

PART 1 OF FIVE GENESIS TO DEUTERONOMY

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- **1**... in line with my stated views on the translation of the Hebrew words for **YAHWEH** and **Elohim** (as well as its derivatives *El* and *Eloah*.)
- **2**... the translation of the Hebrew/Aramaic word **ADONAI** to refer to either Master or Lord as distinct from **God** or Elohim or **YAHWEH** into English.

These alterations were included throughout by reference to:

- **1** the **HEBRAIC ROOTS BIBLE** by Don Esposito of the CONGREGATION OF YHWH: Jerusalem. PO Box 832 Carteret NJ 07008. (3rd Edition 2015)
- **2** the new **ARAMAIC ENGLISH NEW TESTAMENT** (AENT) By Andrew Gabriel Roth of the THE NETZARI PRESS LLC PUBLISHERS: First edition in 2008 through to the fifth edition in 2012.

Finally ... There has been no alteration of the name of JESUS from its original Peshitta Aramaic forms of YESHUA or Y'SHUA.

This is because any change in the name of **JESUS** would have been too personally confronting to the majority of devout Christians who have spent their entire lifetimes with the just as holy but traditional name of our Savior in English.

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ESSENTIAL SCRIPTURAL HIGHLIGHT

MOSES began praying to **YAHWEH** with **no scripture at all** that we can know of. He was taught by the **spoken language traditions** of his time. Regardless of this limitation, the Book of Exodus tells us that **MOSES** was directly told by **YAHWEH** Himself that His name was **YAHWEH**. Today's majority view on this name holds that it means **I AM THE I AM.**

The *JESUS* who sacrificed His life for *EACH* of us was a Jewish rabbi or 'teacher' of his time. He preached and consistently demonstrated (with many miracles) the power that could be generated by His love of *YAHWEH* like no-one else either before Him or since. *HIS* words from the (very) original but *ARAMAIC* gospel of Mark some *2000* years ago summarize His *still current instruction* to us all.

"Behold Israel, the Lord YAHWEH your Elohim (GOD) is one. You shall love the Lord YAHWEH your Elohim (GOD) with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength."

So what on earth could have caused the divine *GRACE* behind this access to unlimited divine power to seemingly disappear from global Christianity in practice? Even the Book of Revelation points out that our first century Christians started to abandon the teachings of *YAHWEH* through His son *JESUS* before the end of that century.

And over the last 1600 years especially, very few Christians indeed have been taught that our GOD of GODS .. and Eternal Father .. is still the very same YAHWEH who:

- (1) raised **JESUS** from the dead
- (2) powered all the miracles that were worked for *MOSES* and for *JESUS* and for all of the people who lived within the *1,400* years that separated their lives on earth.
- (3) was the YAHWEH that JESUS worshipped and still does worship. (Rev:3:12)
- (4) was the *YAHWEH* that *JESUS* told the entire world to worship.
- (5) still is the *YAHWEH* whose *HOLY NAME* has been blasphemously obliterated from around **5 billion** English Bibles that have been printed to date.

IN THE UNITED NAMES

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PERHAPS IF GLOBAL CHRISTIANITY PRAYED TO THE ORIGINAL NEW TESTAMENT TEAM OF 2000 YEARS AGO

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In the UNITED NAMES of the LORD YAHWEH and of the LORD JESUS and of the LORD HOLY SPIRIT

... OUR 2000 YEAR OLD NEW TESTAMENT ... entrenched problems from the era that its 27 books spent in their "WORD OF MOUTH PERIOD"

All brands of Christianity in the world have derived from what it has called the 'Holy' Bible.

With this Bible, every denomination has been legally free to simply choose the scriptures that it liked, and then to teach to its congregations whatever it is that it *wanted* to teach. So each of the world's 45,000 Christian denominations have basically taught those uniquely *selected* and *interpreted* scriptures that made up the official *rule book* from its nominated Head Office.

In the *addendum* to this publication I have described the problems that especially *English* speakers have with the inaccurate translations of Biblical scripture from their original *Hebrew* and *Aramaic* languages. But even after these translational inaccuracies have been removed ... many *seriously* confusing problems still remain. Most of these problems arose within the 1st and 2nd century period of time that *each* of our 27 *New Testament* books remained in its 'word of mouth' form ... before it was committed to writing for the first time.

After the death of **JESUS** on the cross, the 27 books of our New Testament existed for up to around 70 years only as word of mouth stories about His life and lessons. These stories were initially circulated within a Jewish community that mainly spoke and wrote in the Peshitta dialect of the **Aramaic** language.

Many within that community *also* communicated in Greek and Latin which were the main *commercial* languages of that era. But it was not until some 35 years after His death on the Cross that the *first* of these stories (said to be the gospel of Mark) was written. It is estimated that the remaining 26 stories were first converted into *written* form at different times within the second 35 year period that followed.

There are now many thousands of ancient manuscripts to attest to the life and lessons of **JESUS**. Some 16,000 of these were written in either the Greek or Latin: and another 9000 were written in Syriac, Slavic, Gothic, Ethiopic, Coptic and more. The **originals** however, were written in the Peshitta dialect of the **Aramaic** language that was spoken and written by **JESUS** and his disciples. And on average, this amounts to some **900** ancient manuscripts for **each** of the 27 New Testament books.

It took at least 70 years for these 27 word of mouth stories to be finally gathered into the written assembly of books which we now call the *New Testament*. The *Greek* version of this assembly was finally ratified by an early version of the *Roman Catholic* church the in the year 397 AD. It was these Rome based authorities which were also the ones who assigned the *name of the current author* to each of the 27 books.

It is important to bear in mind too, that throughout this minimum 70 year period of 'word of mouth' transmission, literally every reteller of his story was in a position to add or delete his own bits simply to suit his own personal theological or 'religious' preferences.

Hence, as the 'Secular Web' groups reports, there are usually *hundreds* of differences between any two copies of the one book among the ancient manuscripts for each of our 27 New Testament books. These events alone verify that our Biblical scripture was always at least as as '*human*' as it was 'holy': and there never has been evidence to justify the near incessant 20th century religious catchery that the '*Holy' Bible* is the *Word of God*.

GLOBAL CONFUSION CAUSED BY ADDED & DELETED BITS

A sufficiently informative list of historically *added*, *ignored*, *deleted* and *misinterpreted* bits of scripture is presented in the *addendum* to this publication ... but a few of the most globally destructive and deceptive bits warrant special attention at the outset.

SYMBOLIC scriptural bits declared as STATUTES before GOD

The *THIS IS MY BODY* bit of scripture: In the scripture *JESUS* at one stage said "*I am the vine* ... and my father is the farmer." This statement was spoken as a very simple and strictly *symbolic* one ... and no Christian in the 2000 years since then has ever been taught that *JESUS* ever once resembled a *mobile bunch of leaves*.

But a **second** (and similarly **symbolic** statement attributed to **JESUS**) has consistently brought some truly incomprehensible behaviors to especially **Catholic** and **Orthodox** church ceremonies for nearly two millennia. This second statement was reportedly said by **JESUS** at what is known as the "last supper" when ... at a simple and final **meal** table **JESUS** broke a loaf of bread and said these words ... "**This is my body.**". Then shortly after this he said these words "**Do this in remembrance of me.**"

And for most of the 2000 years since that time, the strictly regimented *Catholic* and *Orthodox* church *theologies* on this *communion* table statement of "... *This is is my body* ..." has required all their church members to believe the following: That whenever their ordained priests merely SAY these 4 words over bits of bread, then these *bits of bread* are *converted* into the actual *body and blood and soul and divinity* of *JESUS* himself.*

* This teaching on the communion table "miracle" is religiously referred to as the doctrine of TRANSUBSTITUTION or TRANSUBSTANTIATION

To me and to many others, it is impossible to concoct an officially stipulated theological teaching that could be more absurdly *wrong* than this. But this millennia old and *official theological ruling* does help to explain to at least the *non Christians* of the world why they see on the mass media (1) so many *hugely* expensive and incomprehensible '*fancy dress*' ceremonies in (2) *hugely* expensive churches and cathedrals by (3) men and women in their correspondingly elaborate religious uniforms.

To me and many others too ... the daily celebrations of the "This is my body" ritual by our Catholic, and Orthodox churches essentially tries to teach their congregations that the once and for all spiritual sacrifice of the life of the only begotten Son of the GOD OF ALL GODS (or of all 'SPIRITS') on the Cross wasn't enough for the spiritual salvation of humankind in its entirety.

To be fair by the Catholic and Orthodox groups: The Gospel of John (6:53) also reports **JESUS** as having said ... **Unless you eat the body of the Son of man and drink his blood you have no life of your own.** But as Andrew Roth points out, this statement in the context of the scripture at that time ... was issued as a rebuke and **not** as an exhortion to either **cannibalism** or to the **drinking of blood** ... both of which practices have all along been abhorrent to Judaism.

Non scriptural SAINTS prayed to as though each were a GOD or GODESS

The English word GOD derives from the Babylonian name for the god of wealth when (by contrast) the Hebraic word for the *GOD OF ALL GODS* has always been the word *ELOHIM*. And this word is grammatically singular as well as *plural* (like the English word *sheep*) and it means *GOD* and *GOD OF ALL GODS* (or of all 'SPIRITS') simultaneously.

The *Hebraic* scriptures have all along stated that the *NAME* of the *ELOHIM* (GOD) of the Bible is *YAHWEH* and that this name was originally given to *Moses* some 1,400 years before *JESUS* was born. In the original *Hebrew* and *Aramaic* scriptures this name of *YAHWEH* occurs a total of *6,999* times and this, when in the majority of English Bibles, it does *NOT* occur even once!

And nowhere in the Bible is there a scripture which tells us that YAHWEH the GOD OF ALL GODS either (1) changed his name or (2) sacked himself or (3) retired. The ELOHIM then, who is named in the Bible as YAHWEH, has all along been the Bible based creator of ALL of the different spirits (or of lesser 'gods'), each of which in its turn, 'builds' its own different living creature or its own different seed on the planet.

Or explained in biological terms: The *spirit* of every different living seed and of every different living creature is a *species specific* spirit. i.e. the spirit of the eagle builds *only* the eagle and the spirit of the elephant builds *only* the elephant ... and so on too, for *each* of all of our many thousands of different *plant* seeds as well.

YOUR very own personal Elohim or **GOD** then, is the SPIRIT who is behind the **eyes** that you see whenever you look in the mirror. This SPIRIT is the **ELOHIM** of **ALL**. And and his name in the Bible is and always has been **YAHWEH**. His only begotten **SON**, the Lord **JESUS**, preached this basic lesson to the world with the following words.

"Behold Israel, the Lord YAHWEH your ELOHIM (God of all Gods) is one. You shall love the Lord YAHWEH your ELOHIM (God of all Gods) with ALL your heart and with ALL your soul and with ALL your mind and with ALL your strength."

"This is the FIRST commandment. The SECOND is like this: You shall also love your neighbour as you love yourself"

THEN

"There is NO other commandment greater than these."

With instructions about who we should **pray** to as explicit as this there seems almost no excuse for us to begin any prayer to other than (1) **YAHWEH** our **ELOHIM** together with (2) **JESUS** our **SAVIOUR** and also including (3) the **LORD Holy Spirit**. And this **third** one also, simply because as no Christian should ever forget, it was the **LORD Holy Spirit** who worked all of the miracles after the death of **JESUS** on the cross.

And simply *NOWHERE* within some 750,000 words or 31,000 verses of Biblical scripture does it recommend that any human being pray to any *SAINT*.

No **SAINT** ever had anything to do with the designing or building of the **brain** that any human being ever **thought** with. All of the **Catholic** and **Orthodox saints** then ... including especially the saint known as the "Virgin Mary" ... are exclusively the make believe **GODS** and **GODESSES** of the world's Catholic and Orthodox churches. And there are some 12,500 officially authorised "saints" within the religious rule books of these two major churches alone.

Is it only by chance that prayer to YAHWEH has disappeared GLOBALLY?

Of the estimated **2.6 billion** Christians in the world, some **1.6** billion of them claim to be of the Catholic and Orthodox persuasions who pray both to **JESUS** as well as to some 12,500 non scriptural **saints** ... but almost never to **YAHWEH**.

Likewise, millions of Christian 'Protestants' around the world also fail to include the name of *YAHWEH* in their prayers. And this when, as emphasized earlier, the name of *YAHWEH* occurs 6,999 times within the original Hebrew and Aramaic scriptures. These *Hebraic* scriptures are still precisely those scriptures which still have *JESUS* and *YAHWEH* as *exclusively* occupying centre stage.

The three vital NAMES within the ELOHIM are also conspicuously MISSING from what Christians call the SIGN OF THE CROSS

The the *arm movements* that go with the <u>sign of the cross</u> are recognised by people around the world ... but the *prayer words* of the <u>sign of the cross</u> are usually known only by those who make the arm movements. These *prayer words* come from the Gospel of Matthew and they are as follows "In the NAME of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

Christians making the sign of the cross have prayed exactly the above words to their religion's FATHER and His SON many times ... and every day ... for literally centuries. Usually too, these words both open and close every prayer event by at least the 1.3 billion Catholics of the world. And this even when they are praying by NAME to their unscriptural SAINTS ... whilst simultaneously avoiding any mention of the NAME of YAHWEH their GOD OF ALL GODS (SPIRITS?) and any mention of the NAME of His Savior Son JESUS!

How do YAHWEH, JESUS and the LORD Holy Spirit "receive" these words?

This is an unanswerable question. But just how have the above <u>sign of the cross</u> words been *received* by the *FATHER* and *SON* and the *LORD* Holy Spirit when the very NAME of the *Father* is not mentioned and the very NAME of the *Son* is not mentioned ... and the TITLE of *LORD* has never preceded the words *Holy Spirit*?

It is essential for me to reiterate clearly that no Christian should ever forget that it was the *LORD Holy Spirit* who worked all of the New Testament's miracles after the death of *JESUS* on the cross.

It is a *preposterous* Christian era indeed when a majority of its 2.6 billion believers daily invoke the NAMES of up to thousands of their make believe SAINTS but rarely in similar manner, the NAMES of either their GOD OF ALL GODS or of their SAVIOR

THE TRANSLATIONAL LIE FROM HEBREW CONTINUES TO THIS DAY

Below is an example of a modern but still *Biblical* translation from Hebrew to English. It shows that TWO very different Hebrew words are given the very SAME English translation of *LORD*. And one of these translations represents the *LIE* that is repeated *6999* times in all of the *English* Bibles that are listed below this example.

י ניאמֶר מֹשֶׁה אֶ - יְהנָה , בִּי אֲדֹנָי לֹא אִישׁ דְּבָרִים אָנֹכִי גַּם מִתְּמוֹל גַּם מִשִּׁלְשׁם, גַּם מֵאָז דַּבֶּרָדְ אֶל-עַבְדֶּךְ: כִּי כְבַד-פֶּה וּכְבַד לָשׁוֹן, אַנֹכִי.

THE MOST POPULAR BIBLES IN THE WORLD

Since around 1611AD the world's publishing companies have printed some 5 billion to 7 billion Bibles in almost 4000 languages. Every year the Bible is the world's best selling book and there are around 100 translations of the Bible in **English** alone.

Currently, the five best selling *English* Bibles are:

The King James Version 55%
The New International Version 19%
The New Revised Standard Version 7%
The New American Bible 6%
The Living Bible 5%

Currently too, the main *problems* with all five of them are as follows:

None of them even once mentions the word ELOHIM
None of them even once mentions the word YAHWEH
None of them even once puts the title LORD before the words Holy Spirit

It is a truly DUMB HEAP of translated English Bibles about YAHWEH (THE GOD OF ALL GODS!) that clearly do not mention His NAME even once!

MOST OF THE CHRISTIANS IN THE WORLD NEED TO BE TOLD THAT

The name of the *ELOHIM* (GOD) who built the *brain* that *JESUS* thought with is *YAHWEH*The name of the *ELOHIM* (GOD) who powered all the miracles for *JESUS* is *YAHWEH*The name of the *ELOHIM* (GOD) who raised *JESUS* from the dead is *YAHWEH*The name of the *ELOHIM* (GOD) whom *JESUS* told the world to worship is *YAHWEH*

TWO SPECIAL CONTRADICTIONS FROM THE WORD OF MOUTH ERA

In earlier writing I referred to the list of inconsistences that were noted by Donald Morgan of the Secular Web group. These inconsistencies remain in *ALL* New Testaments ... regardless of the translation into English that you have chosen to read.

Our New Testament has over 170 "inconsistencies" within the basic information that it provides about **JESUS** and his life and lessons. **Most** of these inconsistencies are minor but some are definitely not. The two following are sufficiently **arresting** to convince others ... such as yourself to ... **do a lot of praying first** and then begin larger checks of your own

1. Three different REPORTS on the last words of JESUS on the CROSS

There are three scriptures that very differently *quote* the final words of *JESUS* on the cross. These three scriptures follow:

"My God My God why hast Thou forsaken Me!" MT 27:46-50 MK 15: 34-37 "Father, into Thy hands I commit My spirit." LK 23: 46 "It is finished." JN 19: 30

2. The UNFORGIVABLE sin: blasphemy against the Holy Spirit

THREE different scriptures tell us that **ALL** sins are forgivable: AC 13:39 CN 2:13 1 JN 1:9.

The above three scriptures occur *after* the four Gospels and they *contradict* the following scriptures that are reported *as quotes* from the mouth of *JESUS*.

"But whosoever speaketh against the Holy Spirit it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world nor the world to come." MT 12:32

"But he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Spirit hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation." MK 3:29

"But unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Spirit it shall not be forgiven."

LK 12:10

In the *final* analysis, any scripture that we can personally claim as "given by God" derives exclusively from our own personal and holy and loving relationship with the GOD OF ALL GODS (or of all 'SPIRITS') who built each of our brains... and who is still supervising ... all of the thoughts that it produces. And this GOD ... regardless of our chosen church ... will forever remain as the SPIRIT who is behind the eyes that we see whenever we look in the mirror.

Universally, the Christian pathway to this ELOHIM called YAHWEH is through his only begotten SON the LORD JESUS. But globally the so called "Christian" world seems to have missed this pathway almost completely. Almost none of the Christian churches in the English speaking world have scriptural justification for claiming that their chosen teachings derive directly from the 'GOD' of our so seriously mistranslated English Bibles.

ALONGSIDE

THE MEASURE OF INTELLIGENCE WHO BUILT THE BRAIN THAT HE THOUGHT WITH EVEN ALBERT EISTEIN WAS AN INTELLECTUALLY PRIMITIVE MICROBE

The **ELOHIM** (GOD) of the Bible who is named as **YAHWEH** is believed by Christianity to be the *CREATOR* of *EVERYTHING* which includes

the creation of

- (1) the void of *time* that everything exists in
- (2) the *plurality* that comes as a *function* of time.
- (3) the different spirit that has built every different seed since time began.
- (4) the different spirit too ... that has built every different living creature

The idea too, of *distance* within the framework of this Christian belief is believed to be a function of the *time* that *YAHWEH* created. This belief about the relationship of *time* to *distance* starts to make sense when we bear in mind (1) that modern science reports that the *most distant* object from our Earth is 13 billion *light years* away and (2) that light travels some 300,000 kilometres in a single *second*.

Only in the realm an OMNIPOTENT ELOHIM can a distance of this immensity exist.

SOME POSSIBLY HELPFUL THOUGHTS ON PRAYER

Every prayer at its spiritual basis is simply an attempt to communicate with the creator Spirit who designed and built the brain that *each* of us uses to *think* with.

Both you and your *Creator Spirit* (or 'Elohim') *understand* the language that you personally think with. Otherwise basic and personal (*two way*) communication between you and your creator Elohim (GOD) would fail *eternally*. Even the simplest of effective praying must forever remain as this *two* way communication between you and your Elohim (GOD).

YOUR VERY OWN PERSONAL GOD IS FOREVER IN YOUR BRAIN WITH YOU AND WITH ALL OF HIS ANGELS AND THIS ALL OF THE TIME

Wherever our **ELOHIM** (GOD OF ALL GODS) is, His **ministering spirits** too are with Him, and this **all** of the time. No other view or theory on the **precise whereabouts** of both Elohim (GOD) and his **angels** makes any sense at all. This is why the Hebrew word '**ELOHIM**' (which is both singular and plural) is a much better word than the English word GOD or the Greek word THEOS or the Latin word DEUS as a reference to our creator who creates every person **individually**.

A paraphrase from *Psalm 82* adds some light here: "You are GODS (Elohim?) yet you shall each die like a MAN." None of humankind's 45,000 Christian denominations choose to sufficiently emphasize this most fundamental spiritual reality that underpins the design and construction of the brain that is in every (single) human head.

Christian scripture too, declares "In the Beginning was the WORD and the WORD was with ELOHIM and ELOHIM was the WORD." It also declares that ELOHIM (GOD) is and always was the "Alpha and the Omega." or if we prefer the Aramaic here "the Aleph and the Tav." These two simple declarations so neatly summarise that ELOHIM (GOD) is actually the FIRST WORD ever spoken by humankind and the LAST word too.

There has never been a clearer way than these two Scriptures to summarise the *ultimate* truth that *ELOHIM* (GOD) alone has been the *ever present spirtual powerhouse* that has underpinned *every* word that your human brain (with its 100 *billion* cells) has ever thought of or spoken.

ALL EFFECTIVE PRAYER IS A TWO WAY COMMUNICATION PROCESS WHICH YOU SHARE WITH THE GOD WHO BUILT YOU

For around 170 human *generations* (from roughly the time of Moses onwards) *Christianity* as well as *Islam* have largely failed to teach prayer routines that have been designed to communicate (with *shared* love) in the essential *TWO WAY* process between you and the *ELOHIM* who built you...

We need to remember constantly that our own **LOVE** for the **ELOHIM** in our **heads** and in our **hearts** and in our **blood streams** is close enough to the **only** valuable thing in the world that even He our **ELOHIM** is quite **unable** to **create**! Love has always been a **two** way process ... and this in **all species** from eagles through to elephants.

Until the arrival of the mid 20th century, Catholic churches required all its *cardinals*, *bishops* and *priests* to pray in LATIN whenever conducting its religious ceremonies. But the Latin language had globally *died* as a commonly spoken language many *centuries* before this! The *Quran* of *Islam* too, is still today written in the 7th century ARABIC of its founding prophet and this when *today* almost *no Muslims* speak it!

The above two examples of *trying to communicate* with a GOD OF GODS in a language that you yourself do NOT understand is nothing better than a religiously imposed *imbecility* that is totally removed from the LOVE that the *GOD OF GODS* and his only begotten son *JESUS* want to SHARE with you!

ALL EFFECTIVE PRAYER IS A TWO WAY COMMUNICATION OF LOVE

YOUR MOST POWERFUL PRAYERS

ARE THE ONES THAT BOTH YOU AND YOUR GOD UNDERSTAND ... AND SO OFTEN ...

THEY CANNOT BE FOUND IN EITHER THE BIBLE OR IN ISLAM'S QURAN

Neither the *Abraham* of 4,000 years ago nor the *Moses* of 3,400 years ago had any scripture to *read* or *refer* to: Hebrew writing in its original (Paleo Hebrew)) form first occurs in the archaeological record some 600 years after the death of Moses. They simply *loved* and *believed* in the *ELOHIM* (GOD) who they prayed to ... and who *DID* apparently answer both of them with heaps of miracles that were subsequently described in the Bible.

So it's probably a good idea to keep our prayers to the Lord **YAHWEH** and the Lord **JESUS** and to the Lord **HOLY SPIRIT** both very simple and constant. And it's a good idea too, to make sure that they constantly express LOVE and THANKS.

My own *daily* prayers are constantly in my head and heart and bloodstream. Always too they address the original DIVINE and UNITED TEAM that has *always* consisted of (1) The *Lord YAHWEH* and (2) The *Lord JESUS* and (3) The Lord *HOLY SPIRIT*.

The wording too of these (full time) prayers remains similar to the following:

My UNITED omnipotent ELOHIM and eternal GODHEAD TRINITY?*

My Lord YAHWEH.

My Lord JESUS.

My Lord HOLY SPIRIT.

I LOVE you with everything I've got.
I THANK you also with everything I've got.
I am constantly STUNNED that YOU love me too!

PLEASE teach me to PRAY for the things that YOU want of me.
YOU are ... full time ... in my head with ME ... and with all of your ANGELS.
This realization of your PRESENCE within me is the biggest PRIVILEGE of my life.

So PLEASE continue teaching me HOW TO PRAY and WHAT TO PRAY FOR.

Only in this way shall I be able to serve YOU full time.

*A note about the TRINITY

The TRINITY has all along been the intellectual creation of a Greek speaking theologian of the 2nd century. He argued that there were three "*persons*" in the "*godhead*" which he named as the TRINITY. The *error* that he made becomes obvious as soon as we observe that there *could* have been only one *person* ... the Lord JESUS ... but three spiritual *identities*.

AND WHERE IS THE SPIRIT CALLED SATAN IN ALL THIS MESS?

Both *Islam* and *Christianity* believe in the existence of a spirit that they name as *SATAN*. I personally have *seen SATAN*... and on one occasion... I also saw a *demon* at the *same time* as my companion saw it. *SATAN* and his demons *do* exist. The Old Testament mentions Satan 19 times and the New Testament 34 times. The *Book of Psalms* with its 42,000 words of mainly *prayers* surprisingly mentions Satan only *once*... while *JESUS* is reported as mentioning him 17 times.

But Satan *does* exist ... and every human being since time began has been harrassed by both his dreams as well as his stinking thoughts or "temptations". Again ... from my personal experience ... I have actually *smelled* Satan too. He and his demons are collectively the most putrid *stench* of all creation. An animal carcass in the middle of summer is the closest event that reminds me of him.

Most surprisingly of all (even after 2000 years) Christianity hasn't evolved a universally acceptable *proactive prayer* against Satan and I often *wonder* how this could be. I simply *guess* that our united *Lord YAHWEH* and *Lord JESUS* and *LORD Holy Spirit* want jointly to teach such a prayer to *each* of his sons and daughters separately.

THE PHONETIC ENGLISH BIBLE

THE PAGES WHICH FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY

- 1. The pages which follow immediately contain scriptures that have been modified in line with the editorial constraints that I have detailed at the beginning.
- 2. A simplified overview of the technical details that have been involved in designing the 'phonetically regular' script for written English is provided in the final pages of this book.
- 3. The full technical details of this new script for English teachers are provided on my website. www.phoneticenglishbible.com

A NOTE ABOUT HIGH FREQUENCY 'CONNECTOR WORDS

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THE BOOK OF GENESIS

Genesis 1

1 In the beginning, Elohim created the heavens and the êarth. 2 The êarth was formless and empty. Därkness was on the sûrfaçe of the deep and Elohim's Spirit was hovering over the sûrfaçe of the waters.

3 Elohim said, "Let **there** be **light**," and **there** was **light**. 4 Elohim saw the **light**, and saw **that** it was good. Elohim divided the **light** from the darkness. 5 Elohim called the **light** "day", and the darkness he called "night". **There** was **evening** and **there** was morning, the first day.

6 Elohim said, "Let **there** be an expanse in the middle of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." 7 Elohim made the expanse, and divided the waters which were under the expanse from the waters which were above the expanse; and it was so. 8 Elohim called the expanse "sky". There was evening and **there** was morning, a second day.

9 Elohim said, "Let the wåters under the sky be gathered together to one place, and let the dry land appear;" and it was so. 10 Elohim cålled the dry land "earth", and the gathering together of the wåters he cålled "seas". Elohim såw that it was gööd. 11 Elohim said, "Let the earth yield gräss, herbs yielding seeds, and fruit trees bearing fruit äfter their kind, with their seeds in it, on the earth;" and it was so. 12 The earth yielded gräss, herbs yielding seed äfter their kind, and trees bearing fruit, with their seeds in it, äfter their kind; and Elohim såw that it was gööd. 13 There was evening and there was morning, a third day.

14 Elohim said, "Let **there** be **lights** in the expanse of the sky to divide the day from the night; and let **them** be for signs to mark seasons, days, and years; 15 and let **them** be for **lights** in the expanse of the sky to give **light** on the **earth**;" and it was so. 16 Elohim made the two great **lights**: the greater **light** to rule the day, and the lesser **light** to rule the night. He **also** made the stars. 17 Elohim set **them** in the expanse of the sky to give **light** to the **earth**, 18 and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the **light** from the darkness. Elohim saw **th**at it was good. 19 **There** was **evening** and **there** was morning, a fourth day.

20 Elohim said, "Let the waters abound with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth in the open expanse of the sky." 21 Elohim created the lärge sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarmed, äfter their kind, and every winged bird äfter its kind. Elohim saw that it was good. 22 Elohim blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill t

waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." 23 There was evening and there was morning, a fifth day.

24 Elohim said, "Let the **ê**ar**th** produce living creatures **ä**fter **th**eir kind, live-stock, creeping **th**ings, and animals of the **ê**ar**th ä**fter **th**eir kind;" and it was so. 25 Elohim made the animals of the **ê**ar**th ä**fter **th**eir kind, and the livestock **ä**fter **th**eir kind, and every**th**ing **th**at creeps on the ground **ä**fter its kind. Elohim s**å**w **th**at it was g**o**od.

26 Elohim said, "Let's make man in our image, äfter our likeness. Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the sky, and over the livestock, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." 27 Elohim created man in his own image. In Elohim's image he created him; male and female he created them. 28 Elohim blessed them. Elohim said to them, "Be fruitful, multiply, fill the earth, and subdue it. Have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the sky, and over every living thing that moves on the earth." 29 Elohim said, "Behold, I have given you every herb yielding seed, which is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree, which bears fruit yielding seed. It will be your food. 30 To every animal of the earth, and to every bird of the sky, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which there is life, I have given every green herb for food;" and it was so.

31 Elohim såw every**th**ing **th**at he had made, and, behold, it was very good. **There** was **evening** and **there** was morning, a six**th** day.

Genesis 2

The heavens, the earth, and all their väst array were finished. 2 On the seventh day Elohim finished his work which he had done; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had done. 3 Elohim blessed the seventh day, and made it holy, because he rested in it from all his work of creation which he had done.

4 **Th**is is the history of the **g**enerations of the heavens and of the **e**ar**th** when they were created, in the day that YAHWEH Elohim made the **e**ar**th** and the heavens. 5 No plant of the field was yet in the **e**ar**th**, and no herb of the field had yet sprung up; for YAHWEH Elohim had not caused it to rain on the **e**ar**th**. There was not a man to till the ground, 6 but a mist went up from the **e**ar**th**, and watered the whole surface of the ground. 7 YAHWEH Elohim formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. 8 YAHWEH Elohim planted a garden **e**astward, in Eden, and **th**ere he put the man whom he had formed. 9 Out of the ground YAHWEH Elohim made every tree to grow **th**at is pleasant to the sight, and good for food, including the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and **e**vil. 10 A river went out of Eden to water the

gärden; and from there it was pärted, and became the sourçe of four rivers. 11 The name of the first is Pishon: it flows through the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold; 12 and the gold of that land is good. Bdellium and onyx stone are also there. 13 The name of the second river is Gihon. It is the same river that flows through the whole land of Cush. 14 The name of the third river is Hiddekel. This is the one which flows in front of Assyria. The fourth river is the Euphrates. 15 YAHWEH Elohim took the man, and put him into the gärden of Eden to cultivate and keep it. 16 YAHWEH Elohim commanded the man, saying, "You may freely eat of every tree of the gärden; 17 but you shall not eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil; for in the day that you eat of it, you will surely die."

18 YAHWEH Elohim said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make him a helper comparable to him." 19 Out of the ground YAHWEH Elohim formed every animal of the field, and every bird of the sky, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. Whatever the man called every living creature became its name. 20 The man gave names to all livestock, and to the birds of the sky, and to every animal of the field; but for man there was not found a helper comparable to him. 21 YAHWEH Elohim caused the man to fall into a deep sleep. As the man slept, he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. 22 YAHWEH Elohim made a woman from the rib which he had taken from the man, and brought her to the man. 23 The man said, "This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh. She will be called 'woman, because she was taken out of Man." 24 Therefore a man will leave his father and his mother, and will join with his wife, and they will be one flesh. 25 The man and his wife were both naked, and they were not ashamed.

Genesis 3

Now the serpent was more subtle than any animal of the field which YAHWEH Elohim had made. He said to the woman, "Haş Elohim really said, 'You shall not eat of any tree of the gärden'?"

2 The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees of the gärden, 3 but not the fruit of the tree which is in the middle of the gärden. Elohim has said, 'You shall not eat of it. You shall not touch it, lest you die."

4 The serpent said to the woman, "You won't really die, 5 for Elohim knows that in the day you eat it, your eyes will be opened, and you will be like Elohim, knowing good and evil."

6 When the woman saw that the tree was good for feed, and that it was a delight to the eyeş, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took some of its fruit, and ate. Then she gave some to her husband with her, and he ate it, tee. 7 Their eyeş were opened, and they both knew that they were

naked. They sewed fig leaves together, and made coverings for themselves. 8 They heard YAHWEH Elohim's voice walking in the garden in the ceel of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of YAHWEH Elohim among the trees of the garden.

9 YAHWEH Elohim called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?"

10 The man said, "I hêard your voiçe in the gärden, and I was afraid, becauşe I was naked; so I hid myself."

11 YAHWEH said, "Wh● told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"

12 The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

13 YAHWEH Elohim said to the woman, "What have you done?"

The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

14 YAHWEH Elohim said to the serpent,

"Becauşe you have done this, you are cûrsed above all livestock, and above every animal of the field. You shall go on your belly and you shall eat dust all the days of your life. 15 I will put hostility between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring. He will bruise your head, and you will bruise his heel."

16 To the woman he said,

"I will greatly multiply your pain in childbîrth. You will bear children in pain. Your deşire will be for your huşband, and he will rule over you."

17 To Adam he said.

"Becauşe you have listened to your wife's voice, and have eaten from the tree, about which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat of it, the ground is cursed for your sake. You will eat from it with much labor all the days of your life. 18 It will yield thorns and thistles to you; and you will eat the herb of the field. 19 You will eat bread by the sweat of your face until you return to the ground, for you were taken out of it. For you are dust, and you shall return to dust."

20 The man called his wife **E**ve becauşe she would be the mother of all the living. 21 YAHWEH Elohim made gärments of animal skinş for Adam and for his wife, and clothed them.

22 YAHWEH Elohim said, "Behold, the man haş become like one of us, knowing good and evil. Now, lest he reach out his hand, and also take of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever—" 23 **Therefore** YAHWEH Elohim sent him out from the

gärden of **E**den, to till the ground from which he was taken. 24 So he drove out the man; and he placed cherubim at the **e**ast of the gärden of **E**den, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guärd the way to the tree of life.

Genesis 4

The man knew Eve his wife. She conceived, and gave birth to Cain, and said, "I have gotten a man with YAHWEH'S help." 2 Again she gave birth, to Cain's brother Abel. Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. 3 As time pässed, Cain brought an offering to YAHWEH from the fruit of the ground. 4 Abel also brought some of the firstborn of his flock and of its fat. YAHWEH respected Abel and his offering, 5 but he didn't respect Cain and his offering. Cain was very angry, and the expression on his face fell. 6 YAHWEH said to Cain, "Why are you angry? Why has the expression of your face fallen? 7 If you do well, won't it be lifted up? If you don't do well, sin crouches at the door. Its desire is for you, but you are to rule over it." 8 Cain said to Abel, his brother, "Let's go into the field." While they were in the field, Cain rose up against Abel, his brother, and killed him.

9 YAHWEH said to Cain, "Where is Abel, your brother?"

He said, "I don't know. Am I my brother's keeper?"

10 YAHWEH said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood cries to me from the ground. 11 Now you are cursed because of the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. 12 From now on, when you till the ground, it won't yield its strength to you. You will be a fugitive and a wanderer in the earth."

13 Cain said to YAHWEH, "My punishment is greater than I can bear. 14 Behold, you have driven me out today from the surface of the ground. I will be hidden from your face, and I will be a fugitive and a wanderer in the earth. Wheever finds me will kill me."

15 YAHWEH said to him, "**Therefore** wheever slays Cain, vengeance will be taken on him sevenfold." YAHWEH appointed a sign for Cain, so **th**at anyone finding him would not strike him.

16 Cain left YAHWEH'S preşençe, and lived in the land of Nod, east of Eden. 17 Cain knew his wife. She conçeived, and gave birth to Enoch. He built a city, and named the city äfter the name of his son, Enoch. 18 Irad was born to Enoch. Irad became the fäther of Mehujael. Mehujael became the fäther of Methushael. Methushael became the fäther of Lamech. 19 Lamech took two wives: the name of the first one was Adah, and the name of the second one was Zillah. 20 Adah gave birth to Jabal, who was the fäther of those who dwell in tents and have livestock. 21 His brother's name was Jubal, who was the

fäther of åll whe handle the härp and pipe. 22 Zillah ålso gav e bîrth to Tubal Cain, the forger of every cutting instrument of bronze and iron. Tubal Cain's sister was Näämah. 23 Lamech said to his wives,

"Adah and Zillah, hear my voice. You wives of Lamech, listen to my speech, for I have slain a man for wounding me, a young man for bruising me. 24 If Cain will be avenged seven times, truly Lamech seventy-seven times."

25 Adam knew his wife again. She gave bîrth to a son, and named him Seth, saying, "for Elohim haş given me another child instead of Abel, for Cain killed him." 26 A son was also born to Seth, and he named him Enosh. At that time men began to call on YAHWEH'S name.

Genesis 5

This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that Elohim created man, he made him in Elohim's likeness. 2 He created them male and female, and blessed them. On the day they were created, he named them Adam. 3 Adam lived one hundred thirty years, and became the fäther of a son in his own likeness, äfter his image, and named him Seth. 4 The days of Adam äfter he became the fäther of Seth were eight hundred years, and he became the fäther of other sons and dåughters. 5 All the days that Adam lived were nine hundred thirty years, then he died.

6 Seth lived one hundred five years, then became the father of Enosh. 7 Seth lived after he became the father of Enosh eight hundred seven years, and became the father of other sons and daughters. 8 All of the days of Seth were nine hundred twelve years, then he died.

9 Enosh lived ninety years, and became the fäther of Kenan. 10 Enosh lived äfter he became the fäther of Kenan eight hundred fifteen years, and became the fäther of other sons and dåughters. 11 All of the days of Enosh were nine hundred five years, then he died.

12 Kenan lived seventy years, then became the fäther of Mahalalel. 13 Kenan lived äfter he became the fäther of Mahalalel eight hundred förty years, and became the fäther of other sons and dåughters 14 and åll of the days of Kenan were nine hundred ten years, then he died.

15 Mahalalel lived sixty-five years, then became the fäther of Jared. 16 Mahalalel lived äfter he became the fäther of Jared eight hundred thirty years, and became the fäther of other sons and dåughters. 17 All of the days of Mahalalel were eight hundred ninety-five years, then he died. 18 Jared lived one hundred sixty-two years, then became the fäther of Enoch. 19 Jared lived äfter he became the fäther of Enoch eight hundred years, and became the fäther of other sons and

dåughterş. 20 All of the dayş of Jared were nine hundred sixty-two yearş, then he died.

21 Enoch lived sixty-five years, then became the fäther of Methuselah. 22 After Methuselah's bîrth, Enoch wålked with Elohim for three hundred years, and became the fäther of more sons and dåughters. 23 All the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty-five years. 24 Enoch wålked with Elohim, and he was not found, for Elohim took him.

25 Methuşelah lived one hundred eighty-seven yearş, then became the fäther of Lamech. 26 Methuşelah lived äfter he became the fäther of Lamech seven hundred eighty-two yearş, and became the fäther of other sons and dåughterş. 27 All the dayş of Methuşelah were nine hundred sixty-nine yearş, then he died.

28 Lamech lived one hundred eighty-two years, then became the father of a son. 29 He named him Noah, saying, "This one will comfort us in our work and in the toil of our hands, caused by the ground which YAHWEH has cursed." 30 Lamech lived after he became the father of Noah five hundred ninety-five years, and became the father of other sons and daughters. 31 All the days of Lamech were seven hundred seventy-seven years, then he died.

32 Noah was five hundred yearş old, then Noah became the fäther of Shem, Ham, and Japhet.

Genesis 6

When men began to multiply on the sûrfaçe of the ground, and dåughterş were born to them, 2 Elohim'ş sonş såw that men'ş dåughterş were beautiful, and they took any that they wanted for themselveş as wiveş. 3 YAHWEH said, "My Spirit will not strive with man forever, becauşe he ålso is flesh; so his dayş will be one hundred twenty yearş." 4 The Nephilim were in the earth in those days, and ålso äfter that, when Elohim'ş sonş came in to men's dåughterş and had children with them. Those were the mighty men whe were of old, men of renewn.

