

***Greetings, today our manna is from Lev 22; Psalm 28 & 29; Ecc. 5; 2Tim 1.***

## *April 18 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective*

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### **Leviticus 22**

Moses continues to impart YHWH’s instructions to Aaron and his sons on how to reverently approach YHWH with the set-apart offerings of the children of Israel. They themselves were to be set-apart to do these offerings with no uncleanness upon them. Moses then reviews who is allowed; and who is not allowed to eat the set-apart offerings.

Today, by the blood of Yahusha HaMashiach we have been justified; and daily we are being sanctified as we walk in Covenant Torah. Knowing this, we should approach YHWH with reverence, praise, and thanksgiving. Read the contrast between Leviticus 22 and the following New Testament, Brit Hadasha, Scriptures.

**Lev 22:1** And יהוה spoke to Mosheh, saying,

**Lev 22:2** “Speak to Aharon and his sons, that they separate themselves from the set-apart offerings of the children of Yisra’ël, and that they do not profane My set-apart Name in what they set apart to Me. I am יהוה’.

**Lev 22:3** “Say to them, ‘Any man of all your offspring throughout your generations who draws near the set-apart offerings which the children of Yisra’ël set apart to יהוה, while he has uncleanness upon him, that being shall be cut off from before Me. I am יהוה’.

To this very day, it is all about a set-apart relationship with YHWH. He wants us to keep His Covenant commands and know His voice. Some may have a ‘head knowledge’ of Him; but do not have a heart knowledge of Him. Sadly, some will hear Him say, depart from Me; I never knew you.

**Mat 25:31** “**And when the Son of Adam comes in His esteem**, and all the set-apart messengers with Him, then He shall sit on the throne of His esteem.

**Mat 25:32** “And **all the nations shall be gathered before Him**, and He shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates his sheep from the goats.

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**Mat 25:41** “He shall then also say to those on the left hand, ‘Go away from Me, accursed ones, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his messengers –

**Mat 25:42** for I was hungry and you gave Me no food, I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink,

Mat 25:43 I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, was naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.'

Lev 22:4 'Any man of the offspring of Aharon, who is a leper or has a discharge, does not eat the set-apart *offerings* until he is clean. And whoever touches what is rendered unclean by a being, or a man who has had an emission of semen,

Lev 22:5 or a man who touches any swarming *creature* by which he would be made unclean, or any being by whom he would become unclean, even any of his uncleanness;

Lev 22:6 the being who has touched it shall be unclean until evening, and does not eat the set-apart *offerings*, but shall bathe his body in water.

1Co 6:9 **Do you not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the reign of Elohim? Do not be deceived.** Neither those who whore, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals,

1Co 6:10 nor thieves, nor greedy of gain, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers shall inherit the reign of Elohim.<sup>a</sup> Footnote: <sup>a</sup>See [Gal 5:19-21](#), [Eph 5:3-5](#).

1Co 6:11 **And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were set apart, but you were declared right in the Name of the Master יהושע and by the Spirit of our Elohim.**

Lev 22:7 'And when the sun goes down he shall be clean, and afterward eat the set-apart *offerings*, because it is his food.

Lev 22:8 'He does not eat that which dies or is torn *by beasts*, becoming unclean by it. I am יהוה'.

Lev 22:9 'And they shall guard My Charge, lest they bear sin for it and die thereby, when they profane it. I יהוה' set them apart.

Lev 22:10 'And no stranger eats the set-apart offering. A sojourner with the priest, or a hired servant, does not eat the set-apart *offering*.

Lev 22:11 'But when the priest buys a being with his silver, he does eat of it. And one who is born in his house does eat his food.

Lev 22:12 'And when a priest's daughter is married to a stranger, she does not eat of the set-apart *offerings*.

Lev 22:13 'But when a priest's daughter is a widow or put away, and has no child, and has returned to her father's house as in her youth, she does eat her father's food, but no stranger eats of it.

Lev 22:14 'And when a man eats the set-apart offering by mistake, then he shall give a set-apart offering to the priest, and add one-fifth to it.

