

Greetings, today our manna is from Lev. 19; Psalm 23 & 24; Ecc. 2; 1Tim. 4.

April 15 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective

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Leviticus 19

We are to be holy for He is holy. We are to guard His Word and follow His Word. We are to be set-apart. We should ask ourselves: Who or what are we attaching ourselves to? Are they believers? What practices do we partake in? Are those practices of YHWH? Have we adopted pagan practices of our culture? Have we been programmed through the ‘air-waves’ of commercials, sports, or other trends? Remember when YHWH asked Adam and Eve, **who told you that...?** Adam and Eve had listened to the enemy.

YHWH Is Holy

Lev 19:1 And יהוה spoke to Mosheh, saying,

Lev 19:2 “Speak to all the congregation of the children of Yisra’ël, and say to them, ‘Be set-apart, for I יהוה your Elohim am set-apart.

Lev 19:3 ‘Each one of you should fear his mother and his father, and guard My Sabbaths. I am יהוה your Elohim.

Lev 19:4 ‘Do not turn to idols, and do not make for yourselves moulded mighty ones. I am יהוה your Elohim.

Lev 19:5 ‘And when you slaughter a slaughtering of peace *offerings* to יהוה, slaughter it for your acceptance.

Lev 19:6 ‘It is eaten the same day you slaughter it, and on the next day. And that which is left on the third day is burned with fire.

Lev 19:7 ‘So if it is eaten at all on the third day, it is abominable, it is not accepted,

Lev 19:8 and he who eats it bears his crookedness, because he has profaned the set-apart *offering* of יהוה, and that being shall be cut off from his people.

Mat 5:48 **“Therefore, be perfect,^m as your Father in the heavens is perfect.** Footnote: ^m
[Gen 17:1](#), [Psa 119:1](#), [1Jn 2:5](#), [Heb 6:1](#).

 1Pe 1:15 instead, [as the One who called you is set-apart, so you also should become set-apart in all behaviour](#), 1Pe 1:16 because it has been written, **“Be set-apart, for I am set-apart.”**
[Lev 11:44](#), [Lev 19:2](#).

 2Co 7:1 Having, then, these promises, beloved, **[let us cleanse ourselves from all defilement of the flesh and spirit, perfecting set-apartness in the fear of Elohim.](#)**^a Footnote: ^aSee also [Gen 12:1](#), [Exo 19:5-6](#), and [Rev 18:4](#).

Do we love one another, and do we show compassion for those in need? Do we use equal weights and measures? Do we oppress others? Do we forgive others? Do we rebuke others by the Word when needed?

Love Your Neighbor as Yourself

Lev 19:9 'And when you reap the harvest of your land, do not completely reap the corners of your field or gather the gleanings of your harvest.

Lev 19:10 'And do not glean your vineyard or gather every grape of your vineyard, leave them for the poor and the stranger. I am יהוה your Elohim.

Lev 19:11 'Do not steal, do not lie, do not deceive one another.

Lev 19:12 'And do not swear falsely by My Name and so profane the Name of your Elohim. I am יהוה.

Lev 19:13 'Do not oppress your neighbour or *rob* him. The wages of him who is hired is not to remain with you all night until morning.

Lev 19:14 'Do not curse the deaf or put a stumbling-block before the blind, but fear your Elohim. I am יהוה.

Lev 19:15 'Do no unrighteousness in right-ruling. Do not be partial to the poor or favour the face of the great, but rightly rule your neighbour in righteousness.

Lev 19:16 'Do not go slandering among your people. Do not stand against the blood of your neighbour. I am יהוה.

Lev 19:17 'Do not hate your brother in your heart. Reprove your neighbour, for certain, and bear no sin because of him.

Lev 19:18 'Do not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the children of your people. And you shall love your neighbour as yourself. I am יהוה.

[Luk 14:13](#) "But when you give a feast, invite poor ones, crippled ones, lame ones, blind ones,
[Luk 14:14](#) and you shall be blessed, because they do not have to repay you. For you shall be repaid at **the resurrection of the righteous.**"

[Luk 6:38](#) "**Give, and it shall be given to you.** A good measure, pressed down and shaken together and running over shall be put into your lap. **For with the same measure with which you measure, it shall be measured back to you.**"

[2Co 9:6](#) And this: **He who sows sparingly shall also reap sparingly,** and he who sows on blessing shall also reap on blessing.

[2Co 9:7](#) **Let each one give as he purposes in his heart,** not of grief or of necessity, for **Elohim loves a joyous giver.**

[2Co 9:8](#) And Elohim is able to make all favour overflow toward you, that you, always having all you need in every way, have plenty for every good work.

