

*Greetings, today our manna is 2Sam. 23; Gal. 3; Ezekiel 30; Psalms 78:38-72*

## *September 27 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective*

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### **2Sam. 23**

#### **The Last Words of David**

**2Sa 23:1** And these are the last words of Dawid, the saying of Dawid son of Yishai, the saying of the man raised above, the anointed of the Elohim of Ya'aqob, and the sweet singer of Yisra'el:

2Sa 23:2 "The Spirit of יהוה has spoken through me, And His word is on my tongue.

2Sa 23:3 "The Elohim of Yisra'el said, The Rock of Yisra'el spoke to me, 'One who rules over man righteously,

2Sa 23:4 "Who rules in the fear of Elohim, Is like the light of the morning when the sun rises, A morning without clouds, Tender grass from the earth From sunshine, from rain.'

2Sa 23:5 "For is not my house so with Ėl? **For He has made an everlasting covenant with me, Ordered in all matters, and guarded. For all my deliverance and all desire, Shall He not make it send forth a Branch?**

2Sa 23:6 "But **the worthless are all as thorns thrust away**, For they are not taken with hands,

2Sa 23:7 "But the man who touches them Uses iron or the shaft of a spear, And with fire they are burned up in *their* place."

#### **David's Mighty Men – David pays tribute and recognition to the acts of his mighty men.**

The men that fought beside him; many of whom 'had his back'; and even those that risked their lives to obtain him water from the well of Bethlehem. YHWH was with them and YHWH prevailed!

These are the men that know that 'freedom isn't free.'

Joh 15:12 "This is My command, that you love one another, as I have loved you.<sup>b</sup> Footnote:

<sup>b</sup>See Joh 13:34 and Joh 15:17.

Joh 15:13 **"No one has greater love than this: that one should lay down his life for his friends.**

2Sa 23:8 **These are the names of the mighty men whom Dawid had:** **Yoshĕb-Basshebeth the Taĥkemonite**, chief among the officers, he was Aġino the Etsnite, for eight hundred slain at one time.

2Sa 23:9 And after him was **El'azar son of Doġo, the Aĥoĥite**, one of the three mighty

men with Dawid when they taunted the Philistines who were gathered there for battle, and the men of Yisra'el had gone up.

2Sa 23:10 He arose and struck the Philistines **until his hand was weary, but his hand clung to the sword**, so יהוה brought about a great deliverance that day. And the people returned after him only to plunder.

2Sa 23:11 And after him was **Shammah son of Aġě the Hararite**. And the Philistines had gathered into a company where there was a plot of ground covered with lentils, and the people fled from the Philistines.

2Sa 23:12 But he took his stand in the middle of the field, and delivered it, and struck the Philistines, and **יהוה wrought a great deliverance**.

2Sa 23:13 And **three of the thirty chief men** went down at harvest time and came to Dawid at the cave of Adullam, while the army of Philistines encamped in the Valley of Repha'im.

2Sa 23:14 And Dawid was then in the stronghold, while a watch-post of the Philistines was then in Běyth Lehem.

2Sa 23:15 And Dawid longed and said, **“Oh that someone would give me a drink of the water from the well of Běyth Lehem, which is by the gate!”**

2Sa 23:16 And **the three mighty men** broke through the camp of the Philistines, and drew water from the well of Běyth Lehem that was by the gate, and took it and brought it to Dawid. **But he would not drink it, but poured it out to יהוה.**

2Sa 23:17 And he said, “Far be it from me, O יהוה, to do this – the blood of the men who went at the risk of their lives!” So he would not drink it. **This is what the three mighty men did.**

2Sa 23:18 And **Abishai the brother of Yo'ab, son of Tseruyah, was chief of another three**. And he lifted his spear against three hundred men whom he slew, and had a name among these three.

2Sa 23:19 Was he not the most esteemed of three? And he **became their commander**, but he did not come to the first three.

2Sa 23:20 And **Benayahu was the son of Yehoyada, son of a brave man from Qabtse'el, great in deeds**. He struck two lion-like men of Mo'ab. And he went down and struck a lion in the midst of a pit on a snowy day.