Lev 22:15 'And let *the priests* not profane the set-apart offerings of the children of Yisra'el, which they lift up to יהוה',

Lev 22:16 or allow them to bear the crookedness of trespass when they eat their set-apart offerings. For I am יהוה', who sets them apart.' ”

1Co 9:13 **Do you not know that those serving the Set-apart Place eat from the Set-apart Place,**

and those attending at the slaughter-place have their share of the offerings of the slaughter-place?

1Co 9:14 [So also the Master instituted that those announcing the Good News should live from the Good News.](#)

### Acceptable Offerings

Lev 22:17 And יהוה spoke to Mosheh, saying,

Lev 22:18 “Speak to Aharon and his sons, and to all the children of Yisra’ël, and say to them, ‘Any man of the house of Yisra’ël, or of the strangers in Yisra’ël, who brings his offering for any of his vows or for any of his voluntary offerings, which they bring to יהוה as an ascending offering,

Lev 22:19 for your acceptance, is a male, a perfect one from the cattle, from the sheep, or from the goats.

Lev 22:20 ‘Whatever has a defect, you do not bring, for it is not acceptable for you.

Lev 22:21 ‘And when a man brings a slaughtering of peace offerings to יהוה, to complete a vow, or a voluntary offering from the cattle or the sheep, it is to be perfect to be accepted, let there be no defect in it.

Lev 22:22 ‘Those blind or broken or cut, or having an ulcer or eczema or scabs, you do not bring to יהוה, nor make an offering by fire of them on the slaughter-place to יהוה.

Lev 22:23 ‘As for a bull or a lamb that has any limb deformed or dwarfed you do prepare as a voluntary offering, but for a vow it is not accepted.

Lev 22:24 ‘Do not bring to יהוה what is bruised or crushed, or torn or cut, nor do it in your land.

Mat 27:54 And when the captain and those with him, [who were guarding יהושע](#), saw the earthquake and all that took place, they feared exceedingly, saying, [“Truly this was the Son of Elohim!”](#)

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2Co 5:21 [For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us](#), so that in Him we might become the righteousness of Elohim.

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Eph 5:24 [But as the assembly is subject to Messiah, so also let the wives be to their own husbands in every respect.](#)

Eph 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, [as Messiah also did love the assembly and gave Himself for it,](#)

Eph 5:26 [in order to set it apart and cleanse it with the washing of water by the Word,](#)<sup>f</sup>  
Footnote: <sup>f</sup> [Rev 19:8-9.](#)

Eph 5:27 [in order to present it to Himself a splendid assembly, not having spot or wrinkle or any of this sort, but that it might be set-apart and blameless.](#)

Lev 22:25 ‘And from a son of a stranger’s hand you do not bring any of these as the bread of your Elohim, for their corruption is in them, and defects are in them, they are not acceptable for you.’ ”

**Lev 22:26** And יהוה spoke to Mosheh, saying,

**Lev 22:27** “When a bull or a sheep or a goat is born, it shall be seven days with its mother. And from the eighth day and thereafter it is acceptable as an offering made by fire to יהוה’.

**Lev 22:28** “But do not slay a cow or a sheep and its young on the same day.

Eph 2:11 Therefore remember that you, once nations<sup>C</sup> in the flesh, who are called ‘the uncircumcision’ by what is called ‘the circumcision’ made in the flesh by hands, Footnote: <sup>C</sup>See [1Co 12:2](#).

Eph 2:12 **that at that time you were without Messiah**, excluded from the citizenship of Yisra’el and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no expectation and without Elohim in the world.

Eph 2:13 But now in Messiah יהושע you who once were far off have been brought near **by the blood of the Messiah.**

Eph 2:14 For He is our peace, **who has made both one**, and having broken down the partition of the barrier,

Eph 2:15 having abolished in His flesh the enmity<sup>d</sup> – the torah of the commands in dogma – so as to **create in Himself one renewed man from the two**, thus making peace, Footnote: <sup>d</sup>Also see [Col 2:14](#), [Col 2:20](#), [Act 11:1-3](#).

Eph 2:16 and **to completely restore to favour both of them unto Elohim in one body** through the stake, having destroyed the enmity by it.

