2Thess #87

Moloch a demon that devours the children.

Open up today in the OT - 1Kings chapter eleven.

By the way I went on my website the other day and it is really turning into a great resource for people.

Rob has even started a prayer list on one of the new pages. He set up a Link-tree account where anyone can connect to all my links.

Talk about someone who is stepping up and stepping out in the plan of God.

Today we will take note of where some of the wide spread demonic worship ignited within Israel. As I told you last lesson, Moloch… by all accounts appears to be a demon or fallen angel who is under direct authority of Satan. He is in charge of human sacrifice and more specifically child sacrifice.

The etymology of the word Moloch most certainly has some roots in a term for a ruler or a leader – either in ancient Hebrew or the original Aramaic.

Today we will dive a little deeper into the connection of blood rituals with sexual perversions that give dark power to Blood, Sex, Money magic of the occult.

There is never a question as to who GOD is and what HE expects of HIS children.

It is written throughout the Bible, very apparent.

/Exo 20:3 **You shall have no other gods before Me**. 4 “You shall not make for yourself an idol, or **any likeness** of **what is in heaven** above or on the **earth beneath**, or **in the water under the earth**.\

God is very specific in commands and warnings.

One of the main reasons HE is like that, is because of what HE had already knew occurred before the flood.

Also, in HIS omniscience what HE knows will happen after the flood and to this very day.

In the original context it brings up beneath the earth and even beneath the water - which is very interesting.

I’m here to tell you there are activities beneath the earth and under the deepest oceans, that our Bible hints are a mixture of chambers or holding cells for some fallen angels.

As well as deep taverns and demonic or fallen angel activity that we have yet to learn about.

I believe there is some demonic and fallen angel activity deep within the earth.

Do not get me started on Antarctica and the mysteries within that forbidden realm.

The important principle is that every command and warning was written for a specific reason.

It is not GOD, just randomly putting out warnings and commands for events or acts that have not… or will not occur.

/Lev 18:21 **You shall not give any of your children to offer them to Molech**, nor shall you profane the name of your God; I am the LORD.

Lev 18:23 ‘Also **you shall not have sexual intercourse with any animal** to be defiled with it, nor shall any woman stand before **an animal to mate with it; it is a perversion**.\

Moloch by all accounts, becomes visible during the last portion of the life of King Solomon.

These warnings and commands were there because it was apparently part of demonic rituals.

/Lev 20:2 “You shall also say to the sons of Israel: ‘Anyone from the sons of Israel or from the strangers residing in Israel **who gives any of his children to Molech, shall certainly be put to death;** the people of the land shall stone him with stones.\

All of these warnings and commands are very serious and a reality of the world we live in…back then and even today.

/Deu 18:10 “There shall not be found among you *anyone* who **makes his son or his daughter pass through the fire**, one who uses **divination**, a **soothsayer,** one who **interprets omens**, or a **sorcerer,** 11 or one **who casts a spell, or a medium, or a spiritist, or one who consults the dead.\**

Some of these I have covered before, but let us take a quick glance at them again.

This is a pretty extensive list, and really covers any avenue of mysticism, witchcraft, astrology, tarot cards…a full listing of all avenues that would appear as signs, wonders and miracles or healings.

It is either from GOD or Satan, there is no gray area!

/Divination – *qāsam,* a false prophet, one who reads or speaks from a foreign or mystic scroll.

Soothsayer - *ʿānan,* witchcraft, dark arts.

Interprets omens - *nāḥaš,* one who can whisper a spell or create an illusion or read a supernatural sign.

Socerer - *kāšap̄,*  a witch or sorcerer of dark arts, experts in incantations and astrology as well as mystic power.\

KAH-SAM, to interpret ancient tongues, the reading of forbidden scrolls.

AH-NAN, witchcraft, a practitioner of dark arts. Fortune teller or a magician.

NAH-ASH, one who can whisper a spell or create illusion, to read a sign.

KAH-SHEF, witch or sorcerer with abilities to use astrology and secrets for dark power.

If you don’t think people like this are alive and operating today, you are sadly mistaken and completely fooled by Satan and his army.

Now as many of you know the books of Chronicles and the books of the Kings are the same historic events seen from different angles.

The Bible has many books set up in this fashion – it gives greater witness and details to the same set of events.

/1Kin 11:1 Now **King Solomon loved many foreign women** along with the daughter of Pharaoh: Moabite, Ammonite, Edomite, Sidonian, and Hittite women,

God created one man and one woman for marriage (Divine Inst. #2). Any Christian who partakes outside of this realm, always brings self-induced misery and eventually discipline into their life.\

Every one of these tribes or cultures were either fully infiltrated by a demonic presence.

Or ignorantly rebellious toward the one true God of Israel.

Which meant, they were useful idiots in the army of Satan.

 REPEAT

This is where the Hebrew word – GOY-UM, was derived. It meant foreigners, Gentiles - those outside the encampment of GOD.

It can mean cattle or useful animals as well…it is used in very negative terms today.

[1Ki 11:2](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/1ki/11/2/s_302002) from the nations of which the LORD had said to the sons of Israel, “You shall not associate with them, nor shall they associate with you; they will certainly turn your heart away to follow their gods.” Solomon clung to these in love.

(Exo 23 – Exo 34 – Deu 7 – Josh 23)

/ It states Solomon - *dāḇaq 'ahăḇâ,* he followed and clung to and made a priority of these women. The word for love used here, is very intimate - but it also can mean sexual desires. It is a strong statement that Solomon refused to let go of the love or lust he had for all his women. Unchecked sexual lust patterns, is an avenue of demonic assault.\

DEE-BAC, AIR-HAV-AH, to cling upon, to follow closely in a love relationship.

This opening for Satan into the nation of Israel was the beginning of the end for one nation under God as far as Israel was concerned.

