

Noah Builds the Ark

Genesis 6:5-22

And YAHWEH saw that the evil of man was great on the earth, and every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil all the day long. And YAHWEH sighed with sorrow that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved to His heart. And YAHWEH said, I will wipe off man whom I have created from the face of the earth, from man to beast, to the creeping thing and to the birds of the heavens; for I repent that I made them.

And Noah found grace in the eyes of YAHWEH. These are the generations of Noah. Noah, a righteous man, had been without blemish in his generations.

Noah walked with Elohim. And Noah fathered three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

And the earth was corrupt before the Elohim, and the earth was filled with violence. And Elohim looked on the earth, and behold, it was corrupted. For all flesh had corrupted its way on the earth.

And Elohim said to Noah, The end of all flesh has come before Me, for the earth is filled with violence through them. And behold, I will destroy them along with the earth.

Make an ark of cypress timbers for yourself. You shall make rooms in the ark; and you shall cover it with asphalt inside and out.

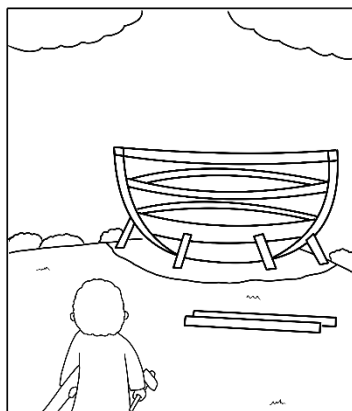
And you shall make it this way; The length of the ark shall be three hundred cubits, its breadth fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits. You shall make a window in the ark, and you shall finish it above to a cubit. And you shall set the door of the ark in its side. You shall make it with lower, second, and third stories.

And behold, I, even I, am bringing a flood of waters on the earth in order to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life from under the heavens. Everything which is on the earth shall die.

And I will establish My covenant with you. And you shall come into the ark, you and your sons and your wife and your sons' wives with you.

And you shall bring into the ark two of every kind, of every living thing of all flesh, to keep alive with you; they shall be male and female; from the birds according to its kind, and from the cattle according to its kind, from every creeping thing of the ground according to its kind. Two from each shall come in to you to keep alive.

And take for yourself all food that is eaten, and gather to yourself. And let it be for you and for them for food. And Noah did so, according to all that Elohim appointed him to do, so he did.



Lot Chooses With His Eyes

Genesis 13:1-13

And Abram went up out of Egypt, he and his wife and all that he had, and Lot being with him into the Negev.

And Abram was very rich in livestock, in silver and in gold.

And he went on his journeys from the south, even to Bethel, to the place where his tent had been there at the beginning, between Bethel and Ai, to the place of the altar which he had made there at the first. And Abram called there on the name of YAHWEH.

And Lot, who went with Abram, also had flocks and herds and tents. And the land was not able to bear them, for dwelling together, for their substance was great, so that they could not dwell together.

And there was strife between the herdsmen of Abram's livestock and the herdsmen of Lot's livestock. And the Canaanite and the Perizzite lived then in the land.

And Abram said to Lot, Please let there be no strife between me and you, and between my herdsmen and your herdsmen, for we are men, brothers.

Is not all the land before you? Please separate from me. If you go to the left, then I will go to the right. Or if you go to the right, then I will go to the left.

And Lot lifted up his eyes and saw all the circuit of the Jordan, that it was well-watered before YAHWEH destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, even as the garden of YAHWEH, like the land of Egypt as you come to Zoar.

Then Lot chose all the circuit of the Jordan for himself. And Lot set forth eastward. And they were separated, each one from his brother. And Abram lived in the land of Canaan, and Lot lived in the cities of the circuit, and tented as far as Sodom.

And the men of Sodom were evil and sinners before YAHWEH, exceedingly so.



Jacob's Staircase

Genesis 28:10-22

And Jacob went out from Beer-Sheba and went toward Haran. And he came on a place and stayed the night there, for the sun had gone. And he took stones of the place and placed them at his head; and he lay down in that place.

And he dreamed. And, behold, a staircase was placed on the earth, its top reaching to the heavens. And, behold, the messengers of Elohim were going up and going down on it!

And, behold, YAHWEH stood above it and said, I am YAHWEH the Elohim of your father Abraham, and the Elohim of Isaac; the land on which you are lying, I will give it to you and to your seed.

And your seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and you shall spread to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your Seed.