5 YAHWEH saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of man's heart was continually only evil. 6 YAHWEH was sorry that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him in his heart. 7 YAHWEH said, "I will destroy man whom I have created from the surface of the ground—man, along with animals, creeping things, and birds of the sky—for I am sorry that I have made them." 8 But Noah found favor in YAHWEH'S eyes.

9 **Th**is is the history of the **g**enerations of Noah: Noah was a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time. Noah wå/ked with Elohim. 10 Noah

became the fäther of three sons: Shem, Ham, and Japheth.. 11 The earth was corrupt before Elohim, and the earth was filled with violence. 12 Elohim saw the earth, and saw that it was corrupt, for all flesh had corrupted their way on the earth.

13 Elohim said to Noah, "I will bring an end to all flesh, for the earth is filled **th**em. Behold, I with violence through will destroy them êarth. 14 Make a ship of gopher wood. You shall make reems in the ship, and shall seal it inside and outside with pitch. 15 This is how you shall make it. The length of the ship shall be three hundred cubits, its width fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits. 16 You shall make a reef in the ship, and you shall finish it to a cubit upward. You shall set the door of the ship in its side. You shall make it with lower, second, and third levels. 17 l, even l, will bring the flood of waters on this earth, to destroy all flesh having the breath of life from under the sky. Everything that is in the earth will die. 18 But I will establish my covenant with you. You shall come into the ship, you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. 19 Of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every sort into the ship, to keep them alive with you. They shall be male and female. 20 Of the birds äfter their kind, of the livestock äfter their kind, of every creeping thing of the ground after its kind, two of every sort will come to you, to keep them alive. 21 Take with you some of all food that is eaten, and gather it to yourself; and it will be for feed for you, and for them." 22 Thus Noah did. He did all that Elohim commanded him.

Genesis 7

YAHWEH said to Noah, "Come with all of your household into the ship, for I have seen your righteousness before me in this generation. 2 You shall take seven pairs of every clean animal with you, the male and his female. Of the animals that are not clean, take two, the male and his female. 3 Also of the birds of the sky, seven and seven, male and female, to keep seed alive on the surface of all the earth. 4 In seven days, I will cause it to rain on the earth for forty days and forty nights. I will destroy every living thing that I have made from the surface of the ground."

5 Noah did everything that YAHWEH commanded him.

6 Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters came on the earth. 7 Noah went into the ship with his sons, his wife, and his sons' wives, because of the floodwaters. 8 Clean animals, unclean animals, birds, and everything that creeps on the ground 9 went by pairs to Noah into the ship, male and female, as Elohim commanded Noah. 10 After the seven days, the floodwaters came on the earth. 11 In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the

fountains of the great deep bûrst open, and the sky's windows opened. 12 It rained on the earth forty days and forty nights.

13 In the same day Noah, and Shem, Ham, and Japheth—the sons of Noah and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons with them, entered into the ship—14 they, and every animal after its kind, all the livestock after their kind, every creeping thing that creeps on the êarth äfter its kind, and every bird äfter its kind, every bird of every sort. 15 Pairs from all flesh with the breath of life in them went into the ship to Noah. 16 Those who went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as Elohim commanded him; then YAHWEH shut him in. 17 The flood was forty days on the earth. The waters increased, and lifted up the ship, and it was lifted up above the earth. 18 The waters rose, and increased greatly on the earth; and the ship floated on the surface of the waters. 19 The waters rose very high on the earth. all the high mountains that were under the whole sky were covered. 20 The waters rose fifteen cubits higher, and the mountains were covered. 21 All flesh died that moved on the earth, including bîrdş, livestock, animalş, every creeping thing that creeps on the êarth, and every man. 22 All on the dry land, in where nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, died. 23 Every living thing was destroyed that was on the surface of the ground, including man, livestock, creeping things, and birds of the sky. They were destroyed from the êarth. Only Noah was left, and those who were with him in the ship. 24 The waters flooded the earth one hundred fifty days.

Genesis 8

Elohim remembered Noah, all the animals, and all the livestock that were with him in the ship; and Elohim made a wind to pass over the earth. The waters subsided. 2 The deep's fountains and the sky's windows were also stopped, and the rain from the sky was restrained. 3 The waters continually receded from the earth. After the end of one hundred fifty days the waters receded. 4 The ship rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on Ararat's mountains. 5 The waters receded continually until the tenth month. In the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains were visible.

6 At the end of forty days, Noah opened the window of the ship which he had made, 7 and he sent out a raven. It went back and forth, until the waters were dried up from the earth. 8 He himself sent out a dove to see if the waters were abated from the surface of the ground, 9 but the dove found no place to rest her foot, and she returned into the ship to him, for the waters were on the surface of the whole earth. He put out his hand, and took her, and brought her to him into the ship. 10 He waited yet another seven days; and again he sent the dove out of the ship. 11 The dove came back to him at evening and, behold, in her mouth was a freshly plucked olive leaf. So Noah knew that the waters were abated from the earth. 12 He waited yet another seven days, and sent out the dove; and she didn't return to him any more.

13 In the six hundred first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from the earth. Noah removed the covering of the ship, and looked. He saw that the surface of the ground was dry. 14 In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry.

15 Elohim spoke to Noah, saying, 16 "Go out of the ship, you, your wife, your sons, and your sons' wives with you. 17 Bring out with you every living that is with you of all flesh, including birds, livestock, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply on the earth."

18 Noah went out, with his sons, his wife, and his sons' wives with him. 19 Every animal, every creeping thing, and every bird, whatever moves on the earth, after their families, went out of the ship.

20 Noah built an altar to YAHWEH, and took of every clean animal, and of every clean bird, and offered burnt offerings on the altar. 21 YAHWEH smelled the pleasant aroma. YAHWEH said in his heart, "I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake because the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth. I will never again strike every living thing, as I have done. 22 While the earth remains, seed time and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night will not cease."

Genesis 9

Elohim blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them, "Be fruitful, multiply, and replenish the êarth. 2 The fear of you and the dread of you will be on every animal of the earth, and on every bird of the sky. Everything that meves ground, and å∥ the fi**sh** of the sea, are delivered into your along the hand. 3 Every meving thing that lives will be feed for you. As I gave you the green herb, I have given everything to you. 4 But flesh with its life, that is, its blood, you shall not eat. 51 will surely require accounting for your life's blood. At the hand of every animal I will require it. At the hand of man, even at the hand of every man's brother, I will require the life of man. 6 Wheever sheds man's blood, his blood will be shed by man, for Elohim made man in his own image. 7 Be fruitful and multiply. Increase abundantly in the earth, and multiply in it."

8 Elohim spoke to Noah and to his sons with him, saying, 9 "As for me, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your offspring after you, 10 and with every living creature that is with you: the birds, the livestock, and every animal of the earth with you, of all that go out of the ship, even every animal of the earth. 11 I will establish my covenant with you: all flesh will

not be cut off any more by the waters of the flood. There will never again be a flood to destroy the earth." 12 Elohim said, "This is the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations: 13 I set my rainbow in the cloud, and it will be a sign of a covenant between me and the earth. 14 When I bring a cloud over the earth, that the rainbow will be seen in the cloud, 15 I will remember my covenant, which is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh, and the waters will no more become a flood to destroy all flesh. 16 The rainbow will be in the cloud. I will look at it, that I may remember the everlasting covenant between Elohim and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." 17 Elohim said to Noah, "This is the token of the covenant which I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

18 The sons of Noah who went out from the ship were Shem, Ham, and Japheth. Ham is the fäther of Canaan. 19 These three were the sons of Noah, and from these the whole earth was populated.

20 Noah began to be a färmer, and planted a vineyärd. 21 He drank of the wine and got drunk. He was uncovered within his tent. 22 Ham, the fäther of Canaan, såw the nakedness of his fäther, and told his two brothers outside. 23 Shem and Japheth. töök a gärment, and laid it on both their shoulders, went in backwards, and covered the nakedness of their fäther. Their faces were backwards, and they didn't see their fäther's nakedness. 24 Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his youngest son had done to him. 25 He said,

"Canaan is cûrsed. He will be a sêrvant of sêrvants to his brothers."

26 He said,

"Blessed be YAHWEH, the Elohim of **Sh**em. Let Canaan be his sêrvant.27 May Elohim enlärge Japheth. Let him dwell in the tents of **Sh**em. Let Canaan be his sêrvant."

28 Noah lived **th**ree hundred fifty yearş äfter the flood. 29 All the dayş of Noah were nine hundred fifty yearş, and **th**en he died.

Genesis 10

New this is the history of the generations of the sons of Noah and of Shem, Ham, and Japheth.. Sons were born to them after the flood.

2 The sons of Japheth. were: Gomer, Magog, Madai, Javan, Tubal, Meshech, and Tiras. 3 The sons of Gomer were: Ashkenaz, Riphath, and Togarmah. 4 The sons of Javan were: Elishah, Tärshish, Kittim, and Dodanim. 5 Of these were the islands of the nations divided in their lands, everyone äfter his language, äfter their families, in their nations.

6 The sons of Ham were: Cush, Mizraim, Put, and Canaan. 7 The sons of Cush were: Seba, Havilah, Sabtah, Raamah, and Sabteca. The sons of Raamah were: Sheba and Dedan. 8 Cush became the fäther of Nimrod. He began to be a mighty one in the earth. 9 He was a mighty hunter before YAHWEH. Therefore it is said, "like Nimrod, a mighty hunter before YAHWEH". 10 The beginning of his kingdom was Babel, Erecr, Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar. 11 Out of that land he went into Assyria, and built Nineveh, Rehoboth Ir, Calah, 12 and Resen between Nineveh and the great city Calah. 13 Mizraim became the fäther of Ludim, Anamim, Lehabim, Naphtuhim, 14 Pathrusim, Casluhim (which the Philistines descended from), and Caphtorim.

15 Canaan became the fäther of Sidon (his firstborn), Heth, 16 the Jebusites, the Amorites, the Girgashites, 17 the Hivites, the Arkites, the Sinites, 18 the Arvadites, the Zemarites, and the Hamathites. äfterward the families of the Canaanites were spread abroad. 19 The border of the Canaanites was from Sidon— as you go toward Gerar—to Gäza—as you go toward Sodom, Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboiim—to Lasha. 20 These are the sons of Ham, äfter their families, according to their languages, in their lands and their nations.

21 Children were ålso born to Shem (the elder brother of Japheth.), the fäther of åll the children of Eber. 22 The sons of Shem were: Elam, Asshur, Arpachshad, Lud, and Aram. 23 The sons of Aram were: Uz, Hul, Gether, and Mash. 24 Arpachshad became the fäther of Shelah. Shelah became the fäther of Eber. 25 To Eber were born two sons. The name of the one was Peleg, for in his days the earth was divided. His brother's name was Joktan. 26 Joktan became the fäther of Almodad, Sheleph, Hazarmaveth, Jerah, 27 Hadoram, Uzal, Diklah, 28 Obal, Abimael, Sheba, 29 Ophir, Havilah, and Jobab. åll these were the sons of Joktan. 30 Their dwelling extended from Mesha, as you go toward Sephar, the mountain of the east. 31 These are the sons of Shem, by their families, according to their languages, lands, and nations.

32 **Theş**e are the families of the sons of Noah, by their generations, according to their nations. The nations divided from these in the earth after the flood.

Genesis 11

The whole earth was of one language and of one speech. 2 As they traveled east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar, and they lived there. 3 They said to one another, "Come, let's make bricks, and bûrn them thoroughly." They had brick for stone, and they used tär for mortar. 4 They said, "Come, let's build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top reaches to the sky, and let's make a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered abroad on the sûrface of the whole earth."

5 YAHWEH came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men built. 6 YAHWEH said, "Behold, they are one people, and they all have one language, and this is what they begin to do. Now nothing will be withheld from them, which they intend to do. 7 Come, let's go down, and there confuse their language, that they may not understand one another's speech." 8 So YAHWEH scattered them abroad from there on the surface of all the earth. They stopped building the city. 9 Therefore its name was called Babel, because there YAHWEH confused the language of all the earth. From there, YAHWEH scattered them abroad on the surface of all the earth.

- 10 **Th**is is the history of the **g**enerations of **Sh**em: **Sh**em was one hundred **years** old when he became the father of Arpachshad two years after the flood. 11 **Sh**em lived five hundred years after he became the father of Arpachshad, and became the father of more sons and daughters.
- 12 Arpachshad lived **th**irty-five years and became the fäther of **Sh**elah. 13 Arpachshad lived four hundred **th**ree years äfter he became the fäther of **Sh**elah, and became the fäther of more sons and daughters.
- 14 **Sh**elah lived **th**irty yearş, and became the fäther of Eber. 15 **Sh**elah lived four hundred **th**ree yearş äfter he became the fäther of Eber, and became the fäther of more sons and dåughters.
- 16 Eber lived **th**irty-four years, and became the father of Peleg. 17 Eber lived four hundred **th**irty years after he became the father of Peleg, and became the father of more sons and daughters.
- 18 Peleg lived **th**irty years, and became the fäther of Reu. 19 Peleg lived two hundred nine years äfter he became the fäther of Reu, and became the fäther of more sons and dåughters.
- 20 Reu lived **th**irty-two years, and became the fäther of Serug. 21 Reu lived two hundred seven years äfter he became the fäther of Serug, and became the fäther of more sons and dåughters.
- 22 Serug lived **th**irty years, and became the fäther of Nahor. 23 Serug lived twe hundred years äfter he became the fäther of Nahor, and became the fäther of more sons and dåughters.
- 24 Nahor lived twenty-nine years, and became the fäther of Terah. 25 Nahor lived one hundred nineteen years äfter he became the fäther of Terah, and became the fäther of more sons and dåughters.
- 26 Terah lived seventy years, and became the father of Abram, Nahor, and Haran.
- 27 New this is the history of the generations of Terah. Terah became the fäther of Abram, Nahor, and Haran. Haran became the fäther of Lot. 28 Haran died in the land of his bîrth, in Ur of the Chaldees, while his fäther Terah was still alive. 29 Abram and Nahor married wives. The name of Abram's wife was Sarai, and

the name of Nahor's wife was Milcah, the dåughter of Haran, who was ålso the fäther of Iscah. 30 Sarai was barren. She had no child. 31 Terah took Abram his son, Lot the son of Haran, his son's son, and Sarai his dåughter-in-låw, his son Abram's wife. They went from Ur of the Chaldees, to go into the land of Canaan. They came to Haran and lived there. 32 The days of Terah were two hundred five years. Terah died in Haran.

Genesis 12

Now YAHWEH said to Abram, "Leave your country, and your relatives, and your father's house, and go to the land that I will show you. 2 I will make of you a great nation. I will bless you and make your name great. You will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who treats you with contempt. all the families of the earth will be blessed through you."

4 So Abram went, aş YAHWEH had told him. Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five yearş old when he depärted from Haran. 5 Abram took Sarai his wife, Lot his brother's son, all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people whom they had acquired in Haran, and they went to go into the land of Canaan. They entered into the land of Canaan. 6 Abram pässed through the land to the place of Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time, Canaanites were in the land.

7 YAHWEH appeared to Abram and said, "I will give **th**is land to your offspring." He built an **a**ltar **th**ere to YAHWEH, who had appeared to him. 8 He left from **th**ere to go to the mountain on the **e**ast of Be**th**el and pitched his tent, having Be**th**el on the west, and Ai on the **e**ast. **Th**ere he built an **a**ltar to YAHWEH and called on YAHWEH'S name. 9 Abram traveled, still going on toward the South.

10 There was a famine in the land. Abram went down into Egypt to live as a foreigner there, for the famine was severe in the land. 11 When he had come near to enter Egypt, he said to Sarai his wife, "See now, I know that you are a beautiful woman to look at 12 It will happen that when the Egyptians see you, they will say, 'This is his wife. They will kill me, but they will save you alive. 13 Please say that you are my sister, that it may be well with me for your sake, and that my soul may live because of you."

14 When Abram had come into Egypt, Egyptians saw that the woman was very beautiful. 15 The princes of Pharaoh saw her, and praised her to Pharaoh; and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house. 16 He dealt well with Abram for her sake. He had sheep, cattle, male donkeys, male servants, female servants, female donkeys, and camels. 17 YAHWEH afflicted Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai, Abram's wife. 18 Pharaoh called Abram and said, "What is this that you have done to me? Why didn't you tell me that she was your wife? 19 Why did you say, 'She is my sister, so that I took her to be my wife? Now therefore, see your wife, take her, and go your way."

20 **Pharaoh** commanded men conçêrning him, and **th**ey escorted him away with his wife and all **th**at he had.

Genesis 13

Abram went up out of **Eg**ypt—he, his wife, all that he had, and Lot with him into the South. 2 Abram was very rich in livestock, in silver, and in gold. 3 He went on his joûrneys from the South as far as Betthel, to the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Ai, 4 to the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first. There Abram called on YAHWEH'S name. 5 Lot also, who went with Abram, had flocks, herds, and tents. 6 The was not able to bear them, that they might live together; for their possessions were so great that they couldn't live together. 7 There was strife between the herdsmen of Abram's livestock and the herdsmen of Lot's livestock. The Canaanites the land at **th**at and the Perizz**i**tes lived in time. 8 Abram said to Lot, "Please, let there be no strife between you and me, and between your hêrdşmen and my hêrdşmen; for we are relatives. 9 Işn't the whole land before you? Please separate yourself from me. If you go to the left hand, then I will go to the right. Or if you go to the right hand, then I will go to the left."

10 Lot lifted up his eyeş, and såw åll the plain of the Jordan, that it was well-wåtered everywhere, before YAHWEH destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, like the gärden of YAHWEH, like the land of Egypt, as you go to Zoar. 11 So Lot choşe the Plain of the Jordan for himself. Lot traveled east, and they separated themselveş from one other. 12 Abram lived in the land of Canaan, and Lot lived in the cities of the plain, and moved his tent as fär as Sodom. 13 Now the men of Sodom were exceedingly wicked and sinners against YAHWEH.

14 YAHWEH said to Abram, äfter Lot was separated from him, "New, lift up your eyeş, and look from the place where you are, northward and seuthward and eastward and westward, 15 for I will give all the land which you see to you and to your offspring forever. 16 I will make your offspring as the dust of the earth, so that if a man can count the dust of the earth, then your offspring may also be counted. 17 Arişe, walk through the land in its length and in its width; for I will give it to you."

18 Abram meved his tent, and came and lived by the oaks of Mamre, which are in Hebron, and built an altar there to YAHWEH.

Genesis 14

In the days of Amraphel, king of Shinar; Arioch, king of Ellasar; Chedorlaomer, king of Elam; and Tidal, king of Goiim, 2 they made war with Bera, king of Sodom; Bîrsha, king of Gomorrah; Shinab, king of Admah; Shemeber, king of Zeboiim; and the king of Bela (also called Zoar). 3 All these joined together in the valley of Siddim (also called the Salt Sea). 4 They served Chedorlaomer for twelve years, and in the thirteenth year they rebelled. 5 In the fourteenth year Chedor- laomer and the kings who were with him came and struck the Rephaim in Ashteroth Karnaim, the Zuzim in Ham, the Emim in Shaveh Kiriathaim,

They returned, and came to En Mishpat (ålso cålled Kadesh), and struck åll the country of the Amalekites, and ålso the Amorites, that lived in Hazazon Tamar. 8 The king of Sodom, and the king of Gomorrah, the king of Admah, the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (ålso cålled Zoar) went out; and they set the battle in array against them in the valley of Siddim 9 against Chedorlaomer king of Elam, Tidal king of Goiim, Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar; four kings against the five. 10 Now the valley of Siddim was full of tär pits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, and some fell there. Those who remained fled to the hills. 11 They took åll the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and åll their food, and went their way. 12 They took Lot, Abram's brother's son, who lived in Sodom, and his goods, and depärted.

13 One whe had escaped came and told Abram, the Hebrew. At that time, he lived by the oaks of Mamre, the Amorite, brother of Eshcol and brother of Aner. They were allies of Abram. 14 When Abram heard that his relative was taken captive, he led out his three hundred eighteen trained men, born in his house, and pursued as far as Dan. 15 He divided himself against them by night, he and his servants, and struck them, and pursued them to Hobah, which is on the left hand of Damascus. 16 He brought back all the goods, and also brought back his relative Lot and his goods, and the women also, and the other people.

17 The king of Sodom went out to meet him äfter his return from the slåughter of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, at the valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). 1 8 Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. He was priest of Elohim Most High. 19 He blessed him, and said, "Blessed be Abram of Elohim Most High, possessor of heaven and earth. 20 Blessed be Elohim Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand."

Abram gave him a tenth of all.

21 The king of Sodom said to Abram, "Give me the people, and take the goods for yourself."

22 Abram said to the king of Sodom, "I have lifted up my hand to YAHWEH, Elohim Most High, possessor of heaven and earth, 23 that I will not take a thread nor a sandal strap nor anything that is yours, lest you should say, I have made Abram rich. 24 I will accept nothing from you except that which the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men who went with me: Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre. Let them take their portion."

Genesis 15

After **theş**e **t**hingş YAHWEH'S wôrd came to Abram in a vişion, saying, "Don't be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your exceedingly great reward."

2 Abram said, "Master YAHWEH, what will you give me, since I go childless, and he who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?" 3 Abram said, "Behold, you have given no children to me: and, behold, one born in my house is my heir."

4 Behold, YAHWEH'S word came to him, saying, "This man will not be your heir, but he who will come out of your own body will be your heir." 5 YAHWEH brought him outside, and said, "Look now toward the sky, and count the stars, if you are able to count them." He said to Abram, "So your offspring will be." 6 He believed in YAHWEH, who credited it to him for righteousness. 7 He said to Abram, "I am YAHWEH who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldees, to give you this land to inherit it."

8 He said, "Master YAHWEH, how will I know that I will inherit it?"

9 He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." 10 He brought him all these, and divided them in the middle, and laid each haif opposite the other; but he didn't divide the birds. 11 The birds of prey came down on the carcasses, and Abram drove them away.

12 When the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell on Abram. Now terror and great därkness fell on him. 13 He said to Abram, "know for sure that your offspring will live as foreigners, in a land that is not theirs, and will serve them. They will afflict them four hundred years. 14 I will also judge that nation, whem they will serve afterward they will come out with great wealth; 15 but you will go to your fathers in peace. You will be buried at a good old age. 16 In the fourth generation they will come here again, for the iniquity of the Amorite is not yet full." 17 It came to pass that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold, a smoking furnace and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. 18 In that day YAHWEH made a covenant with Abram, saying, "I have given this land to your offspring, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates: 19 the land of the Kenites, the Kenizzites, the Kadmonites, 20 the Hitites, the Perizzites, the Rephaim, 21 the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Girgashites, and the Jebusite

Genesis 16

New Sarai, Abram'ş wife, bore him no children. She had a sêrvant, an Egyptian, wheşe name was Hagar. 2 Sarai said to Abram, "See new, YAHWEH haş restrained me from bearing. Pleaşe go into my sêrvant. It may be that I will obtain children by her." Abram listened to the voiçe of Sarai. 3 Sarai, Abram's wife, took Hagar the Egyptian, her sêrvant, äfter Abram had lived ten yearş in the land of Canaan, and gave her to Abram her huşband to be his wife. 4 He went in to Hagar, and she conçeived. When she saw that she had conçeived, her mistress was despişed in her eyeş. 5 Sarai said to Abram, "This wrong is your fault. I gave my sêrvant into your boşom, and when she saw that she had conçeived, she despişed me. May YAHWEH judge between me and you."

6 But Abram said to Sarai, "Behold, your maid is in your hand. Do to her whatever is good in your eyes." Sarai dealt härshly with her, and she fled from her face.

7 YAHWEH'S **ang**el **fo**und her **by** a **fo**untain of w**å**ter in the wilderness, **by** the **fo**untain on the w**ay** to **Shû**r. 8 He said, "Hagar, Sarai'**ş** s**ê**rvant, where did you c**o**me from? Where are you **go**ing?"

She said, "I am fleeing from the face of my mistress Sarai."

9 YAHWEH'S angel said to her, "Return to your mistress, and submit yourself under her hands." 10 YAHWEH'S angel said to her, "I will greatly multiply your offspring, that they will not be counted for multitude." 11 YAHWEH'S angel said to her, "Behold, you are with child, and will bear a son. You shall call his name Ishmael, because YAHWEH has heard your affliction. 12 He will be like a wild donkey among men. His hand will be against every man, and every man's hand against him. He will live opposed to all of his brothers."

13 She cålled the name of YAHWEH who spoke to her, "You are an Elohim who sees," for she said, "Have I even stayed alive äfter seeing him?" 14 **Th**erefore the well was cålled Beer Lahai Roi. Behold, it is between Kadesh and Bered.

15 Hagar bore a son for Abram. Abram called the name of his son, whom Hagar bore, Ishmael. 16 Abram was eighty-six years old when Hagar bore Ishmael to Abram.

Genesis 17

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, YAHWEH appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am Elohim Almighty. Wå/k beföre me and be blameless. 2 I will make my covenant between me and you, and will multiply you exceedingly." 3 Abram fell on his face. Elohim tå/ked with him, saying, 4 "As for me, behold, my covenant is with you. You will be the fäther of a multitude of nations. 5 Your name will no more be cålled Abram, but your name will be Abraham; for I have made you the fäther of a multitude of nations. 6 I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make nations of you. Kings will come out of you. 7 I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring äfter you throughout their generations for an everlästing covenant, to be an Elohim to you and to your offspring äfter you, the land where you are traveling, åll the land of Canaan, for an everlästing possession. I will be their Elohim."

9 Elohim said to Abraham, "As for you, you shall keep my covenant, you and your offspring after you throughout their generations. 10 This is my covenant, which you shall keep, between me and you and your offspring after you. Every male among you shall be circumcised. 11 You shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskin. It will be a token of the covenant between me and you. 12 He who is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every male throughout your generations, he who is born in the house, or bought with money from any foreigner who is not of your offspring. 13 He who is born in your house, and he who is bought with your money, must be circumcised. My covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant.

14 The uncircumcişed male who is not circumcişed in the flesh of his foreskin, that soul shall be cut off from his people. He has broken my covenant."

15 Elohim said to **A**braham, "As for Sarai your wife, you **sh**all not call her name Sarai, but her name **sh**all be Sarah. 16 I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. Yes, I will bless her, and she will be a mother of nations. Kings of peoples will come from her."

17 **Th**en **A**braham fell on his façe, and läughed, and said in his heärt, "Will a **chi**ld be born to him who is one hundred years old? Will Sarah, who is ninety years old, give bîrth?" 18 **A**braham said to Elohim, "Oh that Ishmael might live before you!"

19 Elohim said, "No, but Sarah, your wife, will bear you a son. You shall call his name Işaac. I will establish my covenant with him for an everlästing covenant for his offspring after him. 20 As for Ishmael, I have heard you. Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly. He will become the father of twelve princes, and I will make him a great nation. 21 But I will establish my covenant with Işaac, whem Sarah will bear to you at this set time next year."

22 When he finished taking with him, Elohim went up from Abraham. 23 Abraham took Ishmael his son, all who were born in his house, and all who were bought with his money: every male among the men of Abraham's house, and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the same day, as Elohim had said to him. 24 Abraham was ninety-nine years old when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin. 25 Ishmael, his son, was thirteen years old when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin. 26 In the same day both Abraham and Ishmael, his son, were circumcised. 27 All the men of his house, those born in the house, and those bought with money from a foreigner, were circumcised with him.

Genesis 18

YAHWEH appeared to him by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day. 2 He lifted up his eyeş and looked, and saw that three men stood near him. When he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself to the earth, 3 and said, "My Mäster, if now I have found favor in your sight, please don't go away from your servant. 4 Now let a little water be fetched, wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. 5 I will get a piece of bread so you can refresh your heart. After that you may go your way, now that you have come to your servant."

They said, "Very well, do as you have said."

6 Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Quickly prepare three seahs of fine meal, knead it, and make cakes." 7 Abraham ran to the herd, and fetched a tender and good calf, and gave it to the servant. He hurried to dress it.

8 He took butter, milk, and the cälf which he had dressed, and set it before them. He stood by them under the tree, and they ate.

9 They äsked him, "Where is Sarah, your wife?"

He said, "There, in the tent."

10 He said, "I will **çê**rtainly ret**û**rn to you at about **th**is time next year; and behold, Sarah your wife will have a son."

Sarah hêard in the tent door, which was behind him. 11 New Abraham and Sarah were old, well advançed in age. Sarah had pässed the age of childbearing. 12 Sarah läughed within hêrself, saying, "after I have grown old will I have pleasure, my Mäster being old ålso?"

13 YAHWEH said to **A**braham, "Why did Sarah läugh, saying, Will I really bear a **chi**ld when I am **o**ld? 14 Is anything tee härd for YAHWEH? At the set time I will return to you, when the season comes around, and Sarah will have a son."

15 **Th**en Sarah denied it, saying, "I didn't läugh," for she was afraid.

He said, "No, but you did läugh."

16 The men rose up from there, and looked toward Sodom. Abraham went with them to see them on their way. 17 YAHWEH said, "Will I hide from Abraham what I do, 18 since Abraham will surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth will be blessed in him? 19 For I have known him, to the end that he may command his children and his household after him, that they may keep the way of YAHWEH, to do righteousness and justice; to the end that YAHWEH may bring on Abraham that which he has spoken of him." 20 YAHWEH said, "Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous, 21 I will go down now, and see whether their deeds are as bad as the reports which have come to me. If not, I will know."

22 The men tûrned from there, and went towård Sodom, but Abraham stööd yet beföre YAHWEH. 23 Abraham came near, and said, "Will you consume the righteous with the wicked? 24 What if there are fifty righteous within the city? Will you consume and not spare the place for the fifty righteous who are in it? 25 May it be fär from you to do things like that, to kill the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous shoùld be like the wicked. May that be fär from you. Shoùldn't the Judge of åll the êarth do right?"

26 YAHWEH said, "If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare the whole place for their sake." 27 Abraham answered, "See new, I have taken it on myself to speak to the Mäster, ålthough I am dust and ashes. 28 What if there will lack five of the fifty righteous? Will you destroy åll the city for lack of five?"

He said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there."

29 He spoke to him yet again, and said, "What if there are forty found there?"

He said, "I will not de it for the forty's sake."

30 He said, "Oh don't let the Mäster be angry, and I will speak. What if **th**ere are **th**irty found **th**ere?"

He said, "I will not do it if I find thirty there."

31 He said, "See now, I have taken it on myself to speak to the Mäster. What if there are twenty found there?"

He said, "I will not destroy it for the twenty's sake."

32 He said, "Oh don't let the Mäster be angry, and I will speak just once more. What if ten are found there?"

He said, "I will not destroy it for the ten's sake."

33 YAHWEH went his way as seen as he had finished communing with Abraham, and Abraham retûrned to his place

Genesis 19

The two angels came to Sodom at evening. Lot sat in the gate of Sodom. Lot saw them, and rose up to meet them. He bowed himself with his face to the earth, 2 and he said, "See now, my Mäster's, please come into your servant's house, stay all night, wash your feet, and you can rise up early, and go on your way."

They said, "No, but we will stay in the street **å**ll n**i**ght."

3 He ûrged them greatly, and they came in with him, and entered into his house. He made them a feast, and baked unleavened bread, and they ate. 4 But before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, surrounded the house, both young and old, all the people from every quarter. 5 They called to Lot, and said to him, "Where are the men who came in to you this night? Bring them out to us, that we may have sex with them."

6 Lot went out to them through the door, and shut the door after himself. 7 He said, "Please, my brothers, don't act so wickedly. 8 See now, I have two virgin daughters. Please let me bring them out to you, and you may do to them what seems good to you. Only don't do anything to these men, because they have come under the shadow of my roof."

9 They said, "Stand back!" Then they said, "This one fellow came in to live as a foreigner, and he appoints himself a judge. Now we will deal worse with you than with them!" They pressed hard on the man Lot, and came near to break the door.

10 But the men reached out their hand, and brought Lot into the house to them, and shut the door. 11 They struck the men who were at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great, so that they wearied themselves to find the door.

12 The men said to Lot, "De you have anybody else here? Sons-in-law, your sons, your daughters, and whenever you have in the city, bring them out of the place: 13 for we will destroy this place, because the outcry against them has grown so great before YAHWEH that YAHWEH has sent us to destroy it."

14 Lot went out, and spoke to his sons-in-law, who were pledged to marry his daughters, and said, "Get up! Get out of this place, for YAHWEH will destroy the city!"

But he seemed to his sons-in-law to be joking. 15 When the morning came, then the angels hurried Lot, saying, "Get up! Take your wife and your two daughters who are here, lest you be consumed in the iniquity of the city." 16 But he lingered; and the men grabbed his hand, his wife's hand, and his two daughters' hands, YAHWEH being morciful to him; and they took him out, and set him outside of the city. 17 It came to pass, when they had taken them out, that he said, "Escape for your life! Don't look behind you, and don't stay anywhere in the plain. Escape to the mountains, lest you be consumed!"

18 Lot said to them, "Oh, not so, my Mästers. 19 See now, your servant has found favor in your sight, and you have magnified your loving kindness, which you have shown to me in saving my life. I can't escape to the mountain, lest evil overtake me, and I die. 20 See now, this city is near to flee to, and it is a little one. Oh let me escape there (isn't it a little one?), and my soul will live."

21 He said to him, "Behold, I have granted your request conçerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow the city of which you have spoken. 22 Hurry, escape there, for I can't de anything until you get there." Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar.

23 The sun had rişen on the êarth when Lot came to Zoar. 24 Then YAHWEH rained on Sodom and on Gomorrah sulfur and fire from YAHWEH out of the sky. 25 He overthrew those cities, all the plain, all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew on the ground. 26 But Lot's wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.

27 Abraham went up **ê**arly in the m**o**rning to the pl**aç**e where he had st**oo**d bef**o**re YAHWEH. 28 He l**oo**ke**d** tow**a**rd Sodom and Gomorrah, and tow**a**rd **a**ll the land of the pl**a**in, and s**a**w **th**at the sm**o**ke of the land went up as the sm**o**ke of a f**u**rna**ç**e.

29 When Elohim destroyed the **cities** of the plain, Elohim remembered **A**braham, and sent Lot **s**ut of the middle of the **o**ver**th**row, when he **o**ver**th**rew the **cities** in which Lot lived.

30 Lot went up out of Zoar, and lived in the mountain, and his two dåughters with him; for he was afraid to live in Zoar. He lived in a cave with his two dåughters. 31 The firstborn said to the younger, "our fäther is old, and there is not a man in the earth to come in to us in the way of all the earth. 32 Come, let's make our fäther drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve our fäther's family line." 33 They made their fäther drink wine that night: and the firstborn went in, and lay with her fäther. He didn't know when she lay down, nor when she arose. 34 It came to pass on the next day, that the firstborn said to the younger, "Behold, I lay läst night with my fäther.

Let's make him drink wine again tonight. You go in, and lie with him, that we may preşêrve our fäther's family line." 35 They made their fäther drink wine that night ålso. The younger went and lay with him. He didn't know when she lay down, nor when she got up. 36 Thus both of Lot's dåughters were with child by their fäther. 37 The firstborn bore a son, and named him Moab. He is the fäther of the Moabites to this day. 38 The younger ålso bore a son, and cålled his name Ben Ammi. He is the fäther of the children of Ammon to this day.

Genesis 20

Abraham traveled from **there** toward the land of the South, and lived between Kadesh and **Sh**ur. He lived as a foreigner in Gerar. 2 Abraham said about Sarah his wife, "**She** is my sister." Abimelech king of Gerar sent, and took Sarah. 3 But Elohim came to Abimelech in a dream of the night, and said to him, "Behold, you are a dead man, because of the woman whem you have taken; for she is a man's wife."

4 New Abimelech had not come near her. He said, "Mäster, will you kill even a righteous nation? 5 Didn't he tell me, 'She is my sister'? She, even she hêrself, said, 'He is my brother. I have done this in the integrity of my heärt and the innocence of my hands."

6 Elohim said to him in the dream, "Yes, I know that in the integrity of your heart you have done this, and I also withheld you from sinning against me. Therefore I didn't allow you to touch her. 7 New therefore, restore the man's wife. For he is a prophet, and he will pray for you, and you will live. If you don't restore her, know for sure that you will die, you, and all whe are yours."

8 Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told all these things in their ear. The men were very scared. 9 Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said to him, "What have you done to us? How have I sinned against you, that you have brought on me and on my kingdom a great sin? You have done deeds to me that ought not to be done!" 10 Abimelech said to Abraham, "What did you see, that you have done this thing?"

11 Abraham said, "Becauşe I thought, 'Surely the fear of Elohim is not in this place. They will kill me for my wife's sake. 12 Besideş, she is indeed my sister, the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife. 13 When Elohim cauşed me to wander from my father's house, I said to her, 'This is your kindness which you shall show to me. Everywhere that we go, say of me, "He is my brother.""

14 Abimelech took sheep and cattle, male servants and female servants, and gave them to Abraham, and restored Sarah, his wife, to him. 15 Abimelech said, "Behold, my land is before you. Dwell where it pleases you." 16 To Sarah he said, "Behold, I have given your brother a thousand pieces of silver. Behold, it is for you a covering of the eyes to all that are with you. In front of all you are vindicated."

17 Abraham prayed to Elohim. So Elohim healed Abimelech, his wife, and his female servants, and they bore children. 18 For YAHWEH had closed up tight all the wembs of the house of Abimelech, because of Sarah, Abraham's wife.

Genesis 21

YAHWEH vişited Sarah as he had said, and YAHWEH did to Sarah as he had spoken. 2 Sarah conçeived, and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which Elohim had spoken to him. 3 Abraham called his son who was born to him, whom Sarah bore to him, Işaac. 4 Abraham cîrcumçişed his son, Işaac, when he was eight dayş old, as Elohim had commanded him. 5 Abraham was one hundred yearş old when his son, Isaac, was born to him. 6 Sarah said, "Elohim haş made me läugh. Everyone who hearş will läugh with me." 7 She said, "Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nûrse children? For I have borne him a son in his old age."

8 The **chi**ld grew and was weaned. Abraham made a great feast on the day **th**at **I**şaac was weaned. 9 Sarah såw the son of Hagar the **Eg**yptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, mocking. 10 **Th**erefore she said to Abraham, "Cäst out **th**is sêrvant and her son! For the son of **th**is sêrvant will not be heir with my son, **I**şaac."

11 The thing was very grievous in Abraham's sight on account of his son. 12 Elohim said to Abraham, "Don't let it be grievous in your sight because of the boy, and because of your servant. In all that Sarah says to you, listen to her voice. For your offspring will be named through Isaac. 13 I will also make a nation of the son of the servant, because he is your child." 14 Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread and a container of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder; and gave her the child, and sent her away. She depärted, and wandered in the wilderness of Beersheba.

15 The water in the container was spent, and she put the child under one of the shrubs. 16 She went and sat down opposite him, a good way off, about a bow shot away. For she said, "Don't let me see the death of the child." She sat opposite him, and lifted up her voice, and wept. 17 Elohim heard the voice of the boy.

The angel of Elohim called to Hagar out of the sky, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Don't be afraid. For Elohim has heard the voice of the boy where he is. 18 Get up, lift up the boy, and hold him with your hand. For I will make him a great nation."

19 Elohim opened her eyeş, and she såw a well of wåter. She went, filled the container with wåter, and gave the boy a drink.

20 Elohim was with the boy, and he grew. He lived in the wilderness, and as he grew up, he became an ärcher. 21 He lived in the wilderness of Paran. His mother got a wife for him out of the land of Egypt.

22 At that time, Abimelech and Phicol the captain of his ärmy spoke to Abraham, saying, "Elohim is with you in all that you do. 23 Now, therefore, swear to me here by Elohim that you will not doal falsely with me, nor with my son, nor with my son's son. But according to the kindness that I have done to you, you shall do to me, and to the land in which you have lived as a foreigner."

24 **A**braham said, "I will swear." 25 **A**braham complained to Abimelech because of a water well, which Abimelech's servants had violently taken away. 26 Abimelech said, "I don't know who has done this thing. You didn't tell me, and I didn't hear of it until today."

27 Abraham took sheep and cattle, and gave them to Abimelech. Those two made a covenant. 28 Abraham set seven ewe lambs of the flock by themselves. 29 Abimelech said to Abraham, "What do these seven ewe lambs, which you have set by themselves, mean?"

30 He said, "You shall take these seven ewe lambs from my hand, that it may be a witness to me, that I have dug this well." 31 Therefore he called that place Beersheba, because they both swore an oath there. 32 So they made a covenant at Beersheba. Abimelech rose up with Phicol, the captain of his army, and they returned into the land of the Philistines. 33 Abraham planted a tamarisk tree in Beersheba, and there he called on the name of YAHWEH, the Everlästing Elohim. 34 Abraham lived as a foreigner in the land of the Philistines many days.

Genesis 22

After **thes**e **th**ings, Elohim tested **A**braham, and said to him, "**A**braham!" He said, "Here I am."