2Co 9:9 As it has been written, “**He scattered abroad, He gave to the poor, His righteousness remains forever.**” [Psa 112:9](#).

 1Jn 3:17 But whoever has this world’s goods, and **sees his brother in need, and shuts up his tender affections from him, how does the love of Elohim stay in him?**

1Jn 3:18 **My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.**

We are to keep His Covenant Torah. We are not to mingle seed nor cross-breed different kinds of animals. Today, technology has opened a deep darkness in this area.

You Shall Keep My Statutes

Lev 19:19 ‘Guard My laws. Do not let your livestock mate with another kind. Do not sow your field with mixed seed. And do not put a garment woven of two sorts of thread upon you.

Lev 19:20 ‘And when a man has intercourse with a woman who is a female servant, engaged to a man, and to be ransomed, *but* she has not been ransomed nor set free, there should be an inquiry. But they are not put to death, because she was not free.

Lev 19:21 ‘And he shall bring his guilt offering to יהוה, to the door of the Tent of Appointment, a ram as a guilt offering.

Lev 19:22 ‘And the priest shall make atonement for him with the ram of the guilt offering before יהוה for his sin which he has done. And the sin which he has sinned shall be forgiven him.

Lev 19:23 ‘And when you come into the land, and have planted all kinds of trees for food, then you shall reckon their fruit as uncircumcised. For three years it is as uncircumcised to you, it is not eaten.

Lev 19:24 ‘And in the fourth year all its fruit is set-apart – praises to יהוה’.

Lev 19:25 ‘And in the fifth year you eat its fruit, so that it increases its yield to you. I am יהוה your Elohim.

Lev 19:26 ‘Do not eat *meat* with the blood. Do not practise divination or magic.

Lev 19:27 ‘Do not round the corner of your head, nor destroy the corner of your beard.

Gal 3:9 so that those **who are of belief are blessed with Abraham**, the believer.

Gal 3:10 For as many as are of works of Torah [**Book of the Law**] are under the curse, for it has been written, “**Cursed is everyone who does not continue in all that has been written in the Book of the Torah [Book of the Law], to do them.**” [Deu 27:26](#).

Gal 3:11 And that **no one is declared right by Torah** before Elohim is clear, for “**The righteous shall live by belief.**” [Hab 2:4](#).

 Mat 9:16 “And **no one puts a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment**, for the patch pulls away from the garment, and the tear is made worse.

Mat 9:17 “**Neither do they put new wine into old wineskins**, or else the wineskins burst, and the wine is spilled, and the wineskins are ruined. But they put new wine into fresh wineskins, and both are preserved.”

Lev 19:28 'And do not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor put tattoo marks on you. I am הוה'.

Lev 19:29 'Do not profane your daughter by making her a whore, so that the land does not whore, and the land becomes filled with wickedness.

The tattoo trend has not been good. Tattoos were promoted as a 'cool' and 'popular' trend but are against the Word of YHWH. People have gotten tattoos in other languages that they cannot even read! No one knows if spells have been cast over the inks or who the person is that is doing the tattoo?

Today another trend we have seen are breast implants and all other kinds of implants and piercings. Our body is the temple of YHWH! Just because a man has a white coat and M.D. after his/her name doesn't usurp the power and authority of YHWH. Today many are ill because of implants; especially BII (Breast Implant Illness).

Take pause before inserting anything into your body. The enemy always tries to 'normalize' the abnormal so that one day whenever they are asked to receive the 'mark' of the beast; some will look upon such as no big deal.

Excerpt Adam Clarke Commentary:

"...Ancient writers abound with accounts of marks made on the face, arms, etc., in honor of different idols; and to this the inspired penman alludes, [Rev 13:16](#), [Rev 13:17](#); [Rev 14:9](#), [Rev 14:11](#); [Rev 15:2](#); [Rev 16:2](#); [Rev 19:20](#); [Rev 20:4](#), where false worshippers are represented as receiving in their hands and in their forehead the marks of the beast. These were called *στιγματα* *stigmata* among the Greeks, and to these St. Paul refers when he says, I bear about in my body the Marks (*stigmata*) of the Lord Jesus [Yahusha]; [Gal 6:17](#)..." [Gal 6:17](#) From now on let no one trouble me, for I bear in my body the scars of the Master יהושע.

G4742 *στίγμα* *stigma* *stig'-mah* From a primary word *στίζω* *stizō* (**to "stick", that is, prick**); a *mark* incised or punched (for recognition of ownership), that is, (figuratively) *scar* of service: - mark.

