

Footsteps That Lead to the Living Creator Yah of Hosts

Welcome to the Kingdom of Yah of Hosts

The Gateway to the return of the Ancient – Modern Day Hebrew Israelites

INTRODUCTION:

Have you ever wondered why the people who have been called almost every name under the sun do the following against one another?

1. Murder
2. Stealing
3. Gossip that leads to serious fights, or even death
4. People who love to spread lies (False rumors) sometimes to hide their own guilt!
5. Feet that run to mischief and or trouble
6. Gang violence
7. Using people for their own selfish gain (Money)
8. Black on Black crimes
9. Beating on their spouses whether or not it is the man beating his wife, or the wife/woman beating her man
10. Joining with the Nations who want our own people dead, extinct, child abuse and murders.
11. Joining with the slave-masters/oppressors of the world against your own people, to include innocent people.
12. Women usurping [Taking the place of a man]
13. Men not accepting their roles and responsibilities
14. Not working together as was told us in the Bible as seen below:

[Proverbs 6:6 VOICE TRANSLATION \[THE ANT\]](#)

Take a lesson from the ant, you who love leisure and ease. Observe how it works, and *dare to be just as wise.*

This means if we work together while praising and keeping the Laws, Statues, and Commandments given to our forefathers by our true God (Yah of Hosts, who is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob) we can accomplish anything.

These Laws were given to us through Moses Yahweh's servant.

We fight each other and harm each other and **SOME OF US** don't care!

But we have a warning from Almighty God (Yahweh, Yah of Hosts) in these last and evil days; we were told long ago concerning these exact days, **we were told, not asked to straighten things out between us or else!**

Please pay attention!

[Malachi 4 New International Version](#)

Judgment and Covenant Renewal

¹ ^[a]“Surely the day is coming; it will **burn** like a furnace. All the **arrogant and every evildoer** will be stubble, and the day that is coming will set them on fire,” says Yah of Hosts Almighty. “Not a root or a branch will be left to them.

² But for you who revere (Revere means → **to** Admire/respect/worship) my name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its rays. And you will go out and frolic like well-fed calves. ³ Then you will trample on the wicked; they will be ashes under the soles of your feet on the day when I act,” says Yah of Hosts Almighty.

⁴ “Remember the law of my servant Moses, the decrees and laws I gave him at Horeb for all Israel.

⁵ “See, I will send the prophet Elijah [Elijah; the meaning is revealed to us in the following scripture below ↓]

[Exodus 7:1](#)

Then Yahweh said to Moses, “See, I have made you like God to Pharaoh, and **your** brother **Aaron** will be **your prophet**.

VOICE

Eternal One (to Moses): Look! I have made it so that Pharaoh will deal with you as a god and your brother Aaron as your prophet.

MSG

Yah told Moses, “Look at me. I’ll make you as a god to Pharaoh and your brother Aaron will be your prophet. You are to speak everything I command you, and your brother Aaron will tell it to Pharaoh.

Then he will release the Israelites from his land. At the same time I am going to put Pharaoh’s back up and follow it up by filling Egypt with signs and wonders. Pharaoh is not going to listen to you, but I will have my way against Egypt and bring out my soldiers, my people the Israelites, from Egypt by mighty acts of judgment. The Egyptians will realize that I am God when I step in and take the Israelites out of their country.”

Now, ***please consider*** and also think about this scripture:

Will we have a modern day Moses?

Deuteronomy 18:16-18 New International Version

¹⁶ For this is what you asked of Yah of Hosts your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said, “Let us not hear the voice of Yah of Hosts our God nor see this great fire anymore, or we will die.”

¹⁷ Yah of Hosts said to me: “What they say is good.

¹⁸ **I will raise up for them a prophet like you** from among their fellow Israelites, and I will put my words in his mouth. He will tell them everything I command him.

[Deuteronomy 18:16-18 The Voice](#)

¹⁶ This is just what you asked Him for on the day you gathered at Mount Horeb: “Don’t make me listen to the voice of the Eternal my God anymore! And don’t make me look at that blazing fire! I’ll die!”^[a] ¹⁷ The Eternal told me, “They’re right.

¹⁸ **I’ll send them another prophet like you from among their own people.**

I’ll put My **words in the mouth of this prophet** who will tell them everything I command him to say.

Footnotes

1. [18:16 Deuteronomy 5:22–27](#)

And finally before we resume Malachi 4:5 –

[Jeremiah 30:8-9 King James Translation](#)

⁸ For it shall come to pass in that day, says Yah of hosts, **that I will break his yoke** (His yoke means, - his dominion, rule or control) **from off your neck**, and will burst thy bonds, and strangers shall no more serve themselves of him:

⁹ But they shall serve Yah of Hosts their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up unto them.