It is also believed to be a time when infiltrators who would later become counterfeit Israelites slowly trickled in and entered the 12 Tribes of Israel.

/Satan knows how to distort the people of GOD, it takes savvy, confusion and temptations that drive them outside of God’s standards and HIS plan. Once the Bel accepts the offers or gifts of Satan and his cosmic system, they begin to allow the OSN and Satan’s cosmic trickery to plant hooks in their soul structure. These are hooks deep within that turn into patterns and addictions and cause spiritual blindness.\

When the Bel can no longer find satisfaction and comfort in the blessings of GOD, it is only a matter of time before their appetite increases into an insatiable vacuum of misery…emotional highs and lows with brutal consequences.

 The frantic search for fulfillment and the frantic search for happiness.

 REPEAT

Remember even in perfection, mankind left to his own desires will seek something new.

/Prov 27:20 **Sheol and Abaddon are never satisfied**, Nor are the eyes of a person ever satisfied.

It begins with the thought of desires and the lust of the eyes, as it did in the original Garden. Abaddon is related to the name of a fallen angel, one of destruction. (Rev 9:11) \

There is a hint within this proverb that ultimately even in death or sin there is no satisfaction.

Apart from being a true child of GOD - your life, and even your death, will be like a never-ending wheel of frustration and implacability.

Sin always leads to death in one form or fashion…even the Believer who gets caught up in sinning. Especially chain sinning, it is a journey of misery and unhappiness.

It leads to a horrific emptiness in the end. Very destructive for the soul.

 REPEAT

[1Ki 11:3](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/1ki/11/3/s_302003) He had seven hundred wives, *who were* princesses, and three hundred concubines; and his wives turned his heart away.

His father David had about 15 wives at different points in his life…especially in his younger years. Bathsheba was the right one and David stopped all of that nonsense once he married her.

/Solomon, unlike, Abraham, David, Jacob and several other men who disobeyed the divine establishment of marriage, he could not recover from this sin. He fell deeper in and never got out from it. He spent 20 years building God’s temple and his own kingdom into an incredible master piece, then in his latter years became victim to his own OSN and Satan’s temptations. Many lust patterns and addictions are the doorway into demonic influence for Bels.\

Bels can become so demonically influenced; they appear as possessed as the Unbels around them.

/[1Ki 11:4](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/1ki/11/4/s_302004) For when Solomon was old, his wives turned his heart away to follow other gods; and **his heart was not wholly devoted to the LORD his God**, as the heart of his father David *had been.*

At first, Solomon probably did not see this as a denial of the Lord God of Israel. His wives were not responsible for his backsliding.\

In his mind, he probably thought that he still honored GOD, he simply added the honor of these other gods to his worship of the LORD. But this is never acceptable to God. He demands to be the only God in our life.

Never rationalize or justify your falling away as anything other than sin and arrogance.

It starts in the soul – the heart. Certain thoughts and the lust of the eyes.

/[1Ki 11:5](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/1ki/11/5/s_302005) For Solomon became a follower of **Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians**, and of **Milcom** the abhorrent idol of the Ammonites.

Ashtoreth the Canaanite fertility goddess, and Milcom is our first view of Moloch.\

Just as I taught you in recent lessons - using the Hollywood vampire as an example, once you open the door and allow Satan to present something to you, it is a form of acceptance.

The Ashtoreth were almost always statues and carvings of women, that represented not only fertility but a place of sexual worship.

Many ceremonies and sacrificial rituals took place around the statues – it always involved sexual orgies or perversions.

/Sidon is the famous Phoenician city and birth place of princess Jezebel, a high priestess of the Phallic Cult. Never lose sight of the fact, many cultures sprang up from a mixture of Canaanites and other cultures or tribes. The Phoenician culture predominately came forth from Canaanite bloodlines.\

[1Ki 11:6](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/1ki/11/6/s_302006) So Solomon did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, and did not follow the LORD fully, as his father David *had done.*

/[1Ki 11:7](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/1ki/11/7/s_302007) **Then Solomon built a high place for Chemosh**, the abhorrent idol of Moab, on the mountain that is east of Jerusalem, and **for Molech**, the abhorrent idol of the sons of Ammon.

Chemosh may represent the god of the sun or Mars and of blood sacrifice.\

Interestingly enough, the planet Mars is a blood red color.

[1Ki 11:8](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/1ki/11/8/s_302008) He also did the same for all his foreign wives, who burned incense and sacrificed to their gods.

[1Ki 11:9](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/1ki/11/9/s_302009) Now the LORD was angry with Solomon because his heart had turned away from the LORD, the God of Israel, who had appeared to him twice,

[1Ki 11:10](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/1ki/11/10/s_302010) and had commanded him regarding this thing, that he was not to follow other gods; but he did not comply with what the LORD had commanded.

We will be picking it back up here in 1Kings chapter eleven next message. As for now let us go over a few important principles in closing;

/The destruction and distortion of God’s divine establishments along with HIS creation of mankind is a target for Satan and his army. Blood sacrifice, blood rituals and sexual perversions are combined to open up a doorway or channel between fallen man and the demonic spiritual world. Satan uses this avenue along with a few others to control, destroy and confusion mankind pertaining to the truth of GOD’s plan and HIS word.\

/Satan knows he can not eliminate the word of God or destroy the plan of GOD. Therefore, his main focus is upon building his beast system and in the process, controlling or destroying humanity. Counterfeiting the person and work of Christ and counterfeiting the plan of GOD are all desperate attempts from a creature who knows his fate and yet is kicking and screaming against it until the bitter end.\

He has no other avenue to go down, no other realm of attack. But to bring forth the Tribulation in a manner that may set him up for success. Even that he knows will end in everlasting pain and misery