

Greetings, today our manna is 1Sam. 18 Romans 16; Lamentations 3; Psalms 34.

August 26 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective

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1Sam. 18

David and Jonathan's Friendship

1Sa 18:1 And it came to be, when he had ended speaking to Sha'ul, that the being of Yehonathan was knit to the being of Dawid, and Yehonathan loved him as his own being.

David and Saul's son, Jonathan, were alike in several ways. They both had a passionate zealous faith in YHWH; they were both defenders and warriors; therefore, it appears their souls were divinely knit together; and Johnathan loved him as his own soul.

In life, YHWH at times couples two beings to make a dynamite duo. We see this in several examples such as, but not limited to, Paul and Timothy; Ruth and Naomi; Esther and Mordecai (her adopted father); and in marriages sometimes referred to as 'power couples' like Priscilla and Aquilla.

Another great example is when a believer's soul is knit to YHWH making an ultimate 'power couple.' In Him, all things are possible. He is made strongest when we are weakest in our lives. [Paraphrased 2Cor. 12:9]

Pro 18:24 A man of *many* friends might come to ruin, But **there is a Loving One Who** sticks closer than a brother!

The 'divine' synergy between two beings brought together by YHWH can accomplish great feats. These individuals may be brought into your life for a lifetime or for a season, but the accomplishments and effects live on.

1Sa 18:2 And Sha'ul took him that day, and would not let him return to his father's house any more.

1Sa 18:3 **And Yehonathan and Dawid made a covenant, because he loved him as his own being.**

1Sa 18:4 And Yehonathan took off the robe that was on him and gave it to Dawid, and his garments, even to his sword and his bow and his girdle.

We continue to see YHWH divinely ‘position’ David; and provide him faithful associations such as through Jonathan. We see that Saul brings him into his royal household; and does not let him return to his father’s house anymore.

We see Jonathan and David make a covenant. Jonathan, the king’s son, gives David his robe, his garment, his sword, his bow, and his girdle. Jonathan is submitting to David’s divine authority given him by YHWH. Jonathan recognizes David’s greatness.

1Sa 18:5 And Dawid went out wherever Sha’ul sent him. He acted wisely, and Sha’ul set him over the men of battle, and it was right in the eyes of all the people and also in the eyes of Sha’ul’s servants.

David acts wisely and is shown favor in the eyes of the people and Saul’s servants.

Saul’s Jealousy of David

1Sa 18:6 And it came to be, as they came in, as Dawid was returning from striking the Philistine, that the women came out from all the cities of Yisra’el, singing and dancing, to meet Sha’ul the sovereign with tambourines, with joy, and with musical instruments.

1Sa 18:7 And the women sang as they danced, and said,

“Sha’ul struck his thousands, and Dawid his ten thousands.”

Envy and jealousy arise in Saul, as well as the tormenting evil spirit. Saul had already been informed by Samuel that his kingly reign would be taken from him; he knew it was just a matter of ‘time’ and ‘selection of another.’ Saul is seeing his power and kingdom authority grow weaker and David’s favor grow stronger.

However, David continues to act wisely and with respect before King Saul, even when Saul attempts several times to take his life.

1Sa 18:8 **And Sha’ul was very wrath, and this matter was evil in his eyes, and he said, “To Dawid they have given ten thousands, and to me they have given thousands. So what more for him, except the reign?”**

1Sa 18:9 **And from that day on Sha’ul eyed Dawid.**

1Sa 18:10 **And it came to be on the next day that an evil spirit from Elohim came upon Sha’ul, and he prophesied inside the house, while Dawid was playing the lyre with his hand, as usual. And the spear was in the hand of Sha’ul.**

1Sa 18:11 Then Sha'ul hurled the spear, for he said, "Let me strike Dawid, even to the wall." But twice Dawid withdrew from his presence.

1Sa 18:12 **And Sha'ul was afraid of Dawid, because יהוה was with him, but from Sha'ul He had turned away.**

1Sa 18:13 **Sha'ul therefore removed him from his presence, and made him his commander over a thousand. And he went out and came in before the people.**

1Sa 18:14 And **Dawid was acting wisely in all his ways, and יהוה was with him.**

1Sa 18:15 And Sha'ul saw that he was acting very wisely, and was afraid of him.