2 He said, "New take your son, your only son, Işaac, whem you love, and go into the land of Moriah. Offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains which I will tell you of."

3 Abraham rose early in the morning, and saddled his donkey; and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son. He split the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went to the place of which Elohim had told him. 4 On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place fär off. 5 Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey. The boy and I will go over there. We will worship, and come back to you." 6 Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. He took in his hand the fire and the knife. They both went together. 7 Isaac spoke to Abraham his fäther, and said, "My fäther?"

He said, "Here I am, my son"He said, "Here is the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?"

8 Abraham said, "Elohim will provide himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they both went together. 9 They came to the place which Elohim had told him of. Abraham built the altar there, and laid the wood in order, bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar, on the wood. 10 Abraham stretched out his hand, and took the knife to kill his son.

11 YAHWEY'S angel called to him out of the sky, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!"

He said, "Here I am." 12 He said, "Don't lay your hand on the boy or deanything to him. For new I know that you fear Elohim, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me."

13 Abraham lifted up his eyeş, and looked, and saw that behind him was a ram caught in the thicket by his horns. Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a bûrnt offering instead of his son. 14 Abraham called the name of that place "YAHWEH Will Provide". As it is said to this day, "On YAHWEH'S mountain, it will be provided."

15 YAHWEH'S angel called to Abraham a second time out of the sky, 16 and said, "I have sworn by myself, says YAHWEH, 'because you have done this thing, and have not withheld your son, your only son, 17 that I will bless you greatly, and I will multiply your offspring greatly like the stars of the heavens, and like the sand which is on the seashore. Your offspring will possess the gate of his enemies. 18 All the nations of the earth will be blessed by your offspring, because you have obeyed my voice."

19 So Abraham returned to his young men, and they rose up and went together to Beersheba. Abraham lived at Beersheba.

20 After **theşe th**ingş, **A**braham was told, "Behold, Milcah, she **å**lso haş b**ö**rne **ch**ildren to y**ö**ur br**oth**er Nahor: 21 Uz his f**î**rstb**ö**rn, Buz his br**oth**er, Kemuel the f**äth**er of Aram, 22 Chesed, Hazo, Pildash, Jidlaph, and Be**th**uel." 23 Be**th**uel became the f**äth**er of Rebekah. **Theşe** eight Milcah b**ö**re to Nahor, **A**braham'ş br**oth**er. 24 His concubine, wh**eş**e name was Reumah, **å**lso b**ö**re Tebah, Gaham, Tahash. and Maacah.

Genesis 23

Sarah lived one hundred twenty-seven yearş. This was the length of Sarah'ş life. 2 Sarah died in Kiriath Arba (âlso câlled Hebron), in the land of Canaan. Abraham came to mourn for Sarah, and to weep for her. 3 Abraham roşe up from before his dead and spoke to the children of Heth, saying, 4 "I am a stranger and a foreigner living with you. Give me a poşşession of a burying-place with you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight.

5 The **ch**ildren of He**th** answered **A**braham, saying to him, 6 "Hear us, my Mäster. You are a prince of Elohim among us. Bury your dead in the best of our tombs. None of us will withhold from you his tomb. Bury your dead."

7 Abraham rose up, and bowed himself to the people of the land, to the children of Heth. 8 He talked with them, saying, "If you agree that I should bury my dead out of my sight, hear me, and entreat for me to Ephron the son of Zohar, 9 that he may sell me the cave of Machpelah, which he has, which is in the end of his field. For the full price let him sell it to me among you as a possession for a burial place."

10 New Ephron was sitting in the middle of the **ch**ildren of Heth. Ephron the Hittite answered **A**braham in the hearing of the **ch**ildren of He**th**, even of **å**ll whe went in at the gate of his **c**ity, saying, 11 "No, my Mäster, hear me. I give you the field, and I give you the cave **th**at is in it. In the preşen**c**e of the **ch**ildren of my people I give it to you. Bury your dead."

12 **A**braham bewed himself dewn before the people of the land. 13 He spoke to Ephron in the audiençe of the people of the land, saying, "But if you will, pleaşe hear me. I will give the price of the field. Take it from me, and I will bury my dead there."

14 Ephron answered Abraham, saying to him, 15 "My Master, listen to me. What is a piece of land worth four hundred shekels of silver between me and you? Therefore bury your dead."

16 Abraham listened to Ephron. Abraham weighed to Ephron the silver which he had named in the hearing of the children of Heth, four hundred shekels of silver, according to the current mêrchants' standard.

17 So the field of Ephron, which was in Machpelah, which was before Mamre, the field, the cave which was in it, and all the trees that were in the field, that were in all of its borders, were deeded 18 to Abraham for a possession in the presence of the children of Heth, before all who went in at the gate of his city. 19 After this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the field of Machpelah before Mamre (that is, Hebron), in the land of Canaan. 20 The field, and the cave that is in it, were deeded to Abraham by the children of Heth as a possession for a burial place.

Genesis 24

Abraham was old, and well advanced in age. YAHWEH had blessed Abraham in all things. 2 Abraham said to his servant, the elder of his house, who ruled over all that he had, "Please put your hand under my thigh. 3 I will make you swear by YAHWEH, the Elohim of heaven and the Elohim of the earth, that you shall not take a wife for my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I live. 4 But you shall go to my country, and to my relatives, and take a wife for my son Isaac."

5 The servant said to him, "What if the woman isn't willing to follow me to **th**is land? Must I bring your son again to the land you came from?"

6 Abraham said to him, "Beware that you don't bring my son there again. 7 YAHWEH, the Elohim of heaven— who took me from my fäther's house, and from the land of my bîrth, who spoke to me, and who swore to me, saying, I will give this land to your offspring—he will send his angel before you, and you shall take a wife for my son from there. 8 If the woman isn't willing to follow you, then you shall be clear from this oath to me. Only you shall not bring my son there again."

9 The sêrvant pùt his hand under the **thi**gh of Abraham his mäster, and swôre to him conçêrning **th**is matter. 10 The sêrvant took ten of his mäster's camels, and depärted, having a variety of good **th**ings of his mäster's with him. He arose, and went to Mesopotamia, to the city of Nahor. 11 He made the camels kneel down outside the city by the well of water at the time of evening, the time that women go out to draw water. 12 He said, "YAHWEH, the Elohim of my mäster Abraham, please give me success today, and show kindness to my mäster Abraham. 13 Behold, I am standing by the spring of water. The daughters of the men of the city are coming out to draw water. 14 Let it happen, that the young lady to whom I will say, 'Please let down your pitcher, that I may drink, then she says, Drink, and I will also give your camels a drink,—let her be the one you have appointed for your sêrvant Isaac. By this I will know that you have shown kindness to my mäster."

15 Before he had finished speaking, behold, Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethuel the son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher on her shoulder.

16 The young lady was very beautiful to look at, a vîrgin. No man had known her. She went down to the spring, filled her pitcher, and came up. 17 The sêrvant ran to meet her, and said, "Please give me a drink, a little water from your pitcher."

18 She said, "Drink, my Mäster." She hurried, and let down her pitcher on her hand, and gave him a drink. 19 When she had finished giving him a drink, she said, "I will also draw for your camels, until they have finished drinking." 20 She hurried, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again to the well to draw, and drew for all his camels.

21 The man looked steadfästly at her, remaining silent, to know whether YAHWEH had made his joûrney prosperous or not. 22 As the camels had done drinking, the man took a golden ring of hälf a shekel weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten shekels weight of gold, 23 and said, "Whose dåughter are you? Please tell me. Is there room in your fäther's house for us to stay?"

24 She said to him, "I am the dåughter of Bethuel the son of Milcah, whom she bore to Nahor." 25 She said moreover to him, "We have both stråw and feed enough, and room to lodge in."

26 The man bowed his head, and worshiped YAHWEH. 27 He said, "Blessed be YAHWEH, the Elohim of my mäster Abraham, who has not forsaken his loving kindness and his truth toward my mäster. As for me, YAHWEH has led me on the way to the house of my mäster's relatives."

28 The young lady ran, and told her mother's house about these words. 29 Rebekah had a brother, and his name was Laban. Laban ran out to the man, to the spring. 30 When he saw the ring, and the bracelets on his sister's hands, and when he heard the words of Rebekah his sister, saying, "This is what the man said to me," he came to the man. Behold, he was standing by the camels at the spring. 31 He said, "Come in, you blessed of YAHWEH. Why do you stand outside? For I have prepared the house, and room for the camels."

32 The man came into the house, and he unloaded the camels. He gave stråw and feed for the camels, and water to wash his feet and the feet of the men who were with him. 33 Food was set before him to eat, but he said, "I will not eat until I have told my message."

Laban said, "Speak on."

34 He said, "I am Abraham's sêrvant. 35 YAHWEH has blessed my mäster greatly. He has become great. YAHWEH has given him flocks and hêrds, silver and gold, male sêrvants and female sêrvants, and camels and donkeys. 36 Sarah, my mäster's wife, bore a son to my mäster when she was old. He has given all that he has to him. 37 My mäster made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the dåughters of the Canaanites, in whese land I live, 38 but you shall go to my fäther's house, and to my relatives, and take a wife for my son.

39 I äsked my mäster, 'What if the woman will not follow me? 40 He said to me, 'YAHWEH, before whom I wak, will send his angel with you, and prosper your way. You shall take a wife for my son from my relatives, and of my fäther's house. 41 Then you will be clear from my oath, when you come to my relatives. If they don't give her to you, you shall be clear from my oath. 42 I came today to the spring, and said, 'YAHWEH, the Elohim of my mäster Abraham, if now you do prosper my way which I go—43 behold, I am standing by this spring of water. Let it happen, that the maiden who comes

out to dråw, to whom I will say, "Pleaşe give me a little wåter from your pitcher to drink," 44 then she tells me, "Drink, and I will ålso dråw for your camelş,"—let her be the woman whom YAHWEH has appointed for my mäster's son. 45 Before I had finished speaking in my heärt, behold, Rebekah came out with her pitcher on her shoulder. She went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, 'Pleaşe let me drink. 46 She hurried and let down her pitcher from her shoulder, and said,

Drink, and I will also give your camels a drink. So I drank, and she also gave the camels a drink. 47 I asked her, and said, 'Whese daughter are you? She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, when Milcah bore to him. I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her hands. 48 I bowed my head, and worshiped YAHWEH, and blessed YAHWEH, the Elohim of my master Abraham, who had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter for his son. 49 Now if you will deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me. If not, tell me, that I may turn to the right hand, or to the left."

50 Then Laban and Bethuel answered, "The **th**ing pro**çee**d**ş** from YAHWEH. We c**ä**n't sp**e**ak to you bad or g**o**od. 51 Behold, Rebekah is before you. Take her, and go, and let her be your m**ä**ster'**ş** son'**ş** wife, as YAHWEH ha**ş** spoken."

52 When Abraham's servant heard their words, he bowed himself down to the earth to YAHWEH. 53 The servant brought out jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and clothing, and gave them to Rebekah. He also gave precious things to her brother and her mother. 54 They are and drank, he and the men who were with him, and stayed all night. They rose up in the morning, and he said, "Send me away to my mäster."

55 Her br**oth**er and her m**oth**er said, "Let the young lady stay with us a few days, at least ten. After that she will go."

56 He said to **th**em, "Don't hinder me, sin**ç**e YAHWEH ha**ş** prospered m**y** way. Send me away **th**at I may go to m**y** mäster."

57 **Th**ey said, "We will call the young lady, and ask her." 58 **Th**ey called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?"

She said, "I will go."

59 **Th**ey sent away Rebekah, **th**eir sister, wi**th** her nûrse, **A**braham'ş sêrvant, and his men. 60 **Th**ey blessed Rebekah, and said to her, "our sister, may you be the mother of **th**ouşandş of ten **th**ouşandş, and let your offspring poşşess the gate of **those** who hate **th**em."

61 Rebekah aroşe with her ladieş. They rode on the camelş, and followed the man. The sêrvant took Rebekah, and went his way. 62 Işaac came from the way of Beer Lahai Roi, for he lived in the land of the South. 63 Işaac went out to meditate in the field at the evening. He lifted up his eyeş and looked. Behold, there were camelş coming. 64 Rebekah lifted up her eyeş, and when she saw Işaac, she got off the camel. 65 She said to the sêrvant, "Who is the man who is wakking in the field to meet us?"

The servant said, "It is my mäster."

She took her veil, and covered herself. 66 The servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. 67 Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife. He loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

Genesis 25

Abraham took another wife, and her name was Keturah. 2 She bore him Zimran, Jokshan, Medan, Midian, Ishbak, and Shuah. 3 Jokshan became the fäther of Sheba, and Dedan. The sons of Dedan were Asthurim, Letushim, and Leummim. 4 The sons of Midian were Ephah, Epher, Hanoch, Abida, and Eldaah. All these were the children of Keturah. 5 Abraham gave All that he had to Isaac, 6 but Abraham gave gifts to the sons of Abraham's concubines. While he still lived, he sent them away from Isaac his son, eastward, to the east country. 7 These are the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived: one hundred seventy-five years. 8 Abraham gave up his spirit, and died at a good old age, an old man, and full of years, and was gathered to his people. 9 Isaac and Ishmael, his sons, buried him in the cave of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron, the son of Zohar the Hittite, which is near Mamre, 10 the field which Abraham purchased from the children of Heth. Abraham was buried there with Sarah, his wife. 11 After the death of Abraham, Elohim blessed Isaac, his son. Isaac lived by Beer Lahai Roi.

12 New this is the history of the generations of Ishmael, Abraham's son, whem Hagar the Egyptian, Sarah's servant, bore to Abraham. 13 These are the names of the sons of Ishmael, by their names, according to the order of their birth: the firstborn of Ishmael, Nebaioth, then Kedar, Adbeel, Mibsam, 14 Mithma, Dumah, Massa, 15 Hadad, Tema, Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah. 16 These are the sons of Ishmael, and these are their names, by their villages, and by their encampments: twelve princes, according to their nations.

17 **Thes**e are the years of the life of Ishmael: one hundred thirty-seven years. He gave up his spirit and died, and was gathered to his people. 18 **Th**ey lived from Havilah to **Sh**ur that is before **Eg**ypt, as you go toward Assyria. He lived opposite all his relatives.

19 **Th**is is the history of the **g**enerations of **I**saac, Abraham's son. **A**braham became the fäther of **I**saac. 20 **I**saac was forty years old when he took Rebekah, the dåughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Paddan Aram, the sister of Laban the Syrian, to be his wife. 21 **I**saac entreated YAHWEH for his wife, because she was barren. YAHWEH was entreated by him, and Rebekah his wife conceived. 22 The children struggled together within her. **She** said, "If it is like this, why de I live?" **She** went to inquire of YAHWEH. 23 YAHWEH said to her,

"Two nations are in your womb. Two peoples will be separated from your body. The one people will be stronger than the other people. The elder will serve the younger."

24 When her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there were twins in her womb. 25 The first came out red all over, like a hairy garment. They named him Esau. 26 After that, his brother came out, and his hand had hold on Esau's heel. He was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

27 The boys grew. Esåu was a skilfül hunter, a man of the field. Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. 28 New Isaac löved Esåu, becåuşe he ate his venison. Rebekah löved Jacob. 29 Jacob boiled stew. Esåu came in from the field, and he was famished. 30 Esåu said to Jacob, "Pleaşe feed me with some of that red stew, for I am famished." Thereföre his name was cålled Edom.

- 31 Jacob said, "Fîrst, sell me your bîrthright."
- 32 Esåu said, "Behold, I am about to die. What good is the bîrthright to me?"
- 33 Jacob said, "Swear to me first."

He swore to him. He sold his bîrthright to Jacob. 34 Jacob gave Esåu bread and lentil stew. He ate and drank, roşe up, and went his way. So Esåu despişed his bîrthright.

Genesis 26

There was a famine in the land, in addition to the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. Isaac went to Abimelech king of the Philistines, to Gerar. 2 YAHWEH appeared to him, and said, "Don't go down into Egypt. Live in the land I will tell you about. 3 Live in this land, and I will be with you, and will bless you. For I will give to you, and to your offspring, all these lands, and I will establish the oath which I swore to Abraham your father. 4 I will multiply your offspring as the stars of the sky, and will give all these lands to your offspring. In your offspring all the nations of the earth will be blessed, 5 because Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my requirements, my commandments, my statute, and my Torah."

6 Işaac lived in Gerar. 7 The men of the place äsked him about his wife. He said, "She is my sister," for he was afraid to say, "My wife", lest, he thought, "the men of the place might kill me for Rebekah, becauşe she is beautiful to look at." 8 When he had been there a long time, Abimelech king of the Philistineş looked out at a window, and saw, and, behold, Işaac was caressing Rebekah, his wife. 9 Abimelech câlled Işaac, and said, "Behold, surely she is your wife. Why did you say, 'She is my sister?"

Işaac said to him, "Becauşe I said, Lest I die becauşe of her."

- 10 Abimelech said, "What is **th**is you have done to us? One of the people might easily have lain with your wife, and you would have brought guilt on us!"
- 11 Abimelech commanded all the people, saying, "He who touches this man or his wife will surely be put to death."
- 12 Işaac sowed in that land, and reaped in the same year one hundred timeş what he planted. YAHWEH blessed him. 13 The man grew great, and grew more and more until he became very great. 14 He had poşşessionş of flocks, poşşessionş of hêrdş, and a great household. The Philistineş envied him. 15 Now all the wells which his fäther'ş sêrvants had dug in the dayş of Abraham his fäther, the Philistineş had stopped, and filled with êarth. 16 Abimelech said to Işaac, "Go away from us, for you are much mightier than we."
- 17 Işaac depärted from there, encamped in the valley of Gerar, and lived there.
- 18 Işaac dug again the wells of wåter, which they had dug in the days of Abraham his fäther, for the Philistines had stopped them äfter the death of Abraham. He cålled their names äfter the names by which his fäther had cålled them. 19 Işaac's sêrvants dug in the valley, and found there a well of flowing water. 20 The hêrdsmen of Gerar ärgued with Isaac's hêrdsmen, saying, "The wåter is ours." So he cålled the name of the well Esek, because they contended with him. 21 They dug another well, and they ärgued over that, ålso. So he cålled its name Sitnah. 22 He left that place, and dug another well. They didn't ärgue over that one. So he cålled it Rehoboth. He said, "For now YAHWEH has made room for us, and we will be fruitfül in the land."
- 23 He went up from **there** to Beersheba. 24 YAHWEH appeared to him the same night, and said, "I am the Elohim of Abraham your fäther. Don't be afraid, for I am with you, and will bless you, and multiply your offspring for my servant Abraham's sake."
- 25 He built an altar there, and called on YAHWEH'S name, and pitched his tent there. There Işaac's sêrvants dug a well.
- 26 **Th**en Abimelech went to him from Gerar with Ahuzzath his friend, and **Ph**icol the captain of his ärmy. 27 **I**şaac said to **th**em, "Why have you come to me, sinçe you hate me, and have sent me away from you?"

28 **Th**ey said, "We saw plainly that YAHWEH was with you. We said, Let there now be an oath between us, even between us and you, and let's make a covenant with you, 29 that you will do us no harm, as we have not touched you, and as we have done to you nothing but good, and have sent you away in peace. You are now the blessed of YAHWEH."

30 He made them a feast, and they are and drank. 31 They rose up some time in the morning, and swore an oath to one another. Isaac sent them away, and they departed from him in peace. 32 The same day, Isaac 's servants came, and told him concerning the well which they had dug, and said to him, "We have found

wåter." 33 He cålled it "Shibah". Therefore the name of the çity is "Beersheba" to this day.

34 When Esåu was forty yearş old, he took as wife Judith, the dåughter of Beeri the Hittite, and Basemath, the dåughter of Elon the Hittite. 35 They grieved Isaac's and Rebekah's spirits.

Genesis 27

When Işaac was old, and his θ y θ \$ were dim, so **th**at he co $\dot{\mathbf{u}}$ /d not see, he cålled Esåu his elder son, and said to him, "My son?"

He said to him, "Here I am."

2 He said, "See new, I am old. I don't know the day of my death. 3 New therefore, please take your weapons, your quiver and your bow, and go out to the field, and get me venison. 4 Make me savory feed, such as I love, and bring it to me, that I may eat, and that my soul may bless you before I die."

5 Rebekah hêard when Işaac spoke to Esåu his son. Esåu went to the field to hunt for venison, and to bring it. 6 Rebekah spoke to Jacob her son, saying, "Behold, I hêard your fäther speak to Esåu your brother, saying, 7 'Bring me venison, and make me savory food, that I may eat, and bless you before YAHWEH before my death. 8 New therefore, my son, obey my voice according to that which I command you. 9 Go new to the flock and get me two good young goats from there. I will make them savory food for your fäther, such as he loves. 10 You shall bring it to your fäther, that he may eat, so that he may bless you before his death."

11 Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, "Behold, Esåu my brother is a hairy man, and I am a smooth man. 12 What if my fäther touches me? I will seem to him as a deçeiver, and I would bring a cûrse on myself, and not a blessing."

13 His m**oth**er said to him, "Let your curse be on me, my son. Only obey my voice, and go get them for me."

14 He went, and got them, and brought them to his mother. His mother made savory feed, such as his fäther loved. 15 Rebekah took the good clothes of Esau, her elder son, which were with her in the house, and put them on Jacob, her younger son. 16 She put the skins of the young goats on his hands, and on the smeeth of his neck. 17 She gave the savory feed and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand of her son Jacob.

18 He came to his fäther, and said, "My fäther?"

He said, "Here I am. Whe are you, my son?"

19 Jacob said to his fäther, "I am Esåu your firstborn. I have done what you äsked me to do. Please arise, sit and eat of my venison, that your soul may bless me."

20 Işaac said to his son, "How is it that you have found it so quickly, my son?"

He said, "Because YAHWEH your Elohim gave me success."

21 Işaac said to Jacob, "Pleaşe come near, that I may feel you, my son, whether you are really my son Esåu or not."

22 Jacob went near to Işaac his fäther. He felt him, and said, "The voiçe is Jacob's voiçe, but the handş are the handş of Esåu." 23 He didn't recognize him, becåuşe his handş were hairy, like his brother Esåu'ş handş. So he blessed him. 24 He said, "Are you really my son Esåu?"

He said, "I am."

25 He said, "Bring it near to me, and I will eat of my son's venison, that my soul may bless you."

He brought it near to him, and he ate. He brought him wine, and he drank. 26 His father Işaac said to him, "Come near new, and kiss me, my son." 27 He came near, and kissed him. He smelled the smell of his clothing, and blessed him, and said,

"Behold, the smell of my son is as the smell of a field which YAHWEH has blessed. 28 Elohim give you of the dew of the sky, of the fatness of the earth, and plenty of grain and new wine. 29 Let peoples serve you, and nations bow down to you. Be Mäster over your brothers. Let your mother's sons bow down to you. Cursed be everyone who curses you. Blessed be everyone who blesses you."

30 As seen as Işaac had finished blessing Jacob, and Jacob had just gone out from the preşençe of Işaac his fäther, Esåu his brother came in from his hunting. 31 He ålso made savory feed, and brought it to his fäther. He said to his fäther, "Let my fäther arişe, and eat of his son's venison, that your soul may bless me.

32 **Iş**aac his f**äth**er said to him, "Whe are you?"

He said, "I am your son, your firstborn, Esau."

- 33 Işaac trembled violently, and said, "Who, then, is he who haş taken venison, and brought it to me, and I have eaten of all before you came, and have blessed him? Yes, he will be blessed."
- 34 When Esåu hêard the wôrdş of his fäther, he cried with an exceedingly great and bitter cry, and said to his fäther, "Bless me, even me ålso, my fäther."
- 35 He said, "Your brother came with deceit, and has taken away your blessing."
- 36 He said, "Işn't he rightly named Jacob? For he haş supplanted me **theş**e two timeş. He took away my bîr**th**right. See, now he haş taken away my blessing." He said, "Haven't you reşêrved a blessing for me?"
- 37 Işaac answered Esåu, "Behold, I have made him your mäster, and åll his brothers I have given to him for sêrvants. I have sustained him with grain and new wine. What then will I de for you, my son?"
- 38 Es**å**u said to his f**äth**er, "D**e** you have just one blessing, m**y** f**äth**er? Bless me, **e**ven me **å**ls**o**, m**y** f**äth**er." Es**å**u lifted up his voi**ç**e, and wept.
- 39 Işaac his fäther answered him,
- "Behold, your dwelling will be of the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of the sky from above. 40 You will live by your sword, and you will serve your brother. It will happen, when you will break leese, that you will shake his yoke from off your neck."
- 41 Esåu hated Jacob becåuşe of the blessing with which his fäther blessed him. Esåu said in his heärt, "The days of mourning for my fäther are at hand. Then I will kill my brother Jacob."
- 42 The wôrds of Esåu, her elder son, were told to Rebekah. She sent and cålled Jacob, her younger son, and said to him, "Behold, your brother Esåu comforts himself about you by planning to kill you. 43 Now therefore, my son, obey my voice. Arise, flee to Laban, my brother, in Haran. 44 Stay with him a few days, until your brother's fury tûrns away— 45 until your brother's anger tûrns away from you, and he forgets what you have done to him. Then I will send, and get you from there. Why shoùld I be bereaved of you both in one day?"
- 46 Rebekah said to Işaac, "I am weary of my life becauşe of the dåughterş of Heth. If Jacob takes a wife of the dåughterş of Heth, such as theşe, of the dåughterş of the land, what good will my life de me?"

Genesis 28

işaac cålled Jacob, blessed him, and commanded him, "You shall not take a wife of the dåughters of Canaan. 2 Arise, go to Paddan Aram, to the house of Bethuel your mother's fäther. Take a wife from there from the dåughters of Laban, your mother's brother. 3 May Elohim Almighty bless you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, that you may be a company of peoples, 4 and give you the blessing of Abraham, to you and to your offspring with you, that you may inherit the land where you travel, which Elohim gave to Abraham."

5 Işaac sent Jacob away. He went to Paddan Aram to Laban, son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, Jacob'ş and Esåu's mother.

6 New Esåu såw that Işaac had blessed Jacob and sent him away to Paddan Aram, to take him a wife from there, and that as he blessed him he gave him a command, saying, "You shall not take a wife of the dåughters of Canaan;" 7 and that Jacob obeyed his fäther and his mother, and was gone to Paddan Aram. 8 Esau såw that the dåughters of Canaan didn't please Işaac, his fäther. 9 So Esåu went to Ishmael, and took, in addition to the wives that he had, Mahalath the dåughter of Ishmael, Abraham'd son, the sister of Nebaioth, to be his wife.

10 Jacob went sut from Beersheba, and went toward Haran. 11 He came to a cêrtain place, and stayed there all night, because the sun had set. He took one of the stones of the place, and put it under his head, and lay down in that place to sleep. 12 He dreamed and saw a stairway set upon the êarth, and its top reached to heaven. Behold, the angels of Elohim were ascending and descending on it. 13 Behold, YAHWEH stood above it, and said, "I am YAHWEH, the Elohim of Abraham your father, and the Elohim of Isaac. I will give the land you lie on to you and to your offspring. 14 Your offspring will be as the dust of the êarth, and you will spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south. In you and in your offspring, all the families of the êarth will be blessed. 15 Behold, I am with you, and will keep you, wherever you go, and will bring you again into this land. For I will not leave you until I have done that which I have spoken of to you."

16 Jacob awakened out of his sleep, and he said, "Surely YAHWEH is in this place, and I didn't know it." 17 He was afraid, and said, "How awesome this place is! This is none other than Elohim's house, and this is the gate of heaven."

18 Jacob roșe up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put under his head, and set it up for a pillar, and poured oil on its top. 19 He called the name of that place Bethel, but the name of the city was Luz at the first. 20 Jacob vowed a vow, saying, "If Elohim will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and clothing to put on,

21 so **th**at I come again to my fäther's house in peaçe, and YAHWEH will be my Elohim, 22 **th**en **th**is stone, which I have set up for a pillar, will be Elohim's house. Of **all th**at you will give me I will surely give a ten**th** to you."

Genesis 29

Then Jacob went on his joûrney, and came to the land of the children of the east. 2 He lööked, and såw a well in the field, and såw three flocks of sheep lying there by it. För out of that well they watered the flocks. The stone on the well's mouth was lärge. 3 There all the flocks were gathered. They rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the sheep, and put the stone back on the well's mouth in its place. 4 Jacob said to them, "My relatives, where are you from?" They said, "We are from Haran."

5 He said to **th**em, "De you know Laban, the son of Nahor?"

They said, "We know him."

6 He said to them, "Is it well with him?"

They said, "It is well. See, Rachel, his daughter, is coming with the sheep."

7 He said, "Behold, it is still the middle of the day, not time to gather the livestock together. Water the sheep, and go and feed them."

8 They said, "We can't, until all the flocks are gathered together, and they roll the stone from the well's mouth. Then we will water the sheep."

9 While he was yet speaking with them, Rachel came with her fäther's sheep, for she kept them. 10 When Jacob såw Rachel the dåughter of Laban, his mother's brother, and the sheep of Laban, his mother's brother, Jacob went near, and rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother. 11 Jacob kissed Rachel, and lifted up his voice, and wept. 12 Jacob told Rachel that he was her fäther's relative, and that he was Rebekah's son. She ran and told her fäther.

13 When Laban heard the news of Jacob, his sister's son, he ran to meet Jacob, and embraçed him, and kissed him, and brought him to his house. Jacob told Laban all these things. 14 Laban said to him, "Surely you are my bone and my flesh." Jacob stayed with him for a month. 15 Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my relative, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what will your wages be?"

16 Laban had two dåughters. The name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. 17 Leah's eyes were weak, but Rachel was beautiful in form and attractive. 18 Jacob loved Rachel. He said, "I will sêrve you seven years for Rachel, your younger dåughter."

19 Laban said, "It is better **th**at I give her to you, **th**an **th**at I **sh**où/d give her to an**òth**er man. Stay wi**th** me."

20 Jacob sêrved seven yearş for Rachel. **Th**ey seemed to him but a few dayş, for the love he had for her.

21 Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that I may go in to her."

22 Laban gathered together åll the men of the plaçe, and made a feast. 23 In the evening, he took Leah his dåughter, and brought her to Jacob. He went in to her. 24 Laban gave Zilpah his sêrvant to his dåughter Leah for a sêrvant. 25 In the morning, behold, it was Leah! He said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Didn't I sêrve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deçeived me?"

26 Laban said, "It is not done so in our place, to give the younger before the firstborn. 27 Fulfill the week of this one, and we will give you the other also for the service which you will serve with me for seven more years."

28 Jacob did so, and fülfilled her week. He gave him Rachel his dåughter as wife. 29 Laban gave Bilhah, his sêrvant, to his dåughter Rachel to be her sêrvant. 30 He went in ålso to Rachel, and he loved ålso Rachel more than Leah, and sêrved with him seven more years.

31 YAHWEH sắw that Leah was hated, and he opened her wemb, but Rachel was barren. 32 Leah conçeived, and bore a son, and she named him Reuben. For she said, "Becauşe YAHWEH haş looked at my affliction; for new my huşband will love me." 33 She conçeived again, and bore a son, and said, "Becauşe YAHWEH haş heard that I am hated, he haş therefore given me this son also." She named him Simeon. 34 She conçeived again, and bore a son. She said, "New this time my huşband will be joined to me, becauşe I have borne him three sons." Therefore his name was called Levi. 35 She conçeived again, and bore a son. She said, "This time I will praise YAHWEH." Therefore she named him Judah. Then she stopped bearing.

Genesis 30

When Rachel saw that she bore Jacob no children, Rachel envied her sister. She said to Jacob, "Give me children, or else I will die."

2 Jacob's anger bûrned against Rachel, and he said, "Am I in Elohim's place, who has withheld from you the fruit of the womb?"

3 She said, "Behold, my maid Bilhah. Go in to her, that she may bear on my knees, and I also may obtain children by her." 4 She gave him Bilhah her servant as wife, and Jacob went in to her.

5 Bilhah conçeived, and bore Jacob a son. 6 Rachel said, "Elohim haş judged me, and haş also heard my voiçe, and haş given me a son." Therefore she called his name Dan. 7 Bilhah, Rachel'ş servant, conçeived again, and bore Jacob a second son. 8 Rachel said, "I have wrestled with my sister with mighty wrestlings, and have prevailed." She named him Naphtali.

9 When Leah sắw that she had finished bearing, she took Zilpah, her sêrvant, and gave her to Jacob as a wife. 10 Zilpah, Leah'ş sêrvant, bôre Jacob a sôn. 11 Leah said, "How fôrtunate!" She named him Gad. 12 Zilpah, Leah'ş sêrvant, bôre Jacob a second sôn. 13 Leah said, "Happy am I, for the dåughterş will câll me happy." She named him Asher.

14 Reuben went in the days of wheat härvest, and found mandrakes in the field, and brought them to his mother, Leah. Then Rachel said to Leah, "Please give me some of your son's mandrakes."

15 Leah said to her, "Is it a småll matter **th**at you have **ta**ken away my huşband? Woù/d you take away my son'ş mandrakes, ålso?"

Rachel said, "Therefore he will lie with you tonight for your son's mandrakes."

16 Jacob came from the field in the evening, and Leah went out to meet him, and said, "You must come in to me; for I have surely hired you with my son's mandrakes."

He lay with her that night. 17 Elohim listened to Leah, and she conceived, and bore Jacob a fifth son. 18 Leah said, "Elohim has given me my hire, because I gave my servant to my husband." She named him Issachar. 19 Leah conceived again, and bore a sixth son to Jacob. 20 Leah said, "Elohim has endowed me with a good dowry. Now my husband will live with me, because I have borne him six sons." She named him Zebulun. 21 äfterwards, she bore a dåughter, and named her Dinah.

22 Elohim remembered Rachel, and Elohim listened to her, and opened her womb. 23 She conceived, bore a son, and said, "Elohim has taken away my reproach." 24 She named him Joseph, saying, "May YAHWEH add another son to me."

25 When Rachel had borne Joseph, Jacob said to Laban, "Send me away, that I may go to my own place, and to my country. 26 Give me my wives and my children for whom I have served you, and let me go; for you know my service with which I have served you."

27 Laban said to him, "If now I have found favor in your eyes, stay here, for I have divined **th**at YAHWEH has blessed me for your sake." 28 He said, "Appoint me your wages, and I will give it."

29 Jacob said to him, "You know how I have served you, and how your livestock have fared with me.

30 For it was little whi**ch** you had bef**o**re I came, and it has increased to a multitude. YAHWEH has blessed you wherever I tûrned. Now when will I provide for my own house ålso?"

31 Laban said, "What shall I give you?"

Jacob said, "You shall not give me anything. If you will de this thing for me, I will again feed your flock and keep it. 32 I will pass through all your flock today, remeving from there every speckled and spotted one, and every black one among the sheep, and the spotted and speckled among the goats. This will be my hire. 33 So my righteousness will answer for me hereafter, when you come concerning my hire that is before you. Every one that is not speckled and spotted among the goats, and black among the sheep, that might be with me, will be considered stolen."

34 Laban said, "Behold, let it be according to your word."

35 **Th**at day, he removed the male goats **th**at were streaked and spotted, and **å**ll the female goats **th**at were speckled and spotted, every one **th**at had white in it, and **å**ll the black ones among the **shee**p, and gave **th**em into the hand of his sons. 36 He set **th**ree days' joûrney between himself and Jacob, and Jacob fed the rest of Laban's flocks.

37 Jacob took to himself rods of fresh poplar, älmond, and plane tree, peeled white streaks in them, and made the white appear which was in the rods. 38 He set the rods which he had peeled opposite the flocks in the watering troughs where the flocks came to drink. They conceived when they came to drink. 39 The flocks conceived before the rods, and the flocks produced streaked, speckled, and spotted. 40 Jacob separated the lambs, and set the faces of the flocks toward the streaked and all the black in Laban's flock. He put his own droves apart, and didn't put them into Laban's flock. 41 Whenever the stronger of the flock conceived, Jacob laid the rods in front of the eyes of the flock in the watering troughs, that they might conceive among the rods; 42 but when the flock were feeble, he didn't put them in. So the feebler were Laban's, and the stronger Jacob's. 43 The man increased exceedingly, and had lärge flocks, female servants and male servants, and camels and donkeys.

Genesis 31

Jacob hêard Laban's sons' wôrds, saying, "Jacob has taken away åll that was our fäther's. He has obtained åll this wealth from that which was our fäther's." 2 Jacob såw the expression on Laban's façe, and, behold, it was not towård him as before. 3 YAHWEH said to Jacob, "Retûrn to the land of your fäthers, and to your relatives, and I will be with you."

4 Jacob sent and called Rachel and Leah to the field to his flock, 5 and said to them, "I see the expression on your father's face, that it is not toward me as before; but the Elohim of my father has been with me.

6 You know that I have served your father with all of my strength. 7 Your father has deceived me, and changed my wages ten times, but Elohim didn't allow him to hurt me. 8 If he said, 'The speckled will be your wages, then all the flock bore speckled. If he said, 'The streaked will be your wages, then all the flock bore streaked. 9 Thus Elohim has taken away your father's livestock, and given them to me. 10 During mating season, I lifted up my eyes, and saw in a dream, and behold, the male goats which leaped on the flock were streaked, speckled, and grizzled. 11 The angel of Elohim said to me in the dream, 'Jacob, and I said,

'Here I am. 12 He said, 'New lift up your eyeş, and behold, all the male goats which leap on the flock are streaked, speckled, and grizzled, for I have seen all that Laban does to you. 13 I am the Elohim of Bethel, where you anointed a pillar, where you vewed a vew to me. New arise, get out from this land, and return to the land of your birth."

14 Rachel and Leah answered him, "Is there yet any portion or inheritance for us in our father's house? 15 Aren't we considered as foreigners, by him? For he has sold us, and has also used up our money. 16 For all the riches which Elohim has taken away from our father are ours and our children's. Now then, whatever Elohim has said to you, do."

17 **Th**en Jacob rose up, and set his sons and his wives on the camels, 18 and he took away all his livestock, and all his possessions which he had gathered, including the livestock which he had gained in Paddan Aram, to go to Isaac his father, to the land of Canaan. 19 New Laban had gone to shear his sheep; and Rachel stole the teraphim that were her father's.

20 Jacob deçeived Laban the Syrian, in **th**at he didn't tell him **th**at he was running away. 21 So he fled wi**th å**ll **th**at he had. He roşe up, pässe**d** over the River, and set his façe towård the mountain of Gilead.

22 Laban was told on the **th**ird day **th**at Jacob had fled. 23 He took his relatives with him, and pursued him seven days' journey. He overtook him in the mountain of Gilead. 24 Elohim came to Laban the Syrian in a dream of the night, and said to him, "Be careful **th**at you don't speak to Jacob either good or bad."

25 Laban cåught up with Jacob. New Jacob had pitched his tent in the mountain, and Laban with his relatives encamped in the mountain of Gilead. 26 Laban said to Jacob, "What have you done, that you have deceived me, and carried away my dåughters like captives of the sword? 27 Why did you flee secretly, and deceive me, and didn't tell me, that I might have sent you away with mîrth and with songs, with tambourine and with härp; 28 and didn't allow me to kiss my sons and my dåughters? New have you done feelishly. 29 It is in the power of my hand to hûrt you, but the Elohim of your fäther spoke to me läst night, saying, 'Be careful that you don't speak to Jacob either good or bad. 30 New, you want to be gone, because you greatly longed for your fäther's house, but why have you stolen my gods?"

31 Jacob answered Laban, "Becauşe I was afraid, for I said, Lest you shoù/d take your daughters from me by forçe. 32 Anyone you find your gods with shall not live. Before our relatives, disçêrn what is yours with me, and take it." For Jacob didn't know that Rachel had stolen them.

33 Laban went into Jacob's tent, into Leah's tent, and into the tent of the two female servants; but he didn't find them. He went out of Leah's tent, and entered into Rachel's tent. 34 Now Rachel had taken the teraphim, put them in the camel's saddle, and sat on them. Laban felt around all the tent, but didn't find them. 35 She said to her father, "Don't let my lord be angry that I can't rise up before you; for I'm having my period." He searched, but didn't find the teraphim.

36 Jacob was angry, and ärgued with Laban. Jacob answered Laban, "What is my trespäss? What is my sin, that you have hotly pursued me? 37 New that you have felt around in all my stuff, what have you found of all your household stuff? Set it here before my relatives and your relatives, that they may judge between us two.

38 "These twenty years I have been with you. Your ewes and your female goats have not cast their young, and I haven't eaten the rams of your flocks. 39 That which was torn of animals, I didn't bring to you. I bore its loss. Of my hand you required it, whether stolen by day or stolen by night. 40 This was my situation: in the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by night; and my sleep fled from my eyes. 41 These twenty years I have been in your house. I served you fourteen years for your two daughters, and six years for your flock, and you have changed my wages ten times. 42 Unless the Elohim of my father, the Elohim of Abraham, and the fear of Isaac, had been with me, surely now you would have sent me away empty. Elohim has seen my affliction and the labor of my hands, and rebuked you last night."

