

Greetings, today our manna is from 2Chron 30; Zechariah 12-13:1; Rev. 16 John 15.

December 25 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective

[Note: I have added emphasis with underlines, highlights, and [brackets] to Scripture for teaching purposes only.]

2Chron 30

We now see in 2Chronicles 30 that this was the time of the Passover; however, they were not able to observe Passover due to the uncleanliness of the temple, the lack of priests, and the people had not gathered at Jerusalem.

Therefore, Hizqiyahu and the leaders utilize the second month to celebrate Passover as stipulated in Numbers 9:10-11.

Num 9:10 “Speak to the children of Yisra’el, saying, ‘When any male of you or your generations is unclean for a being, or is far away on a journey, he shall still perform the Pěsaḥ of יהוה’.

Num 9:11 On the fourteenth day of the second new *moon*, between the evenings, they perform it – with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they eat it.

Passover Celebrated

2Ch 30:1 And Hizqiyahu sent to all Yisra’el and Yehudah, and he also wrote letters to Ephrayim and Menashseh, to come to the House of יהוה' at Yerushalayim, to perform the Pěsaḥ to יהוה' Elohim of Yisra’el.

2Ch 30:2 But the sovereign and his leaders and all the assembly in Yerushalayim had taken counsel to perform the Pěsaḥ in the second new moon.

2Ch 30:3 For they were unable to perform it at its time,

- ✚ because not enough priests had set themselves apart,
- ✚ and the people had not gathered at Yerushalayim.

2Ch 30:4 And the matter was right in the eyes of the sovereign and in the eyes of all the assembly.

2Ch 30:5 And they settled the matter, to send a call to all Yisra’el, from Be’ersheba to Dan, to come to perform a Pěsaḥ to יהוה' Elohim of Yisra’el at Yerushalayim, since they had not done it for a long time, as it is written.

2Ch 30:6 And the runners went to all Yisra’el and Yehudah with the letters from the sovereign and his leaders, and spoke according to the command of the sovereign, “Children of Yisra’el, turn back to יהוה' Elohim of Abraham, Yitshaq, and Yisra’el, so that He returns to the remnant of you who have escaped from the hand of the sovereigns of Ashshur.

2Ch 30:7 “And do not be like your fathers and like your brothers, who trespassed against יהוה Elohim of their fathers, so that He gave them up to ruin, as you see.

2Ch 30:8 “Now do not stiffen your neck, like your fathers, stretch forth the hand to יהוה, and come to His set-apart place, which He has set apart forever, and serve יהוה your Elohim, so that His burning wrath turns away from you.

2Ch 30:9 “For if you turn back to יהוה, your brothers and your children shall be shown compassion by their captors, even to return to this land. For יהוה your Elohim shows favour and compassion, and does not turn His face from you if you turn back to Him.”

2Ch 30:10 **And the runners passed from city to city throughout the land of Ephrayim and Menashsheh, as far as Zebulun. But they were laughing at them and mocking them.**

2Ch 30:11 Some from Ashër and Menashsheh and from Zebulun, however, humbled themselves and came to Yerushalayim.

2Ch 30:12 Also the hand of Elohim was on Yehudāh to give them one heart to do the command of the sovereign and the rulers, at the word of יהוה.

2Ch 30:13 And many people, a very great assembly, gathered at Yerushalayim to perform the Festival of Matzot^a in the second new moon. Footnote: ^aUnleavened Bread.

2Ch 30:14 And they rose up and removed the slaughter-places that were in Yerushalayim, and they removed all the incense slaughter-places and threw them into the wadi Qidron.

2Ch 30:15 Then they slew the Pěsaḥ^b on the fourteenth day of the second new moon. And the priests and the Lěwites were ashamed, and set themselves apart, and brought the ascending offerings to the House of יהוה. Footnote: ^bPassover.

2Ch 30:16 And they stood in their place according to their right-ruling. According to the Torah of Mosheh, the man of Elohim, the priests sprinkled the blood from the hand of the Lěwites.

2Ch 30:17 For many in the assembly had not set themselves apart. Therefore the Lěwites were over the slaughter of the Pěsaḥim^c for everyone who was not clean, to set them apart to יהוה. Footnote: ^cPěsaḥim - Plural of Pěsaḥ. See Explanatory Notes - Passover.