[Rev 13:16](#) And he causes all, both small and great, and rich and poor, and free and slave, **to be given a mark upon their right hand or upon their foreheads,**

[Rev 13:17](#) and that no one should be able to buy or sell **except he that has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.**

[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 14:11](#) "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.**"

Rev 15:2 And I saw like a sea of glass mixed with fire, and those **overcoming the beast and his image and his mark and the number of his name**, standing on the sea of glass, holding harps of Elohim.

Rev 16:2 And the first went and poured out his bowl upon the earth, and an evil and wicked sore came upon the men, **those having the mark of the beast and those worshipping his image**.

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.

Rev 20:4 And I saw thrones – and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them – and the lives of those who had been beheaded because of the witness they bore to יהושע and because of the Word of Elohim, and who did not worship the beast, nor his image, and **did not receive his mark upon their foreheads or upon their hands**. And they lived and reigned with Messiah for a thousand years

Lev 19:30 **‘Guard My Sabbaths and reverence My set-apart place. I am יהוה’.**

Lev 19:31 ‘Do not turn to mediums, and do not seek after spiritists to be defiled by them. I am יהוה your Elohim.

Lev 19:32 ‘Rise up before the grey-headed. And you shall favour the face of an old man, and shall fear your Elohim. I am יהוה’.

Lev 19:33 ‘And when a stranger sojourns with you in your land, do not oppress him.

Lev 19:34 ‘Let the stranger who dwells among you be to you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself. For you were strangers in the land of Mitsrayim. I am יהוה your Elohim.

Lev 19:35 ‘Do no unrighteousness in right-ruling, in measurement of length, in weight, or in measuring liquids.

Lev 19:36 ‘Have right scales, right weights, a right ĕphah, and a right hin. I am יהוה your Elohim, who brought you out of the land of Mitsrayim.

Joh 2:15 And having made a whip of cords, He drove them all out of the Set-apart Place, with the sheep and the oxen, and poured out the moneychangers’ coins and overturned the tables.

Joh 2:16 And He said to those selling doves, “Take these away! Do not make the house of My Father a house of merchandise!”

Mat 21:13 And He said to them, “It has been written, **‘My House shall be called a house of prayer,’** [Isa 56:7](#) but you have made it a **‘den of robbers.’**” [Jer 7:11](#).

1Pe 4:17 Because it is time for judgment to begin from the House of Elohim. And if firstly from us, what is the end of those who do not obey the Good News of Elohim?

2Co 6:15 And what agreement has Messiah with Beliya'al? Or what part does a believer have with an unbeliever?

2Co 6:16 And what union has the Dwelling Place of Elohim with idols? For you are a Dwelling Place of the living Elohim, as Elohim has said, “**I shall dwell in them and walk among them, and I shall be their Elohim, and they shall be My people.**”^a [Lev 26:12](#) Footnote: ^aSee also [Exo 29:45](#), [Lev 26:12](#), [Jer 31:1](#), [Eze 37:27](#).

Lev 19:37 ‘And you shall guard all My laws and all My right-rulings, and do them. I am ה'הוה.’”

1Jn 3:22 And whatever we ask we receive from Him, **because we guard His commands and do what is pleasing in His sight.**^f Footnote: ^f [Pro 28:9](#), [Joh 9:31](#), [Jas 5:16](#).

1Jn 3:23 And **this is His command, that we should believe in the Name of His Son יהושע Messiah and love one another, as He gave us command.**

1Jn 3:24 And the one guarding His commands stays in Him, and He in him. And by this we know that He stays in us, by the Spirit which He gave us.^g Footnote: ^g [Joh 14:23-24](#), [Act 5:32](#), [Rom 8:7-11](#), [1Jn 2:5](#), [1Jn 4:13](#).

Psalm 23

Psalm 23 has been a comfort to many. Not only is YHWH our Shepherd, He is the **Good Shepherd**. Sheep need a shepherd. They are not the wisest mammal by far. The Good Shepherd makes sure His sheep do not lack; He provides for their needs (not necessarily their wants).

He leads us to green pastures and beside still waters. Shepherds go ahead of the sheep and clear out any poisonous weeds or deadly animals to make the pasture safe for grazing and bedding. The still waters are important so they will not get swept away by a strong current. Their bodies and their wool are not designed for swimming or staying afloat.

He turns back wayward sheep and places them back on the ‘right’ path for His Name sake. Hirelings develop a bad name. They would never lay their lives down for the sheep.

The wilderness holds the unexpected. Sheep are prey animals and because of this their senses are quite keen. Predators are always on the prowl looking for whom they can devour. They lurk in the shadows or gain perspective from high places. Shepherds play an important role in their safety. Sheep become very familiar with their shepherd’s voice and his rod and staff, whether by hearing or by touch.