Another version:

[Jeremiah 30:7-9 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition](#)

⁷ Alas! for that day will be great, so that none will be like it; it will be the time of Jacob’s [unequaled] trouble, but he will be saved out of it.

⁸ For it will come to pass in that day, says Yah of Hosts of hosts, that I will break [the oppressor's] yoke from your neck, and I will burst your bonds; and strangers will no more make slaves of [the people of Israel].

⁹ But they will serve Yah of Hosts their God and David's [descendant] their King, Whom I will raise up for them.

NOW... With this view at the scriptures, please allow me to shed some light on another important point in scriptures found in [2 Samuel 7th Chapter](#) as this pertains to a future son of David being raised up in our generation;

[2 Samuel 7:8-29 Living Bible Translation](#)

⁸ *“Now go and give this message to David from Yah of heaven:*

‘I chose you to be the leader of my people Israel when you were a mere shepherd, tending your sheep in the pastureland. ⁹ I have been with you wherever you have gone and have destroyed your enemies.

*And I will make your name greater yet, so that you will be one of the most famous men in the world! ¹⁰⁻¹¹ I have selected a homeland for my people from which they will never have to move. ***It will be their own land where the heathen nations won't bother them as they did when the judges ruled my people. There will be no more wars against you; and your descendants shall rule this land for generations to come!****

¹² For when you die, I will put one of your sons upon your throne, and I will make his kingdom strong. ¹³ He is the one who shall build me a temple. **And I will continue his kingdom into eternity.**

¹⁴ I will be his father and he shall be my son. If he sins, **I will use other nations to punish him,**

¹⁵ but my love and kindness shall not leave him as I took it from Saul, your predecessor. ¹⁶ Your family shall rule my kingdom forever.’”

¹⁷ So Nathan went back to David and told him everything Yah had said.

¹⁸ Then David went into the Tabernacle and sat before Yah and prayed, “O Yah God, why have you showered your blessings on such an insignificant person as I am? ¹⁹ And now, in addition to everything else, **you speak of giving me an eternal dynasty!**

Such generosity is far beyond any human standard! O Yah God!

²⁰ What can I say? For you know what I am like! ²¹ You are doing all these things just because you promised to and because you want to!

²² How great you are, Yah God! We have never heard of any other God like you. And there is no other God.

²³ **What other nation in all the earth has received such blessings** as Israel, your people?

For you have rescued your chosen nation in order to bring glory to your name.

You have done great miracles to destroy Egypt and its gods.

²⁴ You chose Israel to be your people forever, and you became our God.

²⁵ “And now, Yah God, do as you have promised concerning me and my family.

²⁶ And may you be eternally honored when you have established Israel as your people and have established my dynasty before you.

²⁷ *For you have revealed to me, O Yah of heaven,*

God of Israel, **that I am the first of a dynasty** *which will rule your people forever; that is why I have been bold enough to pray this prayer of acceptance.*

²⁸ For you are indeed God, and your words are truth; and you have promised me these good things—²⁹ so do as you have promised! Bless me and my family forever! May our dynasty continue on and on before you; for you, Yah God, have promised it.”

Did you see what I saw in the above scriptures, and what’s the big deal?

At the time when David sat in the presence of Almighty Yah-(God), **the Israelites were not Slaves**, so the scriptures **would have to be talking** about a **time in the future**, when **Yah’s people would be slaves this is clearly after** the death of King David; the future was revealed to King David when he was alive!

Resuming **Malachi 4:6**

to you **before that great and dreadful day of Yah of Hosts comes.**

⁶ *He will turn the hearts of the parents to their children, and the hearts of the children to their parents; or else I will come and strike the land with total destruction.”*

Footnotes

1. [Malachi 4:1](#) In Hebrew texts 4:1-6 is numbered 3:19-24.

After all of the years that the Israelites have and remain in a state of captivity (Slavery) it does not surprise me that our people may find it hard to believe that our freedom is around the corner!

Note:

[Habakkuk 1:5](#) New International Version

Yah of Host's Answer

⁵ “Look at the nations and watch—
and be utterly amazed.
For I am going to do something in your days
that you would not believe,
even if you were told.

Now I know this was spoken when the Prophet Habakkuk was alive, but it WILL happen again, quoting

[Ecclesiastes 1:9-11](#) New International Version

⁹ What has been will be again,
what has been done will be done again;
there is nothing new under the sun.

¹⁰ Is there anything of which one can say,
“Look! This is something new”?
It was here already, long ago;
it was here before our time.

¹¹ No one remembers the former generations,
and even those yet to come
will not be remembered
by those who follow them.

Act while there is still time!

[Isaiah 49:8](#) Expanded Bible Translation

The Day of Salvation

This is what Yah of Hosts says: “**At the ·right time** [**time of favor**] **I will ·hear your prayers** [answer you].