2Ch 30:18 For many of the people, many from Ephrayim and Menashsheh, Yissaskar and Zebulun, had not been cleansed, yet they ate the Pěsaḥ contrary to what was written. **But Hizqiyahu prayed for them, saying, “יהוה who is good, provide atonement for everyone**

2Ch 30:19 who has prepared his heart to seek Elohim, יהוה Elohim of his fathers, though he is not cleansed according to the cleansing of the set-apart place.”

2Ch 30:20 **And יהוה listened to Hizqiyahu and healed the people.**

2Ch 30:21 And the children of Yisra’ēl who were in Yerushalayim performed the Festival of Matzot^a seven days with great joy. And the Lěwites and the priests praised

יהוה day by day, with instruments of praise before יהוה. Footnote: ^aUnleavened Bread.

2Ch 30:22 And Hizqiyahu spoke to the heart of all the Lēwites, those having good understanding concerning יהוה. So they ate during the appointed time, seven days, slaughtering slaughterings of peace *offerings* and making confession to יהוה Elohim of their fathers.

2Ch 30:23 And all the assembly took counsel to perform another seven days, and they performed it another seven days with joy.

2Ch 30:24 For Hizqiyahu sovereign of Yehudāh presented to the assembly a thousand bulls and seven thousand sheep, and the rulers presented to the assembly a thousand bulls and ten thousand sheep. And a great number of priests set themselves apart.

2Ch 30:25 And all the assembly of Yehudāh rejoiced, and the priests and Lēwites, and all the assembly who had come from Yisra'ēl, and the sojourners who came from the land of Yisra'ēl, and those who dwelt in Yehudāh.

2Ch 30:26 And there came to be great joy in Yerushalayim, for since the days of Shelomoh son of Dawid, the sovereign of Yisra'ēl, the like of this had not been in Yerushalayim.

2Ch 30:27 And the priests, the Lēwites, rose and blessed the people, and their voice was heard. And their prayer came up to His set-apart dwelling place, to heaven.

Zechariah 12-13:1

YHWH Will Give Salvation

Zec 12:1 The message of the word of יהוה against Yisra'ēl. יהוה, stretching out the heavens, and laying the foundation of the earth, and forming the spirit of man within him, declares,

- ✚ Zec 12:2 “See, I am making Yerushalayim a cup of reeling to all the people all around,
- ✚ and also against Yehudāh it is in the siege against Yerushalayim.
- ✚ Zec 12:3 “And in that day it shall be that **I make Yerushalayim a very heavy stone for all peoples** – all lifting it are severely injured. And all the nations of the earth shall be gathered against it.

Dan 2:34 “You were looking on, until a stone was cut out without hands, and it smote the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces.

Dan 2:35 “Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold were crushed together, and became like chaff from the summer threshing-floors. And the wind took them away so that no trace of them was found. And the stone that smote the image became a great mountain and filled all the earth.

Dan 2:44 “And in the days of these sovereigns the Elah of the heavens shall set up a reign which shall never be destroyed, nor the reign pass on to other people – it crushes and puts to an end all these reigns, and it shall stand forever.^b Footnote: ^b [Dan 7:1-28](#), [Psa 22:28](#), [Jer 30:11](#), [Joe 3:16](#), [Oba 1:15-17](#), [Hab 3:12-13](#), [Zep 3:8](#), [Hag 2:22](#), [Rev 11:15](#).

Dan 2:45 “Because you saw that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it crushed the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold, the great Elah has made known to the sovereign what shall be after this. And the dream is true, and its interpretation is trustworthy.”

Zec 12:4 “In that day,” declares יהוה,

✚ “I strike every horse with bewilderment and its rider with madness. And **on the house of Yehudah I open My eyes**, but every horse of the peoples I strike with blindness.

✚ Zec 12:5 “And the leaders of Yehudah shall say in their heart, ‘The inhabitants of Yerushalayim are a strength to me, through יהוה of hosts, their Elohim.’

Psa 76:5 The stout-hearted have been stripped; They slept their sleep; And none of the mighty men have found their hands.

