

*Greetings, today our manna is from Numbers 12 & 13; Psalm 49; Isaiah 2; Hebrews 10.*

## *May 5 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective*

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### **Numbers 12**

The complaining continues but this time it comes from those closest to Moses; his brother and sister! First, the complaint seems to be against the Kushite (Ethiopian) woman Moses took for his wife. There are speculations that this was in reference to Zipporah; while others say this woman was taken after the death of his wife.

Either way, it seems that this was NOT the primary source of their criticism. The primary source appears to have been ‘jealousy and envy.’ These spirits are powerful and destructive. They eat at a person from the inside out. They fester; they stew; they scheme; they conspire.

#### **Miriam and Aaron Oppose Moses**

**Num 12:1** Now Miryam and Aharon spoke against Mosheh because of the Kushite woman whom he had taken, for he had taken a Kushite woman.

So here the primary source of ‘jealousy and envy’ is verbalized:

**Num 12:2** And they said, “Has יהוה spoken only through Mosheh? Has He not also spoken through us?” And יהוה heard it.

**Num 12:3** And the man Mosheh was very humble, more than all men who were on the face of the earth.

**Num 12:4** And suddenly יהוה said to Mosheh, and Aharon, and Miryam, “You three, come out to the Tent of Appointment!” So the three came out.

**Num 12:5** And יהוה came down in the column of cloud and stood in the door of the Tent, and called Aharon and Miryam. And they both went forward.

At this point, Moses had greatly matured, and it is stated in Scripture that he was the humblest man on all the earth. It is also interesting to recall that Moses was the youngest of the three siblings. In addition, we recall how Aaron had once been included as Moses’ mouthpiece and how closely that had once walked together before the sin of the golden calf.

We recall in Psalm 37:

1 Do not fret because of evil-doers, Do not be envious of the workers of unrighteousness. 2 For they soon wither like grass, And fade like green plants. 3 Trust in יהוה, and do good; Dwell in the earth, and feed on steadfastness. 4 And delight yourself in יהוה, And let Him give you the desires of your heart. 5 Commit your way to יהוה, And trust in Him, **and He does it.** 6 And He shall bring forth your righteousness as the light, And your right-ruling as midday.

It was only through Moses, being set-apart, and far away from the debauchery of the sin of the golden calf; that **he could intercede to YHWH to spare the lives of the people and not ‘wipe them out!’** This would have been inclusive of Aaron and Miriam.

Remember the old cliché: No good deed goes unpunished; but do them anyway.

Moses, the called one of YHWH, had remained faithful and continued as a ‘preacher of righteousness’ under the order of Melchizedek. It was Moses that had found favor in the eyes of YHWH. It was Moses that YHWH instructed to perform the priestly washings, ordination and consecration ceremonies needed to establish Aaron and his sons as priests under the Aaronic Levitical Priesthood. It was only by these measures that finally, once again, YHWH would speak to Aaron within the parameters of the Tabernacle system.

With all that said, YHWH had heard the words of Aaron and Miriam and he calls an immediate meeting with Moses, Aaron and Miriam at the Tent of Appointment. Aaron and Miriam will most definitely be ‘spoken to’ by YHWH! YHWH appears in a pillar of cloud and calls forth Aaron and Miriam. Then He says:

**Num 12:6** And He said, “**Hear now My words:** If your prophet is of יהוה, I make Myself known to him in a vision, and I speak to him in a dream.

**Num 12:7** “Not so with My servant Mosheh, he is trustworthy in all My house.

**Num 12:8** “**I speak with him mouth to mouth, and plainly, and not in riddles. And he sees the form of יהוה.** So why were you not afraid to speak against My servant Mosheh?”

**Num 12:9** And **the displeasure of יהוה burned against them**, and He left.

**Num 12:10** And the cloud turned away from above the Tent, and look: **Miryam was leprous, as white as snow! And Aharon turned toward Miryam, and look: a leper!**

This leprosy, this three-dimensional ‘manifestation of sin’ on Miriam, spoke a ‘thousand words!’ It quickly excised the spiritual wickedness of envy and jealousy and was replaced with humbleness. Now, we see whole different Aaron and Miriam.