43 Laban answered Jacob, "The dåughters are my dåughters, the children are my children, the flocks are my flocks, and åll that you see is mine! What can I de today to these my dåughters, or to their children whem they have borne? 44 Now come, let's make a covenant, you and I. Let it be for a witness between me and you."

45 Jacob took a stone, and set it up for a pillar. 46 Jacob said to his relatives, "Gather stones." They took stones, and made a heap. They are there by the heap. 47 Laban called it Jegar Sahadutha, but Jacob called it Galeed. 48 Laban said, "This heap is witness between me and you today." Therefore it was named Galeed 49 and Mizpah, for he said, "YAHWEH watch between me and you, when we are absent one from another. 50 If you afflict my daughters, or if you take wives in addition to my daughters, no man is with us; behold, Elohim is witness between me and you." 51 Laban said to Jacob, "See this heap, and see the pillar, which I have set between me and you.

52 May this heap be a witness, and the pillar be a witness, that I will not pass over this heap to you, and that you will not pass over this heap and this pillar to me, for harm. 53 The Elohim of Abraham, and the Elohim of Nahor, the Elohim of their father, judge between us." Then Jacob swore by the fear of his father, Işaac. 54 Jacob offered a sacrifice in the mountain, and called his relatives to eat bread. They are bread, and stayed all night in the mountain. 55 Early in the morning, Laban rose up, and kissed his sons and his daughters, and blessed them. Laban departed and returned to his place.

Genesis 32

Jacob went on his way, and the angels of Elohim met him. 2 When he saw them, Jacob said, "This is Elohim's ärmy." He called the name of that place Mahanaim.

3 Jacob sent messengers in front of him to Esåu, his brother, to the land of Seir, the field of Edom. 4 He commanded them, saying, "This is what you shall tell my lord, Esau: 'This is what your servant, Jacob, says. I have lived as a foreigner with Laban, and stayed until now. 5 I have cattle, donkeys, flocks, male servants, and female sêrvants. I have sent to tell my mäster, that I may find favor in your sight." 6 The messengers returned to Jacob, saying, "We came to your brother Esåu. He is coming to meet you, and four hundred men are with him." 7 Then Jacob was greatly afraid and was distressed. He divided the people who were with him, along with the flocks, the herds, and the camels, into two companies. 8 He said, "If Esau comes to the one company, and strikes it, then the company which is left will escape." 9 Jacob said, "Elohim of my father Abraham, and Elohim of my fäther Isaac, YAHWEH, who said to me, 'Retûrn to your country, and to your relatives, and I will de you good, 10 I am not worthy of the least of all the loving kindnesses, and of all the truth, which you have shown to your sêrvant; for with just my stäff I crossed over this Jordan; and new I have become two companies. 11 Please deliver me from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esåu; for I fear him, lest he come and strike me and the mothers with the children. 12 You said, I will surely de you good, and make your offspring as the sand of the sea, which can't be counted because there are so many."

13 He stayed there that night, and took from that which he had with him a preşent for Esåu, his brother: 14 two hundred female goats and twenty male goats, two hundred ewes and twenty rams, 15 thirty milk camels and their colts, forty cows, ten bulls, twenty female donkeys and ten foals. 16 He delivered them into the hands of his servants, every herd by itself, and said to his servants, "Päss over before me, and put a space between herd and herd." 17 He commanded the foremost, saying, "When Esåu, my brother, meets you, and äsks you, saying,

'Where are you? Where are you going? Where are these before you? 18 Then you shall say, 'They are your servant, Jacob's. It is a present sent to my mäster, Esåu. Behold, he ålso is behind us."

19 He commanded also the second, and the **th**ird, and all **th**at followed the herds, saying, "**Th**is is how you **sh**all speak to Esau, when you find him. 20 You **sh**all say, Not only **th**at, but behold, your servant, Jacob, is behind us." For, he said, "I will appease him with the present **th**at goes before me, and afterward I will see his face. Perhaps he will accept me."

21 So the preşent pässed over before him, and he himself stayed that night in the camp.

22 He rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two servants, and his eleven sons, and crossed over the ford of the Jabbok. 23 He took them, and sent them over the stream, and sent over that which he had. 24 Jacob was left alone, and wrestled with a man there until the breaking of the day. 25 When he saw that he didn't prevail against him, the man touched the hollow of his thigh, and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was strained as he wrestled. 26 The man said, "Let me go, for the day breaks."

Jacob said, "I won't let you go unless you bless me."

27 He said to him, "What is your name?"

He said. "Jacob".

28 He said, "Your name will no longer be called Jacob, but Işrael; for you have fought with Elohim and with men, and have prevailed."

29 Jacob äsked him, "Please tell me your name."

He said, "Why is it that you ask what my name is?" So he blessed him there.

30 Jacob cålled the name of the place Peniel; for he said, "I have seen Elohim face to face, and my life is preserved." 31 The sun rose on him as he pässed over Peniel, and he limped becåuse of his thigh. 32 Therefore the children of Israel don't eat the sinew of the hip, which is on the hollow of the thigh, to this day, becåuse he touched the hollow of Jacob's thigh in the sinew of the hip.

Genesis 33

Jacob lifted up his eyeş, and lööked, and, behold, Esåu was coming, and with him four hundred men. He divided the children between Leah, Rachel, and the two servants. 2 He put the servants and their children in front, Leah and her children äfter, and Rachel and Joseph at the rear. 3 He himself pässed over in front of them, and bowed himself to the ground seven times, until he came near to his brother.

4 Esåu ran to meet him, embraçed him, fell on his neck, kissed him, and they wept. 5 He lifted up his eyeş, and såw the women and the children; and said, "Whe are theşe with you?"

He said, "The children whem Elohim has graciously given your servant." 6 Then the servants came near with their children, and they bowed themselves. 7 Leah also and her children came near, and bowed themselves. After them, Joseph came near with Rachel, and they bowed themselves.

8 Esåu said, "What de you mean by all this company which I met?"

Jacob said, "To find favor in the sight of my mäster."

9 Esåu said, "I have enough, my brother; let that which you have be yours."

10 Jacob said, "Pleaşe, no, if I have now found favor in your sight, then receive my present at my hand, because I have seen your face, as one sees the face of Elohim, and you were pleased with me. 11 Please take the gift that I brought to you, because Elohim has dealt graciously with me, and because I have enough." He ûrged him, and he took it.

12 Esåu said, "Let's take our joûrney, and let's go, and I will go before you."

13 Jacob said to him, "My mäster knows that the children are tender, and that the flocks and hêrds with me have their young, and if they overdrive them one day, all the flocks will die. 14 Please let my mäster päss over before his sêrvant, and I will lead on gently, according to the pace of the livestock that are before me and according to the pace of the children, until I come to my mäster to Seir."

15 Esåu said, "Let me new leave with you some of the people who are with me."

He said, "Why? Let me find favor in the sight of my mäster."

16 So Esåu retûrned **th**at day on his way to Seir. 17 Jacob traveled to Succo**th**, built himself a house, and made shelters for his livestock. **Th**erefore the name of the plaçe is cålled Succo**th**.

18 Jacob came in peaçe to the city of **Shechem**, which is in the land of Canaan, when he came from Paddan Aram; and encamped before the city. 19 He bought the pärcel of ground where he had spread his tent, at the hand of the children of Hamor, **Shechem's** fäther, for one hundred pieces of money. 20 He erected an altar there, and called it El Elohe Işrael.

Genesis 34

Dinah, the dåughter of Leah, whem she bore to Jacob, went out to see the dåughters of the land. 2 Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, the prince of the land, såw her. He took her, lay with her, and humbled her. 3 His soul joined to Dinah, the dåughter of Jacob, and he loved the young lady, and spoke kindly to the young lady. 4 Shechem spoke to his fäther, Hamor, saying, "Get me this young lady as a wife."

5 New Jacob hêard that he had defiled Dinah, his dåughter; and his sons were with his livestock in the field. Jacob held his peaçe until they came. 6 Hamor the fäther of Shechem went out to Jacob to tå/k with him. 7 The sons of Jacob came in from the field when they hêard it. The men were grieved, and they were very angry, becåuse he had done folly in Israel in Iying with Jacob's dåughter, a thing that ought not to be done. 8 Hamor tå/ked with them, saying, "The soul of my son, Shechem, longs for your dåughter. Please give her to him as a wife. 9 Make marriages with us. Give your dåughters to us, and take our dåughters for yourselves. 10 You shall dwell with us, and the land will be before you. Live and trade in it, and get possessions in it."

11 **Shechem** said to her f**äth**er and to her br**oth**er**ş**, "Let me find f**avor** in y**o**ur e**y**e**ş**, and whatever you will tell me I will give. 12 Ask me a great amount for a dowry, and I will give whatever you **ä**sk of me, but give me the young lady as a wife."

13 The sons of Jacob answered Shechem and Hamor his fäther with deçeit when they spoke, because he had defiled Dinah their sister, 14 and said to them, "We can't de this thing, to give our sister to one who is uncircumcised; for that is a reproach to us. 15 Only on this condition will we consent to you. If you will be as we are, that every male of you be circumcised, 16 then will we give our daughters to you; and we will take your daughters to us, and we will dwell with you, and we will become one people. 17 But if you will not listen to us and be circumcised, then we will take our sister, and we will be gone."

18 Their wôrds pleased Hamor and Shechem, Hamor's son. 19 The young man didn't wait to de this thing, because he had delight in Jacob's dåughter, and he was honored above all the house of his fäther. 20 Hamor and Shechem, his son, came to the gate of their city, and talked with the men of their city, saying, 21 "These men are peaceful with us. Therefore let them live in the land and trade in it. For behold, the land is lärge enough for them. Let's take their dåughters to us for wives, and let's give them our dåughters. 22 Only on this condition will the men consent to us to live with us, to become one people, if every male among us is circumcised, as they are circumcised. 23 Won't their livestock and their possessions and all their animals be ours? Only let's give our consent to them, and they will dwell with us."

24 All whe went of the gate of his city listened to Hamor, and to Shechem his son; and every male was circumcised, all who went out of the gate of his city. 25 On the third day, when they were sore, two of Jacob's sons, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brothers, each took his sword, came upon the unsuspecting city, and killed all the males. 26 They killed Hamor and Shechem, his son, with the edge of the sword, and took Dinah out of Shechem's house, and went away. 27 Jacob's sons came on the dead, and plundered the city, because they had defiled their sister.

28 They took their flocks, their herds, their donkeys, that which was in the city, that which was in the field, 29 and all their wealth. They took captive all their little ones and their wives, and took as plunder everything that was in the house. 30 Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, "You have troubled me, to make me odious to the inhabitants of the land, among the Canaanites and the Perizzites. I am few in number. They will gather themselves together against me and strike me, and I will be destroyed, I and my house."

31 They said, "Should he deal with our sister as with a prostitute?"

Genesis 35

Elohim said to Jacob, "Arişe, go up to Bethel, and live there. Make there an altar to Elohim, who appeared to you when you fled from the face of Esåu your brother."

2 **Th**en Jacob said to his household, and to all who were with him, "Put away the foreign gods that are among you, Purify yourselves, change your gärments. 3 Let's arise, and go up to Bethel. I will make there an altar to Elohim, who answered me in the day of my distress, and was with me on the way which I went."

4 They gave to Jacob all the foreign gods which were in their hands, and the rings which were in their ears; and Jacob hid them under the oak which was by Shechem. 5 They traveled, and a terror of Elohim was on the cities that were around them, and they didn't pursue the sons of Jacob. 6 So Jacob came to Luz (that is, Bethel), which is in the land of Canaan, he and all the people who were with him. 7 He built an altar there, and called the place El Beth El; because there Elohim was revealed to him, when he fled from the face of his brother. 8 Deborah, Rebekah's nurse, died, and she was buried below Bethel under the oak; and its name was called Allon Bacuth.

9 Elohim appeared to Jacob again, when he came from Paddan Aram, and blessed him. 10 Elohim said to him, "Your name is Jacob. Your name shall not be Jacob any more, but your name will be Işrael." He named him Işrael. 11 Elohim said to him, "I am Elohim Almighty. Be fruitful and multiply. A nation and a company of nations will be from you, and kings will come out of your body. 12 The land which I gave to Abraham and Işaac, I will give it to you, and to your offspring after you I will give the land."

13 Elohim went up from him in the place where he spoke with him. 14 Jacob set up a pillar in the place where he spoke with him, a pillar of stone. He poured out a drink offering on it, and poured oil on it. 15 Jacob called the name of the place where Elohim spoke with him "Bethel".

16 **Th**ey traveled from Be**th**el. **Th**ere was still some distance to come to Ephrath, and Rachel travailed. She had hard labor. 17 When she was in hard labor, the midwife said to her, "Don't be afraid, for new you will have another son."

18 As her soul was depärting (for she died), she named him Benoni, but his fäther named him Benjamin. 19 Rachel died, and was buried on the way to Ephrath (ålso cålled Bethlehem). 20 Jacob set up a pillar on her grave. The same is the Pillar of Rachel's grave to this day. 21 Işrael traveled, and spread his tent beyond the tower of Eder. 22 While Işrael lived in that land, Reuben went and lay with Bilhah, his fäther's concubine, and Işrael hêard of it.

New the sons of Jacob were twelve. 23 The sons of Leah: Reuben (Jacob's firstborn), Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, and Zebulun. 24 The sons of Rachel: Joseph and Benjamin. 25 The sons of Bilhah (Rachel's servant): Dan and Naphtali. 26 The sons of Zilpah (Leah's servant): Gad and Asher. These are the sons of Jacob, who were born to him in Paddan Aram. 27 Jacob came to Isaac his fäther, to Mamre, to Kiriath Arba (which is Hebron), where Abraham and Isaac lived as foreigners,.

28 The days of Isaac were one hundred eighty years. 29 Isaac gave up the spirit and died, and was gathered to his people, old and full of days. Esåu and Jacob, his sons, buried him.

Genesis 36

New this is the history of the generations of Esåu (that is, Edom). 2 Esåu töök his wives from the dåughters of Canaan: Adah the dåughter of Elon, the Hittite; and Oholibamah the dåughter of Anah, the dåughter of Zibeon, the Hivite; 3 and Basemath, Ishmael's dåughter, sister of Nebaioth. 4 Adah bore to Esåu Eliphaz. Basemath bore Reuel. 5 Oholibamah bore Jeush, Jalam, and Korah. These are the sons of Esåu, who were born to him in the land of Canaan. 6 Esåu töök his wives, his sons, his dåughters, and åll the members of his household, with his livestock, åll his animals, and åll his possessions, which he had gathered in the land of Canaan, and went into a land away from his brother Jacob. 7 For their substance was too great for them to dwell together, and the land of their travels couldn't bear them becåuse of their livestock. 8 Esåu lived in the hill country of Seir. Esåu is Edom.

9 **Th**is is the history of the **g**enerations of Esåu the fäther of the Edomites in the hill country of Seir: 10 **The**se are the names of Esåu's sons: Eliphaz, the son of Adah, the wife of Esåu; and Reuel, the son of Basemath, the wife of Esåu. 11 The sons of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, Zepho, and Gatam, and Kenaz. 12 Timna was concubine to Eliphaz, Esåu's son; and she bore to Eliphaz Amalek. **The**se are the descendants of Adah, Esåu's wife. 13 **The**se are the sons of Reûel: Nahath, Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah. **The**se were the descendants of Basemath, Esåu's wife.

14 **Theş**e were the s**o**n**ş** of Oholibamah, the d**a**ughter of Anah, the d**a**ughter of Zibeon, Es**a**u'**ş** wife: she b**o**re to Es**a**u Jeu**sh**, Jalam, and Korah.

15 These are the chiefs of the sons of Esåu: the sons of Eliphaz the fîrstborn of Esåu: chief Teman, chief Omar, chief Zepho, chief Kenaz, 16 chief Korah, chief Gatam, chief Amalek. These are the chiefs who came of Elipphaz in the land of Edom. These are the sons of Adah. 17 These are the sons of Reuel, Esåu's son: chief Nahath, chief Zerah, chief Shammah, chief Mizzah. These are the chiefs who came of Reuel in the land of Edom. These are the sons of Basemath, Esåu's wife. 18 These are the sons of Oholibamah, Esåu's wife: chief Jeush, chief Jalam, chief Korah. These are the chiefs who came of Oholibamah the dåughter of Anah, Esåu's wife. 19 These are the sons of Esåu (that is, Edom), and these are their chiefs.

20 Theşe are the sons of Seir the Horite, the inhabitants of the land: Lotan, Shobal, Zibeon, Anah, 21 Dishon, Ezer, and Dishan. Theşe are the chiefs who came of the Horites, the children of Seir in the land of Edom. 22 The children of Lotan were Hori and Heman. Lotan's sister was Timna. 23 These are the children of Shobal: Alvan, Manahath, Ebal, Shepho, and Onam. 24 These are the children of Zibeon: Aiah and Anah. This is Anah who found the hot springs in the wilderness, as he fed the donkeys of Zibeon his fäther. 25 These are the children of Anah: Dishon and Oholibamah, the dåughter of Anah. 26 These are the children of Dishon: Hemdan, Eshban, Ithran, and Cheran. 27 These are the children of Ezer: Bilhan, Zaavan, and Akan. 28 These are the children of Dishan: Uz and Aran. 29 These are the chiefs who came of the Horites: chief Lotan, chief Shobal, chief Zibeon, chief Anah, 30 chief Dishon, chief Ezer, and chief Dishan. These are the chiefs who came of the Horites, according to their chiefs in the land of Seir.

over the **ch**ildren of Işrael. 32 Bela, the son of Beor, reigned in Edom. The name of his **c**ity was Dinhabah. 33 Bela died, and Jobab, the son of Zerah of Bozrah, reigned in his place. 34 Jobab died, and Husham of the land of the Temanites reigned in his place. 35 Husham died, and Hadad, the son of Bedad, who struck Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his place. The name of his **c**ity was Avith. 36 Hadad died, and Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his place. 37 Samlah died, and Shaul of Rehoboth by the river, reigned in his place. 38 Shoul died, and Bääl Hanan the son of Achbor reigned in his place. 39 Bääl Hanan the son of Achbor died, and Hadar reigned in his place. The name of his **c**ity was Pau. His wife's name was Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.

40 **These** are the names of the **chiefs** who came from Esåu, according to **their** families, äfter **their** places, and by **their** names: **chief** Timna, **chief** Alvah, **chief** Je**theth**, 41 chief Oholibamah, **chief** Elah, **chief** Pinon, 42 chief Kenaz, **chief** Teman, **chief** Mibzar,

43 **chief** Magdiel, and **chief** Iram. **Thes** $_e$ are the **chiefs** of Edom, according to **their** habitations in the land of **their** possession. **This** is Esa $_u$, the father of the Edomites.

Genesis 37

Jacob lived in the land of his fäther's travels, in the land of Canaan. 2 This is the history of the generations of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brothers. He was a boy with the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his fäther's wives. Joseph brought an evil report of them to their fäther. 3 New Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age, and he made him a tunic of many colors. 4 His brothers saw that their fäther loved him more than all his brothers, and they hated him, and couldn't speak peaceably to him.

5 Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told it to his brothers, and they hated him all the more. 6 He said to them, "Please hear this dream which I have dreamed: 7 for behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, and behold, my sheaf arose and also stood upright; and behold, your sheaves came around, and bowed down to my sheaf."

8 His brothers asked him, "Will you indeed reign over us? Will you indeed have dominion over us?" They hated him all the more for his dreams and for his words. 9 He dreamed yet another dream, and told it to his brothers, and said, "Behold, I have dreamed yet another dream: and behold, the sun and the moen and eleven stars bowed down to me." 10 He told it to his father and to his brothers. His father rebuked him, and said to him, "What is this dream that you have dreamed? Will I and your mother and your brothers indeed come to bow ourselves down to the earth before you?" 11 His brothers envied him, but his father kept this saying in mind.

12 His brothers went to feed their father's flock in Shechem. 13 Israel said to Joseph, "aren't your brothers feeding the flock in Shechem? Come, and I will send you to them." He said to him, "Here I am."

14 He said to him, "Go now, see whether it is well with your brothers, and well with the flock; and bring me word again." So he sent him out of the valley of Hebron, and he came to Shechem. 15 A certain man found him, and behold, he was wandering in the field. The man äsked him, "What are you looking for?"

16 He said, "I am looking for my brothers. Tell me, please, where they are feeding the flock."

17 The man said, "They have left here, for I heard them say, Let's go to Dothan."

Joseph went äfter his brothers, and found them in Dothan. 18 They saw him afär off, and before he came near to them, they conspired against him to kill him.

19 **Th**ey said to one another, "Behold, **th**is dreamer comes. 20 Come now **th**erefore, and let's kill him, and cast him into one of the pits, and we will say, An evil animal has devoured him. We will see what will become of his dreams."

21 Reuben hêard it, and delivered him out of their hand, and said, "Let's not take his life." 22 Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood. throw him into this pit that is in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him"—that he might deliver him out of their hand, to restore him to his fäther. 23 When Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped Joseph of his tunic, the tunic of many colors that was on him; 24 and they took him, and threw him into the pit. The pit was empty. There was no water in it.

25 They sat down to eat bread, and they lifted up their eyes and looked, and saw a caravan of Ishmaelites was coming from Gilead, with their camels bearing spices and bälm and myrrh, going to carry it down to Egypt. 26 Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? 27 Come, and let's sell him to the Ithmaelites, and not let our hand be on him; for he is our brother, our flesh." His brothers listened to him. 28 Midianites who were mêrchants passed by, and they drew and lifted up Joseph out of the pit, and sold Joseph to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. The mêrchants brought Joseph into Egypt.

29 Reuben retûrned to the pit, and såw that Joseph waşn't in the pit; and he tôre his clothes. 30 He retûrned to his brothers, and said, "The child is no môre; and I, where will I go?" 31 They took Joseph's tunic, and killed a male goat, and dipped the tunic in the blood. 32 They took the tunic of many colors, and they brought it to their fäther, and said, "We have found this. Examine it, now, and see if it is your son's tunic or not."

33 He recognized it, and said, "It is my son's tunic. An evil animal has devoured him. Joseph is without doubt torn in pieces." 34 Jacob tore his clothes, and put sackcloth on his waist, and mourned for his son many days. 35 All his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him, but he refused to be comforted. He said, "For I will go down to Sheol to my son, mourning." His father wept for him. 36 The Midianites sold him into Egypt to Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh's, the captain of the guard.

Genesis 38

At that time, Judah went down from his brothers, and visited a certain Adullamite, whose name was Hirah. 2 There, Judah saw the daughter of a certain Canaanite man named Shua. He took her, and went in to her. 3 She conceived, and bore a son; and he named him Er. 4 She conceived again, and bore a son; and she named him Onan. 5 She yet again bore a son, and named him Shelah. He was at Chezib when she bore him. 6 Judah took a wife for Er, his firstborn, and her name was Tamar. 7 Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in YAHWEH'S sight.

So YAHWEH killed him. 8 Jûdah said to Onan, "Go in to your brother's wife, and perform the duty of a husband's brother to her, and raise up offspring for your brother." 9 Onan knew that the offspring wouldn't be his; and when he went in to his brother's wife, he spilled his semen on the ground, lest he should give offspring to his brother. 10 The thing which he did was evil in YAHWEH'S sight, and he killed him

ålso. 11 **Th**en Judah said to Tamar, his dåughter-in-Torah, "Remain a widow in your fäther's house, until **Sh**elah, my son, is grown up;" for he said, "Lest he ålso die, like his brothers." Tamar went and lived in her fäther's house.

12 After many days, Shua's dåughter, the wife of Judah, died. Judah was comforted, and went up to his sheep shearers to Timnah, he and his friend Hirah, the Adullamite. 13 Tamar was told, "Behold, your fäther-in-Torah is going up to Timnah to shear his sheep." 14 She took off the gärments of her widowhood, and covered herself with her veil, and wrapped herself, and sat in the gate of Enaim, which is on the way to Timnah; for she såw that Shelah was grown up, and she wasn't given to him as a wife. 15 When Judah såw her, he thought that she was a prostitute, for she had covered her façe. 16 He tûrned to her by the way, and said, "Please come, let me come in to you," for he didn't know that she was his dåughter-in-låw.

She said, "What will you give me, that you may come in to me?"

17 He said, "I will send you a young goat from the flock."

She said, "Will you give me a pledge, until you send it?"

18 He said, "What pledge will I give you?"

She said, "Your signet and your cord, and your staff that is in your hand."

He gave them to her, and came in to her, and she conceived by him. 19 She arose, and went away, and put off her veil from her, and put on the gärments of her widowhood. 20 Judah sent the young goat by the hand of his friend, the Adullamite, to receive the pledge from the woman's hand, but he didn't find her. 21 Then he äsked the men of her place, saying, "Where is the prostitute, that was at Enaim by the road?"

They said, "There has been no prostitute here."

22 He retûrned to Judah, and said, "I haven't found her; and ålso the men of the place said, 'There has been no prostitute here." 23 Judah said, "Let her keep it, lest we be shamed. Behold, I sent this young goat, and you haven't found her."

24 About **th**ree mon**th**s later, Judah was told, "Tamar, your daughter-in-law, has played the prostitute. Moreover, behold, she is with child by prostitution."

Judah said, "Bring her out, and let her be bûrned."

25 When she was brought out, she sent to her father-in-law, saying, "I am with child by the man who owns these." She also said, "Please discern whose these are—the signet, and the cords, and the staff."

26 Judah acknowledged them, and said, "She is more righteous than I, becauşe I didn't give her to Shelah, my son."

He knew her again no more. 27 In the time of her travail, behold, twins were in her womb. 28 When she travailed, one put out a hand, and the midwife took and tied a scärlet thread on his hand, saying, "This came out first." 29 As he drew back his hand, behold, his brother came out, and she said, "Why have you made a breach for yourself?" Therefore his name was called Perez. 30 afterward his brother came out, who had the scärlet thread on his hand, and his name was called Zerah.

Genesis 39

Joseph was brought down to Egypt. Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh's, the captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him from the hand of the Ishmaelites that had brought him down there. 2 YAHWEH was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man. He was in the house of his master the Egyptian. 3 His master saw that YAHWEH was with him, and that YAHWEH made all that he did prosper in his hand. 4 Joseph found favor in his sight. He ministered to him, and Potiphar made him overseer over his house, and all that he had he put into his hand. 5 From the time that he made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, YAHWEH blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake. YAHWEH'S blessing was on all that he had, in the house and in the field. 6 He left all that he had in Joseph's hand. He didn't concern himself with anything, except for the food which he ate.

Joseph was well-built and handsome. 7 After **theş**e **t**hingş, his mäster'ş wife set her eyeş on Joseph; and she said, "Lie with me."

8 But he refuşed, and said to his mäster'ş wife, "Behold, my mäster doeşn't know what is with me in the house, and he has put all that he has into my hand. 9 No one is greater in this house than I am, and he has not kept back anything from me but you, becauşe you are his wife. How then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against Elohim?"

10 As she spoke to Joseph day by day, he didn't listen to her, to lie by her, or to be with her. 11 About this time, he went into the house to do his work, and there were none of the men of the house inside. 12 She caught him by his garment, saying, "Lie with me!"

He left his gärment in her hand, and ran outside. 13 When she saw that he had left his gärment in her hand, and had run outside, 14 she called to the men of her house, and spoke to them, saying, "Behold, he has brought a Hebrew in to us to mock us. He came in to me to lie with me, and I cried with a loud voice.

15 When he heard **th**at I lifted up my voice and cried, he left his gärment by me, and ran

outside." 16 She laid up his gärment by her, until his mäster came home. 17 She spoke to him according to **these** words, saying, "The Hebrew servant, whom you have brought to us, came in to me to mock me, 18 and as I lifted up my voiçe and cried, he left his gärment by me, and ran outside."

19 When his mäster hêard the wôrds of his wife, which she spoke to him, saying, "This is what your sêrvant did to me," his wräth was kindled. 20 Joseph's mäster töök him, and put him into the prison, the place where the king's prisoner were bound, and he was there in custody. 21 But YAHWEH was with Joseph, and showed kindness to him, and gave him favor in the sight of the keeper of the prison. 22 The keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoner whe were in the prison. Whatever they did there, he was responsible for it. 23 The keeper of the prison didn't look äfter anything that was under his hand, because YAHWEH was with him; and that which he did, YAHWEH made it prosper.

Genesis 40

After these things, the butler of the king of Egypt and his baker offended their mäster, the king of Egypt. 2 Pharaoh was angry with his two officers, the chief cup bearer and the chief baker. 3 He put them in custody in the house of the captain of the guärd, into the prison, the place where Joseph was bound. 4 The captain of the guärd assigned them to Joseph, and he took care of them. They stayed in prison many days. 5 They both dreamed a dream, each man his dream, in one night, each man according to the interpretation of his dream, the cup bearer and the baker of the king of Egypt, who were bound in the prison. 6 Joseph came in to them in the morning, and saw them, and saw that they were sad. 7 He äsked Pharaoh's officers who were with him in custody in his mäster's house, saying, "Why do you look so sad today?"

8 **Th**ey said to him, "We have dreamed a dream, and **th**ere is no one who can interpret it."

Joseph said to them, "Don't intêrpretations belong to Elohim? Please tell it to me."

9 The **chief** cup bearer told his dream to Joseph, and said to him, "In my dream, behold, a vine was in front of me, 10 and in the vine were **three** branches. It was as **tho**ugh it budded, it blossomed, and its clusters produced ripe grapes. 11 **Pharaoh's** cup was in my hand; and I took the grapes, and pressed them into **Pharaoh's** cup, and I gave the cup into **Pharaoh's** hand."

12 Joseph said to him, "This is its intêrpretation: the three branches are three days. 13 Within three more days, Pharaoh will lift up your head, and restore you to your office. You will give Pharaoh's cup into his hand, the way you did when you were his cup bearer. 14 But remember me when it is well with you. Please show kindness to me, and make mention of me to Pharaoh, and bring me out of this house.

15 For indeed, I was stolen away out of the land of the Hebrews, and here also I have done nothing that they should put me into the dungeon."

16 When the **chief** baker såw **th**at the int**e**rpretation was good, he said to Joseph, "I ålso was in my dream, and behold, **th**ree bäskets of white bread were on my head. 17 In the uppermost bäsket **th**ere were åll kinds of baked for **Pharaoh**, and the birds ate **th**em out of the bäsket on my head."

18 Joseph answered, "This is its interpretation. The three baskets are three days, 19 Within three more days, Pharaoh will lift up your head from off you, and will hang you on a tree; and the birds will eat your flesh from off you." 20 On the third day, which was Pharaoh's birthday, he made a feast for all his servants, and he lifted up the head of the chief cup bearer and the head of the chief baker among his servants. 21 He restored the chief cup bearer to his position again, and he gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand; 22 but he hanged the chief baker, as Joseph had interpreted to them. 23 Yet the chief cup bearer didn't remember Joseph, but forgot him.

Genesis 41

At the end of two full years, Pharaoh dreamed, and behold, he stood by the river. 2 Behold, seven cattle came up out of the river. They were sleek and fat, and they fed in the märsh gräss. 3 Behold, seven other cattle came up äfter them out of the river, ugly and thin, and stood by the other cattle on the brink of the river. 4 The ugly and thin cattle ate up the seven sleek and fat cattle. So Pharaoh awoke. 5 He slept and dreamed a second time; and behold, seven heads of grain came up on one stålk, healthy and good. 6 Behold, seven heads of grain, thin and blästed with the east wind, sprung up äfter them. 7 The thin heads of grain swallowed up the seven healthy and full ears. Pharaoh awoke, and behold, it was a dream. 8 In the morning, his spirit was troubled, and he sent and cålled for åll of Egypt's magicians and wise men. Pharaoh told them his dreams, but there was no one who could interpret them to Pharaoh.

9 Then the chief cup bearer spoke to Pharaoh, saying, "I remember my fåults today. 10 Pharaoh was angry with his sêrvants, and put me in custody in the house of the captain of the guärd, with the chief baker. 11 We dreamed a dream in one night, he and I. Each man dreamed according to the intêrpretation of his dream. 12 There was with us there a young man, a Hebrew, sêrvant to the captain of the guärd, and we told him, and he intêrpreted to us our dreams. He intêrpreted to each man according to his dream. 13 As he intêrpreted to us, so it was. He restored me to my office, and he hanged him."

14 Then Pharaon sent and called Joseph, and they brought him hastily out of the dungeon. He shaved himself, changed his clothing, and came in to Pharaon. 15 Pharaon said to Joseph, "I have dreamed a dream, and there is no one who can interpret it. I have heard it said of you, that when you hear a dream you can interpret it."

16 Joseph answered **Pharao**h, saying, "It işn't in me. Elohim will give **Pharao**h an answer of peaçe." 17 **Pharao**h spoke to Joseph, "In my dream, behold, I stööd on the brink of the river:

18 and behold, seven fat and sleek cattle came up out of the river. They fed in the märsh gräss; 19 and behold, seven other cattle came up after them, poor and very ugly and thin, such as I never saw in all the land of Egypt for ugliness. 20 The thin and ugly cattle ate up the first seven fat cattle; 21 and when they had eaten them up, it couldn't be known that they had eaten them, but they were still ugly, as at the beginning. So I awoke. 22 I saw in my dream, and behold, seven heads of grain came up on one stake, full and good; 23 and behold, seven heads of grain, withered, thin, and blasted with the east wind, sprung up after them. 24 The thin heads of grain swallowed up the seven good heads of grain. I told it to the magicians, but there was no one whe could explain it to me."

25 Joseph said to **Pharaoh**, "The dream of **Pharaoh** is one. What Elohim is about to do he has declared to **Pharaoh**. 26 The seven good cattle are seven years; and the seven good heads of grain are seven years. The dream is one. 27 The seven thin and ugly cattle that came up after them are seven years, and also the seven empty heads of grain blasted with the east wind; they will be seven years of famine. 28 That is the thing which I have spoken to **Pharaoh**. Elohim has shown **Pharaoh** what he is about to do. 29 Behold, seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of **Eg**ypt are coming. 30 Seven years of famine will arise after them, and all the plenty will be forgotten in the land of **Eg**ypt. The famine will consume the land, 31 and the plenty will not be known in the land by reason of that famine which follows; for it will be very grievous. 32 The dream was doubled to **Pharaoh**, because the thing is established by Elohim, and Elohim will shortly bring it to pass.

33 "New therefore let Pharaoh look for a discreet and wise man, and set him over the land of Egypt. 34 Let Pharaoh de this, and let him appoint overseers over the land, and take up the fifth part of the land of Egypt's produce in the seven plenteous years. 35 Let them gather all the feed of these good years that come, and store grain under the hand of Pharaoh for feed in the cities, and let them keep it. 36 The feed will be to supply the land against the seven years of famine, which will be in the land of Egypt; so that the land will not perish through the famine."

37 The thing was good in the eyeş of Pharaon, and in the eyeş of all his servants. 38 Pharaon said to his servants, "Can we find such a one as this, a man in whom is the Spirit of Elohim?" 39 Pharaon said to Joseph, "Becauşe Elohim haş shown you all of this, there is no one so discreet and wise as you. 40 You shall be over my house. all my people will be ruled according to your word. Only in the throne I will be greater than you." 41 Pharaon said to Joseph, "Behold, I have set you over all the land of Egypt."

42 **Pharao**h töök off his signet ring from his hand, and pùt it on Joseph's hand, and arrayed him in robeş of fine linen, and pùt a gold chain about his neck. 43 He made him ride in the second chariot which he had. They cried before him, "Bow the knee!" He set him over all the land of Egypt. 44 Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I am Pharaoh. Without you, no man shall lift up his hand or his fööt in all the land of Egypt." 45 Pharaoh called Joseph's name Zaphenath-Paneah. He gave him Asenath, the dåughter of Potiphera priest of On as a wife. Joseph went over the land of Egypt.

46 Joseph was thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt. 47 In the seven plenteous years the earth produced abundantly. 48 He gathered up all the feed of the seven years which were in the land of Egypt, and laid up the feed in the cities. He stored feed in each city from the fields around that city. 49 Joseph laid up grain as the sand of the sea, very much, until he stopped counting, for it was without number. 50 To Joseph were born two sons before the year of famine came, whem Asenath, the daughter of Potiphera priest of On, bore to him. 51 Joseph called the name of the firstborn Manasseh, "For", he said, "Elohim has made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house." 52 The name of the second, he called Ephraim: "For Elohim has made me fruitful in the land of my affliction."

53 The seven years of plenty, that were in the land of Egypt, came to an end. 54 The seven years of famine began to come, just as Joseph had said. There was famine in all lands, but in all the land of Egypt there was bread. 55 When all the land of Egypt was famished, the people cried to Pharaoh for bread, and Pharaoh said to all the Egyptians, "Go to Joseph. What he says to you, de." 56 The famine was over all the surface of the earth. Joseph opened all the store houses, and sold to the Egyptians. The famine was severe in the land of Egypt. 57 All countries came into Egypt, to Joseph, to buy grain, because the famine was severe in all the earth.

Genesis 42

New Jacob såw that there was grain in Egypt, and Jacob said to his sons, "Why de you look at one another?" 2 He said, "Behold, I have heard that there is grain in Egypt. Go dewn there, and buy for us from there, so that we may live, and not die." 3 Joseph's ten brothers went dewn to buy grain from Egypt. 4 But Jacob didn't send Benjamin, Joseph's brother, with his brothers; for he said, "Lest perhaps härm happen to him." 5 The sons of Israel came to buy among those whe came, for the famine was in the land of Canaan. 6 Joseph was the governor over the land. It was he whe sold to all the people of the land. Joseph's brothers came, and bewed themselves down to him with their faces to the earth. 7 Joseph såw his brothers, and he recognized them, but acted like a stranger to them, and spoke roughly with them. He said to them, "Where did you come from?"

They said, "From the land of Canaan, to buy feed."

8 Joseph recognized his brothers, but they didn't recognize him. 9 Joseph remembered the dreams which he dreamed about them, and said to them, "You are spies! You have come to see the nakedness of the land."

10 **Th**ey said to him, "No, my mäster, but your servants have come to buy food. 11 We are all one man's sons; we are honest men. Your servants are not spies."

12 He said to **th**em, "No, but you have **co**me to see the nakedness of the land!"

13 They said, "We, your servants, are twelve brothers, the sons of one man in the land of Canaan; and behold, the youngest is today with our father, and one is no more."

14 Joseph said to them, "It is like I told you, saying, 'You are spies! 15 By this you shall be tested. By the life of Pharaoh, you shall not go out from here, unless your youngest brother comes here. 16 Send one of you, and let him get your brother, and you shall be bound, that your words may be tested, whether there is truth in you, or else by the life of Pharaoh surely you are spies." 17 He put them all together into custody for three days.

18 Joseph said to them the third day, "De this, and live, for I fear Elohim. 19 If you are honest men, then let one of your brothers be bound in your prison; but you go, carry grain for the famine of your houses. 20 Bring your youngest brother to me; so will your words be verified, and you won't die."

They did so. 21 They said to one another, "We are certainly guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the distress of his soul, when he begged us, and we wouldn't listen. Therefore this distress has come upon us." 22 Reuben answered them, saying, "Didn't I tell you, saying, 'Don't sin against the child, and you wouldn't listen? Therefore also, behold, his blood is required." 23 They didn't know that Joseph understood them; for there was an interpreter between them. 24 He turned himself away from them, and wept. Then he returned to them, and spoke to them, and took Simeon from among them, and bound him before their eyes. 25 Then Joseph gave a command to fill their bags with grain, and to restore each man's money into his sack, and to give them feed for the way. So it was done to them.

26 They loaded their donkeys with their grain, and depärted from there. 27 As one of them opened his sack to give his donkey food in the lodging place, he saw his money. Behold, it was in the mouth of his sack. 28 He said to his brothers, "My money is restored! Behold, it is in my sack!" Their hearts failed them, and they turned trembling to one another, saying, "What is this that Elohim has done to us?" 29 They came to Jacob their father, to the land of Canaan, and told him all that had happened to them, saying,

30 "The man, the mäster of the land, spoke roughly with us, and took us for spies of the country. 31 We said to him, 'We are honest men. We are no spies. 32 We are twelve brothers, sons of our fäther; one is no more, and the youngest is today with our fäther in the land of Canaan. 33 The man, the mäster of the land, said to us, 'By this I will know that you are honest men: leave one of your brothers with me, and take grain for the famine of your houses, and go your way. 34 Bring your youngest brother to me. Then I will know that you

are not spies, but **th**at you are honest men. So I will deliver your brother to you, and you **sh**all trade in the land."