Psa 76:6 At Your rebuke, O Elohim of Ya'aqob, Both the rider and horse lay stunned.

Psa 76:7 You, You are to be feared; And who would stand in Your presence When You are displeased?

Zec 12:6 “In that day

✚ I make the leaders of Yehudah like a fire pot among trees,

✚ and like a torch of fire in the sheaves.

✚ And they shall consume all the peoples all around, on the right and on the left.

✚ And Yerushalayim shall dwell again in her own place, in Yerushalayim.

Jer 31:38 “See, the days are coming,” declares יהוה, “that the city shall be built for יהוה from the Tower of Hānan'ēl to the Corner Gate.

Jer 31:39 “And the measuring line shall again extend straight ahead to the hill Garēb, then it shall turn toward Go'ah.

Jer 31:40 “And all the valley of the dead bodies and of the ashes, and all the fields as far as the wadi Qidron, to the corner of the Horse Gate toward the east, is to be set-apart to יהוה. It shall not be plucked up or thrown down any more forever.”

Zec 12:7 “And יהוה shall

✚ save the tents of Yehudah first, so that the comeliness of the house of Dawid and the comeliness of the inhabitants of Yerushalayim would not become greater than that of Yehudah.

Zec 12:8 “In that day יהוה shall

✚ shield the inhabitants of Yerushalayim. And the feeble among them in that day shall be like Dawid, and the house of Dawid like Elohim, like the Messenger of יהוה before them!

1Co 1:25 For the foolishness of Elohim is wiser than men, and the weakness of Elohim is stronger than men.

1Co 1:26 For look at your calling, brothers, that there were not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble.

1Co 1:27 But Elohim has chosen the foolish *matters* of the world to put to shame the wise, and Elohim has chosen the weak of the world to put to shame the strong.

1Co 1:28 And Elohim has chosen the low-born of the world and the despised, and the ones that are not, that He might bring to naught the ones that are,

1Co 1:29 so that no flesh should boast in His presence.

1Co 1:30 And of Him you are in Messiah יהושע, who became for us wisdom from Elohim, righteousness also, and set-apartness and redemption,

1Co 1:31 that, as it has been written, **“He who boasts, let him boast in יהוה.”**
Jer 9:23-24.

✚ **Zec 12:9** “And it shall be in that day that I seek to destroy all the nations that come against Yerushalayim.

Joe 3:16 And יהוה shall roar from Tsiyon, and give forth His voice from Yerushalayim. And the heavens and earth shall shake, **but יהוה shall be a refuge for His people, and a stronghold for the children of Yisra’ël.**

The Glorious Future of Judah

Joe 3:17 “Then you shall know that I am יהוה your Elohim, dwelling in Tsiyon, My set-apart mountain.^a And Yerushalayim shall be set-apart, and foreigners shall not pass through her again. Footnote: ^aSee Joe 3:21 and footnote at Isa 24:23.

Him Whom They Have Pierced

Zec 12:10 “And I shall pour on the house of Dawid and on the inhabitants of Yerushalayim a spirit of favour and prayers.

- ✚ And they shall look on Me whom they pierced,
- ✚ and they shall mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son.
- ✚ And they shall be in bitterness over Him as a bitterness over the first-born.

Tit 3:5 He saved us, not by works of righteousness which we have done but according to His compassion, through the washing of rebirth, and renewal by the Set-apart Spirit,

Tit 3:6 which He poured out on us richly through יהושע Messiah our Saviour,

Zec 12:11 “In that day the mourning in Yerushalayim is going to be great, like the mourning at Haqad Rimmon in the valley of Meqiddo.

2Ki 23:29 In his days Pharaoh Neqo sovereign of Mitsrayim went up against the sovereign of Ashshur, to the River Euphrates. And Sovereign Yoshiyahu went out to him, and he killed him at Meqiddo when he saw him.

2Ch 35:23 And the archers shot at Sovereign Yoshiyahu. And the sovereign said to his servants,

“Take me away, for I am severely wounded.”