Aaron’s words and demeanor toward Moses are much different as we read:

**Num 12:11** And Aharon said to Mosheh, “Oh, my master! Please do not hold against us the sin in which we have done foolishly and in which we have sinned.

**Num 12:12** “Please do not let her be as one dead when coming out of his mother's womb, with his flesh half consumed!”

**Num 12:13** And Mosheh cried out to יהוה, saying, “O Ėl, please heal her, please!”

**Num 12:14** And יהוה said to Mosheh, “If her father had but spit in her face, would she not be ashamed seven days? Let her be shut out of the camp seven days, and after that let her be readmitted.”

**Num 12:15** And Miryam was shut out of the camp seven days, and the people did not set out until Miryam was readmitted.

**Num 12:16** And afterward the people departed from H̄atsĕroth, and they camped in the Wilderness of Paran.

YHWH hears the prayers of Moses. YHWH does heal Miriam but not immediately. Sin stops progression, as we see Miriam sent outside the camp for seven days. Everything came to halt until these seven days had passed before moving from Haseroth and camping in the Wilderness of Paran. This gave everyone time to ‘take pause’ and contemplate their actions, words, and deeds toward YHWH’s called servant.

**Numbers 13** YHWH instructs Moses to send spies into Canaan

### Spies Sent into Canaan

**Num 13:1** And יהוה spoke to Mosheh, saying,

**Num 13:2** “Send men to spy out the land of Kena’an, which I am giving to the children of Yisra’ĕl. Send one man from each tribe of their fathers, every one a leader among them.”

And so, it was:

**Num 13:3** And by the mouth of יהוה Mosheh sent them from the Wilderness of Paran, all of them men who were heads of the children of Yisra’ĕl.

**Num 13:4** And these were their names. **From the tribe of Re’uḅĕn**: Shammua, son of Zakkur.

**Num 13:5** **From the tribe of Shim’on**: Shaphat, son of H̄ori.

Num 13:6 **From the tribe of Yehudah: Kalēb, son of Yephunneh.**

Num 13:7 **From the tribe of Yissasḵar: Yiḡ'al, son of Yosēph.**

Num 13:8 **From the tribe of Ephrayim: Hoshēa, son of Nun.**

Num 13:9 **From the tribe of Binyamin: Palti, son of Raphu.**

Num 13:10 **From the tribe of Zebulun: Gaddi'ēl, son of Sodī.**

Num 13:11 **From the tribe of Yosēph, from the tribe of Menashsheh: Gaddi, son of Susi.**

Num 13:12 **From the tribe of Dan: Ammi'ēl, son of Gemalli.**

Num 13:13 **From the tribe of Ashēr: Shēthur, son of Miḳa'ēl.**

Num 13:14 **From the tribe of Naphtali: Naḥbi, son of Wophsi.**

Num 13:15 **From the tribe of Gaḏ: Geu'ēl, son of Maḳi.**

Num 13:16 These are the names of the men whom Mosheh sent to spy out the land. And Mosheh called Hoshēa the son of Nun, Yehoshua. [Joshua as we see one of the sent ones in Num. 13:8]

Num 13:17 And Mosheh sent them to spy out the land of Kena'an, and said to them, "Go up here into the South, and go up to the mountains,

Num 13:18 and see what the land is like, and the people who dwell in it, whether strong or weak, whether few or many,

Num 13:19 and whether the land they dwell in is good or evil, whether the cities they inhabit are in camps or strongholds,

Num 13:20 and whether the land is rich or poor, and whether there are forests there or not. And you shall be strong, and bring some of the fruit of the land." Now the time was the season of the first-fruits of grapes.

Num 13:21 So they went up and spied out the land from the Wilderness of Tsin as far as Reḥob, near the entrance of Ḥamath.

Num 13:22 And they went up through the South and came to Hebron. And Aḥiman, Shēshai, and Talmai, the descendants of Anaq, were there. Now Hebron had been built seven years before Tso'an in Mitsrayim.