35 As they emptied their sacks, behold, each man's bundle of money was in his sack. When they and their father saw their bundles of money, they were afraid. 36 Jacob, their father, said to them, "You have bereaved me of my children! Joseph is no more, Simeon is no more, and you want to take Benjamin away. all these things are against me."

37 Reuben spoke to his fäther, saying, "Kill my two sons, if I don't bring him to you. Entrust him to my care, and I will bring him to you again."

38 He said, "My son shall not go down with you; for his brother is dead, and he only is left. If härm happens to him along the way in which you go, then you will bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to Sheol."

Genesis 43

The famine was severe in the land. 2 When they had eaten up the grain which they had brought out of Egypt, their father said to them, "Go again, buy us a little more food."

3 Judah spoke to him, saying, "The man solemaly warned us, saying, 'You shall not see my face, unless your brother is with you. 4 If you'll send our brother with us, we'll go down and buy you feed; 5 but if you don't send him, we won't go down, for the man said to us, 'You shall not see my face, unless your brother is with you."

6 lşrael said, "Why did you treat me so badly, telling the man **th**at you had an**oth**er br**oth**er?"

7 They said, "The man äsked directly conçêrning ourselves, and conçêrning our relatives, saying, 'Is your fäther still alive? Have you another brother? We just answered his questions. Is there any way we could know that he would say, Bring your brother down?"

8 Judah said to Işrael, his fäther, "Send the boy with me, and we'll get up and go, so that we may live, and not die, both we, and you, and also our little ones. 9 I'll be collateral for him. From my hand will you require him. If I don't bring him to you, and set him before you, then let me bear the blame forever; 10 for if we hadn't delayed, surely we would have returned a second time by now."

11 Their fäther, Işrael, said to them, "If it must be so, then de this: Take from the choice fruits of the land in your bags, and carry down a present for the man, a little bä/m, a little honey, spices and myrrh, nuts, and ä/monds; 12 and take double money in your hand, and take back the money that was returned in the mouth of your sacks. Perhaps it was an oversight. 13 Take your brother also, get up, and return to the man. 14 May Elohim Almighty give you mercy before the man, that he may release to you your other brother and Benjamin. If I am bereaved of my children, I am bereaved."

15 The men took that present, and they took double money in their hand, and Benjamin; and got up, went down to Egypt, and stood before Joseph. 16 When Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to the steward of his house, "Bring the men into the house, and butcher an animal, and prepare; for the men will dine with me at noon."

17 The man did as Joseph commanded, and the man brought the men to Joseph's house. 18 The men were afraid, because they were brought to Joseph's house; and they said, "Because of the money that was returned in our sacks the first time, we're brought in; that he may seek occasion against us, attack us, and seize us as slaves, along with our donkeys." 19 They came near to the steward of Joseph's house, and they spoke to him at the door of the house, 20 and said, "Oh, my mäster, we indeed came down the first time to buy food. 21 When we came to the lodging place, we opened our sacks, and behold, each man's money was in the mouth of his sack, our money in full weight. We have brought it back in our hand. 22 We have brought down other money in our hand to buy food. We don't know who put our money in our sacks."

23 He said, "Peaçe be to you. Don't be afraid. Your Elohim, and the Elohim of your fäther, has given you treasure in your sacks. I received your money." He brought Simeon out to them. 24 The man brought the men into Joseph's house, and gave them water, and they washed their feet. He gave their donkeys fodder. 25 They prepared the present for Joseph's coming at noon, for they heard that they should eat bread there.

26 When Joseph came home, they brought him the present which was in their hand into the house, and bowed themselves down to the earth before him. 27 He äsked them of their welfare, and said, "Is your fäther well, the old man of whom you spoke? Is he yet alive?"

28 They said, "Your servant, our father, is well. He is still alive." They bowed down humbly. 29 He lifted up his eyes, and saw Benjamin, his brother, his mother's son, and said, "Is this your youngest brother, of whom you spoke to me?" He said, "Elohim be gracious to you, my son." 30 Joseph hurried, for his heart yearned over his brother; and he sought a place to weep. He entered into his room, and wept there. 31 He washed his face, and came out. He controlled himself, and said, "Serve the meal."

32 They sêrved him by himself, and them by themselves, and the Egyptians whe ate with him by themselves, because the Egyptians don't eat with the Hebrews, for that is an abomination to the Egyptians. 33 They sat before him, the firstborn according to his birthright, and the youngest according to his youth, and the men märveled with one another. 34 He sent portions to them from before him, but Benjamin's portion was five times as much as any of theirs. They drank, and were merry with him.

Genesis 44

He commanded the steward of his house, saying, "Fill the men's sacks with food, as much as they can carry, and put each man's money in his sack's mouth. 2 Put my cup, the silver cup, in the sack's mouth of the youngest, with his grain money." He did according to the word that Joseph had spoken. 3 As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away, they and their donkeys. 4 When they had gone out of the city, and were not yet far off, Joseph said to his steward, "Up, follow after the men. When you overtake them, ask them, 'Why have you rewarded evil for good? 5 Isn't this that from which my master drinks, and by which he indeed divines? You have done evil in so doing." 6 He overtook them, and he spoke these words to them.

7 They said to him, "Why does my mäster speak such words as these? Fär be it from your servants that they should do such a thing! 8 Behold, the money, which we found in our sacks mouths, we brought again to you out of the land of Canaan. How then should we steal silver or gold out of your mäster's house? 9 With whomever of your servants it is found, let him die, and we also will be my mäster's slaves."

10 He said, "Now also let it be according to your words. He with whom it is found will be my slave; and you will be blameless."

11 **Then they** hurried, and **each** man took his sack down to the ground, and **each** man opened his sack. 12 He searched, beginning with the oldest, and ending at the youngest. The cup was found in Benjamin's sack. 13 **Then they** to their clothes, and **each** man loaded his donkey, and returned to the city.

14 Judah and his brothers came to Joseph's house, and he was still there. They fell on the ground before him. 15 Joseph said to them, "What deed is this that you have done? Don't you know that such a man as I can indeed do divination?"

16 Judah said, "What will we tell my mäster? What will we speak? How will we clear ourselves? Elohim has found out the iniquity of your servants. Behold, we are my mäster's slaves, both we and he also in whose hand the cup is found."

17 He said, "Fär be it from me **th**at I **sh**₀ù/d de so. The man in wheșe hand the cup is found, he will be m**y** slave; but as for you, go up in peaçe to your fäther."

18 Then Judah came near to him, and said, "Oh, my mäster, please let your sêrvant speak a wôrd in my lord's earş, and don't let your anger bûrn against your sêrvant; for you are even as **Pharao**h. 19 My mäster äsked his sêrvants, saying, 'Have you a fäther, or a brother? 20 We said to my mäster, 'We have a fäther, an old man, and a child of his old age, a little one; and his brother is dead, and he alone is left of his mother; and his father loves him. 21 You said to your servants, Bring him down to me, that I may set my eyes on him. 22 We said to my mäster, 'The boy can't leave his fäther, for if he should leave his fäther, his fäther would die. 23 You said to your sêrvants, Unless your youngest brother comes down with you, you will see my face no môre. 24 When we came up to your sêrvant my fäther, we told him the words of my mäster. 25 Our fäther said, 'Go again and buy us a little feed. 26 We said, 'We cän't go down. If our youngest brother is with us, then we will go down: for we may not see the man's face, unless our youngest brother is with us. 27 Your sêrvant, my fäther, said to us, 'You know that my wife bore me two sons. 28 One went out from me, and I said, "Surely he is torn in pieces;" and I haven't seen him since. 29 If you take this one also from me, and harm happens to him, you will bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to Sheol. 30 Now therefore when I come to your sêrvant my fäther, and the boy is not with us; since his life is bound up in the boy's life; 31 it will happen, when he sees that the boy is no more, that he will die. Your sêrvants will bring down the gray hairs of your sêrvant, our father, with sorrow to Sheol. 32 For your servant became collateral for the boy to my father, saying, If I don't bring him to you, then I will bear the blame to my father forever. 33 Now therefore, please let your servant stay instead of the boy, my lord's slave; and let the boy go up with his brothers. 34 For how will I go up to my father, if the boy isn't with me?—lest I see the evil that will come on my father."

Genesis 45

Then Joseph couldn't control himself before all those who stood before him, and he called out, "Cause everyone to go out from me!" No one else stood with him, while Joseph made himself known to his brothers. 2 He wept aloud. The Egyptians heard, and the house of Pharaoh heard. 3 Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Does my fäther still live?"

His br**oth**erş co**u**i/dn't answer him; for **th**ey were terrified at his preşençe. 4 Joseph said to his br**oth**erş, "Come near to me, pleaşe."

They came near. He said, "I am Joseph, your brother, whom you sold into Egypt. 5 New don't be grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that you sold me here, for Elohim sent me before you to preserve life. 6 For these two years the famine has been in the land, and there are yet five years, in which there will be no plowing and no härvest. 7 Elohim sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant in the earth, and to save you alive by a great deliverance. 8 So now it wasn't you who sent me here, but Elohim, and he has made me a fäther to Elohim

Pharaoh, mäster of åll his house, and ruler over åll the land of Egypt. 9 Hurry, and go up to my fäther, and tell him, 'This is what your son Joseph says, "Elohim has made me mäster of åll Egypt. Come down to me. Don't wait. 10 You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you will be near to me, you, your children, your children's children, your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. 11 There I will provide for you; for there are yet five years of famine; lest you come to poverty, you, and your household, and all that you have." 12 Behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. 13 You shall tell my fäther of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. You shall hurry and bring my fäther down here." 14 He fell on his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept on his neck. 15 He kissed all his brothers, and wept on them. after that his brothers talked with him.

16 The report of it was heard in Pharaoh's house, saying, "Joseph's brothers have come." It pleased well, and his servants. 17 Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Tell your brothers, 'De this: Load your animals, and go, travel to the land of Canaan. 18 Take your father and your households, and come to me, and I will give you the good of the land of Egypt, and you will eat the fat of the land. 19 Now you are commanded to de this: Take wagons, out of the land of Egypt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come. 20 Also, don't concern yourselves about your belongings, for the good of all the land of Egypt is yours."

21 The sons of Israel did so. Joseph gave them wagons,, according to the commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them provision for the way. 22 He gave each one of them changes of clothing, but to Benjamin he gave three hundred pieces of silver and five changes of clothing. 23 He sent the following to his fäther: ten donkeys loaded with the good things of Egypt, and ten female donkeys loaded with grain and bread and provision for his fäther by the way. 24 So he sent his brothers away, and they departed. He said to them, "See that you don't quarrel on the way."

25 They went up out of Egypt, and came into the land of Canaan, to Jacob their fäther. 26 They told him, saying, "Joseph is still alive, and he is ruler over all the land of Egypt." His heart fainted, for he didn't believe them. 27 They told him all the words of Joseph, which he had said to them. When he saw the wagons, which Joseph had sent to carry him, the spirit of Jacob, their fäther, revived. 28 Israel said, "It is enough. Joseph my son is still alive. I will go and see him before I die."

Genesis 46

Işrael traveled with åll that he had, and came to Beersheba, and offered sacrifices to the Elohim of his fäther, Işaac. 2 Elohim spoke to Işrael in the vişions of the night, and said, "Jacob, Jacob!" He said, "Here I am."

3 He said, "I am Elohim, the Elohim of your fäther. Don't be afraid to go down into **Eg**ypt, for **there** I will make of you a great nation. 4 I will go down with you into **Eg**ypt. I will also surely bring you up again. Joseph's hand will close your eyes."

5 Jacob rose up from Beersheba, and the sons of Israel carried Jacob, their fäther, their little ones, and their wives, in the wagons, which Pharaoh had sent to carry him. 6 They took their livestock, h and their goods, which they had gotten in the land of Canaan, and came into Egypt—Jacob, and all his offspring with him, 7 his sons, and his sons' sons with him, his daughters, and his sons' daughters, and he brought all his offspring with him into Egypt.

8 These are the names of the children of Israel, who came into Egypt, Jacob and his sons: Reuben, Jacob's firstborn. 9 The sons of Reuben: Hanoch, Pallu, Hezron, and Cärmi. 10 The sons of Simeon: Jemûel, Jamin, Ohad, Jachin, Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanite woman. 11 The sons of Levi: Gêrshon, Kohath, and Merari. 12 The sons of Judah: Er, Onan, Shelah, Perez, and Zerah; but Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan. The sons of Perez were Hezron and Hamul. 13 The sons of Issachar: Tola, Puvah, lob, and Shimron. 14 The sons of Zebulun: Sered, Elon, and Jahleel. 15 These are the sons of Leah, whom she bore to Jacob in Paddan Aram, with his daughter Dinah. all the souls of his sons and his dåughterş were thirty-three. 16 The sons of Gad: Ziphion, Haggi, Shuni, Ezbon, Eri, Arodi, and Areli. 17 The sons of Asher: Imnah, Ishvah, Ithvi, Beriah, and Serah their sister. The sons of Beriah: Heber and Malchiel. 18 These are the sons of Zilpah, whem Laban gave to Leah, his dåughter, and these she bore to Jacob, even sixteen souls. 19 The sons of Rachel, Jacob's wife: Joseph and Benjamin. 20 To Joseph in the land of **Eg**ypt were born Manasseh and Ephraim, whom Asenath, the dåughter of Potiphera, priest of On, bore to him. 21 The sons of Benjamin: Bela, Becher, Ashbel, Gera, Naaman, Ehi, Rosh, Muppim, Huppim, and Ard. 22 These are the sons of Rachel, who were born to Jacob: all the souls were fourteen. 23 The son of Dan: Hushim. 24 The sons of Naphtali: Jahzeel, Guni, Jezer, and Shillem. 25 These are the sons of Bilhah, whom Laban gave to Rachel, his dåughter, and these she bore to Jacob: all the souls were seven. 26 All the souls who came with Jacob into Egypt, who were his direct offspring, in addition to Jacob'ş sonş' wiveş, åll the soulş were sixty-six. 27 The sonş of Joseph, who were born to him in Egypt, were two souls. all the souls of the house of Jacob, who came into **Eg**ypt, were seventy.

28 Jacob sent Judah beföre him to Joseph, to show the way beföre him to Goshen, and they came into the land of Goshen. 29 Joseph prepared his chariot, and went up to meet Işrael, his fäther, in Goshen. He preşented himself to him, and fell on his neck, and wept on his neck a good while. 30 Işrael said to Joseph, "New let me die, sinçe I have seen your façe, that you are still alive."

31 Joseph said to his brothers, and to his fäther's house, "I will go up, and speak with Pharaoh and will tell him, 'My brothers, and my fäther's house, who were in the land of Canaan, have come to me. 32 These men are shepherds, for they have been keepers of livestock, and they have brought their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have. 33 It will happen, when Pharaoh summons you, and will say, 'What is your occupation? 34 that you shall say, 'Your servants have been keepers of livestock from our youth even until now, both we, and our fäthers: that you may dwell in the land of Goshen; for every shepherd is an abomination to the Egyptians."

Genesis 47

Then Joseph went in and told Pharaoh, and said, "My fäther and my bröthers, with their flocks, their hêrds, and all that they own, have come out of the land of Canaan; and behold, they are in the land of Goshen." 2 From among his bröthers, he took five men, and presented them to Pharaoh. 3 Pharaoh said to his bröthers, "What is your occupation?"

They said to Pharaoh, "Your servants are shepherds, both we, and our fathers." 4 They also said to Pharaoh, "We have come to live as foreigners, in the land, for there is no pasture for your servants' flocks. For the famine is severe in the land of Canaan. Now therefore, please let your servants dwell in the land of Goshen."

5 Pharaoh spoke to Joseph, saying, "Your fäther and your brothers have come to you. 6 The land of **Eg**ypt is before you. Make your fäther and your brothers dwell in the best of the land. Let them dwell in the land of Goshen. If you know any able men among them, then put them in charge of my livestock."

7 Joseph brought in Jacob, his fäther, and set him before Pharaoh; and Jacob blessed Pharaoh. 8 Pharaoh said to Jacob, "How old are you?"

9 Jacob said to **Pharao**h, "The years of my pilgrimage are one hundred tirty years. The days of the years of my life have been few and evil. **They** have not attained to the days of the years of the life of my fäthers in the days of their pilgrimage." 10 Jacob blessed **Pharao**h, and went out from the presence of **Pharao**h.

11 Joseph placed his fäther and his brothers, and gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of Rameses, as Pharaon had commanded. 12 Joseph provided his fäther, his brothers, and all of his fäther's household with bread, according to the sizes of their families.

13 **There** was no bread in **å**ll the land; for the famine was very severe, so **th**at the land of **Eg**ypt and the land of Canaan fainted by reason of the famine. 14 Joseph gathered up **å**ll the money **th**at was found in the land of **Eg**ypt, and in the land of Canaan, for the grain which they bought: and Joseph brought the money into **Pharaoh's** house.

15 When the money was all spent in the land of **Eg**ypt, and in the land of Canaan, all the **Eg**yptians came to **Joseph**, and said, "Give us bread, for why should we die in your presence? For our money fails."

16 Joseph said, "Give me your livestock; and I will give you feed for your livestock, if your money is gone."

17 They brought their livestock to Joseph, and Joseph gave them bread in exchange for the horses, and for the flocks, and for the herds, and for the donkeys: and he fed them with bread in exchange for all their livestock for that year. 18 When that year was ended, they came to him the second year, and said to him, "We will not hide from my mäster how our money is all spent, and the herds of livestock are my mäster's. There is nothing left in the sight of my mäster, but our bodies, and our lands. 19 Why should we die before your eyes, both we and our land? Buy us and our land for bread, and we and our land will be servants to Pharaoh. Give us seed, that we may live, and not die, and that the land won't be desolate."

20 So Joseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh, for every man of the Egyptians sold his field, because the famine was severe on them, and the land became Pharaoh's. 21 As for the people, he moved them to the cities from one end of the border of Egypt even to the other end of it. 22 Only he didn't buy the land of the priests, for the priests had a portion from Pharaoh, and ate their portion which Pharaoh gave them. That is why they didn't sell their land. 23 Then Joseph said to the people, "Behold, I have bought you and your land today for Pharaoh. Behold, here is seed for you, and you shall sow the land. 24 It will happen at the harvests, that you shall give a fifth to Pharaoh, and four parts will be your own, for seed of the field, for your feed, for them of your households, and for feed for your little ones."

25 **Th**ey said, "You have saved our lives! Let us find favor in the sight of my mäster, and we will be **Pharao**h's sêrvants."

26 Joseph made it a statute conçêrning the land of Egypt to this day, that Pharaoh shoù/d have the fifth. Only the land of the priests alone didn't become Pharaoh's.

27 Işrael lived in the land of **Eg**ypt, in the land of Goshen; and **th**ey got **th**emselveş poşşessionş **th**erein, and were fruitful, and multiplied exceedingly. 28 Jacob lived in the land of **Eg**ypt seventeen yearş. So the dayş of Jacob, the yearş of his life, were one hundred forty-seven yearş. 29 The time came near **th**at Işrael must die, and he called his son Joseph, and said to him, "If new I have found favor in your sight, pleaşe put your hand under my **th**igh, and deal kindly and truly with me. Pleaşe don't bury me in **Eg**ypt, 30 but when I sleep with my fathers, you shall carry me out of **Eg**ypt, and bury me in **th**eir burying place."

Joseph said, "I will do as you have said."

31 Işrael said, "Swear to me," and he swore to him. **Th**en Işrael bowed himself on the bed's head

Genesis 48

After these things, someone said to Joseph, "Behold, your father is sick." He took with him his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim. 2 Someone told Jacob, and said, "Behold, your son Joseph comes to you," and Israel strengthened himself, and sat on the bed. 3 Jacob said to Joseph, "Elohim Almighty appeared to me at Luz in the land of Canaan, and blessed me, 4 and said to me, 'Behold, I will make you fruitful, and multiply you, and I will make of you a company of peoples, and will give this land to your offspring after you for an everlasting possession. 5 New your two sons, who were born to you in the land of Egypt before I came to you into Egypt, are mine; Ephraim and Manasseh, even as Reuben and Simeon, will be mine. 6 Your offspring, whom you become the father of after them, will be yours. They will be called after the name of their brothers in their inheritance. 7 As for me, when I came from Paddan, Rachel died beside me in the land of Canaan on the way, when there was still some distance to come to Ephrath, and I buried her there on the way to Ephrath (also called Bethlehem)."

8 Işrael såw Joseph's sons, and said, "Who are these?"

9 Joseph said to his fäther, "They are my sons, whom Elohim has given me here."

He said, "Please bring them to me, and I will bless them." 10 Now the eyes of Israel were dim for age, so that he couldn't see well. Joseph brought them near to him; and he kissed them, and embraced them. 11 Israel said to Joseph, "I didn't think I would see your face, and behold, Elohim has let me see your offspring also." 12 Joseph brought them out from between his knees, and he bowed himself with his face to the earth. 13 Joseph took them both, Ephraim in his right hand toward Israel's left hand, and Manasseh in his left hand toward Israel's right hand, and brought them near to him. 14 Israel stretched out his right hand, and Iaid it on Ephraim's head, who was the younger, and his left hand on Manasseh's head, guiding his hands knowingly, for Manasseh was the firstborn. 15 He blessed Joseph, and said,

"The Elohim before whom my fäthers Abraham and Isaac wå/ked, the Elohim who has fed me åll my life long to this day, 16 the angel who has redeemed me from åll evil, bless the lads, and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fäthers Abraham and Isaac. Let them grow into a multitude upon the êarth."

17 When Joseph såw that his fäther laid his right hand on the head of Ephraim, it displeaşed him. He held up his fäther's hand, to remeve it from Eghraim's head to Manasseh's head. 18 Joseph said to his fäther, "Not so, my fäther, for this is the firstborn. Put your right hand on his head."

19 His fäther refuşed, and said, "I know, my son, I know. He ålso will become a people, and he ålso will be great. However, his younger brother will be greater than he, and his offspring will become a multitude of nations." 20 He blessed them that day, saying, "Işrael will bless in you, saying, 'Elohim make you as Ephraim and as Manasseh" He set Ephraim beföre Manasseh. 21 Işrael said to Joseph, "Behold, I am dying, but Elohim will be with you, and bring you again to the land of your fäthers. 22 Moreover I have given to you one portion above your brothers, which I took out of the hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my bow."

Genesis 49

Jacob cålled to his sons, and said: "Gather yourselves together, that I may tell you that which will happen to you in the days to come.

- 2 Assemble yourselves, and hear, you sons of Jacob. Listen to Israel, your fäther.
- 3 "Reuben, you are my fîrstborn, my might, and the beginning of my strength, excelling in dignity, and excelling in power.4 Boiling over like water, you shall not excel, because you went up to your father's bed, then defiled it. He went up to my couch.
- 5 "Simeon and Levi are brothers. Their swords are weapons of violence.6 My soul, don't come into their council. My glory, don't be united to their assembly; for in their anger they killed men. In their self-will they hamstrung cattle.7 Cûrsed be their anger, for it was fierce; and their wräth, for it was cruel. I will divide them in Jacob, and scatter them in Israel.
- 8 "Judah, your brothers will praise you. Your hand will be on the neck of your enemies. Your father's sons will bew down before you. 9 Judah is a lion's cub. From the prey, my son, you have gone up. He stooped down, he crouched as a lion, as a lioness. Who will rouse him up? 10 The scepter will not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, until he comes to whom it belongs. The obedience of the peoples will be to him.11 Binding his foal to the vine, his donkey's colt to the choice vine, he has washed his garments in wine, his robes in the blood of grapes.12 His eyes will be red with wine, his teeth white with milk.
- 13 "Zebulun will dwell at the haven of the sea. He will be for a haven of ships. His border will be on Sidon.
- 14 "Issachar is a strong donkey, lying down between the saddlebags. 15 He såw a resting place, that it was good, the land, that it was pleasant. He bows his shoulder to the bûrden, and becomes a sêrvant doing forced labor.
- 16 "Dan will judge his people, as one of the tribes of Israel. 17 Dan will be a serpent on the trail, an adder in the päth, that bites the horse's heels, so that his rider falls backward. 18 I have waited for your salvation, YAHWEH.

- 19 "A treep will press on Gad, but he will press on **their** heel.
- 20 "Asher's feed will be rich. He will produce royal dainties.
- 21 "Naphtali is a doe set free, who bears beautiful fawns.
- 22 "Joseph is a fruitful vine, a fruitful vine by a spring. His branches run over the wall. 23 The archers have severely grieved him, shot at him, and persecuted him:24 But his bow remained strong. The arms of his hands were made strong, by the hands of the Mighty One of Jacob, (from there is the shepherd, the stone of Israel), 25 even by the Elohim of your father, who will help you, by the Almighty, who will bless you, with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lies below, blessings of the breasts, and of the wemb. 26 The blessings of your father have prevailed above the blessings of your ancestors, above the boundaries of the ancient hills. They will be on the head of Joseph, on the crown of the head of him who is separated from his brothers.

27 "Benjamin is a ravenous wolf. In the morning he will devour the prey. At evening he will divide the plunder."

28 All these are the twelve tribes of Israel, and this is what their father spoke to them, and blessed them. He blessed everyone according to his own blessing. 29 He instructed them, and said to them, "I am to be gathered to my people. Bury me with my fathers in the cave that is in the field of Ephron the Hittite, 30 in the cave that is in the field of Machpelah, which is before Mamre, in the land of Canaan, which Abraham bought with the field from Ephron the Hittite as a burial place. 31 There they buried Abraham and Sarah, his wife. There they buried Isaac and Rebekah, his wife, and there I buried Leah: 32 the field and the cave that is therein, which was purchased from the children of Heth." 33 When Jacob finished charging his sons, he gathered up his feet into the bed, breathed his läst breath, and was gathered to his people.

Genesis 50

Joseph fell on his fäther's façe, wept on him, and kissed him. 2 Joseph commanded his sêrvants, the physicians, to embalm his fäther; and the physicians embä/med Israel. 3 Forty days were used for him, for that is how many the days it takes to embä/m. The Egyptians wept for Israel for seventy days.

4 When the days of weeping for him were past, Joseph spoke to Pharaoh's staff, saying, "If new I have found favor in your eyes, please speak in the ears of , saying, 5 'My father made me swear, saying, "Behold, I am dying. Bury me in my grave which I have dug for myself in the land of Canaan." New therefore, please let me go up and bury my father, and I will come again."

6 said, "Go up, and bury your fäther, just like he made you swear."

7 Joseph went up to bury his fäther; and with him went up åll the sêrvants of Pharaoh, the elders of his house, åll the elders of the land of Egypt, 8 all the house of Joseph, his brothers, and his fäther's house. Only their little ones, their flocks, and their hêrds, they left in the land of Goshen. 9 Both chariots and horsemen went up with him. It was a very great company. 10 They came to the threshing floor of Atad, which is beyond the Jordan, and there they lamented with a very great and severe lamentation. He mourned for his fäther seven days. 11 When the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, saw the mourning in the floor of Atad, they said, "This is a grievous mourning by the Egyptians." Therefore its name was called Abel Mizraim, which is beyond the Jordan. 12 His sons did to him just as he commanded them, 13 for his sons carried him into the land of Canaan, and buried him in the cave of the field of Machpelah, which Abraham bought with the field, as a possession for a burial site, from Ephron the Hittite, near Mamre. 14 Joseph returned into Egypt—he, and his brothers, and all that went up with him to bury his fäther, äfter he had buried his fäther.

15 When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us, and will fully pay us back for all the evil which we did to him." 16 They sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father commanded before he died, saying, 17 'You shall tell Joseph, "New please forgive the disobedience of your brothers, and their sin, because they did evil to you." New, please forgive the disobedience of the servants of the Elohim of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. 18 His brothers also went and fell down before his face; and they said, "Behold, we are your servants." 19 Joseph said to them, "Don't be afraid, for am I in the place of Elohim? 20 As for you, you meant evil against me, but Elohim meant it for good, to save many people alive, as is happening today. 21 New therefore don't be afraid. I will provide for you and your little ones." He comforted them, and spoke kindly to them.

22 Joseph lived in **Eg**ypt, he, and his fäther's house. Joseph lived one hundred ten years. 23 Joseph såw Ephraim's children to the third generation. The children ålso of Machir, the son of Manasseh, were born on Joseph's knees. 24 Joseph said to his brothers, "I am dying, but Elohim will surely visit you, and bring you up out of this land to the land which he swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob." 25 Joseph took an oath from the children of Israel, saying, "Elohim will surely visit you, and you shall carry up my bones from here." 26 So Joseph died, being one hundred ten years old, and they embälmed him, and he was put in a coffin in **Eg**ypt.

THE BOOK OF EXODUS

Exodus 1

New these are the names of the sons of Israel, who came into Egypt (every man and his household came with Jacob): 2 Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, 3 Issachar, Zebulun, and Benjamin, 4 Dan and Naphtali, Gad and Asher. 5 All the souls who came out of Jacob's body were seventy souls, and Joseph was in Egypt ålready. 6 Joseph died, as did åll his brothers, and åll that generation. 7 The children of Israel were fruitful, and increased abundantly, and multiplied, and grew exceedingly mighty; and the land was filled with them.

8 New there arose a new king over Egypt, who didn't know Joseph. 9 He said to his people, "Behold, the people of the children of Israel are more and mightier than we. 10 Come, let's deal wisely with them, lest they multiply, and it happen that when any war breaks out, they also join themselves to our enemies and fight against us, and escape out of the land." 11 Therefore they set taskmästers over them to afflict them with their burdens. They built storage cities for Pharaoh: Pithom and Räamses. 12 But the more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied and the more they spread out. They started to dread the children of Israel. 13 The Egyptians ruthlessly made the children of Israel serve, 14 and they made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and in brick, and in all kinds of service in the field, all their service, in which they ruthlessly made them serve.

15 The king of **Eg**ypt spoke to the **He**brew midwive**s**, of whem the name of the one was **Shiph**rah, and the name of the **other** Puah, 16 and he said, "When you perform the duty of a midwife to the **He**brew women, and see **th**em on the birth steel, if it is a son, then you shall kill him; but if it is a daughter, then she shall live." 17 But the midwive**s** feared Elohim, and didn't de what the king of **Eg**ypt commanded them, but saved the baby boys alive. 18 The king of **Eg**ypt called for the midwive**s**, and said to **th**em, "Why have you done **th**is **th**ing and saved the boys alive?"

19 The midwives said to **Pharaoh**, "Because the Hebrew women ären't like the **Eg**yptian women; for **th**ey are vigorous and give bîr**th** before the midwife comes to **th**em."

20 Elohim dealt well with the midwives, and the people multiplied, and grew very mighty. 21 Because the midwives feared Elohim, he gave them families. 22 Pharaoh commanded all his people, saying, "You shall cast every son who is born into the river, and every daughter you shall save alive."

Exodus 2

A man of the house of Levi went and took a daughter of Levi as his wife. 2 The woman conceived and bore a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him three months. 3 When she could no longer hide him, she took a papyrus basket for him, and coated it with tar and with pitch. She put the child

in it, and laid it in the reeds by the river's bank. 4 His sister stood far off, to see what would be done to him. 5 Pharaoh's daughter came down to bathe at the river. Her maidens walked along by the riverside. She saw the basket among the reeds, and sent her servant to get it. 6 She opened it, and saw the child, and behold, the baby cried. She had compassion on him, and said, "This is one of the Hebrews children."

7 Then his sister said to **Pharaoh'ş** dåughter, "**Shoù**/d I go and cåll a nûrse for you from the **He**brew women, **th**at she may nûrse the **chi**ld for you?"

8 Pharaoh'ş dåughter said to her, "Go."

The young woman went and called the child's mother. 9 Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child away, and nurse him for me, and I will give you your wages."

The woman took the **chi**ld, and nûrsed it. 10 The **chi**ld grew, and she brought him to **Pha**raoh'ş dåughter, and he became her son. She named him Moşeş, and said, "Becauşe I drew him out of the water."

11 In **those** days, when Moses had grown up, he went out to his brothers and saw their burdens. He saw an **Eg**yptian striking a Hebrew, one of his brothers. 12 He looked this way and that way, and when he saw that there was no one, he killed the **Eg**yptian, and hid him in the sand.

13 He went out the second day, and behold, two men of the Hebrews were fighting with each other. He said to him who did the wrong, "Why do you strike your fellow?"

14 He said, "Wh● made you a prinçe and a judge over us? D● you plan to kill me, as you killed the **Eg**yptian?"

Moşeş was afraid, and said, "Surely this thing is known." 15 New when Pharaoh hêard this thing, he sought to kill Moşeş. But Moşeş fled from the façe of Pharaoh, and lived in the land of Midian, and he sat dewn by a well.

16 New the priest of Midian had seven dåughters. They came and drew wåter, and filled the troughs to wåter their fäther's flock. 17 The shepherds came and drove them away; but Moses stood up and helped them, and wåtered their flock. 18 When they came to Reuel, their fäther, he said, "Hew is it that you have retûrned so êarly today?"

19 **Th**ey said, "An **Eg**yptian delivered us **o**ut of the hand of the **sh**epherd**s**, and m**o**re**o**ver he drew w**o**ter for us, and w**o**tered the flock."

20 He said to his dåughters, "Where is he? Why is it **th**at you have left the man? Cåll him, **th**at he may **e**at bread."

21 Moşeş was content to dwell with the man. He gave Moşeş Zipporah, his dåughter. 22 She bore a son, and he named him Gêrshom, for he said, "I have lived as a foreigner in a foreign land."

23 In the course of those many days, the king of Egypt died, and the children of Işrael sighed because of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up to Elohim because of the bondage. 24 Elohim heard their groaning, and Elohim remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Işaac, and with Jacob. 25 Elohim saw the children of Işrael, and Elohim was concerned about them.

Exodus 3

New Moşeş was keeping the flock of Jetthro, his fäther-in-låw, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the back of the wilderness, and came to Elohim'ş meuntain, to Horeb. 2 YAHWEH'S angel appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the middle of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed. 3 Moşeş said, "I will go now, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burned."

4 When YAHWEH saw that he came over to see, Elohim called to him out of the middle of the bush, and said, "Moses! Moses!"

He said, "Here I am."

5 He said, "Don't come close. Take off your sandals, for the place you are standing on is holy ground." 6 Moreover he said, "I am the Elohim of your father, the Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Isaac, and the Elohim of Jacob."

Moşeş hid his façe becauşe he was afraid to look at Elohim.

7 YAHWEH said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. 8 I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and lärge land, to a land flowing with milk and honey; to the place of the Canaanite, the Hittite, the Amorite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite. 9 Now, behold, the cry of the children of Israel has come to me. Moreover I have seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. 10 Come now therefore, and I will send you to Pharaoh, that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt."

11 Moşeş said to Elohim, "Who am I, that I shoù/d go to Pharaoh, and that I shoù/d bring the children of Işrael out of Egypt?"

12 He said, "çêrtainly I will be with you. This will be the token to you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall sêrve Elohim on this mountain."

13 Moşeş said to Elohim, "Behold, when I come to the **ch**ildren of Işrael, and tell **th**em, 'The Elohim of your fäthers has sent me to you, and **th**ey äsk me, 'What is his name? what **shou**/d I tell **th**em?"

14 Elohim said to Moşeş, "I AM who I AM," and he said, "You shall tell the children of Işrael this: I AM haş sent me to you." 15 Elohim said môreover to Moşeş, "You

shall tell the children of Işrael this, YAHWEH, the Elohim of your fathers, the Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Isaac, and the Elohim of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is my name forever, and this is my memorial to all generations. 16 Go and gather the elders of Israel together, and tell them, 'YAHWEH, the Elohim of your fäthers, the Elohim of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, has appeared to me, saying, "I have surely visited you, and seen that which is done to you in Egypt. 17 I have said, I will bring you up out of the affliction of **Eg**ypt to the land of the Canaanite, the Hittite, the Amorite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite, to a land flowing with milk and honey." 18 They will listen to your voice. You shall come, you and the elders of Israel, to the king of Egypt, and you shall tell him, 'YAHWEH, the Elohim of the Hebrews, has met with us. Now please let us go three days' joûrney into the wilderness, that we may sacrifice to YAHWEH, our Elohim. 19 I know that the king of **Eg**ypt won't give you pêrmission to go, no, not by a mighty hand. 20 l will reach out my hand and strike Egypt with all my wonders which I will do among them, and after that he will let you go. 21 I will give this people favor in the sight of the **Eg**yptians, and it will happen **th**at when you go, you shall not go empty-handed. 22 But every woman shall ask of her neighbor, and of her who visits her house, jewels of silver, jewels of gold, and clothing. You shall put them on your sons, and on your daughters. You shall plunder the Egyptians."

Exodus 4

Moşeş answered, "But, behold, they will not believe me, nor listen to my voice; for they will say, 'YAHWEH has not appeared to you."

2 YAHWEH said to him, "What is **th**at in your hand?"

He said, "A rod."

3 He said, "throw it on the ground."

He **th**rew it on the ground, and it became a snake; and Moses ran away from it.

4 Yahweh said to Moşeş, "Stretch out your hand, and take it by the tail."

He stretched out his hand, and took hold of it, and it became a rod in his hand.

5 "This is so that they may believe that YAHWEH, the Elohim of their fäthers, the Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Isaac, and the Elohim of Jacob, has appeared to you." 6 YAHWEH said fürthermore to him, "New put your hand inside your cloak."

He put his hand inside his cloak, and when he took it out, behold, his hand was leprous, as white as snow.

7 He said, "Put your hand inside your cloak again."

He pùt his hand inside his cloak again, and when he took it out of his cloak, behold, it had tûrned again as his other flesh.

- 8 "It will happen, if **th**ey will not believe you or listen to the voiçe of the first sign, **th**at **th**ey will believe the voiçe of the latter sign. 9 It will happen, if **th**ey will not believe even **theş**e two signs or listen to your voiçe, **th**at you **sh**all take of the water of the river, and pour it on the dry land. The water which you take out of the river will become blood on the dry land."
- 10 Moşeş said to YAHWEH, "O Mäster, I am not eloquent, neither before now, nor since you have spoken to your servant; for I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue."
- 11 YAHWEH said to him, "Who made man's mouth? Or who makes one mute, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Isn't it I, YAHWEH? 12 Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth, and teach you what you shall speak."
- 13 Moşeş said, "Oh, Mäster, pleaşe send someone else."
- 14 YAHWEH'S anger bûrned against Moşeş, and he said, "What about Aaron, your brother, the Levite? I know that he can speak well. also, behold, he is coming out to meet you. When he sees you, he will be glad in his heart. 15 You shall speak to him, and put the words in his mouth. I will be with your mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what you shall do. 16 He will be your spokesman to the people. It will happen that he will be to you a mouth, and you will be to him as Elohim. 17 You shall take this rod in your hand, with which you shall do the signs."
- 18 Moşeş went and retûrned to Jethro his fäther-in-låw, and said to him, "Pleaşe let me go and retûrn to my brothers who are in Egypt, and see whether they are still alive."

Je**th**ro said to Moşeş, "Go in peaçe."

- 19 YAHWEH said to Moşeş in Midian, "Go, retûrn into **Eg**ypt; for **å**ll the men whe sought your life are dead."
- 20 Moşeş töök his wife and his sonş, and set them on a donkey, and he retûrned to the land of Egypt. Moşeş töök Elohim'ş rod in his hand. 21 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "When you go back into Egypt, see that you do befôre Pharaoh åll the wonderş which I have put in your hand, but I will härden his heärt and he will not let the people go. 22 You shall tell Pharaoh, 'YAHWEH sayş, Işrael is my son, my fîrstbôrn, 23 and I have said to you, "Let my son go, that he may sêrve me;" and you have refuşed to let him go. Behold, I will kill your fîrstbôrn son."
- 24 On the way at a lodging place, YAHWEH met Moşeş and wanted to kill him. 25 Then Zipporah took a flint, and cut off the foreskin of her son, and cast it at his feet; and she said, "Surely you are a bridegreem of blood to me."
- 26 So he let him alone. **Th**en she said, "You are a bridegreem of blood," becauşe of the cîrcumçişion.
- 27 YAHWEH said to Aaron, "Go into the wilderness to meet Moses."

He went, and met him on Elohim's mountain, and kissed him. 28 Moses told Aaron all YAHWEH'S words with which he had sent him, and all the signs with which he had instructed him. 29 Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the children of Israel. 30 Aaron spoke all the words which YAHWEH had spoken to Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the people. 31 The people believed, and when they heard that YAHWEH had visited the children of Israel, and that he had seen their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshiped.

Exodus 5

Afterward Moses and Aaron came, and said to Pharaoh, "This is what YAHWEH, the Elohim of Israel, says, Let my people go, that they may hold a feast to me in the wilderness."