1Sa 18:16 **But all Yisra'el and Yehudah loved Dawid, as he went out and came in before them.**

David Marries Michal

1Sa 18:17 And Sha'ul said to Dawid, "See my older daughter Mērab! I give her to you as a wife. **Only be brave for me, and fight the battles of יהוה.**" For Sha'ul thought, "Let not my hand be against him, but let the hand of the Philistines be against him."

David humbly replies.

1Sa 18:18 And Dawid said to Sha'ul, "Who am I, and what is my life or my father's clan in Yisra'el, that I should be son-in-law to the sovereign?"

1Sa 18:19 **And it came to be at the time when Mērab, Sha'ul's daughter, should have been given to Dawid, that she was given to Adri'el the Meholathite as a wife.**

1Sa 18:20 And **Miḳal, Sha'ul's daughter, loved Dawid. And they told Sha'ul, and the matter was right in his eyes.**

Saul was no longer an advocate of David; Saul had become his foe. He wished no good for David. However, Saul's evil desires against David are null and void by YHWH's favor upon him. The messenger of YHWH encamps around David!

1Sa 18:21 And Sha'ul said, "**Let me give her to him and let her be a snare to him, and the hand of the Philistines be against him.**" So Sha'ul said to Dawid a second time, "Become my son-in-law today."

1Sa 18:22 And Sha'ul commanded his servants, "Speak to Dawid gently, and say, 'See, the sovereign has delighted in you, and all his servants have loved you. And now, be the sovereign's son-in-law!'"

Again, David responds respectfully knowing his humble and poor beginnings.

1Sa 18:23 And the servants of Sha'ul spoke those words in the hearing of Dawid. And Dawid said, "**Does it seem to you a small matter to be a sovereign's son-in-law, seeing I am a poor man, and lightly esteemed?**"

1Sa 18:24 And the servants of Sha'ul told him, saying, "Dawid has spoken according to these words."

1Sa 18:25 And Sha'ul said, "Say to Dawid, 'The sovereign has no delight in any payment for the bride **but one hundred foreskins of the Philistines**, to take vengeance on the sovereign's enemies.' " **But Sha'ul intended to have Dawid fall by the hand of the Philistines.**

We see Saul again trying to set up David for defeat; but David and YHWH prove to be an undefeatable 'power couple.'

1Sa 18:26 And his servants declared these words to Dawid, and it pleased Dawid well to become the sovereign's son-in-law. And the days had not expired,

1Sa 18:27 and Dawid arose and went, he and his men, and struck two hundred men of the Philistines. And Dawid brought their foreskins, and they set them before the sovereign, to become the sovereign's son-in-law. And Sha'ul gave him Mikal his daughter as a wife.

David's victorious ability to not only bring back 100 but 200 foreskins; made Saul even more aware that YHWH was with David. Saul follows through with giving his daughter Mikal to David; knowing she truly did love David.

This did not change the fact the Saul still feared David even more; and became an enemy to David all of David's life. David would continue to grow stronger as Saul would grow weaker.

1Sa 18:28 And Sha'ul saw and knew that יהוה was with Dawid, and Mikal daughter of Sha'ul did love him.

1Sa 18:29 **So then Sha'ul was still more afraid of Dawid. And Sha'ul came to be an enemy of Dawid all the days.**

1Sa 18:30 And the princes of the Philistines went out to *fight*. And it came to be, whenever they went out, that Dawid acted more wisely than all the servants of Sha'ul, so that his name came to be very precious.

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"You come to me with a sword, a spear, and a javelin; but I come to you in the name of Yahweh of Armies, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied." (1 Samuel 17:45)

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Romans 16 Teaching Commentary on Romans 16 by Matthew Nolan

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What is a woman's role in the church? Many teach that the Scriptures endorse a silent and subservient while the men lead. As the letter to the Romans closes, Shaul/Paul's final greetings reveal a marvelous hermeneutic truth: leadership in the home and in the congregation is appointed by Yahuwah and His anointing does not recognize gender preference.

Personal Greetings

Rom 16:1 And I commend to you Phoebe our sister, who is a servant of the assembly in Kenhrea,

Phoebe a *diakonos*. [Bible Hub defines *diakonos* as 'a servant, minister.].

Rom 16:2 that you receive her in יהוה, worthy of the set-apart ones, and assist her in whatever matter she has need of you. For she has been a great help to many, including me.