Num 13:23 And they came to the wadi Eshkol, and cut down from there a branch with one cluster of grapes. And they bore it between two of them on a pole, also of the pomegranates and of the figs.

Num 13:24 That place was called the wadi Eshkol, because of the cluster which the men of Yisra'ēl cut down from there.

### Report of the Spies

Num 13:25 And they returned from spying out the land after forty days.

Num 13:26 And they went and came to Mosheh and Aharon and all the congregation of the children of Yisra'ēl in the Wilderness of Paran, at Qaḏēsh. And they brought back word to them and to all the congregation, and showed them the fruit of the land.

Num 13:27 And they reported to him, and said, "We went to the land where you sent us. And truly, it flows with milk and honey, and this is its fruit.

Num 13:28 "But the people who dwell in the land are strong, and the cities are walled,

very great. And we saw the descendants of Anaq there too.

**Num 13:29** “The Amalēqites dwell in the land of the South, while the Hittites and the Yebusites and the Amorites dwell in the mountains. And the Kena’anites dwell by the sea and along the banks of the Yardēn.”

Their assignment:

1. Go up here into the South, and
2. Go up to the mountains,
3. See what the land is like, good or evil; and are the cities in camps or strongholds
4. Is the land rich or poor; are there forests or not
5. The people who dwell in it are like, whether strong; weak; few; or many
6. Be strong; bring some the fruit of the land back [It was the season of the first-fruits of grapes.]

The territory covered:

1. The Wilderness of Zin as far as Reḥoḇ, near the entrance of Ḥamath
2. Went up through the South and came to Ḥeḇron
  - a. And Aḥiman, Shēshai, and Talmi, **the descendants of Anaq, were there**. Now Ḥeḇron had been built seven years before Tso’an in Mitsrayim.
3. To the wadi Eshkol, meaning ‘cluster’
  - a. Where they cut down from there a branch with one cluster of grapes. And they bore it between two of them on a pole, also of the pomegranates and of the figs.

They **return after 40 days** with their report:

Persons giving a report reflect their own perception and their level of their faith.

1. The land truly flowed with milk and honey, and the fruit they brought back verified that fact.
2. The people who dwell in the land are strong; and the descendants of Anaq ‘neck’ were there too.
  - a. [Note: The word "Anakim" refer to the people of Anak and to "people with long neck" and giants. The word "Anak" in Arabic means "Neck" or tall people with long neck. (a)]
3. The cities were great and walled.
4. Amalēqites dwell in the land of the South
5. Hittites and the Yebusites and the Amorites dwell in the mountains.
6. Kena’anites dwell by the sea and along the banks of the Yardēn.”
  - a. **Some additional notes for further research and vetting:**

**Giants, Valley of the**

From the earliest times, a three-mile-long vale that begins at the top of the valley of Hinnom and stretches south along the road to Bethlehem was known as the "Valley of the Rephaim," or "Valley of the Giants." Today it is called the Baqa'. (See Israel's Wars with the Giants)

**Gibborim, House of** (See Israel's Wars with the Giants)

**Gibeonites**

The Gibeonites, who tricked Israel into signing a treaty with them at the time of the conquest (Joshua = (Josue) 9:3-27), are classified mainly as Amorites = (Amorrhites) and Hivites = (Hevites), but, according to the Septuagint, they are identified also with the giant Horim, who had formerly lived in Edom. (See Israel's Wars with the Giants) **Goliath** (See David vs Goliath) (a) [https://www.earlychurchofjesus.org/newtest/arabian\\_giants.htm](https://www.earlychurchofjesus.org/newtest/arabian_giants.htm)

The Good Report:

**Num 13:30** And **Kalēb** silenced the people before Mosheh, and said, **“Let us go up at once and take possession, for we are certainly able to overcome it.”**

The Evil Report:

**Num 13:31** But the men who had gone up with him said, **“We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we.”**