2Sa 23:21 And he struck a Mitsrian, an impressive man. And the Mitsrian had a spear in his hand, so he went down to him with a staff, wrested the spear out of the Mitsrian's hand, and killed him with his own spear.

2Sa 23:22 **This is what Benayahu son of Yehoyada did**, and had a name among three mighty men.

2Sa 23:23 He was more esteemed than the thirty, but he did not come to the first three. **And Dawid set him over his guard.**

2Sa 23:24 **Asah'el the brother of Yo'ab was one of the thirty; Elihanan son of Dodo of Běyth Lehem,**

2Sa 23:25 **Shammah the Harodite, Eliqa the Harodite,**

2Sa 23:26 **Helets the Paltite, Ira son of Iqqesh the Teqowite,**

2Sa 23:27 **Abi'ezer the Anethothite, Mebunnai the Hushathite,**  
2Sa 23:28 **Tsalmon the Ahothite, Maharai the Netophathite,**  
2Sa 23:29 **Haleb son of Ba'anah the Netophathite, Ittai son of Ribai from Gib'ah of the children of Binyamin,**  
2Sa 23:30 **Benayahu the Pirathonite, Hiddai from the wadis of Ga'ash,**  
2Sa 23:31 **Abi-Albon the Arbathite, Azmaweth the Barhumite,**  
2Sa 23:32 **Elyahba the Sha'albonite of the sons of Yashen, Yehonathan,**  
2Sa 23:33 **Shammah the Hararite, Ahyam son of Sharar the Hararite,**  
2Sa 23:34 **Eliphelet son of Ahasbai, son of the Ma'akathite, Eliyam son of Aithophel the Gilonite,**  
2Sa 23:35 **Hetsrai the Karmelite, Pa'arai the Arbite,**  
2Sa 23:36 **Yig'al son of Nathan of Tsobah, Bani the Gadite,**  
2Sa 23:37 **Tseleq the Ammonite, Naharai the Be'erothite, armour-bearer of Yo'ab son of Tseruyah,**  
2Sa 23:38 **Ira the Yithrite, Garib the Yithrite,**  
2Sa 23:39 **and Uriyah the Hittite – thirty-seven in all.**

**Galatians 3** Galatians 3 is extremely important in understanding the difference between the Book of the Law and the Book of the Covenant; faith verses works of the law; Aaronic Levitical priesthood verses the Melchizedek priesthood; being a nation with a priest verses a kingdom of priests, a set-apart nation; and most importantly connecting us to the promise YHWH gave Abraham! HalleluYah!

### **By Faith, or by Works of the Law?**

**Gal 3:1** O senseless Galatians! Who has put you under a spell, not to obey the truth – before whose eyes **עושה** Messiah was clearly portrayed among you as impaled?

**Gal 3:2** This only I wish to learn from you: Did you receive the Spirit by works of Torah, or by the hearing of belief?

**Gal 3:3** Are you so senseless? **Having begun in the Spirit, do you now end in the flesh?**

**Gal 3:4** Have you suffered so much in vain – if indeed in vain?

**Gal 3:5** Is He, then, who is supplying the Spirit to you and working miracles among you, doing it by works of Torah, or by hearing of belief?

**Gal 3:6** Even so Abraham **“did believe Elohim, and it was reckoned unto him as righteousness.”** [Gen 15:6](#).

**Gal 3:7** **Know, then, that those who are of belief are sons of Abraham.**

**Gal 3:8** And the Scripture, having foreseen that Elohim would declare right the nations **by belief**, announced the Good News to Abraham beforehand, saying, **“All the nations shall be blessed in you,”**<sup>a</sup> [Gen 12:3](#). Footnote: <sup>a</sup>[Gen 18:18](#).

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

It is a serious matter to trample on the blood of Messiah Yahusha; and Paul clearly has very little patience for such foolishness! To have been set free by faith in the finished work of Yahusha HaMashiach; and then turn back to fleshly obedience to the Book of the Law, is an abomination and a grave error.