And, behold, I will be with you and will guard you in every place in which you may go, and will bring you back

to this land; for I will not forsake you until I have surely done that which I have spoken to you.

And Jacob awakened from his sleep, and said, Surely YAHWEH is in this place, and I did not know. And he was afraid, and said, How fearful is this place! This is nothing except the house of Elohim, and this is the door to Heaven.

And Jacob started up early in the morning and took the stone which he had placed at his head, and he placed it as a pillar; and he poured oil on the top of it. And he called the name of that place, Beit-El. And yet the name of the city was at first Luz.

And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If Elohim is with me and keeps me in this way which I am going, and gives to me bread to eat and clothing to wear, and I return in peace to the house of my father, then YAHWEH shall be my Elohim, and this sandstone which I have placed as a memorial pillar shall become the house of Elohim; and all which You shall give to me, I will tithe the tenth to You.



Jacob is Deceived

Genesis 29:1-28

And Jacob lifted his feet and went to the land of the sons of the east. And he looked, and, behold, a well in the field.

And, behold, three flocks of sheep were lying by it; for from that well they watered the flocks, and the stone on the mouth of the well was great.

And all the flocks were usually gathered there, and they rolled the stone off the mouth of the well and watered the sheep, and replaced the stone on the mouth of the well, to its place.

And Jacob said to them, My brothers, from where are you? And they said, We are from Haran. And he said to them, Do you know Laban the son of Nahor? And they said, We know him. And he said to them, Well-being to him? And they said, Well-being.

And, behold, his daughter Rachel is coming with the sheep. And he said, Behold, the day is still high; it is not time to gather the livestock. Water the sheep and go feed them.

And they said, We are not able until all the flocks are gathered and they roll the stone from the mouth of the well; then we water the sheep.

He still was speaking with them, and Rachel came with the sheep which were her father's; for she was feeding them. And it happened when Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban, brother to his mother, and the sheep of Laban, his mother's brother, Jacob came near and rolled the stone from the mouth of the well and watered the sheep of Laban, his mother's brother.

And Jacob kissed Rachel and lifted up his voice and wept.

And Jacob told Rachel that he was her father's brother, and that he was the son of Rebekah. And she ran and told her father. And it happened when Laban

heard the report of Jacob, his sister's son, he ran to meet him and embraced him and kissed him.

And he took him to his house. And he told Laban all these things. And Laban said to him, Truly you are my bone and my flesh. And he lived with him a month of days.

And Laban said to Jacob, are you not my brother? And should you serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall be your wages?

And Laban had two daughters, the name of the older, Leah, and the name of the younger, Rachel.

And the eyes of Leah were weak, and Rachel was beautiful of form and beautiful of appearance. And Jacob loved Rachel, and said, I will serve you seven years for Rachel, your younger daughter. And Laban said, It is better for me to give her to you than to give her to another man; live with me.

And Jacob served seven years for Rachel; and they were in his eyes like a few days, in his love for her. And Jacob said to Laban, Give my wife, for my days are completed. And let me go in to her. And Laban gathered all the men of the place and made a feast.

And it happened in the evening, he took his daughter Leah and brought her to him; and he went in to her. And Laban gave to her Zilpah, his slave-girl, to his daughter Leah as a slave. And it happened in the morning; behold! She was Leah.

And he said to Laban, What have you done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? And why have you tricked me? And Laban said, It is not done this way in our place, to give the younger before the first-born.

Fulfill the week of this one and we will also give you this other one, for the service which you will serve with me, yet another seven years. And Jacob did so, and he fulfilled the week of this one, and he gave to him his daughter Rachel, to him for a wife.



Shavuot in the Wilderness

Exodus 19:16-20:18

And on the third day, it being morning, it happened: There were thunders and lightnings, and a heavy cloud on the mountain, and the sound of a ram's horn, very strong! And all the people in the camp trembled.

And Moses caused the people to go up from the camp to meet The Elohim. And they took their stand at the lower part of the mountain.

And the mountain of Sinai was smoking, all of it, because YAHWEH came down on it in fire. And its smoke went up like the smoke of a furnace; and the mountain quaked exceedingly.

And it happened while the sound of the ram's horn was sounding, and becoming very strong, Moses spoke. And The Elohim answered him by a voice.

And YAHWEH came down on the mountain of Sinai, to the top of the mountain; and YAHWEH called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up.