On the day of salvation I will help you.

I will protect you, and ·you will be the sign of my agreement with [^LI will give/establish you as a covenant for] the people [[Isaiah 42:6](#)].

You will bring back the people to the land [^L...to restore/rebuild the land] and ·give the land that is now ruined back to its owners [^Lbequeath its desolate inheritances].

[Isaiah 58:4](#) Expanded Bible Translation

Even when you fast, you argue and fight and ·hit each other with your [^Lhit with wicked/sinful] fists. You cannot do these things as you do now and ·believe your **prayers** are [expect to be] **heard** ·in heaven [on high].

[Jeremiah 6:16 NIV Bible](#)

¹⁶ This is what Yah of Hosts says:

“Stand at the crossroads and look;

[**Crossroads means**→ look but don’t walk/practice anything but the true words (Law) of Yahweh found in the books of; Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy]

Ask for the ancient paths, [*The ancient path is the Torah found in the Old Testament*]

Ask where the good way is, and walk in it,
and **you will find rest for your souls.**

But you said, ‘We will not walk in it.’

¹⁷ I appointed watchmen over you and said,
‘Listen to the sound of the trumpet!’

But you said, ‘We will not listen.’

¹⁸ Therefore hear, you nations;
you who are witnesses,
observe what will happen to them.

[The “I AM” calls the entire world as witnesses of what He does to His own people for not KEEPING the **COVENANT AGREEMENT** that began with, and was between Yahweh and Abraham

¹⁹ Hear, you earth:
I am bringing disaster on this people,
the fruit of their schemes,
because they have not listened to my words
and have rejected my law.

Because our true identity has purposely been hidden from us, we don’t know about the promise of a better life absent of hurting one another to get ahead!

We are feeling despair, and we are saying “We have **no hope.**”

[Ezekiel 37:11](#)

Then he said unto me, Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel: behold, they say, Our bones are dried, and our **hope is lost**: we are cut off for our parts.

Other translations to help us fully understand:

[CEV](#)

Yah (Almighty God) said: Ezekiel, the people of Israel are like dead bones. They complain that they are dried up and that they have no hope for the future.

[VOICE](#)

Eternal One: Son of man, these bones are the entire community of Israel. They keep saying, “Our bones are dry *now, picked clean by scavengers*. All hope is gone. Our nation is lost.”

Many of our people have the mindset, and are thinking like the above scriptures, we feel that **IF we are to have anything in this life**, we have to make it happen on our own, and by our strength.

Have you ever heard of the saying, “I got to do what I got to do to make it,” or I have to help my mama?

I am sharing some hard facts with you in order to tell you a truth using scriptures, and not my opinion!

[Proverbs 3:5](#)

Trust in Yahweh [Almighty God] with all your heart and **lean not** on your own **understanding**;

[MSG](#)

Trust Yah/God from the bottom of your heart; don't try to figure out everything on your own. Listen for Yah's voice in everything you do, everywhere you go; he's the one who will keep you on track. Don't assume that you know it all.

Run to Yah! Run from evil! Your body will glow with health, your very bones will vibrate with life! Honor Go Yah with everything you own; give him the first and the best.

Your barns will burst, your wine vats will brim over. But don't, dear friend, resent God's discipline; don't sulk under his loving correction. It's the child he loves that God corrects; a father's delight is behind all this.

Now I am aware that many of our people are named Negroes, blacks, Afro-American, and many names that cause injuries.

Whether you know it or not, in the ancient writings in the Bible, specifically at **Psalms 83** some Nations entered into an agreement against God's chosen people; this agreement was agreed to for the purpose of the following:

1. To take the chosen people out of their homeland, and scatter/disperse them as slaves to the four corners of the earth; North, South, East, and West!

Psalm 83 Living Bible Translation

O Yah our God, don't sit idly by, silent and inactive when we pray. Answer us!
Deliver us!

² Don't you hear the tumult and commotion of your enemies? Don't you see what they are doing, these proud men who hate *The Eternal God*?

³ They are full of craftiness and plot against your people, laying plans to slay your precious ones.

⁴“Come,” they say, **“and let us wipe out Israel as a nation**—we will destroy the very memory of her existence.”

⁵ ***This was their unanimous decision at their summit conference—they signed a treaty to ally themselves against Almighty God***—⁶ these Ishmaelites and Edomites and Moabites and Hagrites; ⁷ people from the lands of Gebal, Ammon, Amalek, Philistia and Tyre; ⁸ Assyria has joined them too, and is allied with the descendants of Lot.^[a]

⁹ Do to them as once you did to Midian, or as you did to Sisera and Jabin at the river Kishon, ¹⁰ and as you did to your enemies at Endor, whose decaying corpses fertilized the soil.