It is through being born anew by faith in Yahusha and receiving His Comforter, the Ruach HaKodesh, that we become a new creature; we are infused with power from the Most High and we become living stones making up the one new man! His Spirit lives in us, making us the temple of Elohim.

Today, there still exists the false understanding of who are the sons of Abraham:

1. Those that have a blood lineage [which by the way is impossible to determine] and follow the Book of the Law? or
2. Those in covenant by grace through belief [faith] in Yahusha HaMashiach?

Paul clearly states in Galatians 3:8 that the sons of Abraham are those of belief!

### The Righteous Shall Live by Faith

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, to do them.**” Deu 27:26.

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

There is only one way to obtain righteousness; for all of mankind have sinned and fallen short of the glory of YHWH. That one way is having one’s garments washed by the blood of the Lamb; our Savior, Yahusha HaMashiach. He is the Door to the sheep fold. He is the Inspector at the gate. No one with spotted and blemished garments will be allowed to enter. No one can ‘work’ their way into His presence; it is only through grace by faith. Repeat, ONLY by grace through faith that He give us His robe of righteousness and takes our sins and removes them as far as the east is from the west!

Gal 3:12 And the Torah [the Book of the Law] is not of belief, but “**The man who does them shall live by them.**” Lev 18:5.

Gal 3:13 Messiah redeemed us from the curse of the Torah [the Book of the Law], having become a curse for us – for it has been written, “Cursed is everyone who hangs upon a tree.” – Deu 21:23.

Gal 3:14 **in order that the blessing of Abraham** might come upon the nations in Messiah יהושע, to receive the promise of the Spirit through belief.

Paul clearly articulates the finished work of Messiah through the new blood ratified covenant received by faith that connects us to the promise of Abraham! To read these verses and not be able to understand these truths; makes one ponder if that person has ever received Him in the first place. Some only have a ‘head knowledge’ and not a ‘heart knowledge.’ Some are ‘ever learning’ and never come to the knowledge of the truth.

### The Law and the Promise

Gal 3:15 Brothers, as a man I say it: **a covenant, even though it is man’s, yet if it is confirmed, no one sets it aside, or adds to it.**

Gal 3:16 But the promises were spoken to Abraham, and to his Seed. He does not say, “And to seeds,” as of many, but as of one, **“And to your Seed,”**<sup>b</sup> Gen 12:7 **who is Messiah.** Footnote: <sup>b</sup>Also see Gen 17:7, Gen 22:18, Gen 24:7.

Gal 3:17 Now this I say, Torah [Book of the Law], that came four hundred and thirty years later, **does not annul a covenant** previously confirmed by Elohim in Messiah, so as to do away with the promise.

A blood ratified covenant cannot be added to or taken away from. When the Israelites broke their marriage covenant [the Book of the Covenant – Exodus 19 – 24:11]; by sinning with the golden calf, that meant someone would have to die. YHWH chose to spare their lives and place them under the Book of the Law and the Aaronic Levitical Priesthood; **to serve as a tutor and a witness against them** UNTIL Yahusha would come and set all matters straight. Yahusha chose to lay down His life and take it back up again. He paid our sin debt in full. He has proposed to us through the new blood ratified covenant; so that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. A person can either accept or reject his proposal. Once His proposal is accepted, we partake in the covenant confirming meal of bread and wine; in remembrance of His body and blood shed for us. As a recap, a blood ratified covenant has four elements:

1. Proposal
2. Acceptance
3. Blood ratification
4. Covenant confirming meal.

Gal 3:18 For if the inheritance is by Torah [the Book of the Law], **it is no longer by promise, but Elohim gave it to Abraham through a promise.**

Gal 3:19 Why, then, the Torah [the Book of the Law]? It was added because of transgressions, **until the Seed should come** to whom the promise was made. And it

was ordained through messengers in the hand of a mediator.

As stated previously, the Book of the Law was added as a separated scroll or document and placed BESIDE the Ark of the Covenant as a witness against them [Deut. 31:26]. It was to serve as a tutor pointing them to the coming Messiah, the Seed.