And YAHWEH said to Moses, Go down, warn the people lest they break through to see YAHWEH, and many of them fall. And also the priests, those approaching YAHWEH, let them sanctify themselves that YAHWEH not burst forth among them.

And Moses said to YAHWEH, The people are not able to come up to the mountain of Sinai. For You warned us, saying, Set limits to the mountain and sanctify it.

And YAHWEH said to him, Come, go down. And you come up, and Aaron with you. And let not the priests and the people break through to come up to YAHWEH, lest He burst forth among them.

And Moses went down to the people and spoke to them.

And Elohim spoke all these words, saying,

I am YAHWEH your Elohim, who has brought you out from the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage. You shall not have any other Elohim before My face.

You shall not make a graven image for yourself, or any likeness in the heavens above, or in the earth beneath, or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow to them, and you shall not serve them; for I am YAHWEH your Elohim, a jealous El, visiting the iniquity of fathers on sons, on the third and on the fourth generation, to those that hate Me; and doing kindness to thousands, to those loving Me, and to those keeping My commandments.

You shall not take the name of YAHWEH your Elohim in vain; for YAHWEH will not leave unpunished the one who takes His name in vain.

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy; six days you shall labor and do all your work; and the seventh day is a Sabbath to YAHWEH your Elohim; you shall not do any work, you, and your son, and your daughter, your male slave and your slave-girl, and your livestock, and your stranger who is in your gates. For in six days YAHWEH made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all which is in them, and He rested on the seventh day; on account of this YAHWEH blessed the Sabbath day and sanctified it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long on the land which YAHWEH your Elohim is giving to you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal

You shall not testify a witness of falsehood against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male slave, or his slave-girl, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything which belongs to your neighbor.

And all the people saw the thunders, and the lightnings, and the sound of the ram's horn, and the smoking mountain. And the people looked, and they trembled, and they stood from a distance.



Eli's Perception

1 Sam. 1:1-18

And there was a certain man of Ramathaim-Zophim from the hills of Ephraim, and his name was Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the son of Tohu, the son of Zuph, an Ephrathite.

And he had two wives, the name of the one was Hannah, and the name of the second, Peninnah. And Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children. And that man went up from his city from year to year to worship and to sacrifice before YAHWEH of Hosts in Shiloh. And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were priests to YAHWEH there. And the day came, and Elkanah sacrificed. And he would give to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and her daughter's portions.

And to Hannah he gave one double portion, for he loved Hannah. And YAHWEH had shut up her womb. And her rival tormented her even to vexation, so as to make her tremble, because YAHWEH had shut up her womb. And so he did year by year, as often as she went up to the house of YAHWEH, so she provoked her. And she wept, and did not eat.

And her husband Elkanah said to her, Hannah, why do you weep? And why do you not eat? And why is your heart afflicted? Am I not better to you than ten sons?

And Hannah rose up after eating in Shiloh, and after drinking. And Eli the priest was sitting on the seat by the side post of the

sanctuary of YAHWEH. And she was bitter of soul, and prayed to YAHWEH, and weeping she wept.

YAHWEH of Hosts, if looking You will look upon the affliction of Your handmaid, and shall remember me, and not forget Your handmaid, and shall give to Your handmaid a seed of men, then I will give him to YAHWEH all the days of his life; and a razor shall not go up on his head.

And it happened, when she prayed long before YAHWEH, Eli was watching her mouth. And Hannah was speaking in her heart; only, her lips moved; but her voice could not be heard. So Eli thought that she was drunk. And Eli said to her, until when will you be drunken? Put away your wine from you.

And Hannah answered and said, No, my master; I am a woman pained in spirit. And I have not drunk wine or fermented drink, but I am pouring out my soul before YAHWEH. Do not put your handmaid down for a daughter of wickedness; for from the abundance of my complaint and grief until now I have been speaking.

And Eli answered and said, go in peace, and may the Elohim of Israel give you your petition which you have asked of Him.

And she said, let your handmaid find grace in your eyes. And the woman went her way, and ate, and her face was no longer sad.



Solomon Lost out on a Sure House

1 Kings 11:26-43

And Jeroboam the son of Nebat, an Ephrathite of Zereda, a servant of Solomon (and his mother's name was Zeruah, a widow woman) he also lifted up a hand against the king. And this was the thing for which he lifted up his hand against the king: Solomon built Millo, and closed up the breaks of the city of his father David.