¹¹ Make their mighty nobles die as Oreb did, and Zeeb;^[b] let all their princes die like Zebah and Zalmunna, ¹² **who said, “Let us seize for our own use these pasturelands of God!”**

¹³ O my God, blow them away like dust; like chaff before the wind—¹⁴ as a forest fire that roars across a mountain. ¹⁵ Chase them with your fiery storms, tempests, and tornados.

¹⁶ Utterly disgrace them until they recognize your power and name, O Yah of Hosts our God.

¹⁷ Make them failures in everything they do; let them be ashamed and terrified ¹⁸ until they learn that you alone, (Yah of Hosts/Yahweh), are the God above all gods in supreme charge of all the earth.

Footnotes

1. [Psalm 83:8](#) *the descendants of Lot*. The Moabites and Ammonites were among Lot’s descendants.
2. [Psalm 83:11](#) *as Oreb did, and Zeeb*, see Judges 7:25. *like Zebah and Zalmunna*, see Judges 8:21.

ANOTHER Biblical VERSION:

Psalm 83 New International Version

Psalm 83^[a]

A song. A psalm of Asaph.

¹ O Yah, do not remain silent;
do not turn a deaf ear,
do not stand aloof, O (Yah) God.

² See how your enemies growl,
how your foes rear their heads.

³ **With cunning** they conspire against your people;
they plot against those you cherish.

⁴ “Come,” they say, “let us destroy them as a nation,
so that Israel’s name is remembered no more.”

⁵ With one mind they plot together;
they form an alliance against you—

These are the ancient names of the
Nations who planned together against
Yahweh, and His people!

⁶ the tents of Edom and the Ishmaelites,
of Moab and the Hagrites,

⁷ Byblos, Ammon and Amalek,
Philistia, with the people of Tyre.

⁸ Even Assyria has joined them
to reinforce Lot's descendants. ^[b]

⁹ Do to them as you did to Midian,
as you did to Sisera and Jabin at the river Kishon,
¹⁰ who perished at Endor
and became like dung on the ground.

¹¹ Make their nobles like Oreb and Zeeb,
all their princes like Zebah and Zalmunna,
¹² who said, "Let us take possession
of the pasturelands of God."

¹³ Make them like tumbleweed, *Yah* my God,
like chaff before the wind.

¹⁴ As fire consumes the forest
or a flame sets the mountains ablaze,
¹⁵ so pursue them with your tempest
and terrify them with your storm.

¹⁶ Cover their faces with shame, YAH,
so that they will seek your name.

¹⁷ May they ever be ashamed and dismayed;
may they perish in disgrace.

¹⁸ Let them know that you, whose name is Yah of Hosts—
that you alone are the Most High over all the earth.

Footnotes

1. [Psalm 83:1](#) In Hebrew texts 83:1-18 is numbered 83:2-19.
2. [Psalm 83:8](#) The Hebrew has *Selah* (a word of uncertain meaning) here.

It is important to note that the King James Bible sums it up like this:

⁴ They have said, Come, and **let us cut them off from being a nation;**
[Scattered into the nations living in the four corners of the earth!
that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance.

This is why many of our people **are in survival mode**, trying to live by any means necessary! We are so far from being the HOLY chosen people, that the Hebrew Scriptures more commonly known as the Old Testament, literally confirms this!

[See our Study Guide titled; “We Offend Not.”]

Each of us....our people have a choice given to us by Almighty Eternal God, whose name is Yah of Hosts!

Please pay attention!

The people who hate the Everlasting God Yah of Hosts and His people, want us to think and believe that we have sinned **TOO MUCH** and can never be forgiven!

But that IS NOT what Yah of Hosts our God says, let us look in the book of Ezekiel below↓

The Eternal God Yah says that He gets No Pleasure In The Death of A Sinner:

I’m going to give you two (2) versions to make sure we all understated.

King James Version:

Ezekiel 18-23 King James Version

Note the true name of God which was said to be “Yah of Hosts our God” is corrected by Pastor Michael Israel

The word of Yah of Hosts our God came unto me again, saying,

² What mean you, that you use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge?

³ As I live, says Yah of Hosts our God, you shall not have occasion any more to use this proverb in Israel.

⁴ **Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine:** the soul that sins, it shall die.

⁵ *But if a man be just, and do that which is lawful and right,*

⁶ And has not eaten upon the mountains, neither have lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, neither has defiled his neighbour's wife, neither hath come near to a menstruous woman, (*A woman on her period*)

⁷ And has not oppressed any, but has restored to the debtor his pledge, has spoiled none by violence, has given his bread to the hungry, and has covered the naked with a garment;

⁸ He that has not given forth upon usury, neither has taken any increase (Charging interest for helping), that has withdrawn his hand from iniquity, has executed true judgment between man and man,

⁹ Have walked in my statutes, and hath kept my judgments, *to deal truly; he is just, he shall surely live*, says Yah of Hosts our God.