2Ch 35:24 And his servants took him out of that chariot and put him in the second chariot that he had, and they brought him to Yerushalayim. And he died, and was buried in one of the burial-sites of his fathers. And all Yehudah and Yerushalayim were mourning for Yoshiyahu.

Zec 12:12 “And the land shall mourn, every clan by itself: the clan of the house of Dawid by itself, and their women by themselves; the clan of the house of Nathan by itself, and their women by themselves;

Zec 12:13 the clan of the house of Lěwi by itself, and their women by themselves; the clan of Shim'i by itself, and their women by themselves;

Zec 12:14 all the rest of the clans, every clan by itself, and their women by themselves.

Zec 13:1 “In that day **a fountain shall be opened** for the house of Dawid and for the inhabitants of Yerushalayim, for sin and for uncleanness.

Rev 1:5 and from יהושע Messiah, the trustworthy witness, the first-born from the dead, and the ruler of the sovereigns of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood,

Rev 1:6 and has made us sovereigns and priests to His Elohim and Father, to Him be esteem and rule forever and ever. Aměn.

Revelation 16

2021 FULL Updated Playlist:

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Seven bowls of wrath are poured out. These cause plagues like those at the time of the Exodus. The below chart brings out how the war is being waged against demonic gods and goddesses associated with those plagues and on those that believe in such.

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10 PLAGUES

Jehovah God vs. gods of Egypt

The plagues of Egypt are well known, but a deep study reveals that each was a direct challenge to the various Egyptian gods and goddesses. The plagues affected the Egyptians' physical senses as well as their hearts with reminders that Jehovah God was far superior to any of their gods. He exercised power at will while the Egyptian gods remained helpless against Him.

	<p>PLAGUE 1: WATER TO BLOOD Exodus 7:14–25</p> <p>The Egyptians were also able to turn water to blood, including the death of the fish and a smell that prohibited even trying to drink the water. Pharaoh's heart remained hard.</p> <p>The Nile was the source of Egypt's power. There are several gods in their pantheon that draw life from the river.</p> <p>Khnum was the guardian of the river's source.</p> <p>Hapi was the god of annual flooding of the Nile and the lord of the fish.</p> <p>Osiris had the Nile as his bloodstream.</p>		<p>PLAGUE 6: BOILS Exodus 9:8–12</p> <p>This was the first plague to affect the body directly. God made a distinction between the Israelites and the Egyptians. The Egyptian priests were unable to appear in court.</p> <p>Isis was the goddess of health and Imhotep was the god of healing.</p>
	<p>PLAGUE 2: FROGS Exodus 8:1–8:15</p> <p>The Egyptians also produced frogs. Piles of dead frogs filled the land with a foul odor.</p> <p>Heqt was an Egyptian goddess with the head of a frog.</p>		<p>PLAGUE 7: HAIL Exodus 9:13–35</p> <p>This plague affected the agriculture and livestock that was left in the field. Such a storm of hail was unique to Egypt.</p> <p>Nut was the goddess of the sky. Her father Shu, god of the wind and air, was a calming god.</p>
	<p>PLAGUE 3: GNATS OR LICE Exodus 8:16–19</p> <p>The gnats or lice came up from the dust of the earth. The Egyptian priests could not duplicate this miracle. They declared, "This is the finger of God."</p> <p>Geb was the god over the dust of the earth.</p>		<p>PLAGUE 8: LOCUSTS Exodus 10:1–20</p> <p>This plague would be told to Pharaoh's sons and grandsons, serving the purpose of showing God's power for generations.</p> <p>Neper and Nepri were the god and goddess of grain. Set was the god of disorder.</p>
	<p>PLAGUE 4: FLIES Exodus 8:20–32</p> <p>This was the first plague that affected only the Egyptians.</p> <p>Khepri had the head of a beetle and also moved the sun.</p>		<p>PLAGUE 9: DARKNESS Exodus 10:21–29</p> <p>It was so dark for three days that the darkness could be felt.</p> <p>Ra, the god of the sun, was the most worshipped and revered god in Egypt after the Pharaoh. Jehovah God showed He had power even over the mightiest of the Egyptian gods.</p>
	<p>PLAGUE 5: SICK CATTLE Exodus 9:1–7</p> <p>God continued to distinguish between the Israelites and the Egyptians. This plague affected only the Egyptian herds.</p> <p>Hathor was a fertility goddess who was often depicted with the head or horns of a bull and sometimes as a bull wearing the symbols of Hathor.</p>		<p>PLAGUE 10: DEATH OF FIRSTBORN Exodus 12:29–36</p> <p>Establishes the Jewish Passover festival.</p> <p>This plague was a judgment on all Egyptian gods, including Pharaoh himself. In Exodus 1, Pharaoh had ordered the killing of Israelite babies, and now the firstborn of all Egypt was killed.</p>