Tables or flat plateaus would be prepared for the sheep to rest; and yes, their enemies or predators were always present or nearby. The shepherd would make a pin for corralling and keeping the sheep safe. The shepherd would sit at the door of the pin and check each sheep as they passed through the opening. He would anoint a sheep's head with oil to repel insects. Each sheep would be checked to make sure all was well.

We have total peace in the presence of the Good Shepherd. He is lovingly committed to us. He is good. He has prepared a place for us. He will gather us. He watches over us. He provides for us. He loves us and laid down His life for us.

YHWH Is My Shepherd

Psa 23:1 יהוה is my shepherd; I do not lack.

Psa 23:2 He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters.

Psa 23:3 He turns *back^a* my being; He leads me in paths of righteousness For His Name's sake. *Footnote: ^aOr He converts.*

Psa 23:4 When I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil. For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

Psa 23:5 You spread before me a table in the face of my enemies; You have anointed my head with oil; My cup runs over.

Psa 23:6 Only goodness and loving-commitment follow me All the days of my life; And I shall dwell in the House of יהוה, To the length of days!

Psalm 24

In Psalm 24, we see the earth belongs to Him and those that dwell in it. Then it poses the question of 'Who does go up into the mountain of YHWH?'

The King of Glory

Psa 24:1 The earth belongs to יהוה, And all that fills it – The world and those who dwell in it.

Psa 24:2 For He has founded it upon the seas, And upon the waters He does establish it.

Psa 24:3 Who does go up into the mountain of יהוה? And who does stand in His set-apart place?

Psa 24:4 He who has innocent hands and a clean heart, Who did not bring his life to naught, And did not swear deceptively.

Psa 24:5 He receives a blessing from יהוה, And righteousness from the Elohim of his deliverance.

Psa 24:6 This is the generation of those who seek Him; Ya'aqob, who seek Your face. Selah.

Psa 24:7 Lift up your heads, O you gates! And be lifted up, you everlasting doors! And let the Sovereign of esteem come in.

Psa 24:8 Who is this Sovereign of esteem? יהוה strong and mighty, יהוה mighty in battle.

Psa 24:9 Lift up your heads, O you gates! Even lift up, you everlasting doors! And let the Sovereign of esteem come in.

Psa 24:10 Who is this Sovereign of esteem? יהוה of hosts, He is the Sovereign of esteem! Selah.

Ecclesiastes 2 Vanity of self-indulgence; Vanity of living wisely; Vanity of toil

We live in a very vain society. A society that even coined the phrase ‘selfie’. Satan promotes this mindset, to take our eyes off what is important, YHWH! Satan wants our focus on things of this world. Satan wants society to major on the minor things in life; especially time-consuming tasks whether sports or ‘Fakebook’.

1John 2: **15** Do not love the world nor that which is in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. **16** Because all that is in the world – **the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life – is not of the Father but is of the world.** **17** And the world passes away, and the lust of it, **but the one doing the desire of Elohim remains forever.**

The Vanity of Self-Indulgence

Ecc 2:1 I said in mine heart, Go to now, I will prove thee with mirth, therefore enjoy pleasure: and, behold, this also *is* vanity.

Ecc 2:2 I said of laughter, *It is* mad: and of mirth, What doeth it?

Ecc 2:3 I sought in mine heart to give myself unto wine, yet acquainting mine heart with wisdom; and to lay hold on folly, till I might see what *was* that good for the sons of men, which they should do under the heaven all the days of their life.

Ecc 2:4 I made me great works; I builded me houses; I planted me vineyards:

Ecc 2:5 I made me gardens and orchards, and I planted trees in them of all *kind of* fruits:

Ecc 2:6 I made me pools of water, to water therewith the wood that bringeth forth trees:

Ecc 2:7 I got *me* servants and maidens, and had servants born in my house; also I had great possessions of great and small cattle above all that were in Jerusalem before me:

Ecc 2:8 I gathered me also silver and gold, and the peculiar treasure of kings and of the provinces: I gat me men singers and women singers, and the delights of the sons of men, *as* musical instruments, and that of all sorts.

Ecc 2:9 So I was great, and increased more than all that were before me in Jerusalem: also my wisdom remained with me.

Ecc 2:10 And whatsoever mine eyes desired I kept not from them, I withheld not my heart from any joy; for my heart rejoiced in all my labour: and this was my portion of all my labour.

Ecc 2:11 Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the labour that I had laboured to do: and, behold, all *was* vanity and vexation of spirit, and *there was* no profit under the sun.