**Gal 3:20** The Mediator, however, is not of one, but Elohim is one.

**Gal 3:21** Is the Torah then against the promises of Elohim? Let it not be! For if a torah had been given that was able to make alive, truly righteousness would have been by Torah.

The Book of the Law was not able to make alive! Righteousness can only be achieved by faith through being washed by the blood of the Lamb.

**Gal 3:22** But the Scripture has shut up all *mankind* under sin, **that the promise by belief in יהושע Messiah might be given to those who believe.**

**Gal 3:23** But before belief came, we were being guarded under Torah, having been shut up for the belief being about to be revealed.

**Gal 3:24** Therefore the Torah [Book of the Law] **became our trainer** unto Messiah, in order to be declared right by belief.

The Book of the Law teaches us all a great deal since it was always meant to point to the Messiah. For Yahusha became the sacrificial Lamb and fulfilled all other offerings. The Tabernacle in the wilderness was a type and shadow of how His people will once again tabernacle around His Dwelling place. His kingdom of priests, as the bride, will be positioned even more closely to Him. Hebrews 9:9 tells us that the Aaronic Levitical Tabernacle / Temple system served as a parable:

Heb 9:7 But into the second part the high priest went alone once a year, not without blood, which he offered for himself and for sins of ignorance of the people,<sup>a</sup> Footnote: <sup>a</sup> Num 15:15-28.

Heb 9:8 the Set-apart Spirit signifying this, that the way into the Most Set-apart Place was not yet made manifest while the first Tent has a standing,

**Heb 9:9** **which was a parable** for the present time in which both gifts and slaughters are offered which are unable to perfect the one serving, as to his conscience,

Heb 9:10 only as to foods and drinks, and different washings, and fleshly regulations imposed until a time of setting *matters* straight.

**Gal 3:25** And after belief has come, we are no longer under a trainer.

Did you catch that? Let’s read Galatians 3:25 again. It says, ‘And after belief has come, we are NO LONGER UNDER A TRAINER. The training wheels served their purpose and now we are set free!

Gal 3:26 For you are all sons of Elohim through belief in Messiah יהושע.

Gal 3:27 For as many of you as were immersed into Messiah have put on Messiah.

Gal 3:28 **There is not Yehudi nor Greek, there is not slave nor free, there is not male and female, for you are all one in Messiah יהושע**.

Gal 3:29 **And if you are of Messiah, then you are seed of Abraham, and heirs according to promise.**

**Ezekiel 30** The content of Ezekiel 30 is split between two scrolls. Ezekiel 30:1-19 is the latter part of Scroll 12 and the rest of Ezekiel 30:20-26 encompasses Scroll 6 in its entirety.

EZEKIEL 13 SCROLLS REFERENCE CHART		
Scroll	Text in Chronological Order (Chapter & Verse)	Date Given in Text (M/D/Y) (of King Jehoiachin's captivity)
12	29:17 - 30:19 (Babylon will plunder Egypt)	01/01/27
6	30:20-26 (proclamation against Pharaoh)	01/07/11

### A Lament for Egypt

**Eze 30:1** And the word of יהוה came to me, saying,

Eze 30:2 **“Son of man, prophesy and say, Thus said the Master יהוה,**

- “Howl, ‘Woe to the day!’
- Eze 30:3 “For the day is near, **even the day of יהוה is near**. It is a day of clouds, the time of the nations.
- Eze 30:4 **“The sword shall come upon Mitsrayim**, and great anguish shall be in Kush, when the slain fall in Mitsrayim, and they take away her wealth, and her foundations are broken down.
- Eze 30:5 “Kush, and Put, and Luḡ, all the mixed people, and Kuḅ, and the sons of the land of the covenant, shall fall with them by the sword.”

Eze 30:6 Thus said יהוה,

- ❖ “Those who lean on Mitsrayim shall fall, and the pride of her power shall come down.
- ❖ From Miḡdol to Sewēnēh those within her shall fall by the sword,” declares the

Master יהוה.