¹⁰ If he beget (Fathers) a son that is a robber, a shedder of blood, and that does the like to any one of these things,

¹¹ And that does not any of those duties, but even hath eaten upon the mountains, and defiled his neighbour's wife,

¹² Hath oppressed the poor and needy, hath spoiled by violence, hath not restored the pledge, and hath lifted up his eyes to the idols, hath committed abomination,

¹³ Hath given forth upon usury, and hath taken increase: shall he then live? he shall not live: he hath done all these abominations; he shall surely die; his blood shall be upon him.

¹⁴ Now, lo, *if he beget a son, that sees all his father's sins which he has done, and considers, and does not such like,*

¹⁵ That has not eaten upon the mountains, neither have lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, has not defiled his neighbour's wife,

¹⁶ Neither has oppressed any, have not withholden the pledge, neither has spoiled by violence, but hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment,

¹⁷ That have taken off his hand from the poor, that has not received usury nor increase, have executed my judgments, have walked in my statutes; ***he shall not die for the iniquity of his father, he shall surely live.***

¹⁸ As for his father, because he cruelly oppressed, spoiled his brother by violence, and did that which is not good among his people, lo, even he shall die in his iniquity.

¹⁹ *Yet say you, Why? does not the son bear the iniquity of the father? When the son has done that which is lawful and right, and has kept all my statutes, and have done them, he shall surely live.*

²⁰ **The soul that sins, it shall die.**

The son shall not bear the iniquity (Sin) of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity (Sin) of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.

²¹ **But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he has committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die.**

²² **All his transgressions** that he has committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him: in his righteousness that he has done he shall live.

²³ ***Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? says Yah of Hosts our God: and not that he should return from his ways, and live?***

²⁴ But when the righteous **turns away from his righteousness**, and commits iniquity, and does according to all the abominations that the wicked man does, shall he live?

All his righteousness that he has done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he has trespassed, and in his sin that he have sinned, in them shall he die.

²⁵ Yet you say, The way of Yah of Hosts our God is not equal. Hear now, O house of Israel; Is not my way equal? are not your ways unequal?

²⁶ When a righteous man turns away from his righteousness, and commits iniquity, and die in them; for his iniquity that he has done shall he die.

²⁷ Again, **when the wicked man turns** away from his wickedness that he has committed, and does that which is lawful and right, **he shall save his soul alive**.

²⁸ (Why?) Because he considered, and turned away from all his transgressions that he has committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

²⁹ Yet says the house of Israel, The way of Yah of Hosts our God is not equal. O house of Israel, are not my ways equal? are not your ways unequal?

³⁰ Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, says Yah of Hosts our God. Repent, and turn yourselves from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin.

³¹ Cast [Throw] away from you all your transgressions, whereby you have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why will you die, O house of Israel?

[**Our God is telling us to repent and don't sin anymore and we can live!**]

³² For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dies, says Yah of Hosts our God: wherefore (Why not) turn yourselves, and live you.

19 Moreover take you up a lamentation for the princes of Israel,

² And say, What is your mother? A lioness: she lay down among lions, she nourished her whelps among young lions.

³ And she brought up one of her whelps: it became a young lion, and it learned to catch the prey; it devoured men.

⁴ **The nations also heard of him**; he was taken in their pit, and they brought him with chains unto the land of Egypt.

⁵ Now when she saw that she had waited, and her hope was lost, then she took another of her whelps, and made him a young lion.

⁶ And he went up and down among the lions, he became a young lion, and learned to catch the prey, and devoured men.

⁷ And he knew their desolate palaces, and he laid waste their cities; and the land was desolate, and the fullness thereof, by the noise of his roaring.

⁸ Then the nations set against him on every side from the provinces, and spread their net over him: he was taken in their pit.

⁹ And they put him in ward in chains, and brought him to the king of Babylon: they brought him into holds, **that his voice should no more be heard upon the mountains of Israel.**

¹⁰ **Your mother is like a vine in your blood**, planted by the waters: she was fruitful and full of branches by reason of many waters.

¹¹ And she had strong rods for the sceptres of them that bare rule, and her stature was exalted among the thick branches, and she appeared in her height with the multitude of her branches.

¹² But she was plucked up in fury, she was cast down to the ground, and the east wind dried up her fruit: her strong rods were broken and withered; the fire consumed them.

¹³ And now she is planted in the wilderness, in a dry and thirsty ground. [*Living in slavery year after year*]

¹⁴ And fire is gone out of a rod of her branches, which have devoured her fruit (Children/people), so that *she has no strong rod to be a sceptre to rule*. (This means no true leadership) This is a lamentation, and shall be for a lamentation.

