

Greetings, today our manna is from Lev. 9; Psalm 10; Proverbs 24; 1Thes. 3.

April 6 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective

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Leviticus 9

And so, the Aaronic Levitical Priesthood commences. Aaron follows the instructions for his atonement and makes the offerings, first for himself and then for the people. This would be the beginning of a very long journey. If one considers that there were about 2.5 million men, women, and children in the wilderness; then, contemplate all the situations that would require adults to make an offering or have a need for cleansing, it is overwhelming. All communications would be funneled through the Aaronic Levitical Priesthood, a nation with a priest. This would be a hardship, like standing in any long line waiting for ‘your turn’. Back in that day, they didn’t have ‘call ahead’ seating.

For Aaron to be able to **enter the Tent of Appointment** with Moses, and for **the esteem of YHWH to appear**; all of YHWH’s instructions had to be followed. Everything was completed successfully as we read in the last three verses of Leviticus 9.

YHWH Accepts Aaron's Offering

Lev 9:1 And on the eighth day it came to be that Mosheh called Aharon and his sons and the elders of Yisra’el.

Lev 9:2 And he said to Aharon, “Take for yourself a young bull as a sin offering and a ram as an ascending offering, a perfect one, and bring them before יהוה’.

Lev 9:3 “And speak to the children of Yisra’el, saying, ‘Take a male goat as a sin offering, and a calf and a lamb, both a year old, perfect ones, as an ascending offering,

Lev 9:4 and a bull and a ram as peace offerings, to slaughter before יהוה’, and a grain offering mixed with oil. For today יהוה’ shall appear to you.’ ”

Lev 9:5 And they took what Mosheh commanded before the Tent of Appointment, and all the congregation drew near and stood before יהוה’.

Lev 9:6 And Mosheh said, “This is the word which יהוה’ commanded you to do, so that the esteem of יהוה’ appears to you.”

Lev 9:7 And Mosheh said to **Aharon**, “Go to the slaughter-place, and prepare your sin offering and your ascending offering, and make atonement for yourself and for the people. And make the offering of the people, and make atonement for them, as יהוה’ has commanded.”

Heb 7:26 For it was fitting that we should have such a High Priest – kind, innocent, undefiled,

having been separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens,

Heb 7:27 who does not need, as those high priests, to offer up slaughter *offerings* day by day, first for His own sins and then for those of the people, **for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself.**

Lev 9:8 So Aharon came near to the slaughter-place and slew the calf of the sin offering, which was for himself.

Lev 9:9 And the sons of Aharon brought the blood to him, and he dipped his finger in the blood, and put it on the horns of the slaughter-place, and poured the blood at the base of the slaughter-place.

Lev 9:10 And the fat, and the kidneys, and the appendage on the liver of the sin offering he burned on the slaughter-place, as יהוה had commanded Mosheh.

Lev 9:11 And the flesh and the skin he burned with fire **outside the camp.**

Heb 13:11 For the bodies of those beasts whose blood is brought into the Set-apart Place by the high priest for sin, **are burned outside the camp.**

Heb 13:12 **And so יהושע also suffered outside the gate,** to set apart the people with His own blood.

Heb 13:13 **Let us, then, go to Him outside the camp, bearing His reproach.**

Lev 9:12 And he slew the ascending offering, and the sons of Aharon presented to him the blood, which he sprinkled on the slaughter-place all around.

Lev 9:13 And they presented the ascending offering to him, with its pieces and head, and he burned them on the slaughter-place.

Lev 9:14 And he washed the entrails and the legs, and burned them with the ascending offering on the slaughter-place.

Lev 9:15 And he brought the people's offering, and took the goat, which was the sin offering for the people, and slew it and made it a sin offering, like the first one.

Heb 5:3 And on account of this he has to offer for sins – as **for the people, so also for himself.**

Lev 9:16 And he brought the ascending offering and made it, according to the right-ruling.

Lev 9:17 He also brought the grain offering, and filled his hand with it, and burned it on the slaughter-place, besides the ascending offering of the morning.