- 2 **Pharao**h said, "Whe is YAHWEH, **th**at I **sh**où/d listen to his voiçe to let Işrael go? I don't know YAHWEH, and môreover I will not let Işrael go."
- 3 **Th**ey said, "The Elohim of the Hebrews has met with us. Please let us go three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to YAHWEH, our Elohim, lest he fall on us with pestilence, or with the sword."
- 4 The king of **Eg**ypt said to **th**em, "Why de you, Moşeş and Aaron, take the people from **th**eir work? Get back to your burdens!" 5 **Pharaoh** said, "Behold, the people of the land are new many, and you make them rest from **th**eir burdens." 6 The same day **Pharaoh** commanded the taskmasters of the people and **th**eir officers, saying, 7 "You shall no longer give the people stråw to make brick, as before. Let them go and gather stråw for **th**emselves. 8 You shall require from them the number of the bricks which they made before. You shall not diminish anything of it, for they are idle. Therefore they cry, saying, Let's go and sacrifice to our Elohim. 9 Let heavier work be laid on the men, that they may labor in it. Don't let them pay any attention to lying words."
- 10 The täskmästers of the people went out with their officers, and they spoke to the people, saying, "This is what Pharaoh says: I will not give you stråw. 11 Go yourselves, get stråw where you can find it, for nothing of your work shall be diminished." 12 So the people were scattered abroad throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble for stråw. 13 The täskmästers were ûrgent saying, "Fülfill your work quota daily, as when there was stråw!" 14 The officers of the children of Israel, when Pharaoh's täskmästers had set over them, were beaten, and were äsked, "Why haven't you fülfilled your quota both yesterday and today, in making brick as before?"
- 15 **Then** the officers of the **children** of Israel came and cried to **Pharao**h, saying, "Why do you deal **this** way with your servants? 16 No straw is given to your servants, and **they** tell us, 'Make brick! and behold, your servants are beaten; but the fault is in your own people."

- 17 But **Pharao**h said, "You are idle! You are idle! **Therefore** you say, Let's go and sacrifice to YAHWEH. 18 Go **therefore** now, and work; for no straw shall be given to you; yet you shall deliver the same number of bricks!"
- 19 The officers of the **children** of Israel saw **that they** were in trouble when it was said, "You shall not diminish anything from your daily quota of bricks!"
- 20 They met Moşeş and Aaron, who stood along the way, as they came out from Pharaoh. 21 They said to them, "May YAHWEH look at you and judge, becauşe you have made us a stench to be abhorred in the eyeş of Pharaoh, and in the eyeş of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to kill us!"
- 22 Moşeş retûrned to YAHWEH, and said, "Mäster, why have you brought trouble on this people? Why is it that you have sent me? 23 For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in your name, he has brought trouble on this people. You have not rescued your people at all!"

Exodus 6

YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "New you shall see what I will de to Pharaoh, for by a strong hand he shall let them go, and by a strong hand he shall drive them out of his land."

2 Elohim spoke to Moşeş, and said to him, "I am YAHWEH. 3 I appeared to Abraham, to Işaac, and to Jacob, as Elohim Almighty; but by my name YAHWEH I was not known to them. 4 I have also established my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their travels, in which they lived as aliens. 5 Moreover I have heard the groaning of the children of Işrael, whom the Egyptians keep in bondage, and I have remembered my covenant. 6 Therefore tell the children of Işrael, I am YAHWEH, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm, and with great judgments. 7 I will take you to myself for a people. I will be your Elohim; and you shall know that I am YAHWEH your Elohim, who brings you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. 8 I will bring you into the land which I swore to give to Abraham, to Işaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it to you for a heritage: I am YAHWEH."

- 9 Moşeş spoke so to the **ch**ildren of Işrael, but **th**ey didn't listen to Moşeş for anguish. of spirit, and for cruel bondage.
- 10 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 11 "Go in, speak to Pharaoh king of Egypt, that he let the children of Işrael go out of his land."
- 12 Moşeş spoke beföre YAHWEH, saying, "Behold, the children of Işrael haven't listened to me. How then shall Pharaoh listen to me, when I have uncircumcişed lips?" 13 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş and to Aaron, and gave them a command to the children of Işrael, and to Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring the children of Işrael out of the land of Egypt.

14 These are the heads of their fathers' houses. The sons of Reuben the firstborn of Işrael: Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Cärmi; these are the families of Reuben. 15 The sons of Simeon: Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanite woman; these are the families of Simeon. 16 These are the names of the sons of Levi according to their generations: Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari; and the years of the life of Levi were one hundred **th**irty-seven years. 17 The sons of Gershon: Libni and Shimei, according to their families. 18 The sons of Kohath: Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel; and the years of the life of Kohath were one hundred thirty-three yearş. 19 The sons of Merari: Mahli and Mushi. These are the families of the Levites according to their generations. 20 Amram took Jochebed his father's sister to himself as wife; and she bore him Aaron and Moşeş. The yearş of the life of Amram were one hundred **th**irty-seven years. 21 The sons of Izhar: Korah, and Zichri. 22 The sons of Uzziel: Mishael, Elzaphan, Ne**ph**eq. and Si**th**ri. 23 Aaron took Eli**sh**eba, the dåughter of Amminadab, the sister of Nah**sh**on, as his wife; and she bore him Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. 24 The sons of Korah: Assir, Elkanah, and Abiasaph; these are the families of the Korahites. 25 Eleazar Aaron's son took one of the daughters of Putiel as his wife; and she bore him Phinehas. These are the heads of the fathers' houses of the Levites according to their families 26 These are that Aaron and Moses to whom YAHWEH said, "Bring out the children of Işrael from the land of Egypt according to their ärmies." 27 These are those who spoke to Pharaon king of Egypt, to bring out the children of Işrael from Egypt. These are that Moses and Aaron.

28 On the day when YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş in the land of **Eg**ypt, 29 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "I am YAHWEH. Tell **Pha**raoh king of **Eg**ypt åll **th**at I tell you."

30 Moses said before YAHWEH, "Behold, I am of uncircumcised lips, and how shall Pharaon listen to me?"

Exodus 7

YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Behold, I have made you as Elohim to Pharaoh; and Aaron your brother shall be your prophet. 2 You shall speak all that I command you; and Aaron your brother shall speak to Pharaoh, that he let the children of Işrael go out of his land. 3 I will härden Pharaoh'ş heärt, and multiply my signş and my wonderş in the land of Egypt. 4 But Pharaoh will not listen to you, so I will lay my hand on Egypt, and bring out my ärmieş, my people the children of Işrael, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments. 5 The Egyptianş shall know that I am YAHWEH when I stretch out my hand on Egypt, and bring the children of Işrael out from among them."

6 Moşeş and Aaron did so. As YAHWEH commanded them, so they did. 7 Moşeş was eighty yearş old, and Aaron eighty-three yearş old, when they spoke to Pharaoh.

8 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş and to Aaron, saying, 9 "When **Pharaoh** speaks to you, saying, 'Perform a miracle! **th**en you **sh**all tell Aaron, 'Take your rod, and cast it down before **Pharaoh**, and it will become a serpent."

10 Moşeş and Aaron went in to **Pharao**h, and **they** did so, as YAHWEH had commanded. Aaron cäst dewn his rod before **Pharao**h and before his servants, and it became a serpent. 11 Then **Pharao**h also called for the wise men and the sorçerers. They also, the magicians of **Eg**ypt, did the same thing with their enchantments. 12 For they each cast dewn their rods, and they became serpents; but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods. 13 **Pharao**h's heart was hardened, and he didn't listen to them, as YAHWEH had spoken.

14 YAHWEH said to Moses, "Pharaoh's heärt is stubborn. He refuses to let the people go. 15 Go to Pharaoh in the morning. Behold, he is going out to the water. You shall stand by the river's bank to meet him. You shall take the rod which was turned to a serpent in your hand. 16 You shall tell him, 'YAHWEH, the Elohim of the Hebrews, has sent me to you, saying, "Let my people go, that they may serve me in the wilderness. Behold, until now you haven't listened." 17 YAHWEH says, "In this you shall know that I am YAHWEH. Behold: I will strike with the rod that is in my hand on the waters which are in the river, and they shall be turned to blood. 18 The fish that are in the river will die and the river will become foul. The Egyptians will loathe to drink water from the river."" 19 YAHWEH said to Moses, "Tell Aaron, 'Take your rod, and stretch out your hand over the waters of Egypt, over their rivers, over their streams, and over their peols, and over all their ponds of water, that they may become blood. There will be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in vessels of wood and in vessels of stone."

20 Moşeş and Aaron did so, as YAHWEH commanded; and he lifted up the rod, and struck the waters that were in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants; and all the waters that were in the river were turned to blood. 21 The fish that were in the river died. The river became foul. The Egyptians couldn't drink water from the river. The blood was throughout all the land of Egypt. 22 The magicians of Egypt did the same thing with their enchantments. So Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he didn't listen to them, as YAHWEH had spoken. 23 Pharaoh turned and went into his house, and he didn't even take this to heart. 24 All the Egyptians dug around the river for water to drink; for they couldn't drink the river water. 25 Seven days were fulfilled, after YAHWEH had struck the river.

Exodus 8

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, "Go in to Pharaoh, and tell him, 'This is what YAHWEH says, "Let my people go, that they may sêrve me. 2 If you refuse to let them go, behold, I will plague all your borders with frogs. 3 The river will swarm with frogs, which will go up and come into your house, and into your bedroom, and on your bed, and into the house of your sêrvants, and on your people, and into your

ovens, and into your kneading troughs. 4 The frogs shall come up both on you, and on your people, and on all your servants." 5 YAHWEH said to Moses, "Tell Aaron, 'Stretch out your hand with your rod over the rivers, over the streams, and over the peols, and cause frogs to come up on the land of Egypt." 6 Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and the frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt. 7 The magicians did the same thing with their enchantments, and brought up frogs on the land of Egypt.

8 Then **Pharaon** called for Moşeş and Aaron, and said, "Entreat YAHWEH, **th**at he take away the frogs from me and from my people; and I will let the people go, that they may sacrifice to YAHWEH."

9 Moşeş said to **Pha**raoh, "I give you the honor of setting the time **th**at I **sh**où/d pray for you, and for your sêrvants, and for your people, **th**at the frogs be destroyed from you and your houses, and remain in the river only."

10 Pharaoh said, "Tomorrow."

Moşeş said, "Let it be according to your word, that you may know that there is no one like YAHWEH our Elohim. 11 The frogs shall depart from you, and from your houses, and from your servants, and from your people. They shall remain in the river only."

12 Moşeş and Aaron went out from Pharaoh, and Moşeş cried to YAHWEH conçerning the frogş which he had brought on Pharaoh. 13 YAHWEH did according to the word of Moşeş, and the frogş died out of the houşeş, out of the courts, and out of the fields. 14 They gathered them together in heaps, and the land stank. 15 But when Pharaoh saw that there was a respite, he härdened his heart, and didn't listen to them, as YAHWEH had spoken.

16 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Tell Aaron, 'Stretch out your rod, and strike the dust of the earth, that it may become lice throughout all the land of Egypt." 17 They did so; and Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and struck the dust of the earth, and there were lice on man, and on animal; all the dust of the earth became lice throughout all the land of Egypt. 18 The magicians tried with their enchantments to produce lice, but they couldn't. There were lice on man, and on animal. 19 Then the magicians said to Pharaoh, "This is Elohim's finger;" but Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he didn't listen to them, as YAHWEH had spoken.

20 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Rişe up êarly in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh; behold, he comes out to the water; and tell him, 'This is what YAHWEH says, "Let my people go, that they may sêrve me. 21 Else, if you will not let my people go, behold, I will send swarms of flies on you, and on your sêrvants, and on your people, and into your houses. The houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms of flies, and also the ground they are on. 22 I will set apart in that day the land of Goshen, in which my people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there, to the end you may know that I am YAHWEH on the êarth. 23 I will put a

divişion between my people and your people. This sign shall happen by tomorrow." 24 YAHWEH did so; and there came grievous swarms of flies into the house of Pharaoh, and into his servants' houses. In all the land of Egypt the land was corrupted by reason of the swarms of flies.

- 25 **Pharao**h cålled for Moşeş and for Aaron, and said, "Go, sacrifice to your Elohim in the land!"
- 26 Moşeş said, "It işn't appropriate to de so; for we shall sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians to YAHWEH our Elohim. Behold, if we sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians before their eyes, won't they stone us? 27 We will go three days' joûrney into the wilderness, and sacrifice to YAHWEH our Elohim, as he shall command us."
- 28 **Pharao**h said, "I will let you go, **th**at you may sacrifi**ç**e to YAHWEH y**ô**ur Elohim in the wilderness, **o**nly you **sh**all not go very f**ä**r away. Pray for me."
- 29 Moşeş said, "Behold, I am going out from you. I will pray to YAHWEH that the swårms of flies may depärt from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people, tomorrow; only don't let Pharaoh deal deceitfully any more in not letting the people go to sacrifice to YAHWEH." 30 Moşeş went out from Pharaoh, and prayed to YAHWEH. 31 YAHWEH did according to the word of Moşeş, and he removed the swårms of flies from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people. There remained not one. 32 Pharaoh härdened his heärt this time ålso, and he didn't let the people go.

Exodus 9

Then YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Go in to Pharaoh, and tell him, 'This is what YAHWEH, the Elohim of the Hebrews, says: "Let my people go, that they may sêrve me. 2 For if you refuse to let them go, and hold them still, 3 behold, YAHWEH'S hand is on your livestock which are in the field, on the horses, on the donkeys, on the camels, on the herds, and on the flocks with a very grievous pestilence. 4 YAHWEH will make a distinction between the livestock of Israel and the livestock of Egypt; and nothing shall die of all that belongs to the children of Israel." 5 YAHWEH appointed a set time, saying, "Tomorrow YAHWEH shall de this thing in the land." 6 YAHWEH did that thing on the next day; and all the livestock of Egypt died, but of the livestock of the children of Israel, not one died. 7 Pharaoh sent, and, behold, there was not so much as one of the livestock of the Israelites dead. But the heärt of Pharaoh was stubborn, and he didn't let the people go.

8 YAHWEH said to Moşeş and to Aaron, "Take handfuls of ashes of the furnace, and let Moşeş sprinkle it toward the sky in the sight of Pharaoh. 9 It shall become small dust over all the land of Egypt, and shall be boils and blisters breaking out on man and on animal, throughout all the land of Egypt."

10 **Th**ey took ashes of the fûrnaçe, and stood before **Pharao**h; and Moses sprinkled it up toward the sky; and it became boils and blisters breaking out on man and on animal. 11 The magicians couldn't stand before Moses because of the boils; for the boils were on the magicians and on all the **Eg**yptians. 12 YAHWEH härdened the heart of **Pharao**h, and he didn't listen to **th**em, as YAHWEH had spoken to Moses.

13 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Rişe up êarly in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and tell him, 'This is what YAHWEH, the Elohim of the Hebrews, says: "Let my people go, that they may sêrve me. 14 For this time I will send all my plagues against your heart, against your officials, and against your people; that you may know that there is no one like me in all the êarth. 15 For new I would have stretched out my hand, and struck you and your people with pestilence, and you would have been cut off from the êarth; 16 but indeed for this cause I have made you stand: to show you my pewer, and that my name may be declared throughout all the êarth, 17 because you still exalt yourself against my people, that you won't let them go. 18 Behold, tomorrow about this time I will cause it to rain a very grievous hail, such as has not been in Egypt since the day it was founded even until new. 19 New therefore command that all of your livestock and all that you have in the field be brought into shelter. The hail will come down on every man and animal that is found in the field, and işn't brought home, and they will die."

- 20 **Those** whe feared YAHWEH'S word among the servants of **Pharao**h made **their** servants and **their** livestock flee into the houses. 21 Whoever didn't respect YAHWEH'S word left his servants and his livestock in the field.
- 22 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Stretch out your hand toward the sky, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt, on man, and on animal, and on every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt."
- 23 Moses stretched out his rod toward the heavens, and YAHWEH sent thunder and hail; and lightning flashed down to the earth. YAHWEH rained hail on the land of Egypt. 24 So there was very severe hail, and lightning mixed with the hail, such as had not been in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. 25 The hail struck throughout all the land of Egypt all that was in the field, both man and animal; and the hail struck every herb of the field, and broke every tree of the field. 26 Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Işrael were, there was no hail.
- 27 **Pharao**h sent and cålled for Moşeş and Aaron, and said to **th**em, "I have sinned **th**is time. YAHWEH is righteous, and I and my people are wicked 28 Pray to YAHWEH; for **th**ere has been enough of mighty **th**underings and hail. I will let you go, and you shall stay no longer."
- 29 Moşeş said to him, "As seen as I have gone out of the city, I will spread out my hands to YAHWEH. The thunders shall cease, and there will not be any more

hail; that you may know that the **ê**ar**th** is YAHWEH'S. 30 But as for you and your sêrvants, I know that you don't yet fear YAHWEH Elohim."

31 The flax and the bärley were struck, for the bärley had ripened and the flax was bleeming. 32 But the wheat and the spelt were not struck, for they had not grown up. 33 Moşeş went out of the city from Pharaoh, and spread out his hands to YAHWEH; and the thunders and hail ceased, and the rain was not poured on the earth. 34 When Pharaoh såw that the rain and the hail and the thunders had ceased, he sinned yet more, and härdened his heärt, he and his servants. 35 The heärt of Pharaoh was härdened, and he didn't let the children of Işrael go, just as YAHWEH had spoken through Moşeş.

Exodus 10

YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Go in to Pharaoh, for I have härdened his heärt and the heärt of his sêrvants, that I may show these my signs among them; 2 and that you may tell in the hearing of your son, and of your son's son, what things I have done to Egypt, and my signs which I have done among them; that you may know that I am YAHWEH."

3 Moşeş and Aaron went in to Pharaoh, and said to him, "This is what YAHWEH, the Elohim of the Hebrews, says: 'How long will you refuse to humble yourself before me? Let my people go, that they may serve me. 4 Or else, if you refuse to let my people go, behold, tomorrow I will bring locusts into your country, 5 and they shall cover the sûrfaçe of the earth, so that one won't be able to see the earth. They shall eat the residue of that which has escaped, which remains to you from the hail, and shall eat every tree which grows for you out of the field. 6 Your houses shall be filled, and the houses of all your servants, and the houses of all the Egyptians, as neither your fathers nor your fathers' fathers have seen, since the day that they were on the earth to this day." He tûrned, and went out from Pharaoh.

7 **Pharao**h's sêrvants said to him, "How long will **th**is man be a snare to us? Let the men go, **th**at **th**ey may sêrve YAHWEH, **th**eir Elohim. Don't you yet know **th**at **Eg**ypt is destroyed?"

8 Moşeş and Aaron were brought again to **Pharao**h, and he said to **th**em, "Go, sêrve YAHWEH your Elohim; but whe are **those** whe will go?"

9 Moşeş said, "We will go with our young and with our old. We will go with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds; for we must hold a feast to YAHWEH."

10 He said to them, "YAHWEH be with you if I let you go with your little ones! See, evil is clearly before your faces. 11 Not so! Go now you who are men, and serve YAHWEH; for that is what you desire!" Then they were driven out from Pharaoh 's presence.

12 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Stretch out your hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up on the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land, even all that the hail has left." 13 Moses stretched out his rod over the land of Egypt, and YAHWEH brought an east wind on the land all that day, and all night; and when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts. 14 The locusts went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the borders of Egypt. They were very grievous. Before them there were no such locusts as they, nor will there ever be again. 15 For they covered the surface of the whole earth, so that the land was därkened, and they are every herb of the land, and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left. There remained nothing green, either tree or herb of the field, through all the land of Egypt. 16 Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste, and he said, "I have sinned against YAHWEH your Elohim, and against you. 17 New therefore please forgive my sin again, and pray to YAHWEH your Elohim, that he may also take away from me this death."

18 Moşeş went out from **Pharao**h, and prayed to YAHWEH. 19 YAHWEH sent an exceedingly strong west wind, which took up the locusts, and drove them into the Red Sea. **There** remained not one locust in all the borders of **Eg**ypt. 20 But YAHWEH härdened **Pharaoh**'s heart, and he didn't let the children of Israel go.

21 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Stretch out your hand toward the sky, that there may be därkness over the land of Egypt, even därkness which may be felt." 22 Moşeş stretched out his hand toward the sky, and there was a thick därkness in all the land of Egypt for three days. 23 They didn't see one another, and nobody rose from his place for three days; but all the children of Işrael had light in their dwellings.

24 **Pharao**h cålled to Moşeş, and said, "Go, sêrve YAHWEH. Only let your flocks and your hêrdş stay behind. Let your little oneş ålso go with you."

25 Moşeş said, "You must ålso give into our hand sacrifices and bûrnt offerings, that we may sacrifice to YAHWEH our Elohim. 26 Our livestock ålso shall go with us. Not a hoof shall be left behind, for of it we must take to sêrve YAHWEH our Elohim; and we don't know with what we must sêrve YAHWEH, until we come there."

27 But YAHWEH härdened **Pharao**h'ş heärt, and he woùldn't let **th**em go. 28 **Pharao**h said to him, "Get away from me! Be careful to see my façe no môre; for in the day you see my façe you shall die!"

29 Moşeş said, "You have spoken well. I will see your face again no more."

Exodus 11

YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "I will bring yet one more plague on Pharaoh, and on Egypt; äfterwardş he will let you go. When he lets you go, he will surely thrust you out altogether. 2 Speak new in the earş of the people, and let every man ask of his neighbor, and every woman of her neighbor, jewelş of silver, and jewelş of

gold." 3 YAHWEH gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover, the man Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants, and in the sight of the people.

4 Moşeş said, "This is what YAHWEH says: 'About midnight I will go out into the middle of Egypt, 5 and all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sits on his throne, even to the firstborn of the female servant who is behind the mill, and all the firstborn of livestock. 6 There will be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there has not been, nor will be any more. 7 But against any of the children of Israel a dog won't even bark or move its tongue, against man or animal, that you may know that YAHWEH makes a distinction between the Egyptians and Israel. 8 All these servants of yours will come down to me, and bow down themselves to me, saying, "Get out, with all the people who follow you;" and after that I will go out." He went out from Pharaoh in hot anger.

9 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Pharaoh won't listen to you, that my wonderş may be multiplied in the land of Egypt." 10 Moşeş and Aaron did åll theşe wonderş before Pharaoh, but YAHWEH härdened Pharaoh'ş heärt, and he didn't let the children of Işrael go out of his land.

Exodus 12

YAHWEH spoke to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, 2 "This month **sh**all be to you the beginning of months. It **sh**all be the first month of the year to you. 3 Speak to all the congregation of Işrael, saying, On the tenth day of this month, they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household; 4 and if the household is too little for a lamb, then he and his neighbor next to his house shall take one according to the number of the souls. You shall make your count for the lamb according to what everyone can eat. 5 Your lamb shall be without defect, a male a year old. You shall take it from the sheep or from the goats. 6 You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month; and the whole assembly of the congregation of Işrael shall kill it at evening. 7 They shall take some of the blood, and put it on the two door posts and on the lintel, on the houses in which they shall eat it. 8 They shall eat the meat in that night, roasted with fire, with unleavened bread. They shall eat it with bitter hêrbş. 9 Don't eat it raw, nor boiled at all with water, but roasted with fire; with its head, its legs and its inner parts. 10 You shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; but that which remains of it until the morning you shall burn with fire. 11 This is how you shall eat it: with your belt on your waist, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste: it is YAHWEH'S Pässover. 12 For I will go through the land of Egypt in that night, and will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and animal. I will execute judgments against åll the gods of Egypt. I am YAHWEH. 13 The blood shall be to you for a token on the houses where you are. When I see the blood, I will päss over you, and no plague will be on you to destroy you when I strik the land

of **Eg**ypt. 14 **Th**is day **sh**all be a mem**ô**rial for you. Yo**u sh**all **kee**p it as a **fe**ast to YAHWEH. Yo**u sh**all **kee**p it as a **fe**ast **th**ro**u**gh**o**ut y**ô**ur **g**enerati**o**n**ş** by an **ô**rdinan**ç**e forever.

15 "Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread; even the first day you shall put away yeast out of your houses, for whoever eats leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel. 16 In the first day there shall be to you a holy convocation, and in the seventh day a holy convocation; no kind of work shall be done in them, except that which every man must eat, only that may be done by you. 17 You shall observe the feast of unleavened bread; for in this same day I have brought your armies out of the land of Egypt. Therefore you shall observe this day throughout your generations by an ordinance forever. 18 In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at evening, you shall eat unleavened bread, until the twenty first day of the month at evening. 19 There shall be no yeast found in your houses for seven days, for whoever eats that which is leavened, that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he is a foreigner, or one who is born in the land. 20 You shall eat nothing leavened. In all your habitations you shall eat unleavened bread."

21 Then Moşeş cålled for åll the elderş of Işrael, and said to them, "Dråw out, and take lambş according to your families, and kill the Pässover. 22 You shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and strike the lintel and the two door posts with the blood that is in the basin. None of you shall go out of the door of his house until the morning. 23 For YAHWEH will pass through to strike the Egyptians; and when he sees the blood on the lintel, and on the two door posts, YAHWEH will pass over the door, and will not allow the destroyer to come in to your houses to strike you. 24 You shall observe this thing for an ordinance to you and to your sons forever. 25 It shall happen when you have come to the land which YAHWEH will give you, as he has promised, that you shall keep this sêrvice. 26 It will happen, when your children ask you, 'What do you mean by this sêrvice? 27 that you shall say, It is the sacrifice of YAHWEH'S Pässover, who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he struck the Egyptians, and spared our houses."

The people bowed their heads and wôrshiped. 28 The children of Işrael went and did so; as YAHWEH had commanded Moşeş and Aaron, so they did. 29 At midnight, YAHWEH struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sat on his throne to the firstborn of the captive who was in the dungeon, and all the firstborn of livestock. 30 Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt, for there was not a house where there was not one dead. 31 He called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, "Rise up, get out from among my people, both you and the children of Işrael; and go, serve YAHWEH, as you have said! 32 Take both your flocks and your herds, as you have said, and be gone; and bless me also!"

33 The **Eg**yptians were **û**rgent with the people, to send them out of the land in haste, for they said, "We are **å**ll dead men." 34 The people took their dough before it was leavened, their kneading troughs being bound up in their clothes on their shoulders. 35 The children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they asked of the **Eg**yptians jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and clothing. 36 YAHWEH gave the people favor in the sight of the **Eg**yptians, so that they let them have what they asked. They plundered the **Eg**yptians.

37 The children of Işrael traveled from Rameşeş to Succoth, about six hundred thouşand on fööt who were men, in addition to children. 38 A mixed multitude went up ålso with them, with flocks, hêrdş, and even very much livestock. 39 They baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought out of Egypt; for it wasn't leavened, because they were thrust out of Egypt, and couldn't wait, and they had not prepared any food for themselves. 40 Now the time that the children of Işrael lived in Egypt was four hundred thirty years. 41 At the end of four hundred thirty years, to the day, all of YAHWEH'S ärmies went out from the land of Egypt. 42 It is a night to be much obsêrved to YAHWEH for bringing them out from the land of Egypt. This is that night of YAHWEH, to be much obsêrved by all the children of Işrael throughout their generations.

43 YAHWEH said to Moses and Aaron, "This is the ordinance of the Pässover. No foreigner shall eat of it, 44 but every man's servant who is bought for money, when you have circumcised him, then shall he eat of it. 45 A foreigner and a hired servant shall not eat of it. 46 It must be eaten in one house. You shall not carry any of the meat outside of the house. Do not break any of its bones, 47 All the congregation of Israel shall keep it. 48 When a stranger lives as a foreigner with you, and would like to keep the Pässover to YAHWEH, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it. He shall be as one who is born in the land; but no uncircumcised person shall eat of it. 49 One law shall be to him who is born at home, and to the stranger who lives as a foreigner among you."

50 All the children of Israel did so. As YAHWEH commanded Moses and Aaron, so they did. 51 That same day, YAHWEH brought the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt by their ärmies.

Exodus 13

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Sanctify to me åll the firstborn, whatever opens the womb among the children of Işrael, both of man and of animal. It is mine." Moşeş said to the people, "Remember this day, in which you came out of Egypt, out of the house of bondage; for by strength of hand YAHWEH brought you out from this place. No leavened bread shall be eaten. 4 Today you go out in the month Abib. 5 It shall be, when YAHWEH brings you into the land of the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Amorite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite, which he swore to your fäthers to give you, a land flowing with milk and honey, that you shall keep this service in this month. 6 Seven days you shall eat unleavened

bread, and in the seventh day shall be a feast to YAHWEH. 7 Unleavened bread shall be eaten throughout the seven days; and no leavened bread shall be seen with you. No yeast shall be seen with you, within all your borders. 8 You shall tell your son in that day, saying, It is because of that which YAHWEH did for me when I came out of Egypt. 9 It shall be for a sign to you on your hand, and for a memorial between your eyes, that YAHWEH'S law may be in your mouth; for with a strong hand YAHWEH has brought you out of Egypt. 10 You shall therefore keep this ordinance in its season from year to year.

11 "It shall be, when YAHWEH brings you into the land of the Canaanite, as he swore to you and to your fathers, and will give it you, 12 that you shall set apart to YAHWEH all that opens the womb, and every firstborn that comes from an animal which you have. The males shall be YAHWEH'S. 13 Every firstborn of a donkey you shall redeem with a lamb; and if you will not redeem it, then you shall break its neck; and you shall redeem all the firstborn of man among your sons. 14 It shall be, when your son asks you in time to come, saying, 'What is this? that you shall tell him, 'By strength of hand YAHWEH brought us out from Egypt, from the house of bondage. 15 When Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, YAHWEH killed all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man, and the firstborn of livestock. Therefore I sacrifice to YAHWEH all that opens the womb, being males; but all the firstborn of my sons I redeem. 16 It shall be for a sign on your hand, and for symbols between your eyes; for by strength of hand YAHWEH brought us out of Egypt."

17 When Pharaoh had let the people go, Elohim didn't lead them by the way of the land of the Philistines, ålthough that was near; for Elohim said, "Lest perhaps the people change their minds when they see war, and they return to Egypt"; 18 but Elohim led the people around by the way of the wilderness by the Red Sea; and the children of Israel went up ärmed out of the land of Egypt. 19 Moses took the bones of Joseph with him, for he had made the children of Israel swear, saying, "Elohim will surely visit you, and you shall carry up my bones away from here with you." 20 They took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Etham, in the edge of the wilderness. 21 YAHWEH went before them by day in a pillar of cloud, to lead them on their way, and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light, that they might go by day and by night: 22 the pillar of cloud by day, and the pillar of fire by night, didn't depärt from before the people.

Exodus 14

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Speak to the children of Işrael, that they tûrn back and encamp before Pihahiroth, between Migdol and the sea, before Baal Zephon. You shall encamp opposite it by the sea. 3 Pharaoh will say of the children of Işrael, 'They are entangled in the land. The wilderness has shut them in. 4 I will härden Pharaoh's heärt, and he will follow äfter them; and I will get honor

over **Pharao**h, and over **å**ll his **ä**rmi**eş**; and the **Eg**yptian**ş** shall *k*now **th**at I am YAHWEH." **Th**ey did so.

5 The king of **Eg**ypt was told **th**at the **pe**ople had fled; and the heärt of **Pharao**h and of his sêrvants was **change**d towård the **pe**ople, and **th**ey said, "What is **th**is we have done, **th**at we have let Işrael go from sêrving us?" 6 He prepared his chariot, and took his ärmy with him; 7 and he took six hundred **choşen chariots**, and all the **chariots** of **Eg**ypt, with captains over all of **th**em. 8 YAHWEH härdened the heärt of **Pharao**h king of **Eg**ypt, and he pûrsued the **ch**ildren of Işrael; for the **ch**ildren of Işrael went out with a high hand. 9 The **Eg**yptians pûrsued **th**em. all the horses and **ch**ariots of **Pharao**h, his horsemen, and his ärmy overtook **th**em encamping by the sea, beside Pihahiroth, before Baal Zephon.

10 When Pharaoh came near, the children of Işrael lifted up their eyeş, and behold, the Egyptianş were märching äfter them; and they were very afraid. The children of Işrael cried out to YAHWEH. 11 They said to Moşeş, "Becauşe there were no graveş in Egypt, have you taken us away to die in the wilderness? Why have you treated us this way, to bring us out of Egypt? 12 Işn't this the word that we spoke to you in Egypt, saying, 'Leave us alone, that we may sêrve the Egyptianş? For it would have been better for us to sêrve the Egyptianş than to die in the wilderness."

13 Moşeş said to the people, "Don't be afraid. Stand still, and see the salvation of YAHWEH, which he will work for you today; for you will never again see the Egyptians whom you have seen today. 14 YAHWEH will fight for you, and you shall be still."

15 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Why de you cry to me? Speak to the children of Işrael, that they go forward. 16 Lift up your rod, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it. Then the children of Işrael shall go into the middle of the sea on dry ground. 17 Behold, I myself will härden the heärts of the Egyptians, and they will go in äfter them. I will get myself honor over Pharaoh, and over all his ärmies, over his chariots, and over his horsemen. 18 The Egyptians shall know that I am YAHWEH when I have gotten myself honor over Pharaoh, over his chariots, and over his horsemen." 19 The angel of Elohim, who went before the camp of Işrael, moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from before them, and stood behind them. 20 It came between the camp of Egypt and the camp of Işrael. There was the cloud and the därkness, yet it gave light by night. One didn't come near the other all night.

21 Moşeş stretched out his hand over the sea, and YAHWEH căuşed the sea to go back by a strong east wind âll night, and made the sea dry land, and the wâterş were divided. 2 2 The children of Işrael went into the middle of the sea on the dry ground; and the wâterş were a wâll to them on their right hand and on their left. 23 The Egyptianş pûrsued, and went in äfter them into the middle of the sea: âll of Pharaoh's hôrseş, his chariots, and his hôrsemen. 24 In the môrning wâtch, YAHWEH lööked out on the Egyptian ärmy through the pillar of fire and

of cloud, and confuşed the **Eg**yptian ärmy. 25 He took off **their chariot** wheels, and **they** drove **them** heavily; so **that** the **Eg**yptians said, "Let's flee from the façe of Israel, for YAHWEH fights for **them** against the **Eg**yptians!"

26 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the waters may come again on the Egyptians, on their chariots, and on their horsemen." 27 Moşeş stretched out his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it. YAHWEH overthrew the Egyptians in the middle of the sea. 28 The waters returned, and covered the chariots and the horsemen, even all Pharaoh's army that went in after them into the sea. There remained not so much as one of them. 29 But the children of Israel walked on dry land in the middle of the sea, and the waters were a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. 30 Thus YAHWEH saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. 31 Israel saw the great work which YAHWEH did to the Egyptians, and the people feared YAHWEH; and they believed in YAHWEH and in his servant Moses.

Exodus 15

Then Moşeş and the children of Işrael sang this song to YAHWEH, and said,

"I will sing to YAHWEH, for he has triumphed gloriously. He has thrown the horse and his rider into the sea.2 YAH is my strength and song. He has become my salvation. This is my Elohim, and I will praise him; my father's Elohim, and I will exalt him.3 YAHWEH is a man of war. YAHWEH is his name.4 He has cast Pharaoh's chariots and his army into the sea. His chosen captains are sunk in the Red Sea. 5 The dêeps cover them. They went down into the depths like a stone. 6 Your right hand, YAHWEH, is glorious in power. Your right hand, YAHWEH, dasheş the enemy in pieces. 7 In the greatness of your excellency, you overthrow those who rise up against you. You send out your wrath. It consumes them as stubble. 8 With the bläst of your nostrils, the waters were piled up. The floods stood upright as a heap. The deeps were congealed in the heart of the sea.9 The enemy said, I will pûrsue. I will overtake. I will divide the plunder. My desire will be satisfied on them. I will draw my sword. My hand will destroy them. 10 You blew with your wind. The sea covered them. They sank like lead in the mighty wåters.11 Who is like you, YAHWEH, among the gods? Who is like you, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, deing wonders?12 You stretched out your right hand. The **ê**ar**th** sw**å**llowed **th**em.13 "You, in your loving kindness, have led the people that you have redeemed. You have guided them in your strength to your holy habitation.14 The peoples have heard. They tremble. Pangs have taken hold of the inhabitants of Philistia.15 Then the chiefs of Edom were dismayed. Trembling takes hold of the mighty men of Moab. All the inhabitants of Canaan have melted away.16 Terror and dread falls on them. By the greatness of your arm they are as still as a stone, until your people pass over, YAHWEH, until the people you have pûrchased pass over 17 You will bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of

your inheritance, the place, YAHWEH, which you have made for yourself to dwell in; the sanctuary, Mäster, which your hands have established.18 YAHWEH will reign forever and ever."

19 For the horses of **Pharao**h went in with his **ch**ariots and with his horsemen into the sea, and YAHWEH brought back the waters of the sea on them; but the **ch**ildren of Israel walked on dry land in the middle of the sea. 20 Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a tambourine in her hand; and all the women went out after her with tambourines and with dances. 21 Miriam answered them,

"Sing to YAHWEH, for he has trium**ph**ed gloriously. He has **th**rown the horse and his rider into the sea."

22 Moşeş led Işrael onwård from the Red Sea, and they went out into the wilderness of Shur; and they went three days in the wilderness, and found no water. 23 When they came to Marah, they couldn't drink from the waters of Marah, for they were bitter. Therefore its name was called Marah. 24 The people murmured against Moşeş, saying, "What shall we drink?" 25 Then he cried to YAHWEH. YAHWEH showed him a tree, and he threw it into the waters, and the waters were made sweet. There he made a statute and an ordinance for them, and there he tested them. 26 He said, "If you will diligently listen to YAHWEH your Elohim's voice, and will de that which is right in his eyes, and will pay attention to his commandments, and keep all his statute, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have put on the Egyptians; for I am YAHWEH whe heals you."

27 **Th**ey came to Elim, where **th**ere were twelve springs of water and seventy palm trees. **Th**ey encamped **th**ere by the waters.

Exodus 16

They took their journey from Elim, and all the congregation of the children of Işrael came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after their departing out of the land of Egypt. 2 The whole congregation of the children of Işrael murmured against Moşeş and against Aaron in the wilderness; 3 and the children of Işrael said to them, "We wish that we had died by YAHWEH'S hand in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots, when we are our fill of bread, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

4 Then YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Behold, I will rain bread from the sky for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. 5 It shall come to pass on the sixth day, that they shall prepare that which they bring in, and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily."

6 Moşeş and Aaron said to **å**ll the **ch**ildren of Işrael, "At **e**vening, you **sh**all *k*now **th**at YAHWEH has brought you out from the land of **Eg**ypt. 7 In the morning, you **sh**all see YAHWEH'S glory; becauşe he hearş your murmuringş against

YAHWEH. Whe are we, that you mûrmur against us?" 8 Moşeş said, "New YAHWEH will give you meat to eat in the evening, and in the môrning bread to satisfy you, becauşe YAHWEH hearş your mûrmûringş which you mûrmur against him. And whe are we? Your mûrmûringş are not against us, but against YAHWEH." 9 Moşeş said to Aaron, "Tell all the congregation of the children of Işrael, 'Come close to YAHWEH, for he has hêard your mûrmûringş." 10 As Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the children of Işrael, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, YAHWEH'S glory appeared in the cloud. 11 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 12 "I have hêard the mûrmûringş of the children of Işrael. Speak to them, saying, At evening you shall eat meat, and in the môrning you shall be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am YAHWEH your Elohim."

13 In the evening, quail came up and covered the camp; and in the morning the dew lay around the camp. 14 When the dew that lay had gone, behold, on the sûrfaçe of the wilderness was a småll round thing, småll as the frost on the ground. 15 When the children of Işrael saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they didn't know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread which YAHWEH has given you to eat. 16 This is the thing which YAHWEH has commanded: 'Gather of it everyone according to his eating; an omer a head, according to the number of your persons, you shall take it, every man for those who are in his tent." 17 The children of Israel did so, and some gathered more, some less. 18 When they measured it with an omer, he who gathered much had nothing over, and he who gathered little had no lack. They each gathered according to his eating. 19 Moses said to them, "Let no one leave of it until the morning." 20 Notwithstanding they didn't listen to Moses, but some of them left of it until the morning, so it bred worms and became foul; and Moses was angry with them. 21 They gathered it morning by morning, everyone according to his eating. When the sun grew hot, it melted 22 On the sixth day, they gathered twice as much bread, two omers for each one; and all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses. 23 He said to them, "This is that which YAHWEH has spoken, 'Tomorrow is a solemn rest, a holy Sabbath to YAHWEH. Bake that which you want to bake, and boil that which you want to boil; and all that remains over lay up for yourselves to be kept until the morning." 24 They laid it up until the morning, as Moses ordered, and it didn't become foul, and there were no worms in it. 25 Moses said, "Eat that today, for today is a Sabbath to YAHWEH. Today you shall not find it in the field. 26 Six days you shall gather it, but on the seventh day is the Sabbath. In it there shall be none." 27 On the seventh day, some of the people went out to gather, and they found none. 28 YAHWEH said to Moses, "How long do you refuse to keep my commandments and my låws? 29 Behold, because YAHWEH has given you the Sabbath, therefore he gives you on the sixth day the bread of two days. Everyone stay in his place. Let no one go out of his place on the seventh day." 30 So the people rested on the seventh day. 31 The house of Işrael called its name "Manna", and it was like coriander seed, white; and its taste was like wafers with honey. 32 Moses said, "This is the **th**ing

which YAHWEH has commanded, Let an omer-full of it be kept throughout your generations, that they may see the bread with which I fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you out of the land of Egypt." 33 Moses said to Aaron, "Take a pot, and put an omer-full of manna in it, and lay it up before YAHWEH, to be kept throughout your generations." 34 As YAHWEH commanded Moses, so Aaron laid it up before the Testimony, to be kept. 35 The children of Israel ate the manna forty years, until they came to an inhabited land. They are the manna until they came to the borders of the land of Canaan. 36 New an omer is one tenth of an ephah.