²⁷ Therefore, son of man, speak unto the house of Israel, and say unto them, Thus says Yah of Hosts our God; Yet in this your fathers have blasphemed me, in that they have committed a trespass against me.

²⁸ For when I had brought them into the land, for the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to them, then they saw every high hill, and all the thick trees, and they offered there their sacrifices, and there they presented the provocation of their offering: there also they made their sweet savour, and poured out there their drink offerings.

²⁹ Then I said unto them, What is the high place whereunto you go? And the name whereof is called Bamah unto this day.

³⁰ Wherefore say unto the house of Israel, This says Yah of Hosts our God; Are you polluted after the manner of your fathers? and commit you whoredom after their abominations?

³¹ For when you offer your gifts, when you make your sons to pass through the fire, you pollute yourselves with all your idols, *even unto this day*: and shall I be enquired of by you, O house of Israel?

As I live, says Yah of Hosts our God, I will not be enquired of by you. [If we keep up idolatry, - worshipping man made idols as the true God]

³² And that which comes into your mind shall not be at all, that you say, We will be as the heathen/Gentiles, as the families of the countries, to serve wood and stone.

³³ As I live, say Yah of Hosts our God, surely with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out, will I rule over you:

³⁴ And I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein you are scattered,

(As descendants of slaves) with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out.

³⁵ And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and there will I plead with you face to face.

³⁶ **Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness** of the land of Egypt, so will I plead with you, says Yah of Hosts our God.

³⁷ And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant:

³⁸ And **I will purge out from among you the rebels**, and them that transgress against me: I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, (Currently live now) **and they shall not enter into the land of Israel**: and ye shall know that I am Yah of Hosts our God.

³⁹ As for you, O house of Israel, thus says Yah of Hosts our God; Go you, serve you every one his idols, and hereafter also, if you will not hearken (Listen) unto me: but pollute you my holy name no more with your gifts, and with your idols.

⁴⁰ For **in mine holy mountain**, in the mountain of the height of Israel, says Yah of Hosts our God, there shall all the house of Israel, **all of them in the land, serve me: there will I accept them, and there will I require your offerings**, and the firstfruits of your oblations, **with all your holy things**.

⁴¹ **I will accept you** with your sweet savour, **when I bring you out from the people**, [Out of foreign Countries] and gather you out of the countries wherein ye have been scattered; (As slaves) and I will be sanctified in you before the heathen/gentiles.

⁴² **And you shall know that I am Yah of Hosts your God**, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the country for the which I lifted up mine hand (*Promised and gave*) to give it to your fathers.

⁴³ And there shall you remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein you have been defiled; and you shall loathe (loathe = Despise worshipping idols) yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that you have committed.

⁴⁴ And you shall know that I am Yah of Hosts our God when I have wrought with you (*recued you*) for my name's sake, not according to your wicked ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O you house of Israel, says Yah of Hosts our God.

The scriptures tell us that most of our people will not turn back in the time given us and the fractional example is 1/3 will make it, and 2/3 will die in their sin by their own choice!

The Living Bible Translation:

Ezekiel 18-23

Then Yah of Hosts's message came to me again.

² “Why do people use this proverb about the land of Israel: The children are punished for their fathers' sins?^[a] ³ As I live,” says Yah of Hosts God, “you will not use this proverb anymore in Israel,

⁴ for all souls are mine to judge—fathers and sons alike—and my rule is this: It is for a man's own sins that he will die.

⁵ “But if a man is just and does what is lawful and right, ⁶ and has not gone out to the mountains to feast before the idols of Israel and worship them, and does not commit adultery nor lie with any woman during the time of her menstruation;

⁷ if he is a merciful creditor, not holding onto the items given to him in pledge by poor debtors, and is no robber but gives food to the hungry and clothes to those in need; ⁸ and if he grants loans without interest,^[b] stays away from sin, is honest and fair when judging others, ⁹ and obeys my laws—that man is just,” says Yah of Hosts, “and he shall surely live.

¹⁰ “But if that man has a son who is a robber or murderer and who fulfills none of his responsibilities, ¹¹ who refuses to obey the laws of God but worships idols on the mountains and commits adultery, ¹² oppresses the poor and helpless, robs his debtors by refusing to let them redeem what they have given him in pledge, loves idols and worships them,

¹³ and loans out his money at interest^[e]—shall that man live? No! He shall surely die, and it is his own fault.

¹⁴ “But if this sinful man has, in turn, a son who sees all his father’s wickedness, so that he fears God and decides against that kind of life; ¹⁵ he doesn’t go up on the mountains to feast before the idols and worship them and does not commit adultery;

¹⁶ he is fair to those who borrow from him and doesn’t rob them, but feeds the hungry, clothes the needy, ¹⁷ helps the poor, does not loan money at interest, and obeys my laws—he shall not die because of his father’s sins; he shall surely live.