She was more like a trusted emissary or ambassador.

She was likely a scattered Israelite/gentile because her name's associated with Phoebus; from the mythology of Apollos.

Phoebe a deacon of the assembly at Cenchrea, one of the two seaports of Corinth.

Deacon *not* deaconess, *diakonos* is masculine *not* feminine form.

Rom 16:3 Greet Priscilla and Aquilas, my fellow workers in Messiah יהושע,

Rom 16:4 who risked their own necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks, but also all the assemblies of the nations,

Priscilla and Aquilla would have been among those Jews that were expelled from Rome under the Edict of Claudius and worked with Paul in Corinth and Ephesus:

Acts 18:1 After these things, Paul left Athens and went to Corinth.

There he found a Jewish man named Aquila—a native of Pontus having recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had commanded all Jewish people to leave Rome.

A learned Alexandrian Jew [Apollos] who had the revelation of the Melchizedik transference from John to Yahusha but was less familiar with other subjects was instructed by Priscilla and Aquilla!

Acts 18:24 Now a Jewish man named Apollos, a native of Alexandria, came to Ephesus. He was a learned man, well versed in the Scriptures. **25** He had been instructed in the way of the Lord. With a fervent spirit, he was speaking and teaching accurately the facts about Yeshua—while only being acquainted with the immersion of John. **26** This man began speaking out boldly in the synagogue. But when Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they took him aside and explained the way of God more accurately. **27** When Apollos wanted to cross over to Achaia, the brothers encouraged him and wrote to the disciples to welcome him. Upon arrival, he greatly helped those who by grace had believed. **28** For he powerfully refuted the Jewish people in public, demonstrating through the Scriptures that the Messiah was Yeshua.

Priscilla is mentioned before her husband Aquila most probably due to her being converted before him, maybe even leading him to faith.

The RTNE has v.4: *'but also all the congregations of the Yisraelite nations.'*

Other translations have; *'the churches of the gentiles.'*

Some will try and use this verse to separate Jewish and gentile congregations; like there's a separate gentile church, void of Jews, void of anything Jewish like the Shabbat, Feasts and dietary commandments, but that takes the text out of the context of Yahusha's call to regather Israel and Paul's implementation of it!

The point being, that non-Jewish believers get to be part of the same community as Jewish believers!

Rom 16:5 and the assembly that is in their house. Greet my beloved Epainetos, who is the first-fruits of Achaia to Messiah.

Rom 16:6 Greet Miryam, who worked very hard for us.

Rom 16:7 Greet Andronikos and Junias [Junia – KJV], my relatives and my fellow prisoners, who are eminent among the emissaries, who also were in Messiah before me.

Junia/lounia a woman not Junias a man!

Romans 16:7 *Greet Andronikos and Junia/lounias, my relatives, and my fellow prisoners, who are of note among the shlichim, who also were in Moshiach before me.*

Old time scholars considered this figure to be Junias; a male! **Today, almost all are in agreement with Junia; a female.**

Outstanding among the apostles, i.e. she was an apostle. Andronikos was also a woman.

Junias didn't exist before medieval times.

Luke 8:3 Joanna/lōanna, the wife of Kuza, Herod's finance minister; Susanna; and many others—were supporting them out of their own resources.

lōanna/Joanna could very likely be Iouanias/Junia of Rom 16:7, early Jews who were out having contact within the dispersion – the Hellenized world; often took on Latin names that sounded like their Jewish ones.

Rom 16:8 Greet Amplias, my beloved in יהוה.

Rom 16:9 Greet Urbanus, our fellow worker in Messiah, and Stachus, my beloved.

Amplias is actually Latin: Ampliatus, a common slave name. Urbanos and Stachus are also common slave names.

Rom 16:10 Greet Apelles, the approved in Messiah. Greet those who are of Aristobulos.

Aristobulos is the grandson of Herod the Great and the brother of Herod Agrippa.

Rom 16:11 Greet Herodion, my relative. Greet those who are of Narcissus who are in יהוה.

Herodian who's come to faith, and the household of Narkissus; Narkissus was a close aide to Emperor Claudius and was killed by the Emperor's assassins for fear that he'd influence his whole household just as Aristobulos had his. Of course, Roman history has Narkissus "committing suicide."