**Lev 22:29** “And when you slaughter a slaughtering of thanksgiving to יהוה’, slaughter it for your acceptance.

**Lev 22:30** “It is eaten that same day, leave none of it till morning. I am יהוה’.

Heb 13:15 **Through Him then, let us continually offer up a slaughter offering of praise to Elohim, that is, the fruit<sup>C</sup> of our lips, giving thanks to His Name.** Footnote: <sup>C</sup>Or “bulls of our lips” – See [Hos 14:2](#).

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1Pe 2:5 you also, as living stones, are being built up, a spiritual house, a set-apart priesthood, to **offer up spiritual slaughter offerings acceptable to Elohim through יהושע Messiah.**

Then Moses goes over the instructions for proper voluntary offerings and offerings made for vows as **ascending offerings**. What was acceptable for each and what was not.

Leviticus 22 closes with:

**Lev 22:31** “And you shall guard My commands and do them. I am יהוה’.

1Th 4:1 For the rest then, brothers, we beg you and call upon you in the Master יהושע, that as you received from us how **you should walk and to please Elohim, you should excel still more,**

1Th 4:2 for you know what commands we gave you through the Master יהושע.

Lev 22:32 “And do not profane My set-apart Name, and I shall be set-apart among the children of Yisra’el. I am יהוה, who sets you apart,

Exo 19:5 ‘And now, if you diligently obey My voice, and shall guard My covenant, then you shall be My treasured possession above all the peoples – for all the earth is Mine –

Exo 19:6 ‘and you shall be to Me a reign of priests and a set-apart nation.’ Those are the words which you are to speak to the children of Yisra’el.”

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**Joh 17:17 “Set them apart in Your truth – Your Word is truth.**  
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1Co 1:2 to the assembly of Elohim which is at Corinth, **to those who are set-apart in Messiah יהושע, called set-apart ones, with all those calling on the Name of יהושע Messiah our Master in every place, theirs and ours:**

Lev 22:33 who brought you out of the land of Mitsrayim, to be your Elohim. I am יהוה.”

Exo 20:2 “I am יהוה your Elohim, who brought you out of the land of Mitsrayim, out of the house of slavery.

Remember at Mt. Sinai, the people had quickly forgotten all that YHWH had done for them and had once proclaimed that the golden calf had led them out of Egypt!

Luke 4: **18** “The Spirit of יהוה is upon Me, because **He has anointed Me to bring the Good News** to the poor. He has sent **Me to heal the broken-hearted**, to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to send away crushed ones with a release, **19** to proclaim the acceptable year of יהוה.”

## Psalm 28

YHWH is worthy of all praise, glory, and reverence. He is Omnipotent; Omniscient; and Omnipresent. Everything responds to His voice and His presence. YHWH is our strength; He is our shield! Put on and take up the full armor of YHWH.

### YHWH Is My Strength and My Shield

**Psa 28:1** I cry to You, O יהוה my Rock: Do not be deaf to me! For if You are silent to me, I shall be like those who go down to the pit.

**Psa 28:2** Hear the voice of my prayers when I cry to You, When I lift up my hands Toward Your Set-apart Speaking Place.

**Psa 28:3** Do not draw me away with the wrong And with the workers of wickedness, Who speak peace to their neighbours, But evil is in their hearts.

**Psa 28:4** Give to them according to their deeds, And according to the evil of their

practices; Give to them according to the work of their hands; Bring back to them what they deserve.

**Psa 28:5** Because they do not heed the works of יהוה, Nor the works of His hands, He throws them down, And does not build them up.

**Psa 28:6** Blessed be יהוה, Because He has heard the voice of my prayers!

**Psa 28:7** יהוה is my strength, and my shield; My heart has trusted in Him, and I have been helped; Therefore my heart exults, And with my song I thank Him.

**Psa 28:8** יהוה is the strength of His people, And He is the stronghold of deliverance of His anointed.

**Psa 28:9** Save Your people, and bless Your inheritance; And be their Shepherd, and bear them up forever.

Gen 15:1 After these events the word of יהוה came to Abram in a vision, saying, “Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your reward is exceedingly great.”