¹⁸ But his father shall die for his own sins because he is cruel and robs and does wrong.

¹⁹ “**What? you ask.** ‘Doesn’t the son pay for his father’s sins?’ No! For if the son does what is right and keeps my laws, he shall surely live. ²⁰ The one who sins is the one who dies.

The son shall not be punished for his father’s sins, nor the father for his son’s. The righteous person will be rewarded for his own goodness and the wicked person for his wickedness.

²¹ But if a wicked person turns away from all his sins and begins to obey my laws and do what is just and right, he shall surely live and not die. ²² All his past sins will be forgotten, and he shall live because of his goodness.

²³ “Do you think I like to see the wicked die?” asks Yah of Hosts. “Of course not! I only want him to turn from his wicked ways and live.

²⁴ However, if a righteous person turns to sinning and acts like any other sinner, should he be allowed to live? No, of course not. All his previous goodness will be forgotten and he shall die for his sins.

²⁵ “Yet you say: ‘Yah of Hosts isn’t being fair!’ Listen to me, O people of Israel. Am I the one who is unfair, or is it you?”

²⁶ When a good man turns away from being good, begins sinning, and dies in his sins, he dies for the evil he has done.

²⁷ And if a wicked person turns away from his wickedness and obeys the law and does right, he shall save his soul, ²⁸ for he has thought it over and decided to turn from his sins and live a good life. He shall surely live—he shall not die.

²⁹ “And yet the people of Israel keep saying: ‘Yah of Hosts is unfair!’ O people of Israel, it is you who are unfair, not I.

³⁰ I will judge each of you, O Israel, and punish or reward each according to his own actions.

Oh, turn from your sins while there is yet time. ³¹ Put them behind you and receive a new heart and a new spirit. **For why will you die, O Israel?**

³² I do not enjoy seeing you die,” Yah of Hosts God says. “Turn, turn and live!

19 “Sing this death dirge for the leaders of Israel: ² What a woman your mother was—like a lioness! Her children were like lion’s cubs! ³ One of her cubs, King Jehoahaz, ^[d] grew into a strong young lion and learned to catch prey and became a man-eater.

⁴ Then the nations called out their hunters; they trapped him in a pit and brought him in chains to Egypt.

⁵ “When Israel, the mother lion, saw that all her hopes for him were gone, she took another of her cubs, King Jehoiachin, ^[e] and taught him to be ‘king of the beasts.’

⁶ He became a leader among the lions and learned to catch prey, and he too became a man-eater.

⁷ He demolished the palaces of the surrounding nations and ruined their cities; their farms were desolated, their crops destroyed; everyone in the land shook with terror when they heard him roar.

⁸ Then the armies of the nations surrounded him, coming from every side, and trapped him in a pit and captured him.

⁹ They prodded him into a cage and brought him before the king of Babylon.

He was held in captivity so that his voice could never again be heard upon the mountains of Israel.

¹⁰ “Your mother was like a vine beside an irrigation ditch, with lush, green foliage because of all the water.

¹¹ Its strongest branch became a ruler’s scepter, and it was very great, towering above the others and noticed from far away.

¹² But the vine was uprooted in fury and thrown down to the ground. Its branches were broken and withered by a strong wind from the east; the fruit was destroyed by fire.

¹³ Now the vine is planted in the wilderness where the ground is hard and dry. ¹⁴ It is decaying from within;^[f] no strong branch remains.

The fulfillment of this sad prophecy **has already begun**, and **there is more ahead.**”

²⁰ Late in July, six years after King Jeconiah was captured,^[g] some of the elders of Israel came to ask instructions from Yah of Hosts and sat before me awaiting his reply.

² Then Yah of Hosts gave me this message: ³ “Son of dust, say to the elders of Israel, ‘Yah of Hosts God says: How dare you come to ask my help? I swear that I will tell you nothing.’

⁴ Judge them, son of dust; condemn them; tell them of all the sins of this nation from the times of their fathers until now.

⁵⁻⁶ Tell them, ‘Yah of Hosts God says: When I chose Israel and revealed myself to her in Egypt, I swore to her and her descendants that I would bring them out of Egypt to a land I had discovered and explored for them—a good land, flowing as it were with milk and honey, the best of all lands anywhere.’

⁷ “Then I said to them: ‘Get rid of every idol; do not defile yourselves with the Egyptian gods, for I am Yah of Hosts your God.’

⁸ But they rebelled against me and **would not listen**.

They didn't get rid of their idols nor forsake the gods of Egypt. Then I thought, I will pour out my fury upon them and fulfill my anger against them while they are still in Egypt.