Rom 16:12 Greet Truphaina and Truphosa, who work in יהוה. Greet the beloved Persis, who worked very hard in יהוה.

More female slaves and a Persian woman!

Rom 16:13 Greet Rufus, chosen in יהוה and his mother and mine.

Rufus; the son of Simon of Cyrene; his household likely were fleeing Judea due to persecution and looking for refuge amongst the Roman community.

Mark 15:21: And they compel one Simon a Cyrenian, who passed by, coming out of the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to bear his crossbeam.

Rom 16:14 Greet Asugritos, Phlegon, Hermas, Patrobas, Hermes, and the brothers who are with them.

Rom 16:15 Greet Philologos and Julia, Nereus and his sister, and Olumpas, and all the

set-apart ones who are with them.

More from the imperial household, freed slave women and men. Julia was a name found in the Roman records of a slave woman from the imperial household. We're getting people abdicating.....priests, kings, princes, princess, governors!

People stemming from nobility and the ruling class, but the majority are freed slaves.

Rom 16:16 Greet one another with a set-apart kiss. The assemblies of Messiah greet you.

Final Instructions and Greetings

Rom 16:17 Now I call upon you, brothers, **watch out for those who cause divisions and stumbling, contrary to the teaching which you learned, and turn away from them.**

Rom 16:18 **For such ones do not serve our Master יהושע Messiah, but their own stomach, and by smooth words and flattering speech they deceive the hearts of the innocent.**

Rom 16:19 Your obedience, indeed, is reported to all. Therefore I rejoice concerning you, **but I wish you to be wise indeed as to the good, and simple toward the evil.**

Rom 16:20 And the Elohim of peace shall crush Satan under your feet shortly. The favor of our Master יהושע Messiah be with you. Amēn.

Rom 16:21 Timotiyos, my fellow worker, and Lucius, and Jason, and Sosipater, my relatives, greet you.

Loukios'; 'Lucius' is a derivative of Luke.

Rom 16:22 **I, Tertius, who wrote this letter, greet you in יהוה.**

[Adam Clarke's Commentary on Romans 16:22 reads thus about Tertius -

I Tertius, who wrote *this* epistle, salute you in the Lord.

I Tertius, who wrote this epistle - Some eminent commentators suppose Tertius to be the same with Silas - the companion of St. Paul. If this were so, it is strange that the name which is generally given him elsewhere in Scripture should not be used in this place. I have already noticed (Preface) that some learned men have supposed that St. Paul wrote this epistle in Syriac, and that Tertius translated it into Greek; but this can never agree with the declaration here: I Tertius, who wrote, γραψας την επιστολην, this epistle; not translated or interpreted it. **It appears that St. Paul dictated it to him, and he wrote it down from the apostle's mouth; and here introduces himself as joining with St. Paul in affectionate wishes for their welfare.**

Salute you in the Lord - I wish you well in the name of the Lord: or, I feel for you that affectionate respect which the grace of the Lord Jesus inspires. It is not clear whether the two following verses be the words of Tertius or St. Paul.]

Rom 16:23 Gaios, the host of all the assembly and me, greets you. Ęrastos, the treasurer of the city, greets you, and Quartus, a brother.

Rom 16:24 The favour of our Master יהושע Messiah be with you all. Aměn.

[24 'The unmerited favor of our Savior gauvh ha Moshiach be with you all.']

Though consistent with what Paul's writing v.24 is a monk, monking [monkeying] with the text – it's inauthentic and not included in most notable translations, except for a footnote.

[Adam Clarke's Commentary reads: [Romans 16:24](#)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.

The grace of our Lord - This is the conclusion of Tertius, and is similar to what St. Paul used above. Hence it is possible that Tertius wrote the whole of the 22nd, 23rd, and 24th verses, without receiving any particular instructions from St. Paul, except the bare permission to add his own salutations with those of his particular friends. There is a great deal of disagreement among the MSS. and versions relative to this verse; some rejecting it entirely, and some of those which place the following verses at the end of [Romans 14:23](#), inserting it at the end of the 27th verse in that place. The reader who chooses may consult Wetstein and Griesbach on these discordances.]

Doxology

Rom 16:25 And to Him who is able to establish you according to my Good News and the preaching of יהושע Messiah, **according to the revelation of the secret which was kept silent since times of old,**

Rom 16:26 **but now has been made manifest**, and by the prophetic Scriptures has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the everlasting Elohim, for belief-obedience.