Lev 9:18 And he slew the bull and the ram as a slaughtering of peace *offerings*, which were for the people. And Aharon's sons presented to him the blood, which he sprinkled on the slaughter-place all around,

Lev 9:19 and the fat from the bull and the ram, the fat tail, and the covering, and the kidneys, and the appendage on the liver,

Lev 9:20 and they placed the fat on the breasts, and he burned the fat on the slaughter-place.

Lev 9:21 But the breasts and the right thigh Aharon waved as a wave offering before

יהוה, as Mosheh had commanded.

In contrast, see how the cross-reference Scriptures point to Yahusha fulfilling the requirements of the Book of the Law, once and for all! Praise Yah! We are no longer a nation with a priest; we are a kingdom of priests of every tribe, tongue, people, and nation! Yes, there are prophecies yet to be fulfilled but we are well on our way!

Yahusha's Sacrifice Once for All

Heb 10:1 For the Torah, 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,”**^a [Jer 31:33](#). Footnote: ^aSee 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.

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.^b Footnote: ^b [Eze 36:25](#).

Lev 9:22 Aharon then lifted up his hand toward the people and blessed them, and came down from making the sin offering, and the ascending offering, and the peace offerings.

Lev 9:23 And Mosheh and Aharon went into the Tent of Appointment, and came out and blessed the people. And the esteem of יהוה appeared to all the people,

Lev 9:24 and fire came out from before יהוה and consumed the ascending offering and the fat on the slaughter-place. And all the people saw and cried aloud and fell on their faces.

Psalm 10

Why Do You Hide Yourself?

Psa 10:1 Lamed Why do You stand afar off, O יהוה, hiding in times of distress?

Psa 10:2 In arrogance the wrongdoer hotly pursues the poor; They are caught by the schemes which they devised.

Psa 10:3 For the wrongdoer boasted of his cravings; And the greedy one cursed and despised יהוה.

Psa 10:4 In the pride of his face The wrongdoer does not seek Him, In all his thoughts there is no Elohim!

Psa 10:5 His ways are always prosperous! Your right-rulings are on high, out of his sight! He snorts at all his adversaries!

Psa 10:6 He has said in his heart, "I shall not be moved; From generation to generation, never be in evil!"

Psa 10:7 Pě His mouth is filled with cursing and deceit and oppression; Under his tongue is trouble and wickedness.

Psa 10:8 He sits in the hiding places of the villages; In the secret places he kills the innocent; **Ayin** His eyes are on the lookout for the helpless.

Psa 10:9 He lies in wait in a secret place, as a lion in his den; He lies in wait to catch the poor; He catches the poor, drawing him into his net.

Psa 10:10 And he crouches, he lies low, And the helpless fall under his strength.

Psa 10:11 He has said in his heart, "Ĕl has forgotten, He has hidden His face, He shall never see."

Psa 10:12 Qoph Arise, O יהוה! O Ĕl, lift up Your hand! Do not forget the lowly ones.

Psa 10:13 Why do the wrong scorn Elohim? He has said in his heart, "It is not required."

Psa 10:14 Rěsh You have seen it, for You observe trouble and grief, To repay with Your hand. The poor commits himself to You; You are the helper of the fatherless.

Psa 10:15 Shin Break the arm of the wrong one and the evil one; Search out his wrongness that would not be found out.

Psa 10:16 יהוה is Sovereign forever and ever; The nations shall perish from His land.

Psa 10:17 Taw יהוה, You have heard the desire of the lowly ones; You prepare their

heart; You incline Your ear,

Psa 10:18 To defend the fatherless and the downtrodden; So that man who is of the earth no longer oppresses!

David is longing for wrong doers to be put in their place by YHWH. Aren't we all? The arrogance abounds; the deceit abounds; the abuse and persecution abound from generation to generation. That is why it is so important for us to intercede in prayer and to put on the full armor of YHWH. Vengeance is His.

YHWH says: Isa 29:13 And יהוה says, "Because this people has drawn near with its mouth, and with its lips they have esteemed Me, and it has kept its heart far from Me, and their fear of Me has become a command of men that is taught!^a Footnote: ^a Mat 15:8-9, Mar 7:6-7.