And the man Jeroboam was a mighty warrior. And Solomon saw the young man, that he was doing work. And he appointed him to all the burden of the house of Joseph.

And at that time it happened that Jeroboam had gone out from Jerusalem, and Ahijah the Shilonite, the prophet, found him in the way. And he covered himself with a new garment, and both of them were by themselves in a field. And Ahijah laid hold on the new garment on him and tore it into twelve pieces.

And he said to Jeroboam, Take ten pieces for yourself. For so says YAHWEH, Elohim of Israel, Behold, I am tearing the kingdom from the hand of Solomon and giving to you the ten tribes. And he shall have the one tribe for my servant David's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake, the city which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel.

Because they have forsaken Me, and bow themselves to Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, to Chemosh the god of Moab, to Milcom the god of the sons of Ammon; and have not walked in My ways, to do the right in My eyes, and My statutes and My judgments, as his father David did.

But I will not take the whole kingdom out of his hand, but I will make him ruler all the days of his life, for My servant David's sake, whom I chose, because he kept My commandments and My statutes. But I will take the kingdom out of his son's hand, and will give it to you, ten tribes. And I will give one tribe to his son, that there may be a lamp to My servant David before Me all the days in Jerusalem, the city that I have chosen to Myself, to put My name there.

And I will take you, and you shall reign according to all that your soul desires, and shall be king over Israel.

And it shall be, if you shall hear all that I command you, and shall walk in My ways, and do that which is right in My eyes, to keep My statutes and My commandments, as My servant David did, then I shall be with you and shall build a sure house for you, as I built for David, and shall give Israel to you. And for this I will afflict the seed of David; but not forever.

And Solomon sought to put Jeroboam to death, and Jeroboam rose up and fled to Egypt, to Shishak the king of Egypt; and he was in Egypt until the death of Solomon.

And the rest of the matters of Solomon, and all that he did, and his wisdom, are they not written in the Book of the Acts of Solomon?

And the days that Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel were forty years; And Solomon lay with his fathers and was buried in the city of his father David; and his son Rehoboam reigned in his place.



King Rehoboam listens to Wrong Counsel

1 Kings 12:1-20

And Rehoboam went to Shechem, for all Israel had come to Shechem to make him king.

And it happened, when Jeroboam the son of Nebat heard (and he was still in Egypt where he had fled from the face of Solomon the king, and Jeroboam lived in Egypt) that they sent and called for him; and they came, Jeroboam and all the assembly of Israel, and spoke to Rehoboam, saying, Your father made our yoke hard; and now you should lighten some of the hard service of your father, and his heavy yoke that he put upon us, and we will serve you.

And he said to them, Go; yet in three days come back to me. And the people went.

And King Rehoboam consulted with the elders who had been standing before the face of his father Solomon while he was alive, saying, How do you advise in order to answer this people?

And they spoke to him, saying, If you are servant to this people today, and will serve them, and answer them and speak to them good words, then they will be servants to you forever.

But he forsook the counsel of the elders which they advised him, and consulted with the young men who had grown up with him, who were standing before him. And he said to them, what do you advise, and we shall answer the people who have spoken to me, saying, Lighten some of the yoke that your father put upon us?

And they spoke to him, the young men who had grown up with him, saying, So you shall say to this people who have spoken to you, saying, Your father made our yoke heavy, and you make it light on us; so you shall speak to them, My little finger is thicker than the loins of my father, and now my father laid a heavy yoke on you, and I will add to your yoke; my father chastised you with whips, and I will surely chastise you with scorpions.

And they came, Jeroboam and all the people, to Rehoboam on the third day, as the king had spoken, saying, Come back to me on the third day.

And the king replied to the people harshly, and forsook the counsel of the elders which they advised him, and spoke to them according to the counsel of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, and I shall add to your yoke; my father chastised you with whips, and I will surely chastise you with scorpions.

As to the sons of Israel, those living in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them. And King Rehoboam sent Adoram who was over the tribute, and all Israel threw stones at him, and he died. And King Rehoboam made haste to go up into a chariot to flee to Jerusalem.

And Israel rebelled against the house of David to this day. And it happened when all Israel heard that Jeroboam had returned, that they sent and called him to the company, and caused him to reign over all Israel; none followed after the house of David except the tribe of Judah only.



The Writing on the Wall

Daniel 5:1-31

Belshazzar the king made a great feast to a thousand of his nobles. And he drank wine before the thousand.