Rom 16:27 To Elohim, wise alone, be the esteem, through יהושע Messiah forever. Aměn.

Lamentations 4

Jeremiah seems to be recording the lamentations for himself as well as his fellow countrymen. Jeremiah's life was created for a specific purpose; a purpose in which he received heavy persecution, abuse, and rejection; but YHWH was always with him; even when he might have felt as if He wasn't. Jeremiah was known as the 'weeping prophet.'

The Call of Jeremiah

Jer 1:4 Now the word of יהוה came to me, saying,

Jer 1:5 **“Before I formed you in the belly I knew you, and before you came out of the womb I did set you apart – I appointed you a prophet to nations.”**

Great Is Your Faithfulness

Lam 3:1 I am the man who has seen affliction By the rod of His wrath.

Lam 3:2 He has led me and made me walk In darkness and not light.

Lam 3:3 Indeed, He has turned back, He has turned His hand against me all the day.

Lam 3:4 He has worn out my flesh and my skin, He has broken my bones.

Lam 3:5 He has piled up against me, And surrounded me with bitterness and hardship.

Lam 3:6 He has made me dwell in dark places Like the dead of old.

Lam 3:7 He has hedged me in and I do not go out, He has made my chain heavy.

Lam 3:8 Also, when I cry and shout, He shuts out my prayer.

Lam 3:9 He has blocked my ways with hewn stone, He has made my paths crooked.

Lam 3:10 He is to me like a bear lying in wait, A lion in hiding.

Lam 3:11 He has turned aside my ways And torn me in pieces, He has laid me waste.

Lam 3:12 He has bent His bow And set me up as a target for the arrow.

Lam 3:13 He made the arrows of His quiver pierce my kidneys.

Lam 3:14 I have been a mockery to all my people, Their *mocking* song all the day.

Lam 3:15 He has filled me with bitterness, He drenched me with wormwood.

Lam 3:16 And He has broken my teeth with gravel, He has covered me with ashes.

Lam 3:17 And You have removed my being far from peace, I have forgotten goodness.

Lam 3:18 And I said, “My strength and my expectancy Have perished from יהוה.”

Lam 3:19 Remember my affliction and my anguish, The wormwood and the gall.

Lam 3:20 Your being indeed remembers And bows down upon me.

Lam 3:21 **This I recall to my mind, therefore I wait:**

Lam 3:22 The loving-commitments of יהוה! For we have not been consumed, For His compassions have not ended.

Lam 3:23 **They are new every morning, Great is Your trustworthiness.**

- Lam 3:24 **"יהוה** is my Portion," says my being, "Therefore I wait for Him!"
- Lam 3:25 **יהוה** is good to those waiting for Him, To the being who seeks Him.
- Lam 3:26 **It is good – both to wait and to be silent, For the deliverance of יהוה.**
- Lam 3:27 It is good for a man to bear a yoke in his youth.
- Lam 3:28 Let him sit alone and be silent, Because He has laid it on him.
- Lam 3:29 Let him put his mouth in the dust, There might yet be expectancy.
- Lam 3:30 Let him give his cheek To the one who strikes him – He is filled with reproach.
- Lam 3:31 **For יהוה** does not cast off forever.
- Lam 3:32 **For though He afflicted, Yet He shall show compassion According to the greatness of His loving-commitments.**
- Lam 3:33 **For He has not afflicted from His heart,** Nor does He grieve the children of men.
- Lam 3:34 To crush under His feet All the prisoners of the earth,
- Lam 3:35 To turn aside the right-ruling of man Before the face of the Most High,
- Lam 3:36 Or wrong a man in his cause – This **יהוה** does not approve.
- Lam 3:37 Who was it that spoke, And it came to be! Has **יהוה** not commanded it?
- Lam 3:38 Do not the evils and the good Come out of the mouth of the Most High?
- Lam 3:39 What? Should mankind complain, A living man, because of his sins?
- Lam 3:40 **Let us search and examine our ways, And turn back to יהוה.**
- Lam 3:41 **Let us lift our hearts and hands** To Ēl in the heavens *and say:*
- Lam 3:42 **We, we have transgressed and rebelled.** You, You have not forgiven.
- Lam 3:43 You have wrapped Yourself With displeasure and pursued us. You have killed, You have not shown compassion.
- Lam 3:44 You have wrapped Yourself With a cloud, so that prayer does not pass through.
- Lam 3:45 You make us as scum and refuse In the midst of the peoples.
- Lam 3:46 All our enemies have opened their mouth against us.
- Lam 3:47 Fear and a snare have come upon us, Shame and ruin.
- Lam 3:48 Streams of water run down my eye For the ruin of the daughter of my people.
- Lam 3:49 My eye flows out and does not cease, Without stopping,
- Lam 3:50 Until **יהוה** looks down and sees from the heavens.
- Lam 3:51 My eye pains my being Because of all the daughters of my city.
- Lam 3:52 My enemies hunted me down Like a bird, without cause.
- Lam 3:53 They have cut off my life in the pit, And they threw stones at me.
- Lam 3:54 Waters flowed over my head; I said, "I am cut off!"
- Lam 3:55 I called on Your Name, O **יהוה**, from the lowest pit.