Exodus 17

All the congregation of the **children** of **lşrael** traveled from the wilderness of Sin, stärting according to YAHWEH'S commandment, and encamped in Rephidim; but **there** was no water for the people to drink. 2 **Therefore** the people **quarreled** with Moşeş, and said, "Give us water to drink."

Moşeş said to them, "Why de you quarrel with me? Why de you test YAHWEH?"

3 The people were **th**irsty for water **there**; so the people murmured against Moşeş, and said, "Why have you brought us up out of **Eg**ypt, to kill us, our **children**, and our livestock with **th**irst?"

4 Moşeş cried to YAHWEH, saying, "What shall I do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me."

5 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Wå/k on before the people, and take the elderş of Işrael with you, and take the rod in your hand with which you struck the Nile, and go. 6 Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock in Horeb. You shall strike the rock, and water will come out of it, that the people may drink." Moşeş did so in the sight of the elderş of Işrael. 7 He called the name of the place Massah, and Meribah, becauşe the children of Işrael quarreled, and becauşe they tested YAHWEH, saying, "Is YAHWEH among us, or not?"

8 Then Amalek came and fought with Işrael in Rephidim. 9 Moses said to Joshua, "Cheeşe men for us, and go out to fight with Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with Elohim's rod in my hand." 10 So Joshua did as Moşeş had told him, and fought with Amalek; and Moşeş, Aaron, and Hûr went up to the top of the hill. 11 When Moşeş held up his hand, Işrael prevailed. When he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. 12 But Moşeş' handş were heavy; so they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat on it. Aaron and Hûr held up his handş, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side. His handş were steady until sunset. 13 Joshua defeated Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword. 14 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Write this for a memorial in a book, and rehearse it in the earş of Joshua: that I will utterly blot out the memory of Amalek from under the sky." 15 Moşeş built an altar, and called its name "YAHWEH our Banner". 16 He said, "YAH haş sworn: 'YAHWEH will have war with Amalek from generation."

Exodus 18

New Jethro, the priest of Midian, Moşeş' fäther-in-låw, hêard of åll that Elohim had done for Moşeş and for Işrael his people, hew YAHWEH had brought Işrael eut of Egypt. 2 Jethro, Moşeş' fäther-in-låw, reçeived Zipporah, Moşeş' wife, äfter he had sent her away, 3 and her two sons. The name of one son was Gêrshom, for Moşeş said, "I have lived as a foreigner in a foreign land". 4 The name of the other was Eliezer, for he said, "My fäther's Elohim was my help and delivered me from Pharaoh 'ş sword." 5 Jethro, Moşeş' fäther-in-låw, came with Moşeş' sons and his wife to Moşeş into the wilderness where he was encamped, at the Mountain of Elohim. 6 He said to Moşeş, "I, your fäther-in-låw Jethro, have come to you with your wife, and her two sons with her."

7 Moşeş went out to meet his fäther-in-låw, and bowed and kissed him. They äsked each other of their welfare, and they came into the tent. 8 Moşeş told his fäther-in-låw åll that YAHWEH had done to Pharaon and to the Egyptians for Işrael'ş sake, åll the härdships that had come on them on the way, and how YAHWEH delivered them. 9 Jethro rejoiced for åll the göödness which YAHWEH had done to Işrael, in that he had delivered them out of the hand of the Egyptians. 10 Jethro said, "Blessed be YAHWEH, who has delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh; who has delivered the people from under the hand of the Egyptians. 11 Now I know that YAHWEH is greater than åll gods because of the way that they treated people arrogantly." 12 Jethr, Moşeş' fäther-in-låw, töök a bûrnt offering and sacrificeş for Elohim. Aaron came with åll the elders of Işrael, to eat bread with Moşeş' fäther-in-låw beföre Elohim.

13 On the next day, Moşeş sat to judge the people, and the people stood around Moşeş from the morning to the evening. 14 When Moşeş' fäther-in-låw såw åll that he did to the people, he said, "What is this thing that you do for the people? Why do you sit alone, and all the people stand around you from morning to evening?"

15 Moşeş said to his fäther-in-låw, "Becåuşe the people come to me to inquire of Elohim. 16 When they have a matter, they come to me, and I judge between a man and his neighbor, and I make them know the statute of Elohim, and his låwş." 17 Moşeş fäther-in-låw said to him, "The thing that you de is not good. 18 You will surely wear away, both you, and this people that is with you; for the thing is to heavy for you. You are not able to perform it yourself alone. 19 Listen new to my voice. I will give you counsel, and Elohim be with you. You represent the people before Elohim, and bring the causes to Elohim. 20 You shall teach them the statute and the låws, and shall show them the way in which they must walk, and the work that they must de. 21 Moreover you shall provide out of all the people able men which fear Elohim: men of truth, hating unjust gain; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens. 22 Let them

judge the people at all times. It shall be that every great matter they shall bring to you, but every small matter they shall judge themselves. So shall it be easier for you, and they shall share the load with you. 23 If you will de this thing, and Elohim commands you so, then you will be able to endure, and all these people also will go to their place in peace."

24 So Moşeş listened to the voiçe of his fäther-in-låw, and did åll that he had said. 25 Moses choşe able men out of åll Işrael, and made them headş over the people, rulerş of thouşandş, rulerş of hundredş, rulerş of fifties, and rulerş of tens. 26 They judged the people at åll timeş. They brought the härd caseş to Moşeş, but every småll matter they judged themselveş. 27 Moşeş let his fäther-in-låw depärt, and he went his way into his own land.

Exodus 19

In the third month äfter the children of Işrael had gone out of the land of Egypt, on that same day they came into the wilderness of Sinai. 2 When they had depärted from Rephidim, and had come to the wilderness of Sinai, they encamped in the wilderness; and there Işrael encamped before the mountain. 3 Moses went up to Elohim, and YAHWEH called to him out of the mountain, saying, "This is what you shall tell the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Işrael: 4 'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings, and brought you to myself. 5 Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, then you shall be my own possession from among all peoples; for all the earth is mine; 6 and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words which you shall speak to the children of Işrael."

7 Moşeş came and called for the elders of the people, and set before them all these words which YAHWEH commanded him. 8 All the people answered together, and said, "all that YAHWEH has spoken we will de."

Moses reported the words of the people to YAHWEH. 9 Yahweh said to Moses, "Behold, I come to you in a thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with you, and may also believe you forever." Moses told the words of the people to YAHWEH. 10 YAHWEH said to Moses, "Go to the people, and sanctify them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their gärments, 11 and be ready for the third day; for on the third day YAHWEH will come down in the sight of all the people on Mount Sinai. 12 You shall set bounds to the people all around, saying, 'Be careful that you don't go up onto the mountain, or touch its border. Wheever touches the mountain shall be surely put to death. 13 No hand shall touch him, but he shall surely be stoned or shot through; whether it is animal or man, he shall not live. When the trumpet sounds long, they shall come up to the mountain."

14 Moşeş went down from the mountain to the people, and sanctified the people; and they washed their clothes. 15 He said to the people, "Be ready by the third day. Don't have sexual relations with a woman."

16 On the **th**ird day, when it was morning, **there** were **th**unders and lightnings, and a **th**ick cloud on the mountain, and the sound of an exceedingly loud trumpet; and all the people who were in the camp trembled. 17 Moses led the people out of the camp to meet Elohim; and **th**ey stood at the lower part of the mountain. 18 All of Mount Sinai smoked, because YAHWEH descended on it in fire; and its smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mountain quaked greatly. 19 When the sound of the trumpet grew louder and louder, Moses spoke, and Elohim answered him by a voice. 20 YAHWEH came down on Mount Sinai, to the top of the mountain. YAHWEH called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up.

21 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Go down, warn the people, lest they break through to YAHWEH to gaze, and many of them perish. 22 Let the priests also, who come near to YAHWEH, sanctify themselves, lest YAHWEH break out on them."

23 Moşeş said to YAHWEH, "The people cän't come up to Mount Sinai, for you warned us, saying, Set bounds around the mountain, and sanctify it."

24 YAHWEH said to him, "Go down! You shall bring Aaron up with you, but don't let the priests and the people break through to come up to YAHWEH, lest he break out against them."

25 So Moşeş went down to the people, and told them.

Exodus 20

Elohim spoke åll **theş**e wôrdş, saying, 2 "I am YAHWEH your Elohim, who brought you out of the land of **Eg**ypt, out of the house of bondage.

3 "You shall have no other gods before me.

4 "You shall not make for yourselves an idol, nor any image of anything that is in the heavens above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: 5 you shall not bow yourself down to them, nor serve them, for I, YAHWEH your Elohim, am a jealous Elohim, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, on the third and on the fourth generation of those who hate me, 6 and showing loving kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

7 "You shall not misuse the name of YAHWEH your Elohim, for YAHWEH will not hold him guiltless who misuses his name.

8 "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. 9 You shall labor six days, and de all your work, 10 but the seventh day is a Sabbath to YAHWEH your Elohim. You shall not de any work in it, you, nor your son, nor your daughter, your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your livestock, nor your stranger whe is within your gates; 11 for in six days YAHWEH made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day; therefore YAHWEH blessed the Sabbath day, and made it holy.

- 12 "Honor your fäther and your mother, that your days may be long in the land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you.
- 13 "You shall not mûrder.
- 14 "You shall not commit adultery.
- 15 "You shall not steal.
- 16 "You shall not give fålse testimony against your neighbor.
- 17 "You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor's."
- 18 All the people pêrçeived the **th**underings, the lightnings, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking. When the people saw it, **th**ey trembled, and stayed at a distançe. 19 **Th**ey said to Moses, "Speak with us yourself, and we will listen; but don't let Elohim speak with us, lest we die."
- 20 Moşeş said to the people, "Don't be afraid, for Elohim haş come to test you, and that his fear may be before you, that you won't sin." 21 The people stayed at a distance, and Moşeş came near to the thick därkness where Elohim was.
- 22 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "This is what you shall tell the children of Işrael: 'You yourselveş have seen that I have taked with you from heaven. 23 You shall most certainly not make gods of silver or gods of gold for yourselves to be alongside me. 24 You shall make an altar of earth for me, and shall sacrifice on it your burnt offerings and your peace offerings, your sheep and your cattle. In every place where I record my name I will come to you and I will bless you. 25 If you make me an altar of stone, you shall not build it of cut stones; for if you lift up your teel on it, you have polluted it. 26 You shall not go up by steps to my altar, that your nakedness may not be exposed to it.

Exodus 21

"Now these are the ordinances which you shall set before them:

2 "If you buy a Hebrew servant, he shall serve six years, and in the seventh he shall go out free without paying anything. 3 If he comes in by himself, he shall go out by himself. If he is married, then his wife shall go out with him. 4 If his mäster gives him a wife and she bears him sons or dåughters, the wife and her children shall be her mäster's, and he shall go out by himself. 5 But if the servant shall plainly say, I love my mäster, my wife, and my children. I will not go out free; 6 then his mäster shall bring him to Elohim, and shall bring him to the door or to the doorpost, and his mäster shall bore his ear through with an awl, and he shall serve him forever.

7 "If a man sells his dåughter to be a female sêrvant, she shall not go out as the male sêrvants do. 8 If she doesn't please her mäster, who has married her to

himself, then he shall let her be redeemed. He shall have no right to sell her to a foreign people, since he has dealt deceitfully with her. 9 If he marries her to his son, he shall deal with her as a daughter. 10 If he takes another wife to himself, he shall not diminish her feed, her clothing, and her marital rights. 11 If he doesn't de these three things for her, she may go free without paying any money.

- 12 "One who strikes a man so that he dies shall surely be put to death, 13 but not if it is unintentional, but Elohim allows it to happen; then I will appoint you a place where he shall flee. 14 If a man schemes and comes presumptuously on his neighbor to kill him, you shall take him from my altar, that he may die.
- 15 "Anyone whe attacks his father or his mother shall be surely put to death.
- 16 "Anyone whe kidnaps someone and sells him, or if he is found in his hand, he shall surely be put to death.
- 17 "Anyone whe cûrses his fäther or his mother shall surely be put to death.
- 18 "If men quarrel and one strikes the other with a stone, or with his fist, and he doesn't die, but is confined to bed; 19 if he rises again and walks around with his staff, then he who struck him shall be cleared; only he shall pay for the loss of his time, and shall provide for his healing until he is thoroughly healed.
- 20 "If a man strikes his servant or his maid with a rod, and he dies under his hand, the man shall surely be punished. 21 Notwith standing, if his servant gets up after a day or two, he shall not be punished, for the servant is his property.
- 22 "If men fight and hûrt a pregnant woman so **th**at she gives bîr**th** prematurely, and yet no härm follows, he **shall** be surely fined as much as the woman's husband demands and the judges allow. 23 But if any härm follows, **th**en you must take life for life, 24 eye for eye, teeth for teeth, hand for hand, foot for foot, 25 bûrning for bûrning, wound for wound, and bruise for bruise.
- 26 "If a man strikes his servant's eye, or his maid's eye, and destroys it, he shall let him go free for his eye's sake. 27 If he strikes out his male sêrvant's teeth, or his female sêrvant's teeth, he shall let the sêrvant go free for his teeth's sake.
- 28 "If a bull gores a man or a woman to death, the bull shall surely be stoned, and its meat shall not be eaten; but the owner of the bull shall not be held responsible. 29 But if the bull had a habit of goring in the past, and this has been testified to its owner, and he has not kept it in, but it has killed a man or a woman, the bull shall be stoned, and its owner shall also be put to death. 30 If a ransom is imposed on him, then he shall give for the redemption of his life whatever is imposed. 31 Whether it has gored a son or has gored a daughter, according to this judgment it shall be done to him. 32 If the bull gores a male servant or a female servant, thirty shekels of silver shall be given to their master, and the ox shall be stoned.

33 "If a man opens a pit, or if a man digs a pit and doesn't cover it, and a bull or a donkey falls into it, 34 the owner of the pit shall make it good. He shall give money to its owner, and the dead animal shall be his.

35 "If one man's buil injûres another's, so that it dies, then they shall sell the live buil, and divide its price; and they shall also divide the dead animal. 36 Or if it is known that the buil was in the habit of goring in the past, and its owner has not kept it in, he shall surely pay buil for buil, and the dead animal shall be his own.

Exodus 22

"If a man steals an ox or a sheep, and kills it or sells it, he shall pay five oxen for an ox, and four sheep for a sheep. 2 If the thief is found breaking in, and is struck so that he dies, there shall be no guilt of bloodshed for him. 3 If the sun has risen on him, he is guilty of bloodshed. He shall make restitution. If he has nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft. 4 If the stolen property is found in his hand alive, whether it is ox, donkey, or sheep, he shall pay double.

5 "If a man causes a field or vineyard to be eaten by letting his animal leese, and it grazes in another man's field, he shall make restitution from the best of his own field, and from the best of his own vineyard.

6 "If fire breaks out, and catches in thorns so that the shocks of grain, or the standing grain, or the field are consumed; he who kindled the fire shall surely make restitution.

7 "If a man delivers to his neighbor money or stuff to keep, and it is stolen out of the man's house, if the thief is found, he shall pay double. 8 If the thief isn't found, then the mäster of the house shall come near to Elohim, to find out whether or not he has put his hand on his neighbor's goods. 9 For every matter of trespäss, whether it is for ox, for donkey, for sheep, for clothing, or for any kind of lost thing, about which one says, 'This is mine, the chuse of both parties shall come before Elohim. He whom Elohim condemns shall pay double to his neighbor.

10 "If a man delivers to his neighbor a donkey, an ox, a sheep, or any animal to keep, and it dies or is injured, or driven away, no man seeing it; 11 the oath of YAHWEH shall be between them both, he has not put his hand on his neighbor's goods; and its owner shall accept it, and he shall not make restitution. 12 But if it is stolen from him, the one who stole shall make restitution to its owner. 13 If it is torn in pieces, let him bring it for evidence. He shall not make good that which was torn.

14 "If a man borrows anything of his neighbor's, and it is injured, or dies, its owner not being with it, he shall surely make restitution. 15 If its owner is with it, he shall not make it good. If it is a leased thing, it came for its lease. 16 "If a man entices a virgin who isn't pledged to be married, and lies with her, he shall surely pay a downy for her to be his wife. 17 If her fäther utterly refuses to give her to him, he shall pay money according to the downy of virgins.

- 18 "You shall not allow a sorçeress to live.
- 19 "Wheever has sex with an animal shall surely be put to death.
- 20 "He who sacrifices to any god, except to YAHWEH only, shall be utterly destroyed.
- 21 "You shall not wrong an alien or oppress him, for you were alienş in the land of Egypt.
- 22 "You shall not take advantage of any widow or fätherless child. 23 If you take advantage of them at all, and they cry at all to me, I will surely hear their cry; 24 and my wräth will grow hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows, and your children fätherless.
- 25 "If you lend money to any of my people with you who is poor, you shall not be to him as a creditor. You shall not charge him interest. 26 If you take your neighbor's garment as collateral, you shall restore it to him before the sun goes down, 27 for that is his only covering, it is his garment for his skin. What would he sleep in? It will happen, when he cries to me, that I will hear, for I am gracious.
- 28 "You shall not blaspheme Elohim, nor cûrse a ruler of your people.
- 29 "You shall not delay to offer from your härvest and from the outflow of your presses.
- "You shall give the firstborn of your sons to me. 30 You shall do likewise with your cattle and with your sheep. It shall be with its mother seven days, then on the eighth day you shall give it to me.
- 31 "You shall be holy men to me, therefore you shall not eat any meat that is torn by animals in the field. You shall cast it to the dogs.

Exodus 23

- "You shall not spread a fålse report. Don't join your hand with the wicked to be a maliçious witness.
- 2 "You shall not follow a crowd to de evil. You shall not testify in court to side with a multitude to pervert justice. 3 You shall not favor a poor man in his cause.
- 4 "If you meet your enemy's ox or his donkey going astray, you shall surely bring it back to him again. 5 If you see the donkey of him who hates you fallen down under his burden, don't leave him. You shall surely help him with it.
- 6 "You shall not deny justice to your poor people in their lawsuits.
- 7 "Keep fär from a fålse chärge, and don't kill the innocent and righteous; for l will not justify the wicked.
- 8 "You shall take no bribe, for a bribe blinds those who have sight and perverts the words of the righteous.

9 "You shall not oppress an alien, for you know the heart of an alien, since you were alien, in the land of **Eg**ypt.

10 "For six years you shall sow your land, and shall gather in its increase, 11 but the seventh year you shall let it rest and lie fallow, that the poor of your people may eat; and what they leave the animal of the field shall eat. In the same way, you shall deal with your vineyard and with your olive grove.

12 "Six days you shall de your work, and on the seventh day you shall rest, that your ox and your donkey may have rest, and the son of your servant, and the alien may be refreshed. 13 "Be careful to de all things that I have said to you; and don't invoke the name of other gods or even let them be heard out of your mouth.

14 "You shall obşêrve a feast to me three times a year. 15 You shall obşêrve the feast of unleavened bread. Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, as I commanded you, at the time appointed in the month Abib (for in it you came out of Egypt), and no one shall appear before me empty. 16 And the feast of härvest, the first fruits of your labors, which you sow in the field; and the feast of ingathering, at the end of the year, when you gather in your labors out of the field. 17 Three times in the year all your males shall appear before the Mäster YAHWEH.

18 "You shall not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leavened bread. The fat of my feast shall not remain âll night until the morning.

19 You **sh**all bring the first of the first fruits of your ground into the house of YAHWEH your Elohim.

"You shall not boil a young goat in its mother's milk.

20 "Behold, I send an angel before you, to keep you by the way, and to bring you into the place which I have prepared. 21 Pay attention to him, and listen to his voice. Don't provoke him, for he will not pardon your disobedience, for my name is in him. 22 But if you indeed listen to his voice, and de all that I speak, then I will be an enemy to your enemies, and an adversary to your adversaries. 23 For my angel shall go before you, and bring you in to the Amorite, the Hittite, the Perizzite, the Canaanite, the Hivite, and the Jebuşite; and I will cut them off. 24 You shall not bew dewn to their gods, nor serve them, nor follow their practices, but you shall utterly overthrow them and demolish their pillars. 25 You shall serve YAHWEH your Elohim, and he will bless your bread and your water, and I will take sickness away from among you. 26 No one will miscarry or be barren in your land. I will fulfill the number of your days. 27 I will send my terror before you, and will confuse all the people to whom you come, and I will make all your enemies tûrn their backs to you. 28 I will send the hornet before you, which will drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before you. 29 I will not drive them out from before you in one year, lest the land become desolate, and the animals of the field multiply against you. 30 Little by little I will drive them out from before you, until you have increased and inherit the land. 31 l will set your border from the Red

Sea even to the sea of the Philistines, and from the wilderness to the River; for I will deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hand, and you shall drive them out before you. 32 You shall make no covenant with them, nor with their gods. 33 They shall not dwell in your land, lest they make you sin against me, for if you serve their gods, it will surely be a snare to you."

Exodus 24

He said to Moşeş, "Come up to YAHWEH, you, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Işrael; and wôrship from a distançe. 2 Moşeş alone shall come near to YAHWEH, but they shall not come near. The people shall not go up with him."

- 3 Moşeş came and told the people all YAHWEH'S words, and all the ordinances; and all the people answered with one voice, and said, "all the words which YAHWEH has spoken will we do."
- 4 Moşeş wrote åll YAHWEH'S wordş, then roşe up êarly in the morning and built an altar at the base of the mountain, with twelve pillarş for the twelve tribeş of Işrael. 5 He sent young men of the children of Işrael, who offered bûrnt offeringş and sacrificed peace offeringş of cattle to YAHWEH. 6 Moşeş took hälf of the blood and put it in basinş, and hälf of the blood he sprinkled on the altar. 7 He took the book of the covenant and read it in the hearing of the people, and they said, "We will de all that YAHWEH has said, and be obedient."
- 8 Moşeş töök the blööd, and sprinkled it on the people, and said, "Löök, this is the blööd of the covenant, which YAHWEH has made with you conçêrning all these words."
- 9 **Th**en Moşeş, Aaron, Nadab, Abihu, and seventy of the elderş of Işrael went up. 10 **Th**ey saw the Elohim of Işrael. Under his feet was like a paved work of sapphire stone, like the skieş for clearness. 11 He didn't lay his hand on the nobleş of the children of Işrael. **Th**ey saw Elohim, and ate and drank.
- 12 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Come up to me on the mountain, and stay here, and I will give you the stone tablets with the law and the commands that I have written, that you may teach them."
- 13 Moşeş roşe up with Joshua, his sêrvant, and Moşeş went up onto Elohim'ş Mountain. 14 He said to the elderş, "Wait here for us, until we come again to you. Behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Wheever is involved in a dispute can go to them."
- 15 Moşeş went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. 16 YAHWEH's glory settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. The seventh day he called to Moşeş out of the middle of the cloud. 17 The appearance of YAHWEH'S glory was like devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the eyes of the children of Israel. 18 Moses entered into the middle of the cloud,

and went up on the mountain; and Moşeş was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

Exodus 25

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Speak to the children of Işrael, that they take an offering for me. From everyone whose heart makes him willing you shall take my offering. 3 This is the offering which you shall take from them: gold, silver, bronze, 4 blue, pûrple, scärlet, fine linen, goats' hair, 5 rams skinş dyed red, sea cow hideş, acaçia wòòd, 6 oil for the light, spiçeş for the anointing oil and for the sweet inçense, 7 onyx stoneş, and stoneş to be set for the ephod and for the breastplate. 8 Let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them. 9 According to all that I show you, the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of all of its fûrniture, even so you shall make it.

10 "They shall make an ark of acaçia wood. Its length shall be two and a haf cubits, its width a cubit and a haif, and a cubit and a haif its height. 11 You shall overlay it with pure gold. You shall overlay it inside and outside, and you shall make a gold molding around it. 12 You shall cast four rings of gold for it, and put them in its four feet. Two rings shall be on the one side of it, and two rings on the other side of it. 13 You shall make poles of acaçia wood, and overlay them with gold. 14 You shall put the poles into the rings on the sides of the ark to carry the ärk. 15 The poles shall be in the rings of the ärk. They shall not be taken from it. 16 You shall put the covenant which I shall give you into the ark. 17 You shall make a mêrçy seat of pure gold. Two and a härf cubits shall be its length, and a cubit and a häff its width. 18 You shall make two cherubim of hammered gold. You shall make them at the two ends of the mêrçy seat. 19 Make one cherub at the one end, and one cherub at the other end. You shall make the cherubim on its two ends of one piece with the mêrcy seat. 20 The cherubim shall spread out their wings upward, covering the mêrçy seat with their wings, with their faces toward one another. The faces of the cherubim shall be toward the mêrcy seat. 21 You shall put the mêrçy seat on top of the ärk, and in the ärk you shall put the covenant that I will give you. 22 There I will meet with you, and I will tell you from above the mêrçy seat, from between the two cherubim which are on the ark of the covenant, åll that I command you for the children of Işrael.

23 "You shall make a table of acaçia wood. Its length shall be two cubits, and its width a cubit, and its height one and a härf cubits. 24 You shall overlay it with pure gold, and make a gold molding around it. 25 You shall make a rim of a hand width around it. You shall make a golden molding on its rim around it. 26 You shall make four rings of gold for it, and put the rings in the four corners that are on its four feet. 27 The rings shall be close to the rim, for places for the poles to carry the table. 28 You shall make the poles of acacia wood, and overlay them with gold, that the table may be carried with them. 29 You shall make its dishes, its speens, its ladles, and its bowls with which to pour out offerings. You shall make them of pure gold. 30 You shall set bread of the presence on the table before me always.

31 "You shall make a lamp stand of pure gold. The lamp stand shall be made of hammered work. Its base, its shaft, its cups, its buds, and its flowers shall be of one piece with it. 32 There shall be six branches going out of its sides: three branches of the lamp stand out of its one side, and three branches of the lamp stand out of its other side; 33 three cups made like a/mond blossoms in one branch, a bud and a flower; and three cups made like \(\bar{a}\)/mond blossoms in the **other** branch, a bud and a flower, so for the six branches going out of the lamp stand; 34 and in the lamp stand four cups made like \(\bar{a}\)/mond blossoms, its buds and its flowers; 35 and a bud under two branches of one piece with it, and a bud under two branches of one piece with it, and a bud under two branches of one piece with it, for the six branches going out of the lamp stand. 36 Their buds and their branches shall be of one piece with it, all of it one beaten work of pure gold. 37 You shall make its lamps seven, and they shall light its lamps to give light to the space in front of it. 38 lts snuffers and its snuff dishes shall be of pure gold. 39 It shall be made of a talent of pure gold, with all these accessories. 40 See that you make them after their pattern, which has been shown to you on the mountain.

Exodus 26

"Moreover you shall make the tabernacle with ten cûrtains of fine twined linen, and blue, and pûrple, and scärlet, with cherubim. You shall make them with the work of a skilful workman. 2 The length of each cûrtain shall be twenty-eight cubits, and the width of each cûrtain four cubits: all the cûrtains shall have one measure. 3 Five cûrtains shall be coupled together to one another, and the other five cûrtains shall be coupled to one another. 4 You shall make leeps of blue on the edge of the one cûrtain from the edge in the coupling, and you shall de likewise on the edge of the cûrtain that is outermost in the second coupling. 5 You shall make fifty leeps in the one cûrtain, and you shall make fifty leeps in the edge of the cûrtain that is in the second coupling. The leeps shall be opposite one another. 6 You shall make fifty cläsps of gold, and couple the cûrtains to one another with the cläsps. The tabernacle shall be a unit.

7 "You shall make cûrtains of goats' hair for a covering over the tabernacle. You shall make eleven cûrtains. 8 The length of each cûrtain shall be thirty cubits, and the width of each cûrtain four cubits: the eleven cûrtains shall have one measure. 9 You shall couple five cûrtains by themselves, and six cûrtains by themselves, and shall double over the sixth cûrtain in the forefront of the tent. 10 You shall make fifty leeps on the edge of the one cûrtain that is outermost in the coupling, and fifty leeps on the edge of the cûrtain which is outermost in the second coupling. 11 You shall make fifty cläsps of bronze, and put the cläsps into the leeps, and couple the tent together, that it may be one. 12 The overhanging part that remains of the cûrtains of the tent—the hälf cûrtain that remains—shall hang over the back of the tabernacle. 13 The cubit on the one side and the cubit on the other side, of that which remains in the length of the cûrtains of the tent, shall hang over the sides of the tabernacle on this side and on that side, to cover

it. 14 You **sh**all make a covering for the tent of ramş' skinş d**y**ed red, and a covering of sea cow hides above.

15 "You shall make the boards for the tabernacle of acacia wood, standing upright. 16 Ten cubits shall be the length of a board, and one and a haff cubits the width of each board. 17 There shall be two tenons in each board, joined to one another: thus you shall make for all the boards of the tabernacle. 18 You shall make twenty boards for the tabernacle, for the south side southward. 19 You shall make forty sockets of silver under the twenty boards; two sockets under one board for its two tenons, and two sockets under another board for its two tenons. 20 For the second side of the tabernacle, on the north side, twenty boards, 21 and their forty sockets of silver; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board. 22 For the far side of the tabernacle westward you shall make six boards, 23 You shall make two boards for the corners of the tabernacle in the far side. 24 They shall be double beneath, and in the same way they shall be whole to its top to one ring: thus shall it be for them both; they shall be for the two corners. 25 There shall be eight boards, and their sockets of silver, sixteen sockets; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board.

26 "You shall make bars of acaçia wood: five for the boards of the one side of the tabernacle, 27 and five bars for the boards of the other side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the side of the tabernacle, for the far side westward. 28 The middle bar in the middle of the boards shall pass through from end to end. 29 You shall overlay the boards with gold, and make their rings of gold for places for the bars. You shall overlay the bars with gold. 30 You shall set up the tabernacle according to the way that it was shown to you on the mountain.

31 "You shall make a veil of blue, and pûrple, and scärlet, and fine twined linen, with cherubim. It shall be the wôrk of a skilful wôrkman. 32 You shall hang it on four pillars of acaçia overlaid with gold; their hooks shall be of gold, on four sockets of silver. 33 You shall hang up the veil under the cläsps, and shall bring the ärk of the covenant in there within the veil. The veil shall separate the holy place from the most holy for you. 34 You shall put the mêrçy seat on the ärk of the covenant in the most holy place. 35 You shall set the table outside the veil, and the lamp stand opposite the table on the side of the tabernacle toward the south. You shall put the table on the north side.

36 "You shall make a screen for the door of the tent, of blue, and pûrple, and scärlet, and fine twined linen, the work of the embroiderer. 37 You shall make for the screen five pillars of acaçia, and overlay them with gold. Their hooks shall be of gold. You shall cäst five sockets of bronze for them.

Exodus 27

"You shall make the altar of acaçia wood, five cubits long, and five cubits wide. The altar shall be square. Its height shall be three cubits. 2 You shall make

overlay it with bronze. 3 You shall make its pots to take away its ashes; and its shovels, its basins, its meat hooks, and its fire pans. You shall make all its vessels of bronze. 4 You shall make a grating for it of network of bronze. On the net you shall make four bronze rings in its four corners. 5 You shall put it under the ledge around the altar beneath, that the net may reach halfway up the altar. 6 You shall make poles for the altar, poles of acaçia wood, and overlay them with bronze. 7 Its poles shall be put into the rings, and the poles shall be on the two sides of the altar when carrying it. 8 You shall make it hollow with planks. They shall make it as it has been shown you on the mountain.

9 "You shall make the court of the tabernacle: for the south side southward there shall be hangings for the court of fine twined linen one hundred cubits long for one side. 10 Its pillars shall be twenty, and their sockets twenty, of bronze. The hooks of the pillars and their fillets shall be of silver. 11 Likewise for the length of the north side, there shall be hangings one hundred cubits long, and its pillars twenty, and their sockets twenty, of bronze; the hooks of the pillars, and their fillets, of silver. 12 For the width of the court on the west side shall be hangings of fifty cubits; their pillars ten, and their sockets ten. 13 The width of the court on the east side eastward shall be fifty cubits. 14 The hangings for the one side of the gate shall be fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three. 15 For the other side shall be hangings of fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets **th**ree. 16 For the gate of the court shall be a screen of twenty cubits, of blue, and pûrple, and scärlet, and fine twined linen, the wôrk of the embroiderer; their pillars four, and their sockets four. 17 All the pillars of the court around shall be filleted with silver; their hooks of silver, and their sockets of bronze. 18 The length of the court shall be one hundred cubits, and the width fifty throughout, and the height five cubits, of fine twined linen, and their sockets of bronze. 19 All the instruments of the tabernacle in all its service, and all its pins, and all the pins of the court, **sh**all be of bronze.

20 "You shall command the **ch**ildren of Işrael, **th**at **th**ey bring to you pure olive oil beaten for the light, to chuşe a lamp to bûrn continually. 21 In the Tent of Meeting, outside the veil which is before the covenant, Aaron and his sons shall keep it in order from evening to morning before YAHWEH: it shall be a statute forever throughout their generations on the behälf of the children of Işrael.

Exodus 28

"Bring Aaron your brother, and his sons with him, near to you from among the children of Işrael, that he may minister to me in the priest's office: Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's sons. 2 You shall make holy gärments for Aaron your brother, for glory and for beauty. 3 You shall speak to all whe are wise-heärted, whem I have filled with the spirit of wisdom, that they make Aaron's gärments to sanctify him, that he may minister to me in the priest's office. 4 These are the gärments which they shall make: a breastplate, an ephod, a robe, a fitted tunic, a turban, and a sash. They shall make holy gärments for Aaron your brother

and his sons, that he may minister to me in the priest's office. 5 They shall use the gold, and the blue, and the pûrple, and the scärlet, and the fine linen.

6 "They shall make the ephod of gold, blue, pûrple, scärlet, and fine twined linen, the wôrk of the skilfùl wôrkman. 7 It shall have two shoulder straps joined to the two ends of it, that it may be joined together. 8 The skillfully woven band, which is on it, shall be like its wôrk and of the same piece; of gold, blue, pûrple, scärlet, and fine twined linen. 9 You shall take two onyx stones, and engrave on them the names of the children of Israel. 10 Six of their names on the one stone, and the names of the six that remain on the other stone, in the order of their bîrth. 11 With the work of an engraver in stone, like the engravings of a signet, you shall engrave the two stones, according to the names of the children of Israel. You shall make them to be enclosed in settings of gold. 12 You shall put the two stones on the shoulder straps of the ephod, to be stones of memorial for the children of Israel. Aaron shall bear their names before YAHWEH on his two shoulders for a memorial. 13 You shall make settings of gold, 14 and two chains of pure gold; you shall make them like cords of braided work. You shall put the braided chains on the settings.

15 "You shall make a breastplate of judgment, the work of the skilful workman; like the wôrk of the ephod you shall make it; of gold, of blue, and pûrple, and scärlet, and fine twined linen, you shall make it. 16 lt shall be square and folded double; a span shall be its length, and a span its width. 17 You shall set in it settings of stones, four rows of stones: a row of ruby, topaz, and beryl shall be the first row; 18 and the second row a tûrquoişe, a sapphire, and an emerald; 19 and the **th**ird row a jacin**th**, an agate, and an ame**th**yst; 20 and the fourth row a chrysolite, an onyx, and a jasper. They shall be enclosed in gold in their settings. 21 The stones shall be according to the names of the children of Israel, twelve, according to their names; like the engravings of a signet, everyone according to his name, they shall be for the twelve tribes. 22 You shall make on the breastplate chainş like cordş, of braided work of pure gold. 23 You shall make on the breastplate two rings of gold, and shall put the two rings on the two ends of the breastplate. 24 You shall put the two braided chains of gold in the two rings at the ends of the breastplate. 25 The other two ends of the two braided chains you shall put on the two settings, and put them on the shoulder straps of the ephod in its forepart. 26 You shall make two rings of gold, and you shall put them on the two ends of the breastplate, on its edge, which is toward the side of the ephod inward. 27 You shall make two rings of gold, and shall put them on the two shoulder straps of the ephod underneath, in its forepart, close by its coupling, above the skillfully woven band of the ephod. 28 They shall bind the breastplate by its rings to the rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, that it may be on the skillfully woven band of the ephod, and that the breastplate may not swing out from the ephod. 29 Aaron shall bear the names of the children of Israel in the breastplate of judgment on his heärt, when he goes in to the holy place, for a memorial before YAHWEH continually. 30 You shall put in the breastplate of judgment the Urim and the Thummim; and they shall be on Aaron's heart, when he goes in before

YAHWEH. Aaron **sh**all bear the judgment of the **ch**ildren of **lşra**el on his he**ä**rt bef**ô**re YAHWEH c**o**ntinually.

31 "You shall make the robe of the ephod all of blue. 32 It shall have a hole for the head in the middle of it. It shall have a binding of woven work around its hole, as it were the hole of a coat of mail, that it not be torn. 33 On its hem you shall make pomegranates of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, all around its hem; with bells of gold between and around them: 34 a golden bell and a pomegranate, a golden bell and a pomegranate, around the hem of the robe. 35 It shall be on Aaron to minister: and its sound shall be heard when he goes in to the holy place before YAHWEH, and when he comes out, that he not die.

36 "You shall make a plate of pure gold, and engrave on it, like the engravings of a signet, 'Holy To YAHWEH. 37 You shall put it on a lace of blue, and it shall be on the sath. It shall be on the front of the sash. 38 It shall be on Aaron's forehead, and Aaron shall bear the iniquity of the holy things, which the children of Israel shall make holy in all their holy gifts; and it shall be always on his forehead, that they may be accepted before YAHWEH. 39 You shall weave the tunic with fine linen. You shall make a sash, the work of the embroiderer.

40 "You shall make tunics for Aaron's sons. You shall make sashes for them. You shall make headbands for them, for glory and for beauty. 41 You shall put them on Aaron your brother, and on his sons with him, and shall anoint them, and consecrate them, and sanctify them, that they may minister to me in the priest's office. 42 You shall make them linen pants to cover their naked flesh. They shall reach from the waist even to the thighs. 43 They shall be on Aaron and on his sons, when they go in to the tent of Meeting, or when they come near to the altar to minister in the holy place, that they don't bear iniquity, and die. This shall be a statute forever to him and to his offspring after him.

Exodus 29

"This is the thing that you shall do to them to make them holy, to minister to me in the priest's office: take one young buill and two rams without defect, 2 unleavened bread, unleavened cakes mixed with oil, and unleavened wafers anointed with oil. You shall make them of fine wheat flour. 3 You shall put them into one basket, and bring them in the basket, with the buill and the two rams. 4 You shall bring Aaron and his sons to the door of the tent of Meeting, and shall wash them with water. 5 You shall take the garments, and put on Aaron the tunic, the robe of the ephod, the ephod, and the breastplate, and clothe him with the skillfully woven band of the ephod. 6 You shall set the turban on his head, and put the holy crown on the turban. 7 Then you shall take the anointing oil, and pour it on his head, and anoint him. 8 You shall bring his sons, and bind headbands on them. 9 You shall clothe them with belts, Aaron and his sons, and bind headbands on them. They shall have the priesthood by a perpetual statute. You shall consecrate Aaron and his sons.

10 "You shall bring the bull before the Tent of Meeting; and Aaron and his sons shall lay their hands on the head of the bull. 11 You shall kill the bull before YAHWEH at the door of the tent of Meeting. 12 You shall take of the blood of the bull, and put it on the horns of the altar with your finger; and you shall pour out all the blood at the base of the altar. 13 You shall take all the fat that covers the innards, the cover of the liver, the two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, and burn them on the altar. 14 But the meat of the bull, and its skin, and its dung, you shall burn with fire outside of the camp. It is a sin offering.