- ❖ Eze 30:7 “They shall be ruined amidst the wasted lands, and her cities shall be in the midst of the cities that are dried up.
- ❖ Eze 30:8 “And they shall know that I am יהוה, when I have set a fire in Mitsrayim and all her helpers are crushed.
- ❖ Eze 30:9 “On that day messengers shall go forth before Me in ships to make the complacent Kushites afraid, and great anguish shall come upon them, as on the day of Mitsrayim – for look, it is coming!”

Eze 30:10 Thus said the Master יהוה,

- ✚ “I shall cause the crowd of Mitsrayim to cease, by the hand of Nebūkadretsar sovereign of Babel.
- ✚ Eze 30:11 “He and his people with him, the ruthless ones of the nations, are brought to destroy the land. And they shall draw their swords against Mitsrayim, and shall fill the land with the slain.
- ✚ Eze 30:12 “And I shall make the rivers dry, and I shall sell the land into the hand of evil ones. And I shall lay the land waste, and all that is in it, by the hand of foreigners. I, יהוה, have spoken.”
- ✚ Eze 30:13 Thus said the Master יהוה, “And I shall destroy the idols, and make an end of the images in Noph, and there shall no longer be a prince from the land of Mitsrayim, and I shall put fear in the land of Mitsrayim.
- ✚ Eze 30:14 “And I shall make Pathros a waste, and I shall set fire to Tso'an, and I shall execute judgments in No.
- ✚ Eze 30:15 “And I shall pour out My wrath on Sin, the stronghold of Mitsrayim. And I shall cut off the crowd of No.
- ✚ Eze 30:16 “And I shall set a fire in Mitsrayim, Sin shall writhe in anguish, No is to be split open, and Noph has adversaries daily.
- ✚ Eze 30:17 “The young men of Awen and Pi Beseth shall fall by the sword, while these cities go into captivity.
- ✚ Eze 30:18 “And in Tehaphnehes the day shall be darkened, when I shatter the yokes of Mitsrayim there. And the pride of her strength shall cease in her, a cloud shall cover her. And her daughters shall go into captivity.
- ✚ Eze 30:19 “And I shall execute judgments on Mitsrayim, and they shall know that I am יהוה.” ’ ’

6 | 30:20-26 (proclamation against Pharaoh)

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### Egypt Shall Fall to Babylon

Eze 30:20 And it came to be in the eleventh year, in the first month, on the seventh of the new moon, that the word of יהוה came to me, saying,

- Eze 30:21 “Son of man, I have broken the arm of Pharaoh sovereign of Mitsrayim. And see, it has not been bound up for healing, to put a bandage to bind it, to make it strong to hold a sword.



Eze 30:22 “Therefore thus said the Master יהוה,

- ‘See, I am against Pharaoh sovereign of Mitsrayim, **and shall break his arms, both the strong one and the one that was broken**, and shall make the sword fall out of his hand,
- Eze 30:23 and **shall scatter the Mitsrites** among the nations, and disperse them throughout the lands,
- Eze 30:24 and strengthen the arms of the sovereign of Babel. And I shall put My sword in his hand. And I shall break Pharaoh’s arms, and he shall groan before him with the groanings of the slain before him.
- Eze 30:25 And **I shall strengthen the arms of the sovereign of Babel, but the arms of Pharaoh shall fall**. **And they shall know that I am יהוה**, when I put My sword into the hand of the sovereign of Babel and he shall stretch it out against the land of Mitsrayim.

Eze 30:26 **And I shall scatter the Mitsrites among the nations, and I shall disperse them throughout the lands. And they shall know that I am יהוה.**”

### Psalm 78:38-72

The second half of Psalm 78 is extremely sad. The One that loves us; the One that is lovingly committed to us; is rejected for the lusts and pride of this world. Looking over all He had done for them [and us]; all the mighty miracles; all the promises He kept; and the fact that He dwelt among them by the pillar of cloud and pillar of fire; makes one extremely sad to contemplate His broken heart.

**Psa 78:38** But He, the Compassionate One, Pardoned crookedness, And did not destroy them. And many a time He turned His displeasure away, And did not stir up all His wrath.