**Num 13:32** And they gave the children of Yisra’ēl an evil report of the land which they had spied out, saying, “The land through which we have gone as spies is a land eating up its inhabitants, and **all the people whom we saw in it are men of great size.**

**Num 13:33** “And we saw there the Nephilim, sons of Anaq, of the Nephilim. And **we were like grasshoppers in our own eyes, and so we were in their eyes.”**

**Psalm 49** The love of money, power, control, and prestige...

**Why Should I Fear in Times of Trouble?**

**Psa 49:1** Hear this, all you peoples; Give ear, all you inhabitants of the world,

**Psa 49:2** Both sons of mankind and sons of man, Rich and poor together.

**Psa 49:3** My mouth speaks wisdom, And the meditation of my heart brings understanding.

**Psa 49:4** I incline my ear to a parable; I expound my riddle on the lyre.

**Psa 49:5** Why should I fear in the days of evil, When the crookedness of my supplanters surrounds me?

**Psa 49:6** **Those who are trusting in their riches And who are boasting in their great wealth?**

Psa 49:7 A brother does not redeem anyone at all, Neither give to Elohim a ransom for him;

Psa 49:8 For the redemption of their lives is costly, And it shall cease forever;

Psa 49:9 That he should still live forever, *And* not see the pit.

Psa 49:10 For he sees wise men die, The foolish and the ignorant both perish, And shall leave their wealth to others.

Psa 49:11 Their *inner thoughts*<sup>a</sup> are their houses, forever; Their dwelling places, to all generations; They call *their* lands after their own names. *Footnote: <sup>a</sup>Inner thoughts: some manuscripts have it as graves.*

Psa 49:12 But man does not remain in esteem, He is like the beasts that perish.

Psa 49:13 This way of theirs is folly to them, Yet their followers are pleased with their words. Selah.

Psa 49:14 Like sheep they shall be laid in She'ol; Death shall shepherd them; And the upright rule over them in the morning; And their form is consumed in She'ol, Far from their dwelling.

Psa 49:15 **But Elohim does redeem my being From the power of She'ol, For He does receive me. Selah.**

Psa 49:16 Do not be afraid when a man becomes rich, When the wealth of his house increases;

Psa 49:17 For when he dies he takes none of it; His wealth does not go down after him.

Psa 49:18 Though while he lived he blessed himself, And though they praise you when you do well for yourself,

Psa 49:19 He has to go to the generation of his fathers; They never see the light.

Psa 49:20 Man, who is rich, Yet does not understand, Shall be like the beasts, They shall perish.

## Isaiah 2

Isaiah writes of what he 'saw' concerning Judah and Jerusalem. **These are prophetic words for us as well that are living in the latter days yet to be fulfilled:**

### The Mountain of YHWH

Isa 2:1 The word that Yeshayahu the son of Amots saw concerning Yehudah and Yerushalayim:

Isa 2:2 And **it shall be in the latter days** that **the mountain of the House of יהוה is established** on the top of the mountains, and **shall be exalted above the hills.** And all nations shall flow to it.

Isa 2:3 And many peoples shall come and say, **“Come, and let us go up to the mountain of יהוה, to the House of the Elohim of Ya'aqob, and let Him teach us His ways, and let us walk in His paths, for out of Tsiyon comes forth the Torah, and the Word of יהוה from Yerushalayim.”**

**Isa 2:4** And He shall judge between the nations, and shall reprove many peoples. And they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither teach battle any more.

**Isa 2:5** **O house of Ya'aqob, come and let us walk in the light of יהוה.**

Isaiah prophesies a 'day of reckoning coming':

### The Day of YHWH

**Isa 2:6** For You have forsaken Your people, the house of Ya'aqob, because they have been filled from the East, and practice magic like the Philistines, and they are pleased with the children of foreigners.

**Isa 2:7** And their land is filled with silver and gold, and there is no end to their treasures. And their land is filled with horses, and there is no end to their chariots.

**Isa 2:8** And their land is filled with idols; they bow themselves to the work of their own hands, to what their own fingers have made.