A voice of command comes from the Dwelling Place:

Rev 16:1 And I heard a loud voice from the Dwelling Place saying to the seven messengers, **“Go and pour out the bowls of the wrath of Elohim on the earth.”**

Bowl of the first messenger:

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

Bowl of the second messenger:

Rev 16:3 And the second messenger poured out his **bowl on the sea**, and it **became blood, as of a dead one, and every living creature in the sea died.**

Bowl of the third messenger:

Rev 16:4 And the third messenger poured out his bowl **on the rivers and fountains of water**, and **they became blood.**

Pause for Praise Given:

Rev 16:5 And I heard the messenger of the waters saying, **“You are righteous, O יהוה, the One who is and who was and who shall be, because You have judged these.**

Rev 16:6 **“Because they have shed the blood of set-apart ones and prophets, and You have given them blood to drink. For they deserve it.”**

Rev 16:7 And **I heard another out of the slaughter-place** saying, **“Yes, יהוה Ėl Shaddai, true and righteous are Your judgments.”**

Bowl of the fourth messenger:

Rev 16:8 And the fourth messenger poured out his bowl **on the sun**, and it was given to him **to burn men with fire.**

Rev 16:9 And **men were burned with great heat, and they blasphemed the Name of Elohim who possesses authority over these plagues. And they did not repent, to give Him esteem.**

Bowl of the fifth messenger:

Rev 16:10 And the fifth messenger poured out his bowl **on the throne of the beast**, and his reign became darkened. And **they gnawed their tongues from pain**.

Rev 16:11 And they blasphemed the Elohim of the heaven for their pains and their sores, and did not repent of their works.

Bowl of the sixth messenger:

Rev 16:12 And the sixth messenger poured out his **bowl on the great river Euphrates**, and its **water was dried up**, in order to prepare the way of the sovereigns from the east.

Rev 16:13 And I saw *coming* out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet, **three unclean spirits**, as frogs,

Rev 16:14 for **they are spirits of demons**, doing signs, **which go out to the sovereigns of the entire world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of יהוה the Almighty**.

There are war strategies of demonic spirits; but there are also councils of YHWH's angelic spirits. We see an example of YHWH's angelic spirits in 1Kings 22:19-23. These are sometimes referred to as YHWH's divine council.

1Ki 22:19 Then he said, "Therefore hear the word of יהוה: I saw יהוה sitting on His throne, and all **the host of the heavens standing by Him**, on His right and on His left.

1Ki 22:20 "And יהוה said, 'Who shall entice Aḥaḅ to go up and fall at Ramoth Gil'ad?' And this one said this, and another said that.

1Ki 22:21 "And **a spirit came forward and stood before יהוה. and said. 'Let me entice him.'**

1Ki 22:22 "And יהוה said to him, 'In what way?' And he said, **'I shall go out and be a spirit of falsehood in the mouth of all his prophets.'** And He said, 'Entice him, and also prevail. Go out and do so.'

1Ki 22:23 "And now, see, יהוה has put a spirit of falsehood in the mouth of all these prophets of yours, and יהוה has spoken evil concerning you."

YHWH has repeatedly given fair warnings. **It is time for all to heed these warnings** and settled in one's mind; **as for me and my house we will serve YHWH!** Stay faithful, stay awake, stand, DO NOT turn back, and keep our garments white.

Rev 16:15 "See, I am coming as a thief. Blessed is he who is staying awake and guarding his garments, lest he walk naked and they see his shame."

Rev 16:16 And they gathered them together to the place called in Hebrew, Har Meḡiddo.