**Psa 78:39** For He remembered that they were but flesh, A passing breath that does not return.

**Psa 78:40** How often they rebelled against Him in the wilderness, And grieved Him in the desert!

**Psa 78:41** And again and again they tried Ėl, And provoked the Set-apart One of Yisra’el.

**Psa 78:42** They did not remember His hand, The day when He redeemed them from the adversary,

**Psa 78:43** How He worked His signs in Mitsrayim, And His wonders in the field of Tso’an.

Though all of this is very bad and sad; how much more would we break His heart if we should trample on the blood of His Son Yahusha. We have entered the New Covenant ratified with His own blood! That is His commitment to us! What should our commitment be to Him?

**Heb 10:29** **How much worse punishment** do you think shall he deserve who has trampled the Son of Elohim underfoot, **counted the blood of the covenant by which he was set apart as common, and insulted the Spirit of favour?**

Heb 10:30 For we know Him who has said, **“Vengeance is Mine, I shall repay, says יהוה.”** And again, **“יהוה shall judge His people.”** Deu 32:35-36.

Heb 10:31 **It is fearsome to fall into the hands of the living Elohim.**

**Psa 78:44** He turned their rivers into blood, And they could not drink their streams.

**Psa 78:45** He sent among them swarms of flies which devoured them, And frogs which destroyed them,

**Psa 78:46** And gave their crops to the caterpillar, And their labour to the locust.

**Psa 78:47** He destroyed their vines with hail, And their sycamore trees with frost,

**Psa 78:48** And gave their beasts over to the hail, And their livestock to bolts of fire.

**Psa 78:49** He sent on them the burning of His displeasure, Wrath, and rage, and distress, A deputation of messengers of evils.

**Psa 78:50** He made a path for His displeasure; He did not spare their being from death, But gave their life over to the plague.

**Psa 78:51** And He struck all the first-born in Mitsrayim, The first-fruits of strength in the tents of Ham,

**Psa 78:52** Then made His own people go forth like sheep, And led them in the wilderness like a flock.

**Psa 78:53** And He led them on safely, And they did not fear, But the sea covered their enemies.

**Psa 78:54** And He brought them to the border of His set-apart place, This mountain which His right hand had gained,

**Psa 78:55** And drove out nations before them, And allotted them a measured inheritance, And made the tribes of Yisra’el dwell in their tents.

**Psa 78:56** Yet they tried and rebelled Against the Most High Elohim, And did not guard His witnesses,

**Psa 78:57** But they turned back And acted treacherously like their fathers; They twisted like a treacherous bow.

**Psa 78:58** For they enraged Him with their high places, And moved Him to jealousy with their carved images.

**Psa 78:59** When Elohim heard this, He was wroth, And greatly despised Yisra’el,

**Psa 78:60** And He left the Dwelling Place of Shiloh, The Tent which He had set up among men.

**Psa 78:61** And He gave His strength into captivity, And His comeliness into the hand of

the adversary.

**Psa 78:62** And He gave His people over to the sword, And He was wroth with His inheritance.

**Psa 78:63** His young men were consumed by fire, And His maidens were not praised.

**Psa 78:64** His priests fell by the sword, And their widows could not weep.

**Psa 78:65** Then יהוה <sup>YHWH</sup> awoke as one asleep, As a mighty man who shouts because of wine.

**Psa 78:66** And He struck His adversaries backward, He put them to an everlasting reproach.

**Psa 78:67** Then He rejected the tent of Yosēph, And did not choose the tribe of Ephrayim,

**Psa 78:68** But chose the tribe of Yehudāh, Mount Tsiyon, which He loved.

**Psa 78:69** And He built His set-apart place like the heights, Like the earth He founded it forever.

**Psa 78:70** And He chose Dawiḏ His servant, And took him from the sheepfolds;

**Psa 78:71** He brought him in from tending the ewes, To shepherd Ya'aqob His people, And Yisra'ēl His inheritance.

**Psa 78:72** And he shepherded them According to the integrity of his heart, And led them by the skill of his hands.

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