee also [Rom 8:5-10](#) and [Gal 5:19-21](#).

Doxology

Jud 1:24 And to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to present you blameless before the presence of His esteem with exceeding joy,

Jud 1:25 to the only wise Elohim, our Savior, be esteem and greatness and might and authority, both now and forever. Amēn.

Shalom ~ Libby

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