Isa 29:14 "Therefore, see, I am again doing a marvelous work among this people, a marvelous work and a wonder. And the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of their clever men shall be hidden."

Isa 29:15 **Woe to those who seek deep to hide their counsel far from יהוה, and their works are in the dark; they say, "Who sees us?" and, "Who knows us?"**

Proverbs 24

Verse one pretty much says it all. It is interesting that verse one is cross referenced to **Gen. 19:1-11; when the messengers go to save Lot**. There seems to be several similarities between Lot and Aaron, whom we are presently studying. Both had not remained vigilant and appeared to have grown comfortable in the midst of the wrong-doers; even to the extent of appeasing evil by Lot's offer of his daughters to those of debased minds; or Aaron, listening to evil by gathering the gold and making the golden calf to worship instead of YHWH.

We must remain ever alert and discerning, because the righteous and the wrong doers are amid each other. The wheat and tares are allowed to grow side by side until the harvest. Until harvest time, it is difficult to differentiate between wheat and tares. At harvest time, wheat bows its head, but tares do not. Before that time, it is only by the fruit they produce that identifies their inner man.

So, read Proverbs 24 slowly; look at some of the cross-reference scriptures, and stay alert and stay strong.

Pro 24:1 Do not envy evil men, Nor desire to be with them;

Gen 19:1 And the two messengers came to Sodom in the evening, and Lot was sitting in the gate of Sodom. And when Lot saw them, he rose up to meet them, and he bowed himself with his

face toward the ground,

Gen 19:2 and he said, “Look, please my masters, please turn in to your servant’s house and spend the night, and wash your feet, and rise early and go your way.” And they said, “No, but let us spend the night in the open square.”

Gen 19:3 But he urged them strongly, and they turned in to him and came into his house. And he made them a feast, and baked unleavened bread, and they ate.

Gen 19:4 Before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, both old and young, all the people from every part, surrounded the house.

Gen 19:5 And they called to Lot and said to him, “Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us, and let us ‘know’ them.”

Gen 19:6 So Lot went out to them through the doorway, and shut the door behind him,

Gen 19:7 and said, “Please, my brothers, do not do evil!

Gen 19:8 “Look, please, I have two daughters who have not known a man. Please, let me bring them out to you, and do to them as you wish, only do no deed to these men, because they have come under the shadow of my roof.”

Gen 19:9 But they said, “Stand back!” And they said, “This one came in to sojourn, and should he always judge? Now we are going to treat you worse than them.” So they pressed hard against the man Lot, and came near to break down the door.

Gen 19:10 But the men reached out their hands and pulled Lot into the house with them, and shut the door.

Gen 19:11 Then they struck the men who were at the doorway of the house with blindness, both small and great, and they wearied themselves to find the door.

Pro 24:2 For their heart plots to ravage, And their lips talk of trouble.

Pro 24:3 By wisdom a house is built, And by understanding it is established;

Pro 24:4 And by knowledge the rooms are filled With all precious and pleasant riches.

Pro 24:5 Mighty is the wise in strength, And a man of knowledge strengthens power;

Pro 24:6 For by wise guidance you wage your own battle, And delivery is by a great counsellor.

Pro 24:7 Wisdom is high for a fool; He does not open his mouth in the gate.

Pro 24:8 He who plots to do evil Is called a master of evil plots.

Pro 24:9 The purpose of folly is sin, And the scoffer is an abomination to men.

Pro 24:10 If you falter in the day of distress, Your strength is small!

Pro 24:11 Deliver those taken to death, And hold back those stumbling to the kill,

Pro 24:12 If you say, “See, we did not know this,” Would not He who weighs the hearts discern it? He who watches over your life, Would He not know it? And shall He not repay man according to his work?

Pro 24:13 My son, eat honey, for it is good, And the honeycomb, sweet to your taste;

Pro 24:14 Know that wisdom is thus to your being; If you have found it, there is a future, And your expectancy is not cut off.

Pro 24:15 Do not lie in wait, O wrong one, Against the dwelling of the righteous; Do not ravage his resting place;

Pro 24:16 For seven times a righteous man falls and rises, But the wrong one stumbles into evil.