The Vanity of Living Wisely

Ecc 2:12 And I turned myself to behold wisdom, and madness, and folly: for what *can* the man *do* that cometh after the king? *even* that which hath been already done.

Ecc 2:13 Then I saw that wisdom excelleth folly, as far as light excelleth darkness.

Ecc 2:14 The wise man's eyes *are* in his head; but the fool walketh in darkness: and I myself perceived also that one event happeneth to them all.

Ecc 2:15 Then said I in my heart, As it happeneth to the fool, so it happeneth even to me; and why was I then more wise? Then I said in my heart, that this also *is* vanity.

Ecc 2:16 For *there is* no remembrance of the wise more than of the fool for ever; seeing that which now *is* in the days to come shall all be forgotten. And how dieth the wise *man?* as the fool.

Ecc 2:17 Therefore I hated life; because the work that is wrought under the sun *is* grievous unto me: for all *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.

The Vanity of Toil

Ecc 2:18 Yea, I hated all my labour which I had taken under the sun: because I should leave it unto the man that shall be after me.

Ecc 2:19 And who knoweth whether he shall be a wise *man* or a fool? yet shall he have rule over all my labour wherein I have laboured, and wherein I have shewed myself wise under the sun. This *is* also vanity.

Ecc 2:20 Therefore I went about to cause my heart to despair of all the labour which I took under the sun.

Ecc 2:21 For there is a man whose labour *is* in wisdom, and in knowledge, and in equity; yet to a man that hath not laboured therein shall he leave it *for* his portion. This also *is* vanity and a great evil.

Ecc 2:22 For what hath man of all his labour, and of the vexation of his heart, wherein he hath laboured under the sun?

Ecc 2:23 For all his days *are* sorrows, and his travail grief; yea, his heart taketh not rest in the night. This is also vanity.

Ecc 2:24 *There is* nothing better for a man, *than* that he should eat and drink, and *that* he should make his soul enjoy good in his labour. This also I saw, that it *was* from the hand of God.

Ecc 2:25 For who can eat, or who else can hasten *hereunto*, more than I?

Ecc 2:26 For *God* giveth to a man that *is* good in his sight wisdom, and knowledge, and joy: but to the sinner he giveth travail, to gather and to heap up, that he may give to *him* *that is* good before God. This also *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.

Matthew 6: [19](#)“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, [20](#)but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. [21](#)“For where your treasure is, there your heart shall be also.

1Tim. 4

Paul warns Timothy that in latter times some shall fall away from belief; giving way to misleading teachings and doctrines of demons; speaking lies in hypocrisy; with their consciences branded. These matters existed in every generation and definitely exists in ours.

The cure for such; is to stay close to Him; and stay in His Word; and be guided by His Ruach HaKodesh! Let Scripture define Scripture, and one will know the truth.

Some Will Depart from the Faith

1Ti 4:1 But the Spirit distinctly says that in latter times some shall fall away from the belief, paying attention to misleading spirits, and teachings of demons,

1Ti 4:2 speaking lies in hypocrisy, having been branded on their own conscience,

1Ti 4:3 forbidding to marry, *saying* to abstain from foods which Elohim created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth.

1Ti 4:4 Because every creature of Elohim is good, and none is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving,

1Ti 4:5 for it is set apart by the [Word of Elohim^a](#) and [prayer^b](#). Footnotes: ^a [Lev 11:1-47](#) and [Deu 14:1-29](#). ^b [1Co 10:31](#).

A Good Servant of Christ Jesus

1Ti 4:6 If you present these *matters* to the brothers, you shall be a good servant of יהושע Messiah, being nourished in the words of belief and of the good teaching which you have followed closely.

1Ti 4:7 But refuse profane and old wives' fables, and exercise yourself rather to reverence.

1Ti 4:8 For bodily exercise is profitable for a little, but reverence is profitable for all, having promise of the present life, and of that which is to come.

1Ti 4:9 Trustworthy is the word, and worthy of all acceptance.

1Ti 4:10 It is for this that we labour and struggle, because we trust in the living Elohim, who is the Saviour of all men, particularly of those who believe.

1Ti 4:11 Command and teach these *matters*.

1Ti 4:12 Let no one look down on your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in behaviour, in love, in spirit, in belief, in cleanliness.

1Ti 4:13 Until I come, give attention to reading *of Scripture*, to encouragement, to teaching.

1Ti 4:14 Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the elderhood.

1Ti 4:15 Practise these *matters*, be in them, so that your progress might be plain to all.

1Ti 4:16 Pay attention to yourself and to the teaching. Continue in them, for in doing this you shall save both yourself and those who hear you.

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