

Nations Fear Other Gods

2nd Kings 17:24-41

And the king of Assyria brought men in from Babylon, and from Cuthah, and from Ava, and from Hamath, and Sepharvaim, and made them live in the cities of Samaria instead of the sons of Israel; and they possessed Samaria and lived in its cities.

And it happened at the beginning of their living there, they did not fear YAHWEH, and YAHWEH sent lions among them, and they were killing among them.

And they spoke to the king of Assyria, saying, the nations that you have exiled and have made to live in the cities of Samaria do not know the custom of the Elohim of the land, and He has sent the lions into their midst; and, behold, they are killing them, since they do not know the custom of the Elohim of the land.

And the king of Assyria commanded, saying, cause one of the priests whom you removed from there to go there, and they shall go and live there; and he shall teach them the custom of the Elohim of the land.

And one of the priests whom they exiled from Samaria came and lived in Bethel, and he taught them how they should fear YAHWEH. Yet was making nation by nation their own gods, and putting them in the houses of the high places which the Samaritans had made, nation by nation in their cities where they lived.

And the men of Babylon made Succoth-Benoth; and the men of Cuth made Nergal; and the men of Hamath made Ashima; and the Avites made Nibhaz and Tartak; and the Sepharvites burned their sons with fire to Adrammelech and Anammelech the Elohim of Sepharvaim.

So it was that they feared YAHWEH, and made for themselves, of the lowest of them, priests of the high places and they sacrificed for them in the houses of the high places.

They feared YAHWEH, and served their own gods, according to the custom of the nations from where they exiled them.

To this day they do according to the former custom; they do not fear YAHWEH, and do not do according to their statutes, and according to their ordinances, and according to the Torah, and according to the commandment that YAHWEH commanded the sons of Jacob, on whom He set His name, Israel.

And YAHWEH made a covenant with them, and commanded them, saying, You shall not fear other gods, nor bow yourselves to them, nor serve them, nor sacrifice to them; but YAHWEH who brought you up out of the land of Egypt with great power, and with a stretched out arm, you shall fear Him, and you shall bow yourselves to Him, and you shall sacrifice to Him; and the statutes, and the judgments, and the Torah, and the commandments that He wrote for you, you shall observe to do forever, and you shall not fear other gods; and the covenant that I have made with you, you shall not forget, and you shall not fear other gods; but you shall fear YAHWEH your Elohim, and He shall deliver you out of the hand of all your enemies.

But they did not listen, but did according to their former custom.

And it happened, these nations feared YAHWEH, yet they served their graven images, both their sons and their sons' sons. As their fathers did, they are doing to this day.



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Assyria

Ava

Babylon

Bethel

Custom

Cuthah

Disobedience

Elohim

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Hamath

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Samaria

Sepharvaim

Teach

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