Pro 24:17 Do not exult when your enemy falls, And let not your heart rejoice when he stumbles;

Pro 24:18 Lest יהוה see and it be evil in His eyes, And He turn away His wrath from him.

Pro 24:19 Do not fret because of evil-doers, And do not envy the wrong;

Pro 24:20 For there is no future for the evil-doer; The lamp of the wrongdoers is put out.

Pro 24:21 My son, fear יהוה and the sovereign; Do not mingle with those who change;

Pro 24:22 For their calamity arises suddenly, And who knows the ruin of both of them?

More Sayings of the Wise

Pro 24:23 These also are for the wise: It is not good to show partiality in right-ruling.

Pro 24:24 He who says to the wrong, “You are righteous” – peoples curse him, Nations despise him.

Pro 24:25 But those who rebuke *the wrong*, It is pleasant, and a good blessing comes on them.

Pro 24:26 He who gives a right answer kisses the lips.

Pro 24:27 Prepare your outside work, And make it fit for yourself in the field; Then you shall build your house.

Pro 24:28 Do not witness against your neighbour without cause, And do not deceive with your lips.

Pro 24:29 Do not say, “Let me do to him as he did to me; I repay each according to his work.”

Pro 24:30 I passed by the field of the lazy, And by the vineyard of the man lacking heart;

Pro 24:31 And see, it was all overgrown with thorns; Its surface was covered with nettles; And its stone wall was broken down.

Pro 24:32 When I saw it, I set my heart on it; I looked and received discipline:

Pro 24:33 A little sleep, a little slumber, A little folding of the hands to rest;

Pro 24:34 And your poverty shall come, a prowler, And your need like an armed man.

1Thes. 3

We all know the cliché that “opposites attract”. The same holds true between good and evil. The enemy is not ‘attracted’ to lukewarm believers; they are not a threat. The enemy is attracted to the flock of healthy faithful believers. Satan doesn’t throw stones at dead birds.

We know the bible defines the enemy this way: **1Peter 5:8** Be sober, watch, because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

Paul was fully acquainted with the ways of the wicked. Because of this, he sends Timothy back to Thessalonica to check on the new congregation, while he remained in Athens. Paul was a loving shepherd; one who truly cared for the sheep at the cost of imprisonment; beatings; and even death.

1Th 3:1 So, when we could no longer stand it, we thought it good to be left in Athens alone,

1Th 3:2 and sent Timotiyos, our brother and servant of Elohim, and our fellow worker in the Good News of Messiah, to establish you and encourage you concerning your belief,

1Th 3:3 that no one should be unsettled by these pressures, for you yourselves know that we are appointed to this.

1Th 3:4 For indeed, we did inform you beforehand, when we were with you, **that we would suffer pressure, and so it came to be, as you know.**

1Th 3:5 Because of this, when I could no longer stand it, I sent to find out about your belief, lest **the trying one might have tried you**, and our labor should be in vain.

Paul rejoiced to hear the glowing report Timothy brought back to them! The Thessalonians stood strong and they had wonderful memories of their visit with Paul and Silas and longed to see them again!

Timothy's Encouraging Report

1Th 3:6 But now that Timotiyos has come to us from you, and having brought us good news of your belief and love, and that you always have good remembrance of us, longing to see us, as we also *to* see you,

1Th 3:7 therefore, brothers, in all our pressure and distress we were encouraged concerning you by your belief.

1Th 3:8 Because we now live, if you stand fast in the Master.

1Th 3:9 For what thanks are we able to return to Elohim for you, for all the joy with which we rejoice for your sake in the presence of our Elohim,

1Th 3:10 night and day praying exceedingly, to see your face and make complete what is lacking in your belief?

1Th 3:11 And our Elohim and Father Himself, and our Master יהושע Messiah, direct our way to you!

1Th 3:12 And the Master make you increase and overflow in love to each other and to all, as we also do to you,

1Th 3:13 to establish your hearts blameless in set-apartness before our Elohim and Father at the coming of our Master יהושע Messiah with all His set-apart ones!

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