Eph 1:17 that the Elohim of our Master יהושע Messiah, the Father of esteem, **would give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him,**

**Eph 1:18 the eyes of your understanding<sup>b</sup> being enlightened, so that you know what is the expectation of His calling, and what are the riches of the esteem of His inheritance in the set-apart ones,** Footnote: <sup>b</sup> Luk\_24:45.

Eph 1:19 and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who are believing, according to the working of **His mighty strength,**

Eph 1:20 which He wrought in the Messiah when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenlies,

Eph 1:21 **far above all rule and authority and power and mastery,** and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come.

## **Psalm 29** The Voice of YHWH

### **Ascribe to YHWH Glory**

**Psa 29:1** Ascribe to יהוה, O you sons of the mighty, Ascribe to יהוה esteem and strength.

**Psa 29:2** Ascribe to יהוה the esteem of His Name; Bow yourselves to יהוה in the splendor of set-apartness.

The Voice of YHWH...

**Psa 29:3** The voice of יהוה is over the waters; The Ėl of esteem thunders; יהוה is over many waters.

**Psa 29:4** The voice of יהוה is with power, The voice of יהוה is with greatness.

Psa 29:5 **The voice of יהוה** is breaking the cedars, יהוה is breaking the cedars of Lebanon in pieces.

Psa 29:6 And He makes them skip like a calf, Lebanon and Siryon like a young wild ox.

Psa 29:7 **The voice of יהוה** cuts through the flames of fire.

Psa 29:8 **The voice of יהוה** shakes the wilderness; יהוה shakes the Wilderness of Qadēsh.

Psa 29:9 **The voice of יהוה** makes the deer give birth, And strips the forests bare; And in His Hēkal everyone says, “Esteem!”

Psa 29:10 יהוה sat enthroned at the Flood, And יהוה sits as Sovereign forever.

Psa 29:11 יהוה gives strength to His people; יהוה blesses His people with peace.

## Ecclesiastes 5

YHWH is Eloha, we are not. He is glorious! He is awesome! We humbly bow to Him who has given us everything; and is above all things. He is the Creator of the universe.

We should think before we speak to YHWH; listen to Him more than we speak; and wait on Him for His direction and guidance. The Book of Job taught us many of these lessons!

### Fear Elohim

**Ecc 5:1** Guard your steps when you go to the House of Elohim. **And draw near to listen** rather than to give the slaughtering of fools, for they do not know that they do evil.

**Ecc 5:2** **Do not be hasty with your mouth, and let not your heart hurry to bring forth a word before Elohim.** For Elohim is in the heavens, and you on earth, therefore let your words be few.

**Ecc 5:3** For a dream comes through the greatness of the task, and a fool’s voice is known by his many words.

**Ecc 5:4** When you make a vow to Elohim, do not delay to pay it, for *He takes* no pleasure in fools. Pay that which you have vowed.

**Ecc 5:5** It is better not to vow than to vow and not pay.

**Ecc 5:6** Do not allow your mouth to cause your flesh to sin, nor say before the messenger of Elohim that it was a mistake. Why should Elohim be wroth at your voice and destroy the work of your hands?

**Ecc 5:7** For in much dreaming and many words there is futility. But fear Elohim.

### The Vanity of Wealth and Honor

**Ecc 5:8** If you see the oppression of the poor, and denial of right-ruling and righteousness in a province, do not be astonished at the matter. For a higher than the high is guarding, and there are higher ones over them.

**Ecc 5:9** And the increase of the land is for all. The sovereign himself is served from the field.

We should guard against the love of money. Money is a blessing to **be used in right measure**; but never should be elevated above Him. We should major on Him and not the minor things in this life that are passing away. The enemy wants us to focus on the futility of the; lust of the eyes; lust of the flesh; and the pride of life.

**Ecc 5:10 He who loves silver is not satisfied with silver; nor he who loves wealth, and increase. That too is futile.**

**Ecc 5:11 With the increase of goods, there is an increase of those consuming them.** What advantage then is there to their owners, but to look on?

**Ecc 5:12** Sweet is the sleep of a labourer whether he eats little or much, but the plenty of the rich does not let him sleep.

**Ecc 5:13** There is a sickly evil I have seen under the sun: riches kept for their owner, for his evil.

**Ecc 5:14** But those riches perish through evil use. And he brings forth a son, and there is naught in his hand.

**Ecc 5:15** As he came naked from his mother's womb, so he returns, to go as he came. And from his labour which goes into his hand he takes none whatsoever.