**Isa 2:9** And the lowly bows down, and the high is humbled; therefore You do not forgive them.

**Isa 2:10** Enter into the rock, and hide in the dust, because of the fear of יהוה and the splendor of His excellency.

**Isa 2:11** The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, the pride of men shall be bowed down, and יהוה alone shall be exalted in that day.

**Isa 2:12** For יהוה of hosts has a day against all that is proud and lofty, against all that is lifted up, so that it is brought low;

**Isa 2:13** and against all the cedars of Lebanon that are high and lifted up, and against all the oaks of Bashan;

**Isa 2:14** and against all the high mountains, and against all the hills that are lifted up;

**Isa 2:15** and against every lofty tower, and against every strong wall;

**Isa 2:16** and against all the ships of Tarshish, and against all the desirable craft.

**Isa 2:17** And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the pride of men shall be brought low. And יהוה alone shall be exalted in that day,

**Isa 2:18** and the idols completely pass away.

**Isa 2:19** And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, from dread of יהוה and the splendour of His excellency, when He arises to shake the earth mightily.

**Isa 2:20** In that day man shall throw away his idols of silver and his idols of gold, which they made, each for himself to worship, to the moles and bats,

**Isa 2:21** to go into the clefts of the rocks, and into the crags of the rugged rocks, because of the fear of יהוה and the splendor of His excellency, when He arises to shake the earth mightily.

**Isa 2:22** Cease from man, whose breath is in his nostrils, for in what is he to be reckoned upon?

As then; is now. Many of the people do not heed YHWH's words:

Lev 18:3 **Do not do as they do in the land of Mitsrayim, where you dwelt. And do not do as they do in the land of Kena'an, where I am bringing you, and do not walk in their laws.**

Lev 18:4 **Do My right-rulings and guard My laws,** to walk in them. I am יהוה your Elohim.

## Hebrews 10

The Aaronic Levitical Priesthood implementing the Book of the Law, along with the Tabernacle/Temple system, served a parable (Heb. 9:9) or a tutor. They were to learn that the 'earthly' processes of annual sacrifices on Yom Kippur could only 'cover' their sins from year to year but were never able to fully atone and remove their sins as far as the east is from the west.

This intermediary priestly system, YHWH's permissive will not His perfect will, was implemented, **UNTIL Yahusha**, the Tent (His Body), made without hands would come and shed His precious blood once and for all. Yahusha is The Melchizedek from the tribe of Judah and has elevated the Melchizedek priesthood back to its reigning position.

This was the understanding and meaning to the parable behind the Aaronic Levitical Priesthood and Tabernacle/Temple system; that many, even to this day, sadly do not understand nor see. All of the processes pointed to the coming Messiah. Yahusha is our High Priest of the Melchizedek order and those that have entered the New Covenant ratified by His blood; are made into His kingdom of priests of every tongue, tribe, people, and nation.

### Yahusha's Sacrifice Once for All

**Heb 10:1** For the **Torah [Book of the Law]**, having a shadow of the good *matters* to come, and not the image itself of the matters, was never able to make perfect those who draw near with the same slaughter *offerings* which they offer continually year by year.

Heb 10:2 Otherwise, would they not have ceased to be offered? Because those who served, once cleansed, would have had no more consciousness of sins.

Heb 10:3 But in those offerings is a reminder of sins year by year.

Heb 10:4 For it is impossible for blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.

Heb 10:5 Therefore, coming into the world, He says, **“Slaughtering and meal offering You did not desire, but a body You have prepared for Me.**

Heb 10:6 **“In ascending offerings and offerings for sin You did not delight.**

Heb 10:7 **“Then I said, ‘See, I come – in the roll of the book it has been written**

concerning Me – to do Your desire, O Elohim.’ ” [Psa 40:6-8](#).