When tasting the wine, Belshazzar commanded the golden and silver vessels brought, those his father Nebuchadnezzar had taken out of the sanctuary in Jerusalem, that the king and his nobles, his wives, and his concubines might drink with them. Then they brought the golden vessels that were taken out of the sanctuary of the house of Eloha in Jerusalem. And the king, his nobles, his wives, and his concubines drank with them. They drank wine and praised the gods of gold, and of silver, and of copper, of iron, wood, and stone.

At that moment fingers of a man's hand came out and wrote on the plaster of the wall of the king's palace across from the lampstand. And the king saw the part of the hand that wrote.

Then the king's color was changed, and his thoughts troubled him, so that the joints of his loins shook, and his knees knocked one against the other.

The king cried aloud to bring in the conjurers, the Chaldeans, and the star gazers. The king spoke and said to the wise men of Babylon, Any man who can read this writing and reveal its meaning shall be clothed with purple, and have a chain of gold around his neck. And he shall rule third in the kingdom.

Then all the king's wise men came in. But they could not read the writing or make the meaning known to the king. Then King Belshazzar was greatly terrified, and his face was changing on him, and his nobles

were perplexed. The queen came in to the banquet house because of the words of the king and his nobles. The queen spoke and said, O king, live forever, do not let your thoughts terrify you, and do not let your face be changed.

Then Daniel was thrust in before the king. The king spoke and said to Daniel, Are you that Daniel who is of the sons of the exiled of Judah, whom my father the king brought out of Judah? I have even heard of you, that the spirit of the Elohim is in you, and light, and excellent wisdom, and understanding are found in you.

And now the wise men and the conjurers have been thrust in before me, so that they might read this writing and make the meaning known to me. But they were not able to declare the meaning of the thing. And I have heard of you that you can interpret meanings, and unravel knots. Now if you can read the writing and reveal its meaning to me, you shall be clothed with purple and have a golden chain around your neck, and you will rule third in the kingdom.

Then Daniel answered and said before the king, Let your gifts be to yourself, and give your rewards to another. Yet I will read the writing to the king, and make the meaning known to him. O king, the Most High Eloha gave your father Nebuchadnezzar a kingdom, and majesty, and glory, and honor.

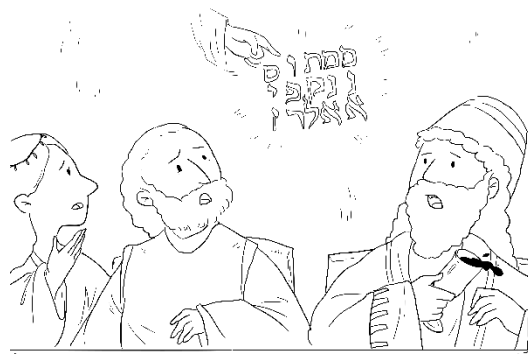
And for the majesty that He gave him, all peoples, nations, and languages trembled and feared before him. He killed whom he desired, and whom he desired he kept alive. And whom he would, he set up; and whom he desired, he put down. But when his heart was lifted up, and his mind hardened in pride, he was put down from the throne of his kingdom, and they took his glory from him.

And he was driven from the sons of men. And his heart was made like the animals, and his home was with the wild donkeys. They fed him with grass like oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of the heavens, until he knew that the Most High Eloha is Ruler in the kingdom of men, and that He appoints over it whomever He desires.

And you, his son, O Belshazzar, have not humbled your heart, though you knew all this. But you have exulted yourself up against the Master of Heaven. And they have brought the vessels of His house before you. And you, and your nobles, your wives, and your concubines have drunk wine with them. And you have praised the gods of silver, and gold, copper, iron, wood, and stone, which do not see, nor hear, and do not know. And you have not glorified the Eloha in whose hand your life, breath, and all your ways is.

Then the part of the hand was sent from Him, and this writing was written. And this is the writing that was written: A MINA, A MINA, A SHEKEL, AND HALF MINAS. This is the meaning of the thing: A MINA: Eloha has numbered your kingdom and finished it. A SHEKEL: You are weighed in the scales and found lacking. HALF MINAS: Your kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and Persians.

Then Belshazzar commanded, and they clothed Daniel with purple, and a necklace of gold around his neck. And they made a proclamation concerning him, that he should be the third ruler in the kingdom. In that night Belshazzar, the king of the Chaldeans, was killed. And Darius the Mede took the kingdom, being a son of sixty two years.