**Ecc 5:16** And this too is a grievous evil – exactly as he came, so he goes. And what gain has he since he toiled for the wind?

**Ecc 5:17** All his days he also eats in darkness, and with much sorrow and sickness and wrath.

**Ecc 5:18** See what I have seen: It is good and beautiful for one to eat and drink, and to enjoy the good of all his labor in which he toils under the sun all the days of his life which **Elohim gives him, for it is his portion.**

**Ecc 5:19** Further, when Elohim has given any man riches and wealth, and permitted him to enjoy them, and to receive his portion and rejoice in his labour, **this is a gift of Elohim.**

**Ecc 5:20 Though it not be much, let him remember the days of his life, because Elohim bears witness by the gladness of his heart.**

## 2Timothy 1

As we begin 2Timothy, we find Paul continuing to encourage Timothy in the work of spreading the Good News. At this time, Paul was in prison in Rome. From what I have determined, this is **Paul's last letter**, though some accredit Hebrews to Paul rather than



to either Barnabas or Apollos. Paul desired to see Timothy very much as so did Timothy desired to see Paul. I'm not sure if that meeting ever took place; but in eternity they surely will be rejoined.

His Words to Timothy are 'go to' Scriptures for many of us. Paul instructed Timothy to stir up the gift in him and so should we. We each have a purpose that is to be fulfilled in our lives. Let us press on for which He purposed us. Fulfilling His purpose in our lives is one of our highest callings and sadly some will ponder 'what might have been.'

Read 2Timothy as if it was written directly to you. Last words of a person are very important, and these are Paul's last words to someone like his very own son. Read them slowly and deeply and absorb their depths of truth into your being.

### Greeting

**2Ti 1:1** Sha'ul, an emissary of יהושע Messiah by the desire of Elohim, according to the promise of life which is in Messiah יהושע,

**2Ti 1:2** to Timotiyos, my beloved son: Favour, compassion, peace from Elohim the Father, and Messiah יהושע our Master.

### Guard the Deposit Entrusted to You

**2Ti 1:3** I thank Elohim, whom I serve with a clear conscience, as my forefathers did, as I unceasingly remember you in my prayers night and day,

**2Ti 1:4** longing to see you, as I remember your tears, so that I might be filled with joy.

**2Ti 1:5** For I recollect the sincere belief which is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunike, and I am persuaded is in you too.

**2Ti 1:6** For this reason I remind you to stir up the gift of Elohim which is in you through the laying on of my hands.

**2Ti 1:7** For Elohim has not given us a spirit of cowardice, but of power and of love and of self-control.

**2Ti 1:8** So do not be ashamed of the witness of our Master, nor of me His prisoner, but suffer hardship with me for the Good News according to the power of Elohim,

**2Ti 1:9** who has saved us and called us with a set-apart calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and favour which was given to us in Messiah יהושע before times of old,

**2Ti 1:10** but now revealed by the appearing of our Saviour יהושע Messiah, who indeed abolished death and brought life and incorruptibility to light through the Good News,

**2Ti 1:11** for which I was appointed a proclaimer, and an emissary, and a teacher of the nations.

**2Ti 1:12** For this reason I also suffer these matters, but I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to watch over that which I have entrusted to Him until that Day.

**2Ti 1:13** Hold the pattern of sound words which you have heard from me, in belief and love which are in Messiah יהושע.

**2Ti 1:14** Watch over the good deposit that was entrusted to you, by the Set-apart Spirit dwelling in us.

**2Ti 1:15** You know this, that all those in Asia have turned away from me, among whom are Phugellos and Hermogenes.

Beloved Onesiphoros comforted Paul greatly in his time of need.

**2Ti 1:16** The Master grant compassion unto the household of Onesiphoros, for he often refreshed me, and was not ashamed of my chain,

**2Ti 1:17** but when he was in Rome, he eagerly searched for me and found me.

**2Ti 1:18** The Master grant to him to find compassion from the Master in that Day. And you know very well how many ways he attended to me at Ephesos.

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