Heb 10:8 Saying above, “Slaughter and meal offering, and ascending offerings, and *offerings* for sin You did not desire, nor delighted in,” [Psa 40:6](#) which are offered according to the Torah,

Heb 10:9 then He said, “See, I come to do Your desire, O Elohim.” [Psa 40:8](#) **He takes away the first to establish the second.**

Heb 10:10 **By that desire we have been set apart through the offering of the body of יהושע Messiah once for all.**

Heb 10:11 And indeed every priest stands day by day doing service, and repeatedly offering the same slaughter *offerings* which are never able to take away sins.

Heb 10:12 But He, having offered **one slaughter offering for sins for all time**, sat down at the right hand of Elohim,

Heb 10:13 waiting from that time onward until His enemies are made a footstool for His feet. [Psa 110:1](#).

Heb 10:14 **For by one offering He has perfected for all time those who are being set apart.**

Heb 10:15 And the Set-apart Spirit also witnesses to us, for after having said before,

Heb 10:16 “This is the covenant that I shall make with them after those days, says יהוה, giving My laws into their hearts, and in their minds I shall write them,”<sup>a</sup> [Jer 31:33](#). Footnote: <sup>a</sup>See also [Heb 8:8-12](#).

Heb 10:17 and, “Their sins and their lawlessnesses I shall remember no more.” [Jer 31:34](#).

Heb 10:18 Now where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer a slaughter *offering* for sin.

Now, we as His kingdom of priests are to do our Melchizedek priestly duties. We offer up praise, tithes, thanksgiving, and intercessory prayers. We have ‘died’ to our self-desires and we ‘live’ for Him.

Heb 10:19 So, brothers, **having boldness to enter into the Set-apart Place by the blood of יהושע**,

Heb 10:20 **by a new and living way which He instituted for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh,**

Heb 10:21 and having a High Priest over the House of Elohim,

Heb 10:22 let us draw near with **a true heart** in completeness of belief, having **our hearts sprinkled from a wicked conscience and our bodies washed with clean water**.<sup>b</sup> Footnote: <sup>b</sup> [Eze 36:25](#).

Heb 10:23 Let us hold fast the confession of our expectation without yielding, for He who promised is trustworthy.

Heb 10:24 And **let us be concerned for one another in order to stir up love and**

**good works**,<sup>c</sup> Footnote <sup>c</sup> [Mat 16:27](#).

Heb 10:25 not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging, and so much more as you see the day coming near.

Heb 10:26 For if we **sin purposely** after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a slaughter *offering* for sins,<sup>d</sup> Footnote: <sup>d</sup>See also [Heb 6:6](#). **This type of sinning is in contrast with sinning ignorantly** – [Heb 9:7](#), [Num 15:15-28](#).

Heb 10:27 but some fearsome anticipation of judgment, and **a fierce fire which is about to consume the opponents.** [Isa 26:11](#).

Yahusha said:

**Mat 18:20** “For where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there I am in their midst.”

Heb 10:28 Anyone who has disregarded the Torah of Mosheh [[Law of Moses](#)] dies without compassion on the witness of two or three witnesses.

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.

Yahusha laid down His life **once and for all!** We have been washed by His precious blood. Anyone desiring to go back to animal sacrifices for covering sins; would be trampling on the blood of Yahusha’s covenant as common. Yahusha removed our sins as far as the east is from the west.

Heb 10:32 But remember the former days, when, after you were enlightened, you endured a great struggle with sufferings.

Heb 10:33 On the one hand you were exposed to reproaches and pressures, and on the other hand you became sharers with those who were so treated,

Heb 10:34 for you sympathized with me in my chains, and you accepted with joy the seizure of your possessions, knowing that you have a better and a lasting possession for yourselves in the heavens.

Heb 10:35 Do not, then, lose your boldness, which has great reward.

Heb 10:36 For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the desire of Elohim, you receive the promise:

Heb 10:37 “**For yet a little while – He who is coming shall come and shall not delay.**”

Heb 10:38 **“But the righteous shall live by belief, but if anyone draws back, my being has no pleasure in him.”** [Hab 2:3-4](#).

Heb 10:39 **But we are not of those who draw back to destruction, but of belief to the preservation of life.**

*Shalom ~ Libby*

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