⁹⁻¹⁰ “But I didn't do it, for I acted to protect the honor of my name, lest the Egyptians laugh at Israel's God who couldn't keep them from harm.

So I brought my people out of Egypt right before the Egyptians' eyes and led them into the wilderness.

¹¹ There I gave them my laws so they could live by keeping them. If anyone keeps them, he will live.

¹² **And I gave them the Sabbath**—a day of rest every seventh day—as a symbol between them and me, **to remind them that it is I, Yah of Hosts, who sanctifies them—that they are truly my people.**

¹³ “**But Israel rebelled against me.** There in the wilderness they refused my laws. They would not obey my rules even though obeying them means life. And they misused my Sabbaths. Then I thought, I will pour out my fury upon them and utterly consume them in the desert.

¹⁴ “**But again** I refrained in order to protect the honor of my name, lest the nations who saw me bring them out of Egypt would say that it was because I couldn't care for them that I destroyed them.

¹⁵ **But I swore to them in the wilderness that I would not bring them into the land I had given them,** a land full of milk and honey, the choicest spot on earth, ¹⁶ because they laughed at my laws, ignored my wishes, and violated my Sabbaths—their hearts were with their idols!

¹⁷ ***Nevertheless, I spared them. I didn't finish them off in the wilderness.***

¹⁸ “Then I spoke to their children and said: ‘Don't follow your fathers' footsteps. Don't defile yourselves with their idols, ¹⁹ for I am Yah of Hosts your God.

Follow my laws; keep my ordinances; ²⁰ hallow my Sabbaths; for they are a symbol of the contract between us to help you remember that I am Yah of Hosts your God.’

²¹ “But their children, too, rebelled against me. They refused my laws—the laws that if a person keeps them, he will live. And they defiled my Sabbaths. So then I said: ‘Now at last I will pour out my fury upon you in the wilderness.’

²² “Nevertheless, again I withdrew my judgment against them to protect my name among the nations who had seen my power in bringing them out of Egypt. ²³⁻²⁴ But

I took a solemn oath against them while they were in the wilderness that I would scatter them, dispersing them to the ends of the earth because they did not obey my laws but scorned them and violated my Sabbaths and longed for their fathers’ idols.

²⁵ I let them adopt^[h] customs and laws which were worthless. Through the keeping of them they could not attain life. ²⁶ In the hope that they would draw back in horror **and know that I alone am God**, I let them pollute themselves with the very gifts I gave them. They burnt their firstborn children as offerings to their gods!

²⁷⁻²⁸ “Son of dust, tell them that Yah of Hosts God says:

Your fathers continued to blaspheme and betray me when I brought them into the land I promised them, for they offered sacrifices and incense on every high hill and under every tree!

They roused my fury as they offered up their sacrifices to those ‘gods.’

They brought their perfumes and incense and poured out their drink offerings to them!

²⁹ I said to them: ‘What is this place of sacrifice^[i] where you go?’ And so it is still called ‘The Place of Sacrifice’—that is how it got its name.

³⁰ “Yah of Hosts God wants to know whether you are going to pollute yourselves just as your fathers did and keep on worshiping idols.

³¹ For when you offer gifts to them and give your little sons to be burned to ashes as you do even today, shall I listen to you or help you, Israel?

As I live,” Yah of Hosts God says, “I will not give you any message, though you have come to me to ask.

³² “What **you have in mind** **will not be done**—to be like the nations all around you, serving gods of wood and stone.

³³ I will rule you with an iron fist and in great anger and with power. ³⁴ With might and fury I will bring you out from the lands where you are scattered, ³⁵⁻³⁶ and will bring you into my desert judgment hall. ^[i]

I will judge you there and get rid of the rebels, just as I did in the wilderness after I brought you out of Egypt.

³⁷ I will count you carefully and let only a small quota return. ³⁸ And the others—the rebels and all those who sin against me—**I will purge from among you.**

They shall not enter Israel, but I will bring them out of the countries where they are in exile. And when that happens, you will know I am Yah of Hosts.

³⁹ “O Israel,” Yah of Hosts God says: “If you insist on worshiping your idols, go right ahead, but then don’t bring your gifts to me as well! Such desecration of my holy name must stop!

⁴⁰ “For at Jerusalem in my holy mountain,” says Yah of Hosts, “all Israel shall worship me. There I will accept you and require you to bring me your offerings and the finest of your gifts.

⁴¹ You will be to me as an offering of perfumed incense when I bring you back from exile, and the nations will see the great change in your hearts. ⁴² Then, when I have brought you home to the land I promised your fathers, you will know I am Yah of Hosts.

⁴³ Then you will look back at all your sins and loathe yourselves because of the evil you have done. ⁴⁴ And when I have honored my name by blessing you despite your wickedness, then, O Israel, you will know I am Yah of Hosts.”

END OF PART ONE