Lam 3:56 You have heard my voice, Do not hide Your ear from my groaning, From my outcry!

Lam 3:57 You drew near on the day I called on You; You said, “Do not fear!”

Lam 3:58 O יהוה, You did plead the case for my being; You have redeemed my life.

Lam 3:59 O יהוה, You have seen my oppression; Judge my case.

Lam 3:60 You have seen all their vengeance, All their plans against me.

Lam 3:61 You have heard their reproach, O יהוה, all their plans against me,

Lam 3:62 The lips of those rising against me, And their scheming against me all the day.

Lam 3:63 Look at their sitting down and their rising up; I am their song.

Lam 3:64 Repay them, O יהוה, According to the work of their hands.

Lam 3:65 Give them a veiled heart, Your curse upon them!

Lam 3:66 Pursue and destroy them in displeasure, From under the heavens of יהוה.

Psalm 34

Palm 34 is full of wisdom and blessings. Don't miss reading it in its entirety.

Taste and See That YHWH Is Good

Psa 34:1 Aleph I bless יהוה at all times; His praise is continually in my mouth.

Psa 34:2 Bét My being makes its boast in יהוה; Let the humble hear and be glad.

Psa 34:3 Gimel Oh, make יהוה great with me, And let us exalt His Name together.

Psa 34:4 Dalet I sought יהוה, and He answered me, And delivered me from all my fears.

Psa 34:5 Hě They looked to Him and were lightened, **Waw** And their faces were not ashamed.

Psa 34:6 Zayin This poor one cried out and יהוה heard him, And saved him out of all his distresses.

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

Psa 34:8 Tet Oh, taste and see that יהוה is good; Blessed is the man that takes refuge in Him!

Psa 34:9 Yod Fear יהוה, you His set-apart ones, For there is no lack to them who fear Him!

Psa 34:10 Kaph Young lions have lacked and been hungry; But those who seek יהוה lack not any good *matter*.

Psa 34:11 Lamed Come, you children, listen to me; Let me teach you the fear of יהוה.

Psa 34:12 Mem Who is the man who desires life, Who loves many days, in order to

see good?

Psa 34:13 **Nun** Keep your tongue from evil, And your lips from speaking deceit.

Psa 34:14 **Samek** Turn away from evil and do good; Seek peace, and pursue it.

Psa 34:15 **Ayin** The eyes of יהוה are on the righteous, And His ears unto their cry.

Psa 34:16 **Pě** The face of יהוה is against evil-doers, To cut off their remembrance from the earth.

Psa 34:17 **Tsadi** The righteous cried out, and יהוה heard, And delivered them out of all their distresses.

Psa 34:18 **Qoph** יהוה is near to the broken-hearted, And saves those whose spirit is crushed.

Psa 34:19 **Rěsh** Many are the evils of the righteous,^a But יהוה delivers him out of them all. Footnote: ^a [Psa 71:20, 2Ti 3:11-12](#).

Psa 34:20 **Shin** He is guarding all his bones; Not one of them is broken.

Psa 34:21 **Taw** Evil does slay the wrong, And those who hate the righteous are guilty.

Psa 34:22 יהוה redeems the lives of His servants, And none of those taking refuge in Him are guilty.

~ Shalom ~ Libby

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