Bowl of the seventh messenger:

Rev 16:17 And the seventh messenger poured out **his bowl into the air**, and a loud voice came out of the Dwelling Place of the heaven, from the throne, saying, **“It is done!”**

The seventh messenger pours out his bowl; and a declaration by a loud voice comes from the Dwelling Place of the heaven, from the throne. Obviously, this is YHWH Yahusha saying, ‘It is done!’ Then we read:

Rev 16:18 And there came to be **noises and thunders and lightnings**. And there came to be **a great earthquake**, such a mighty and great earthquake as had not come to be since men were on the earth.

Rev 16:19 And **the great city became divided into three parts**, and the cities of the nations fell. And **great Babel** was remembered before Elohim, to give her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath.

Rev 16:20 And **every island fled away**, and the mountains were not found.

Rev 16:21 And **great hail** from the heaven fell upon men, every hailstone about the weight of a talent. And men blasphemed Elohim for the plague of the hail, because that plague was exceedingly great.

The earth will experience an earthquake like none other. It will literally have extensive cracks as a broken egg. **The great city refers to the earthly Jerusalem in (Rev. 16:19)** and **the Jerusalem from above in (Rev. 21:10)**. This Jerusalem from above is defined in:

Rev 21:10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me **the great city, the set-apart Yerushalayim, descending out of the heaven from Elohim,**

Rev. 16:19 identifies the earthly defiled Jerusalem not only as the ‘great city’ but also by another adjective, great Babel. The inhabitants of the **earthly** Jerusalem in the end of days, has been usurped by the ‘Synagogue of Satan.’ The anti-messiah will take up residence there; along with the false prophet. False doctrines were brought back to Jerusalem from the captivity in Babylon and the Talmudic blended doctrine. They brought the practices of Babylon back to Jerusalem and even started declaring that the words of ‘Rabbi’s’ were greater and higher than YHWH’s Word.

There have been various opinions as to the identity of 'Mystery Babylon.' I have looked at several possibilities myself. It becomes more and more evident that those that 'call themselves Jews and are not'; 'those that have usurped the land of the earthly Jerusalem'; 'those that have attempted to steal the birthright'; have played the whore numerous times throughout history. They adopted pagan ways of the nations. It is no different, in the end of days.

Because of this YHWH gives her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath. This seems to be a picture of the test of adultery in Numbers 5 which she clearly fails in the end of days.

John 15

We are connected to Yahusha. We are one in Him and He is in us. He is **the true Vine**. **His Father is the Master Gardener**. We are the branches. Yahusha often spoke in parables using our worldly environment to convey biblical truths. Without us staying in Him; without being connected to Him; we can do nothing.

He is our King and High Priest of the Melchizedek Order who has cleansed us: Just like Moses of the Melchizedek Order washed and set-apart Aaron and his sons to YHWH in the Aaronic Priestly Order; just like John the Baptist was permitted to mikvah Yahusha to scripturally fulfill all righteousness in the priestly transition back to the Melchizedek Priestly reign; and just like Yahusha has washed us and set-us apart to be His kingdom of priests of the Melchizedek order; a holy nation. We have been washed by the blood of the Lamb by grace through faith. We have been set-apart to fulfill our priestly duties by being washed by Him, our High Priest. Through Him, we have been sanctified in order to carry out our priestly duties in coming before His Father. He is holy. He has redeemed us; therefore, we should redeem the time for service to Him.

I Am the True Vine

Joh 15:1 "I am the true vine, and My Father is the gardener.

Joh 15:2 "**Every branch in Me that bears no fruit He takes away**. And every branch that bears fruit He prunes, so that it bears more fruit.

Joh 15:3 "You are already clean because of the Word which I have spoken to you.

Joh 15:4 "Stay in Me, and I *stay* in you. As the branch is unable to bear fruit of itself, unless it stays in the vine, so neither you, unless you stay in Me.

Joh 15:5 "I am the vine, you are the branches. He who stays in Me, and I in him, he bears much fruit. Because without Me you are able to do naught!

Joh 15:6 “If anyone does not stay in Me, he is thrown away as a branch and dries up. And they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned.