A Man of Integrity

Daniel 6:1-14

It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom a hundred and twenty satraps, that they might be over the kingdom. And over them were three presidents (Daniel was one of them), so that these satraps might give account to them, and the king should have no loss.

Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and satraps, because an excellent spirit was in him. And the king was planning to set him over all the kingdom.

Then the presidents and satraps sought to find occasion against Daniel concerning the kingdom. But they could find no pretext or fault because he was trustworthy. And no error or fault was found in him.

Then these men said, we shall not find any occasion against this Daniel unless we find it against him concerning the Torah of his Eloheh.

Then these presidents and satraps gathered together to the king and said this to him, king Darius, live forever.

All the presidents of the kingdom, the prefects, and the satraps, the officials and the governors, have took council together to establish a royal statute, and to make a firm decree, that whoever shall ask a petition of any Elah or man for thirty days, except from you, O king, he shall be thrown into the den of lions.

Now, O king, establish the decree and sign the document, so that it may not be changed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which does not pass away. All on account of this, king Darius signed the document and the decree.

And when he had learned that the document was signed, Daniel went to his house. And his windows were open in his roof chamber toward Jerusalem. He knelt on his knees three times in the day, and prayed and praised before his Eloheh, as he did before.

Then these men met together and found Daniel praying and seeking mercy before his Eloheh. Then they came near and spoke before the king concerning the king's decree, saying, Have you not signed a decree that every man who shall ask of any Eloha or man within thirty days, except of you, O king, that he shall be thrown into the lions' den? The king answered and said, the thing is certain, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which does not pass away.

Then they answered and said before the king, Daniel, who is of the sons of the exile of Judah, has not set attention on you, O king, or the decree that you have signed, but he makes his prayer three times in the day.

Then the king, when he heard the word, was very displeased with himself, and he set his heart on Daniel, to deliver him. And until the going of the sun he was striving to deliver him.



Amos is Told to Leave

Amos 7:1-17

Adonai YAHWEH made me see this: And, behold, He is forming locusts at the beginning of the coming up of the late grass; even behold, the after crop after the mowings of the king.

And it happened when it had made an end of eating the vegetation of the land, then I said, Adonai YAHWEH, I pray, forgive. How can Jacob stand? For he is small.

YAHWEH changed His mind concerning this: It shall not be, says YAHWEH. Adonai YAHWEH made me to see this: And behold, Adonai YAHWEH was calling to contend by fire. And it consumed the great deep, and it was devouring part of it.

Then I said, Adonai YAHWEH, I beg You, stop. How can Jacob rise up? For he is small.

YAHWEH changed His mind concerning this: It shall not be, says Adonai YAHWEH. He made me see this: And behold, YAHWEH was standing by the plumb line wall, and a plumb line in His hand.

And YAHWEH said to me, Amos, what do you see?

And I said, A plumb line. And YAHWEH, said, Behold, I will set a plumb line in the midst of My people Israel. I will not again pass over him anymore. And the high places of Isaac shall be desolated, and the holy places of Israel shall be laid waste; and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to Jeroboam, the king of Israel, saying, Amos has plotted against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to endure all his words.

For so Amos says: Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel going shall go into exile out of his land. And Amaziah said to Amos, Prophet, go! Flee for yourself into the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there.

But do not again prophesy at Bethel any more, for it is the king's holy place, and it is the royal house.

Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, I was not a prophet, nor was I a prophet's son, but I was a herdsman and a pincher of sycamore trees.

And YAHWEH took me from behind the flock, and YAHWEH said to me, Go, prophesy to My people Israel.

Now then, hear the Word of YAHWEH: You say, Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not drop words against the house of Isaac. So YAHWEH says this, Your wife shall be a harlot in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be divided by a line.

And you shall die in a defiled land. And Israel going shall go into exile from his land.



Namaan Offers a Gift

Kings 5:13-19

And his servants came near and spoke to him, and said, My father, if the prophet had spoken a great thing to you would you not do it? How much rather then when he says to you, Wash, and be clean?

And he went down and dipped in the Jordan seven times, according to the word of the man of The Elohim. And his flesh returned like the flesh of a little boy, and he was clean.

And he went back to the man of The Elohim, he and all his company, and came in and stood before him, and said, Behold, now I know that there is not an Elohim in all the earth except in Israel. And now, please take a blessing from your servant.