Joh 15:7 “If you stay in Me, and My Words stay in you, you shall ask whatever you wish, and it shall be done for you.

Joh 15:8 “In this My Father is esteemed, that you bear much fruit, and you shall be My taught ones.

YHWH’s Gardening Guide:

1. Every branch in Him that bears no fruit, He takes away.
2. Every branch that bears fruits, He prunes to bear more fruit. This may hurt a little but in the long run it is for the best.
3. If the branch breaks away and doesn’t stay attached to the Vine, it cannot bear fruit. Without the Vine (Him), the branch (us) can do nothing!
4. Branches that break away, dry up and wither; and are gathered and burned.
5. By staying connected and nourished through the Word, the Vine; the branch bears much fruit and brings esteem and glory to the Gardner, the Father, YHWH.

The Father is well pleased by the branches bearing much fruit because, good fruit speak that we are His. Matthew 7:16 By their fruit you will recognize them... Did you know plants speak to gardeners? They do. They tell them when they thirst. They tell them when they are stressed. They tell the gardener when a plant or weed next to them is choking them out. They tell them when they have parasites eating on their leaves and their fruit through ‘non-verbal’ communication.

You get the point. Plants give signs that speak. Yahusha taught that those bearing healthy abundant fruit stay in Him; stay in His love; love Him and others; keep His Fathers commandments; these could ask for whatever they wished, and it would be done. For He knows what we need before we even ask. His answers are given in the best possible way to fulfill the requested prayer of the branch. The Master Gardener understands exactly. He inspects His garden regularly. He will not under or over fertilize.

The Master Gardner teaches the branches. He guides the direction and growth of the branches. He supports them when their fruit becomes heavy or bad weather ensues. The branch starts to understand why the Master Gardener does certain things and responds to Him; and because of that, they become ‘His taught ones’.

Joh 15:9 “As the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you. Stay in My love.

Joh 15:10 “If you guard My commands, you shall stay in My love,^a even as I have guarded My Father’s commands and stay in His love. Footnote: ^aSee Joh 14:15.

Joh 15:11 “These *words* I have spoken to you, so that My joy might be in you, and that your joy might be complete.

Joh 15:12 [“This is My command, that you love one another, as I have loved you.”^b](#)

Footnote: ^bSee [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.

Joh 15:14 “You are My friends if you do whatever I command you.

Joh 15:15 “No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing. But I have called you friends, for all *teachings* which I heard from My Father I have made known to you.

Joh 15:16 “You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in My Name He might give you.

Joh 15:17 “These *words* I command you, so that you love one another.^c Footnote:

^cSee [Joh 13:34](#) and [Joh 15:12](#).

John 15 then switches to the weedy garden of the world. It is full of tares, parasites, greed, and jealousy. He tells us that if the world hates us that bear good fruit, to know that the world hated Him first. The fruitless tares recognize those that belong to Him, the Vine, [by our abundant healthy fruit](#).

The Hatred of the World

Joh 15:18 [“If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before it hated you.”](#)

Joh 15:19 “If you were of the world, the world would love its own. But because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, for that reason the world hates you.

Joh 15:20 “Remember the word that I said to you, ‘A servant is not greater than his master.’ If they persecuted Me, they shall persecute you too. If they have guarded My Word, they would guard yours too.

Joh 15:21 [“But all this they shall do to you because of My Name, because they do not know Him who sent Me.”](#)

Joh 15:22 “If I had not come and spoken to them, they would have no sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin.

Joh 15:23 “He who hates Me hates My Father as well.

Joh 15:24 “If I did not do among them the works which no one else did, they would have no sin. But now they have both seen and have hated both Me and My Father,

Joh 15:25 but...that the word might be filled which was written in their Torah, ‘**They hated Me without a cause.**’ [Psa 35:19](#), [Psa 69:4](#).

Joh 15:26 “And when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of the Truth, who comes from the Father, He shall bear witness of Me,

Joh 15:27 but you also bear witness, because you have been with Me from the

beginning.

As prophesied, they hated Him without cause. He reminded them (and us), He would send them the Helper that would bear witness of Him; as we too would bear witness of Him.

'He who hates Me hates My Father as well.'

~ Shalom ~ Libby

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