And he said, As YAHWEH lives, before whom I stand, I shall not take. And he pressed on him to take, but he refused.

And Naaman said, If not, please let a couple of mules' burden of earth be given to your servant. For your servant shall not make any more burnt offering and sacrifice to other Elohim, only to YAHWEH.

May YAHWEH pardon your servant for this thing, when my master goes to the house of Rimmon to bow there, and he is supported by my hand, and I bow myself in the house of Rimmon; when I bow myself in the house of Rimmon, may YAHWEH pardon your servant in this thing.

And he said to him, Go in peace. And he went away a little way from him.



Martha's Priorities

Luke 10:38-42

And as they went on, it happened, He also entered into a certain village. And a certain woman, Martha by name, received Him into her house.

And to this one was a sister being called Mariam, who also was sitting alongside, at the feet of Yahshua, and heard His Word.

But Martha was distracted about much serving. And coming on she said, Master, is it not a care to You that my sister left me alone to serve? Then tell her that she should help me.

But answering Yahshua said to her, Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things,

But there is need of only one; and Mariam chose the good part, which shall not be taken from her.



The Parable of the Wicked Vinedressers

Matt 21:33-46

Hear another parable, there was a certain man, a house Master, who planted a vineyard and placed a hedge around it; and He dug a winepress in it, and built a tower. And He rented it to vinedressers and left the country.

And when the season of the fruits came, He sent His slaves to the vinedressers to receive His fruits.

And the vinedressers, taking His slaves, they beat this one, and they killed one, and they stoned another.

Again He sent other slaves, more than the first. And they did the same to them.

And lastly, He sent His Son to them saying perhaps they might be ashamed before my Son.

But seeing the Son, the vinedressers said among themselves, this is the heir. Come, let us kill Him and possess His inheritance.

And taking Him, they threw Him out of the vineyard and killed Him.

Therefore, when the Master of the vineyard comes, what will He do to those vinedressers?

They were saying to Him, "He will savagely destroy them and He will lease the vineyard to other laborers, those who will give to Him the fruit in its season."

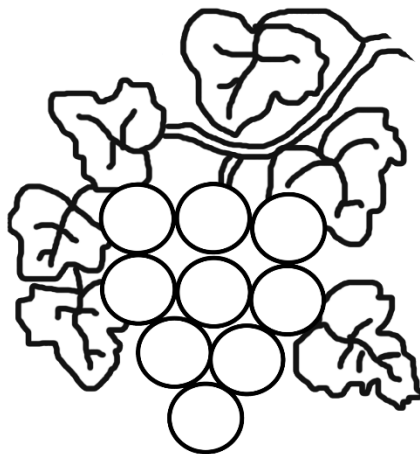
Yahshua said to them, did you never read in the Scriptures, "the Stone which the builders rejected, this One became the Head of the Corner? This was from YAHWEH, and it is a wonder in our eyes?"

Because of this I say to you, The Kingdom of YAHWEH will be taken from you, and it will be given to a people who produce fruits.

And he who falls on this Stone will be broken; but on whomever It falls, It will destroy him.

And hearing His parables, the chief priests and the Pharisees knew that He was speaking about them.

And seeking to lay hold of Him, they feared the crowds, because they held Him as a prophet.



Paul Bitten by a Snake

Acts 28:1-10

And being saved, then they knew that the island is called Melita.

And the barbarians who inhabited it were showing us much kindness, for having kindled a fire because of the rain coming on, and because of the cold, they welcomed us all.

And Paul gathering a bunch of sticks, and putting them on the fire, a snake coming out from the heat fastened on his hand.

And when the barbarians saw it hanging from his hand, they said to one another, By all means this man is a murderer, whom being saved out of the sea, justice did not permit to live.

Then he indeed shaking the viper off into the fire, he suffered no harm.

But they expected him to be about to become inflamed, or suddenly to fall down dead. But over much time, they expecting and seeing nothing amiss happening to him, changing their minds, they said him to be a god.

And there were lands in that quarter, belonging to a man named Publius, who was the chief man of the island: And he cheerfully received us at his house three days.

And it happened the father of Publius was lying down, suffering from fevers and dysentery; to whom Paul, entering and praying, laying on his hands, cured him.

Then, this taking place, the ones in the island having infirmities also came up, and they were healed.

They also honored us with many honors. And on our setting sail, they lay on us such things as were needed.