15 "You shall also take the one ram, and Aaron and his sons shall lay their hands on the head of the ram. 16 You shall kill the ram, and you shall take its blood, and sprinkle it around on the altar. 17 You shall cut the ram into its pieces, and wash its innards, and its legs, and put them with its pieces, and with its head. 18 You shall burn the whole ram on the altar: it is a burnt offering to YAHWEH; it is a pleasant aroma, an offering made by fire to YAHWEH.

19 "You shall take the other ram, and Aaron and his sons shall lay their hands on the head of the ram. 20 Then you shall kill the ram, and take some of its blood, and put it on the tip of the right ear of Aaron, and on the tip of the right ear of his sons, and on the thumb of their right hand, and on the big toe of their right foot; and sprinkle the blood around on the altar. 21 You shall take of the blood that is on the **a**ltar, and of the anointing oil, and sprinkle it on Aaron, and on his garments, and on his sons, and on the garments of his sons with him: and he shall be made holy, and his gärments, and his sons, and his sons' gärments with him. 22 Also you shall take some of the ram's fat, the fat tail, the fat that covers the innards, the cover of the liver, the two kidneys, the fat that is on them, and the right thigh (for it is a ram of consecration), 23 and one loaf of bread, one cake of oiled bread, and one wafer out of the bäsket of unleavened bread that is before YAHWEH. 24 You shall put all of this in Aaron's hands, and in his sons' hands, and shall wave them for a wave offering before YAHWEH. 25 You shall take them from their hands, and bûrn them on the altar on the bûrnt offering, for a pleasant aroma before YAHWEH: it is an offering made by fire to YAHWEH.

26 "You shall take the breast of Aaron's ram of consecration, and wave it for a wave offering before YAHWEH. It shall be your portion. 27 You shall sanctify the breast of the wave offering and the **thi**gh of the wave offering, which is waved, and which is raised up, of the ram of consecration, even of that which is for Aaron, and of that which is for his sons. 28 It shall be for Aaron and his sons as their portion forever from the children of Israel; for it is a wave offering. It shall be a wave offering from the children of Israel of the sacrifices of their peace offerings, even their wave offering to YAHWEH.

29 "The holy gärments of Aaron shall be for his sons äfter him, to be anointed in them, and to be consecrated in them. 30 Seven days shall the son who is priest in his place put them on, when he comes into the tent of Meeting to minister in the holy place.

31 "You shall take the ram of consecration and boil its meat in a holy place. 32 Aaron and his sons shall eat the meat of the ram, and the bread that is in the bäsket, at the door of the tent of Meeting. 33 They shall eat those things with which atonement was made, to consecrate and sanctify them; but a stranger shall not eat of it, because they are holy. 34 If anything of the meat of the consecration, or of the bread, remains to the morning, then you shall burn the remainder with fire. It shall not be eaten, because it is holy.

35 "You shall do so to Aaron and to his sons, according to all that I have commanded you. You shall consecrate them seven days. 36 Every day you shall offer the built of sin offering for atonement. You shall cleanse the altar when you make atonement for it. You shall anoint it, to sanctify it. 37 Seven days you shall make atonement for the altar, and sanctify it; and the altar shall be most holy. Whatever touches the altar shall be holy.

38 "New this is that which you shall offer on the altar: two lambs a year old day by day continually. 39 The one lamb you shall offer in the morning; and the other lamb you shall offer at evening; 40 and with the one lamb a tenth part of an ephah of fine flour mixed with the fourth part of a hin[b] of beaten oil, and the fourth part of a hin of wine for a drink offering. 41 The other lamb you shall offer at evening, and shall do to it according to the meal offering of the morning and according to its drink offering, for a pleasant aroma, an offering made by fire to YAHWEH. 42 It shall be a continual burnt offering throughout your generations at the door of the tent of Meeting before YAHWEH, where I will meet with you, to speak there to you. 43 There I will meet with the children of Israel; and the place shall be sanctified by my glory. 44 I will sanctify the tent of Meeting and the altar. I will also sanctify Aaron and his sons to minister to me in the priest's office. 45 I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will be their Elohim. 46 They shall know that I am YAHWEH their Elohim, who brought them out of the land of Egypt, that I might dwell among them: I am YAHWEH their Elohim.

Exodus 30

"You shall make an altar to bûrn inçense on. You shall make it of acaçia wòòd. 2 Its length shall be a cubit, and its width a cubit. It shall be square, and its height shall be two cubits. Its horns shall be of one piece with it. 3 You shall overlay it with pure gold, its top, its sides around it, and its horns; and you shall make a gold molding around it. 4 You shall make two golden rings for it under its molding; on its two ribs, on its two sides you shall make them; and they shall be for places for poles with which to bear it. 5 You shall make the poles of acacia wòòd, and overlay them with gold. 6 You shall put it before the veil that is by the ark of the covenant, before the mêrcy seat that is over the covenant, where I will meet with you. 7 Aaron shall bûrn incense of sweet spices on it every morning. When he tends the lamps, he shall bûrn it. 8 When Aaron lights the lamps at evening, he shall bûrn it, a pêrpetual incense before YAHWEH throughout your generations. 9 You shall offer no strange incense on it, nor bûrnt offering, nor meal

offering; and you **sh**all pour no drink offering on it. 10 Aaron **sh**all make atonement on its horns once in the year; with the blood of the sin offering of atonement once in the year he **sh**all make atonement for it **th**roughout your **g**enerations. It is most holy to YAHWEH."

11 YAHWEH spoke to Moses, saying, 12 "When you take a census of the children of Işrael, according to those who are counted among them, then each man shall give a ransom for his soul to YAHWEH when you count them, that there be no plague among them when you count them. 13 They shall give this, everyone who passes over to those who are counted, half a shekel according to the shekel of the sanctuary (the shekel is twenty gerahs); half a shekel for an offering to YAHWEH. 14 Everyone who passes over to those who are counted, from twenty years old and upward, shall give the offering to YAHWEH. 15 The rich shall not give more, and the poor shall not give less, than the half shekel, when they give the offering of YAHWEH, to make atonement for your souls. 16 You shall take the atonement money from the children of Işrael, and shall appoint it for the service of the tent of Meeting; that it may be a memorial for the children of Işrael before YAHWEH, to make atonement for your souls."

17 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 18 "You shall also make a basin of bronze, and its base of bronze, in which to wash. You shall put it between the tent of Meeting and the altar, and you shall put water in it. 19 Aaron and his sons shall wash their hands and their feet in it. 20 When they go into the tent of Meeting, they shall wash with water, that they not die; or when they come near to the altar to minister, to burn an offering made by fire to YAHWEH. 21 So they shall wash their hands and their feet, that they not die. This shall be a statute forever to them, even to him and to his descendants throughout their generations."

22 Moreover YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 23 "ålso take fine spiçes: of liquid myrrh, five hundred shekels; and of fragrant cinnamon häf as much, even two hundred and fifty; and of fragrant cane, two hundred and fifty; 24 and of cassia five hundred, according to the thekel of the sanctuary; and a hin of olive oil. 25 You **sh**all make it into a holy anointing oil, a pêrfume compounded äfter the ärt of the perfumer: it shall be a holy anointing oil. 26 You shall use it to anoint the tent of Meeting, the ark of the covenant, 27 the table and all its articles, the lamp stand and its accessories, the altar of incense, 28 the altar of burnt offering with åll its utensils, and the basin with its base. 29 You shall sanctify them, that they may be most holy. Whatever touches them shall be holy. 30 You shall anoint Aaron and his sons, and sanctify them, that they may minister to me in the priest's office. 31 You shall speak to the children of Işrael, saying, 'This shall be a holy anointing oil to me **th**roughout your generations. 32 lt shall not be poured on man'ş flesh, and de not make any like it, according to its composition. It is holy. It shall be holy to you. 33 Wheever compounds any like it, or wheever puts any of it on a stranger, he shall be cut off from his people." 34 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Take to yourself sweet spices, gum resin, onycha, and galbanum: sweet spices with pure frankinçense. There shall be an equal

weight of each. 35 You shall make incense of it, a perfume after the art of the perfumer, seasoned with salt, pure and holy. 36 You shall be at some of it very small, and put some of it before the covenant in the tent of Meeting, where I will meet with you. It shall be to you most holy. 37 You shall not make this incense, according to its composition, for yourselves: it shall be to you holy for YAHWEH. 38 Wheever shall make any like that, to smell of it, he shall be cut off from his people."

Exodus 31

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Behold, I have cålled by name Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hûr, of the tribe of Judah. 3 I have filled him with the Spirit of Elohim, in wişdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in åll kindş of workmanship, 4 to devişe skilful works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in bronze, 5 and in cutting of stoneş for setting, and in cärving of wood, to work in åll kindş of workmanship. 6 Behold, I myself have appointed with him Oholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan; and in the heärt of åll who are wişe-heärted I have put wişdom, that they may make åll that I have commanded you: 7 the tent of Meeting, the ärk of the covenant, the mêrçy seat that is on it, åll the fürniture of the tent, 8 the table and its vesselş, the pure lamp stand with åll its vesselş, the åltar of inçense, 9 the åltar of bûrnt offering with åll its vesselş, the basin and its base, 10 the finely worked garments—the holy gärments for Aaron the priest, the gärments of his sons to minister in the priest's office— 11 the anointing oil, and the inçense of sweet spiceş for the holy plaçe: according to åll that I have commanded you they shall do."

12 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 13 "Speak ålso to the children of Işrael, saying, 'Most çêrtainly you shall keep my Sabbaths; for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I am YAHWEH who sanctifies you. 14 You shall keep the Sabbath therefore, for it is holy to you. Everyone who profanes it shall surely be put to death; for whoever does any work therein, that soul shall be cut off from among his people. 15 Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest, holy to YAHWEH. Whoever does any work on the Sabbath day shall surely be put to death. 16 Therefore the children of Işrael shall keep the Sabbath, to obsêrve the Sabbath throughout their generations, for a pêrpetual covenant. 17 It is a sign between me and the children of Işrael forever; for in six dayş YAHWEH made heaven and êarth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed."

18 When he fini**sh**ed speaking with him on Mount Sinai, he gave Moşeş the two tablets of the covenant, stone tablets, written with Elohim's finger.

Exodus 32

When the people saw that Moses delayed coming down from the mountain, the people gathered themselves together to Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make us

- godş, which shall go before us; for as for this Moşeş, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we don't know what has become of him."
- 2 Aaron said to **th**em, "Take off the golden rings, which are in the **e**ars of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring **th**em to me."
- 3 All the people took off the golden rings which were in their ears, and brought them to Aaron. 4 He received what they handed him, fashioned it with an engraving tool, and made it a molded carf. Then they said, "These are your gods, Israel, which brought you up out of the land of Egypt."
- 5 When Aaron såw **th**is, he built an **a**ltar before it; and Aaron made a proclamation, and said, "Tomorrow shall be a feast to YAHWEH."
- 6 **Th**ey rose up early on the next day, and offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and to drink, and rose up to play.
- 7 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, "Go, get down; for your people, who you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves! 8 They have turned away quickly out of the way which I commanded them. They have made themselves a molded call, and have worshiped it, and have sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, Israel, which brought you up out of the land of Egypt."
- 9 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "I have seen these people, and behold, they are a stiff-necked people. 10 Now therefore leave me alone, that my wräth may bûrn hot against them, and that I may consume them; and I will make of you a great nation."
- 11 Moşeş begged YAHWEH his Elohim, and said, "YAHWEH, why does your wrath bûrn hot against your people, that you have brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? 12 Why should the Egyptians talk, saying, 'He brought them out for evil, to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the sûrfaçe of the earth? Tûrn from your fierçe wrath, and tûrn away from this evil against your people. 13 Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your sêrvants, to whom you swore by your own self, and said to them, I will multiply your offspring as the stars of the sky, and all this land that I have spoken of I will give to your offspring, and they shall inherit it forever."
- 14 So YAHWEH tûrned away from the evil which he said he would de to his people.
- 15 Moşeş tûrned, and went down from the mountain, with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand; tablets that were written on both their sides. They were written on one side and on the other. 16 The tablets were the work of Elohim, and the writing was the writing of Elohim, engraved on the tablets.
- 17 When Joshua hêard the noişe of the people as they shouted, he said to Moşeş, "There is the noişe of war in the camp."
- 18 He said, "It isn't the voice of **those** who shout for victory. It is not the voice of **those** who cry for being overcome; but the noise of **those** who sing **th**at I

hear." 19 As seen as he came near to the camp, he saw the calf and the dancing. Then Moses' anger grew hot, and he threw the tablets out of his hands, and broke them beneath the mountain. 20 He took the calf which they had made, and burned it with fire, ground it to powder, and scattered it on the water, and made the children of Israel drink it.

- 21 Moşeş said to Aaron, "What did these people do to you, that you have brought a great sin on them?"
- 22 Aaron said, "Don't let the anger of my lord grow hot. You know the people, that they are set on evil. 23 For they said to me, 'Make us gods, which shall go before us. As for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we don't know what has become of him. 24 I said to them, 'Whoever has any gold, let them take it off. So they gave it to me; and I threw it into the fire, and out came this cälf."
- 25 When Moşeş såw that the people were out of control, (for Aaron had let them lese control, causing derision among their enemies), 26 then Moses stood in the gate of the camp, and said, "Wheever is on YAHWEH'S side, come to me!"

All the sons of Levii gathered themselves together to him. 27 He said to them, "YAHWEH, the Elohim of Israel, says, Every man put his sword on his thigh, and go back and forth from gate to gate throughout the camp, and every man kill his brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbor." 28 The sons of Levi did according to the word of Moses. About three thousand men fell of the people that day. 29 Moses said, "Consecrate yourselves today to YAHWEH, for every man was against his son and against his brother, that he may give you a blessing today."

- 30 On the next day, Moşeş said to the people, "You have sinned a great sin. New I will go up to YAHWEH. Perhaps I shall make atonement for your sin."
- 31 Moşeş retûrned to YAHWEH, and said, "Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made themselveş godş of gold. 32 Yet new, if you will, forgive their sin—and if not, please blot me out of your book which you have written."
- 33 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Wheever has sinned against me, I will blot him out of my book. 34 Now go, lead the people to the place of which I have spoken to you. Behold, my angel shall go before you. Nevertheless, in the day when I punish, I will punish them for their sin." 35 YAHWEH struck the people, becauşe of what they did with the cäff, which Aaron made.

Exodus 33

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, "Depärt, go up from here, you and the people that you have brought up out of the land of Egypt, to the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Işaac, and to Jacob, saying, I will give it to your offspring. 2 I will send an angel before you; and I will drive out the Canaanite, the Amorite and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite. 3 Go to a land flowing with milk and

honey; but I will not go up among you, for you are a stiff-necked people, lest I consume you on the way."

4 When the people heard this evil news, they mourned; and no one put on his jewelry.

5 YaAHWEH had said to Moşeş, "Tell the **ch**ildren of Işrael, 'You are a stiff-necked people. If I were to go up among you for one moment, I would consume you. **Therefore** now take off your jewelry from you, **th**at I may know what to do to you."

6 The **children** of **lşrael** strippe**d th**emselve**ş** of **th**eir jewelry from Mount Horeb onwård.

7 New Moşeş used to take the tent and pitch it outside the camp, fär away from the camp, and he cålled it "The tent of Meeting." Everyone who sought YAHWEH went out to the tent of Meeting, which was outside the camp. 8 When Moşeş went out to the tent, åll the people rose up, and stood, everyone at their tent door, and watched Moşeş, until he had gone into the tent. 9 When Moşeş entered into the tent, the pillar of cloud descended, stood at the door of the tent, and YAHWEH spoke with Moşeş. 10 All the people såw the pillar of cloud stand at the door of the tent, and åll the people rose up and worshiped, everyone at their tent door. 11 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş façe to façe, as a man speaks to his friend. He tûrned again into the camp, but his sêrvant Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, didn't depärt from the tent.

12 Moşeş said to YAHWEH, "Behold, you tell me, Bring up **th**is people; and you haven't let me know whom you will send wi**th** me. Yet you have said, I know you by name, and you have **å**lso found favor in my sight. 13 Now **th**erefore, if I have found favor in your sight, please show me your way, now, that I may know you, so **th**at I may find favor in your sight; and Consider **th**at **th**is nation is your people."

14 He said, "My preşençe will go with you, and I will give you rest."

15 Moşeş said to him, "If your preşençe doeşn't go with me, don't carry us up from here. 16 For how would people know that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people? Işn't it that you go with us, so that we are separated, I and your people, from all the people who are on the surfaçe of the earth?"

17 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "I will de this thing also that you have spoken; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name."

18 Moşeş said, "Pleaşe show me your glory."

19 He said, "I will make åll my göödness päss beföre you, and will proclaim YAHWEH'S name beföre you. I will be graçious to whem I will be graçious, and will show mêrçy on whem I will show mêrçy." 20 He said, "You cannot see my façe, for man may not see me and live." 21 YAHWEH ålso said, "Behold, there is a plaçe by me, and you shall stand on the rock. 22 It will happen, while my glöry pässeş by, that I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and will cover you with my hand until I have

pässed by; 23 then I will take away my hand, and you will see my back; but my façe shall not be seen."

Exodus 34

YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Chişel two stone tablets like the first. I will write on the tablets the words that were on the first tablets, which you broke. 2 Be ready by the morning, and come up in the morning to Mount Sinai, and present yourself there to me on the top of the mountain. 3 No one shall come up with you or be seen anywhere on the mountain. Do not let the flocks or herds graze in front of that mountain."

4 He chişeled two tablets of stone like the first; then Moşeş roşe up êarly in the morning, and went up to Mount Sinai, as YAHWEH had commanded him, and took in his hand two stone tablets. 5 YAHWEH descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed YAHWEH'S name. 6 YAHWEH passed by before him, and proclaimed, "YAHWEH! YAHWEH, a morciful and gracious Elohim, slow to anger, and abundant in loving kindness and truth, 7 keeping loving kindness for thousands, forgiving iniquity and disobedience and sin; and who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, and on the children, on the third and on the fourth generation."

8 Moşeş hurried and bowed his head toward the êarth, and wôrshiped. 9 He said, "If now I have found favor in your sight, Mäster, please let the Mäster go among us, even though this is a stiff-necked people; pärdon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for your inheritance."

10 He said, "Behold, I make a covenant: before all your people I will do märvels, such as have not been worked in all the earth, nor in any nation; and all the people among whom you are shall see the work of YAHWEH; for it is an awesome thing that I do with you. 11 Observe that which I command you today. Behold, I will drive out before you the Amorite, the Canaanite, the Hittite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite. 12 Be careful, lest you make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land where you are going, lest it be for a snare among you; 13 but you shall break down their altars, and dash in pieces their pillars, and you shall cut down their Asherah poles; 14 for you shall worship no other god; for YAHWEH, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous Elohim.

15 "Don't make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, lest they play the prostitute after their gods, and sacrifice to their gods, and one call you and you eat of his sacrifice; 16 and you take of their daughters to your sons, and their daughters play the prostitute after their gods, and make your sons play the prostitute after their gods.

17 "You shall make no cäst idolş for yourselveş.

18 "You shall keep the feast of unleavened bread. Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, as I commanded you, at the time appointed in the month Abib; for in the month Abib you came out of Egypt.

19 "åll that openş the wemb is mine; and åll your livestock that is male, the firstborn of cow and sheep. 20 You shall redeem the firstborn of a donkey with a lamb. If you will not redeem it, then you shall break its neck. You shall redeem åll the firstborn of your sons. No one shall appear before me empty.

21 "Six dayş you shall work, but on the seventh day you shall rest: in plewing time and in härvest you shall rest.

22 "You shall obşêrve the feast of weeks with the first fruits of wheat härvest, and the feast of härvest at the year's end. 23 three times in the year åll your males shall appear before the Mäster YAHWEH, the Elohim of Işrael. 24 For I will drive out nations before you and enlärge your borders; neither shall any man desire your land when you go up to appear before YAHWEH, your Elohim, three times in the year.

25 "You shall not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leavened bread. The sacrifice of the feast of the Pässover shall not be left to the morning.

26 "You **sh**all bring the first of the first fruits of your ground to the house of YAHWEH your Elohim.

"You shall not boil a young goat in its mother's milk."

27 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Write these words; for in accordance with these words I have made a covenant with you and with Işrael."

28 He was **there** wi**th** YAHWEH forty days and forty nights; he neither at bread, nor drank water. He wrote on the tablets the words of the covenant, the ten commandments.

29 When Moşeş came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant in Moşeş' hand, when he came down from the mountain, Moşeş didn't know that the skin of his façe shone by reaşon of his speaking with him. 30 When Aaron and all the children of Işrael saw Moşeş, behold, the skin of his façe shone; and they were afraid to come near him. 31 Moşeş called to them, and Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned to him; and Moşeş spoke to them. 32 afterward all the children of Işrael came near, and he gave them all the commandments that YAHWEH had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. 33 When Moşeş was done speaking with them, he put a veil on his façe. 34 But when Moşeş went in before YAHWEH to speak with him, he took the veil off, until he came out; and he came out, and spoke to the children of Işrael that which he was commanded. 35 The children of Işrael saw Moşeş' façe, that the skin of Moşeş' façe shone; so Moşeş put the veil on his façe again, until he went in to speak with him.

Exodus 35

Moşeş assembled **å**ll the congregation of the **ch**ildren of Işrael, and said to **th**em, "**Theş**e are the wordş which YAHWEH haş commanded, **th**at you **sh**où/d de **th**em. 2 'Six dayş **sh**all work be done, but on the seven**th** day **th**ere **sh**all be a holy day for you, a Sabba**th** of solemn rest to YAHWEH: wheever does any work in it

shall be put to death. 3 You shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations on the Sabbath day."

4 Moşeş spoke to all the congregation of the children of Işrael, saying, "This is the thing which YAHWEH commanded, saying, 5 'Take from among you an offering to YAHWEH. Wheever is of a willing heärt, let him bring it as YAHWEH'S offering: gold, silver, bronze, 6 blue, pûrple, scärlet, fine linen, goats' hair, 7 rams skins dyed red, sea cow hides, acaçia wood, 8 oil for the light, spices for the anointing oil and for the sweet incense, 9 onyx stones, and stones to be set for the ephod and for the breastplate.

10 "Let every wise-heärted man among you come, and make all that YAHWEH has commanded: 11 the tabernacle, its outer covering, its reef, its clasps, its boards, its bars, its pillars, and its sockets; 12 the ark, and its poles, the mêrçy seat, the veil of the screen; 13 the table with its poles and all its vessels, and the show bread; 14 the lamp stand also for the light, with its vessels, its lamps, and the oil for the light; 15 and the altar of incense with its poles, the anointing oil, the sweet incense, the screen for the door, at the door of the tabernacle; 16 the altar of board offering, with its grating of bronze, its poles, and all its vessels, the basin and its base; 17 the hangings of the court, its pillars, their sockets, and the screen for the gate of the court; 18 the pins of the tabernacle, the pins of the court, and their cords; 19 the finely worked garments for ministering in the holy place—the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons—to minister in the priest's office."

20 All the congregation of the children of Işrael depärted from the preşençe of Moşeş. 21 They came, everyone where heart stirred him up, and everyone when his spirit made willing, and brought YAHWEH'S offering for the work of the tent of Meeting, and for all of its service, and for the holy garments. 22 They came, both men and women, as many as were willing-heärted, and brooches, earrings, signet rings, and armlets, all jewels of gold; even every man who offered an offering of gold to YAHWEH. 23 Everyone with whom was found blue, purple, scärlet, fine linen, goats' hair, ramş' skinş dyed red, and sea cow hideş, brought them. 24 Everyone who offered an offering of silver and bronze brought YAHWEH'S offering; and everyone with whom was found acaçia wood for any work of the sêrviçe, brought it. 25 All the women who were wise-heärted spun with their hands, and brought that which they had spun: the blue, the purple, the scarlet, and the fine linen. 26 All the women whese heärt stirred them up in wisdom spun the goats' hair. 27 The rulers brought the onyx stones and the stones to be set for the ephod and for the breastplate; 28 with the spice and the oil for the light, for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense. 29 The children of Işrael brought a free will offering to YAHWEH; every man and woman whose heart made them willing to bring for all the wôrk, which YAHWEH had commanded to be made by Moşeş.

30 Moşeş said to the **ch**ildren of Işrael, "Behold, YAHWEH haş cålled b**y** name Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hûr, of the tribe of Judah. 31 He haş filled him wi**th** the Spirit of Elohim, in wişdom, in understanding, in knowledge, and in åll kindş of

wôrkmanship; 32 and to make skilfùl wôrks, to wôrk in gold, in silver, in bronze, 33 in cutting of stones for setting, and in carving of wood, to wôrk in all kinds of skilfùl wôrkmanship. 34 He has pùt in his heart that he may teach, both he and Oholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan. 35 He has filled them with wisdom of heart to wôrk all kinds of wôrkmanship, of the engraver, of the skilfùl wôrkman, and of the embroiderer, in blue, in pûrple, in scarlet, and in fine linen, and of the weaver, even of those who do any wôrkmanship, and of those who make skilfùl wôrks.

Exodus 36

"Bezalel and Oholiab **sh**all work wi**th** every wise-heärted man, in whem YAHWEH has put wisdom and understanding to know how to de all the work for the service of the sanctuary, according to all **th**at YAHWEH has commanded."

2 Moşeş cålled Bezalel and Oholiab, and every wişe-heärted man, in whese heärt YAHWEH had put wişdom, even everyone whese heärt stîrred him up to come to the work to do it. 3 They received from Moşeş åll the offering which the children of Işrael had brought for the work of the sêrvice of the sanctuary, with which to make it. They kept bringing free will offerings to him every morning. 4 All the wise men, who performed åll the work of the sanctuary, each came from his work which he did. 5 They spoke to Moşeş, saying, "The people have brought much more than enough for the sêrvice of the work which YAHWEH commanded to make."

6 Moşeş gave a commandment, and they cauşed it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, "Let neither man nor woman make anything else for the offering for the sanctuary." So the people were restrained from bringing. 7 For the stuff they had was sufficient to de all the work, and tee much.

8 All the wise-heärted men among those who did the work made the tabernacle with ten curtains of fine twined linen, blue, purple, and scärlet. They made them with cherubim, the work of a skilful workman. 9 The length of each curtain was twenty-eight cubits, and the width of each curtain four cubits. All the curtains had one measure. 10 He coupled five curtains to one another, and the other five curtains he coupled to one another. 11 He made loops of blue on the edge of the one curtain from the edge in the coupling. Likewise he made in the edge of the curtain that was sutermost in the second coupling. 12 He made fifty loops in the one curtain, and he made fifty loops in the edge of the curtain that was in the second coupling. The loops were opposite to one another. 13 He made fifty classs of gold, and coupled the curtains to one another with the class: so the tabernacle was a unit.

14 He made cûrtains of goats' hair for a covering over the tabernacle. He made them eleven cûrtains. 15 The length of each cûrtain was thirty cubits, and four cubits the width of each cûrtain. The eleven cûrtains had one measure. 16 He coupled five cûrtains by themselves, and six cûrtains by themselves. 17 He made fifty leeps on the edge of the cûrtain that was outermost in the coupling, and he made fifty leeps on the edge of the cûrtain which was outermost in the second coupling. 18 He made fifty cläsps of bronze to couple the tent together, that it might be

a unit. 19 He made a covering for the tent of rams' skins dyed red, and a covering of sea cow hides above.

20 He made the boards for the tabernacle of acacia wood, standing up. 21 Ten cubits was the length of a board, and a cubit and a half the width of each board. 22 Each board had two tenons, joined to one another. He made all the boards of the tabernacle this way. 23 He made the boards for the tabernacle, twenty boards for the south side southward. 24 He made forty sockets of silver under the twenty boards: two sockets under one board for its two tenons, and two sockets under another board for its two tenons. 25 For the second side of the tabernacle, on the north side, he made twenty boards 26 and their forty sockets of silver: two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board. 27 For the far part of the tabernacle westward he made six boards. 28 He made two boards for the corners of the tabernacle in the far part. 29 They were double beneath, and in the same way they were all the way to its top to one ring. He did this to both of them in the two corners. 30 There were eight boards and their sockets of silver, sixteen sockets—under every board two sockets.

31 He made bärş of acaçia wòod: five for the boards of the one side of the tabernacle, 32 and five bärş for the boards of the other side of the tabernacle, and five bärş for the boards of the tabernacle for the hinder pärt westward. 33 He made the middle bär to päss through in the middle of the boards from the one end to the other. 34 He overlaid the boards with gold, and made their rings of gold as places for the bärş, and overlaid the bärş with gold.

35 He made the veil of blue, pûrple, scärlet, and fine twined linen, with cherubim. He made it the wôrk of a skilful wôrkman. 36 He made four pillars of acaçia for it, and overlaid them with gold. Their hooks were of gold. He cäst four sockets of silver for them. 37 He made a screen for the door of the tent, of blue, pûrple, scärlet, and fine twined linen, the wôrk of an embroiderer; 38 and the five pillars of it with their hooks. He overlaid their capitals and their fillets with gold, and their five sockets were of bronze.

Exodus 37

Bezalel made the ärk of acaçia wòòd. Its length was two and a hälf cubits, and its width a cubit and a hälf, and a cubit and a hälf its height. 2 He overlaid it with pure gold inside and outside, and made a molding of gold for it around it. 3 He cäst four rings of gold for it in its four feet— two rings on its one side, and two rings on its other side. 4 He made poles of acaçia wòòd and overlaid them with gold. 5 He put the poles into the rings on the sides of the ärk, to bear the ärk. 6 He made a mêrçy seat of pure gold. Its length was two and a hälf cubits, and a cubit and a hälf its width. 7 He made two cherubim of gold. He made them of beaten work, at the two ends of the mêrçy seat: 8 one cherub at the one end, and one cherub at the other end. He made the cherubim of one pieçe with the mêrçy seat at its two ends. 9 The cherubim spread out their wings above, covering the mêrçy seat with their wings,

with their façeş towård one another. The façeş of the cherubim were towård the mêrçy seat.

10 He made the table of acaçia wood. Its length was two cubits, and its width was a cubit, and its height was a cubit and a hälf. 11 He overlaid it with pure gold, and made a gold molding around it. 12 He made a border of a hand's width around it, and made a golden molding on its border around it. 13 He cast four rings of gold for it, and put the rings in the four corners that were on its four feet. 14 The rings were close by the border, the places for the poles to carry the table. 15 He made the poles of acaçia wood, and overlaid them with gold, to carry the table. 16 He made the vessels which were on the table, its dishes, its speens, its bowls, and its pitchers with which to pour out, of pure gold.

17 He made the lamp stand of pure gold. He made the lamp stand of beaten wôrk. Its base, its shäft, its cups, its buds, and its flowers were of one piece with it. 18 There were six branches going out of its sides: three branches of the lamp stand out of its one side, and three branches of the lamp stand out of its other side: 19 three cups made like ä/mond blossoms in one branch, a bud and a flower, and three cups made like ä/mond blossoms in the other branch, a bud and a flower; so for the six branches going out of the lamp stand. 20 In the lamp stand were four cups made like ä/mond blossoms, its buds and its flowers; 21 and a bud under two branches of one piece with it, and a bud under two branches of one piece with it, and a bud under two branches of one piece with it, and a bud under two branches of one piece with it. The whole thing was one beaten wôrk of pure gold. 23 He made its seven lamps, and its snuffers, and its snuff dishes, of pure gold. 24 He made it of a talent of pure gold, with åll its vessels.

25 He made the altar of incense of acaçia wood. It was square: its length was a cubit, and its width a cubit. Its height was two cubits. Its horns were of one piece with it. 26 He overlaid it with pure gold: its top, its sides around it, and its horns. He made a gold molding around it. 27 He made two golden rings for it under its molding crown, on its two ribs, on its two sides, for places for poles with which to carry it. 28 He made the poles of acacia wood, and overlaid them with gold. 29 He made the holy anointing oil and the pure incense of sweet spices, after the art of the perfumer.

Exodus 38

He made the altar of bûrnt offering of acaçia wòod. It was square. Its length was five cubits, its width was five cubits, and its height was three cubits. 2 He made its horns on its four corners. Its horns were of one piece with it, and he overlaid it with bronze. 3 He made all the vessels of the altar: the pots, the shovels, the basins, the forks, and the fire pans. He made all its vessels of bronze. 4 He made for the altar a grating of a network of bronze, under the ledge around it beneath, reaching harfway up. 5 He cast four rings for the four corners of bronze grating, to be places for the poles. 6 He made the poles of acaçia wood, and overlaid them with bronze. 7 He

put the poles into the rings on the sides of the altar, with which to carry it. He made it hollow with planks.

8 He made the basin of bronze, and its base of bronze, out of the mirrors of the ministering women who ministered at the door of the tent of Meeting.

9 He made the court: for the south side southward the hangings of the court were of fine twined linen, one hundred cubits; 10 their pillars were twenty, and their sockets twenty, of bronze; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets were of silver. 11 For the north side one hundred cubits, their pillars twenty, and their sockets twenty, of bronze; the hooks of the pillars, and their fillets, of silver. 12 For the west side were hangings of fifty cubits, their pillars ten, and their sockets ten; the hooks of the pillars, and their fillets, of silver. 13 For the east side eastward fifty cubits, 14 the hangings for the one side were fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three; 15 and so for the other side: on this hand and that hand by the gate of the court were hangings of fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three. 16 All the hangings around the court were of fine twined linen. 17 The sockets for the pillars were of bronze. The hooks of the pillars and their fillets were of silver. Their capitals were overlaid with silver. all the pillars of the court had silver bands. 18 The screen for the gate of the court was the work of the embroiderer, of blue, purple, scärlet, and fine twined linen. Twenty cubits was the length, and the height along the width was five cubits, like the hangings of the court. 19 Their pillars were four, and their sockets four, of bronze; their hooks of silver, and the overlaying of their capitals, and **their** fillets, of silver. 20 All the pins of the tabernacle, and around the court, were of bronze.

21 **Thes**e are the amounts of materials used for the tabernacle, even the Tabernacle of the Testimony, as **th**ey were counted, according to the commandment of Moses, for the service of the Levites, by the hand of Ithamar, the son of Aaron the priest. 22 Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hûr, of the tribe of Judah, made åll **th**at YAHWEH commanded Moses. 23 With him was Oholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan, an engraver, and a skilful workman, and an embroiderer in blue, in pûrple, in scärlet, and in fine linen.

24 All the gold that was used for the work in all the work of the sanctuary, even the gold of the offering, was twenty-nine talents and seven hundred thirty shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary. 25 The silver of those who were counted of the congregation was one hundred talents and one thousand seven hundred seventy-five shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary: 26 a beka a head, that is, half a shekel, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, for everyone who passed over to those who were counted, from twenty years old and upward, for six hundred three thousand five hundred fifty men. 27 The one hundred talents of silver were for casting the sockets of the sanctuary and the sockets of the veil: one hundred sockets for the one hundred talents, one talent per socket. 28 From the one thousand seven hundred seventy-five shekels he made hooks for the pillars, overlaid their capitals, and made fillets for them. 29 The bronze of the offering was seventy talents and two thousand four hundred shekels. 30 With this he made the

sockets to the door of the tent of Meeting, the bronze altar, the bronze grating for it, all the vessels of the altar, 31 the sockets around the court, the sockets of the gate of the court, all the pins of the tabernacle, and all the pins around the court.

Exodus 39

Of the blue, pûrple, and scärlet, **th**ey made finely wôrked gärments for ministering in the holy place, and made the holy gärments for Aaron, as YAHWEH commanded Moşeş.

2 He made the **eph**od of gold, blue, pûrple, scärlet, and fine twined linen. 3 **Th**ey beat the gold into **th**in plates, and cut it into wires, to wôrk it in with the blue, the pûrple, the scärlet, and the fine linen, the wôrk of the skilful wôrkman. 4 **Th**ey made **sho**ulder straps for it, joined together. It was joined together at the two ends. 5 The skillfully woven band **th**at was on it, with which to fästen it on, was of the same piece, like its wôrk: of gold, of blue, pûrple, scärlet, and fine twined linen, as YAHWEH commanded Moses.

6 **Th**ey wôrked the onyx stones, enclosed in settings of gold, engraved with the engravings of a signet, according to the names of the children of Israel. 7 He put them on the shoulder straps of the ephod, to be stones of memorial for the children of Israel, as YAHWEH commanded Moses.

8 He made the breastplate, the work of a skilful workman, like the work of the ephod: of gold, of blue, pûrple, scärlet, and fine twined linen. 9 It was square. They made the breastplate double. Its length was a span, and its width a span, being double. 10 They set in it four rows of stones. A row of ruby, topaz, and beryl was the first row; 11 and the second row, a tûrquoişe, a sapphire, and an emerald; 12 and the third row, a jacin**th**, an agate, and an amethyst; 13 and the fourth row, a chrysolite, an onyx, and a jasper. They were enclosed in gold settings. 14 The stones were according to the names of the children of Israel, twelve, according to their names; like the engravings of a signet, everyone according to his name, for the twelve tribes. 15 They made on the breastplate chains like cords, of braided work of pure gold. 16 They made two settings of gold, and two gold rings, and put the two rings on the two ends of the breastplate. 17 They put the two braided chains of gold in the two rings at the ends of the breastplate. 18 The other two ends of the two braided chains they put on the two settings, and put them on the shoulder straps of the ephod, in its front. 19 They made two rings of gold, and put them on the two ends of the breastplate, on its edge, which was toward the side of the ephod inward. 20 They made two more rings of gold, and put them on the two shoulder straps of the ephod underneath, in its front, close by its coupling, above the skillfully woven band of the ephod. 21 They bound the breastplate by its rings to the rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, that it might be on the skillfully woven band of the ephod, and that the breastplate might not come leese from the ephod, as YAHWEH commanded Moses.

22 He made the robe of the **eph**od of woven work, all of blue. 23 The opening of the robe in the middle of it was like the opening of a coat of mail, with a binding around

its opening, **th**at it **sh**où/d not be torn. 24 **Th**ey made on the skirts of the robe pomegranates of blue, pûrple, scärlet, and twined linen. 25 They made bells of pure gold, and put the bells between the pomegranates around the skirts of the robe, between the pomegranates; 26 a bell and a pomegranate, a bell and a pomegranate, around the skirts of the robe, to minister in, as YAHWEH commanded Moses.

- 27 **Th**ey made the tunics of fine linen of woven work for Aaron and for his sons, 28 the turban of fine linen, the linen headbands of fine linen, the linen trousers of fine twined linen, 29 the sash of fine twined linen, blue, purple, and scarlet, the work of the embroiderer, as YAHWEH commanded Moses.
- 30 **Th**ey made the plate of the holy crown of pure gold, and wrote on it an inscription, like the engravings of a signet: "Holy To YAHWEH". 31 They tied to it a lace of blue, to fästen it on the turban above, as YAHWEH commanded Moses.
- 32 **Th**us **å**ll the w**ô**rk of the tabernacle of the tent of Meeting was fini**sh**ed. The children of Işrael did according to all that YAHWEH commanded Moses; so they did. 33 They brought the tabernacle to Moses: the tent, with all its furniture, its cläsps, its boards, its bars, its pillars, its sockets, 34 the covering of rams' skins dyed red, the covering of sea cow hides, the veil of the screen, 35 the ärk of the covenant with its poles, the mêrçy seat, 36 the table, all its vessels, the show bread, 37 the pure lamp stand, its lamps, even the lamps to be set in order, all its vessels, the oil for the light, 38 the golden altar, the anointing oil, the sweet incense, the screen for the door of the tent, 39 the bronze altar, its grating of bronze, its poles, åll of its vessels, the basin and its base, 40 the hangings of the court, its pillars, its sockets, the screen for the gate of the court, its cords, its pins, and all the instruments of the service of the tabernacle, for the tent of Meeting, 41 the finely wôrked gärments for ministering in the holy place, the holy gärments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's office. 42 According to all that YAHWEH commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did all the wôrk. 43 Moşeş sắw ắll the wôrk, and behold, they had done it as YAHWEH had commanded. They had done so; and Moses blessed them.

Exodus 40

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "On the first day of the first month you shall raise up the tabernacle of the tent of Meeting. 3 You shall put the ärk of the covenant in it, and you shall screen the ärk with the veil. 4 You shall bring in the table, and set in order the things that are on it. You shall bring in the lamp stand, and light its lamps. 5 You shall set the golden altar for incense before the ärk of the covenant, and put the screen of the door to the tabernacle.

- 6 "You shall set the altar of burnt offering before the door of the tabernacle of the tent of Meeting. 7 You shall set the basin between the tent of Meeting and the altar, and shall put water therein. 8 You shall set up the court around it, and hang up the screen of the gate of the court.
- 9 "You shall take the anointing oil, and anoint the tabernacle and **å**ll **th**at is in it, and shall make it holy, and **å**ll its f**û**rniture, and it will be holy. 10 You shall anoint the

altar of bûrnt offering, wi**th a**ll its vessel**s**, and sanctif**y** the **a**ltar, and the **a**ltar will be most holy. 11 You **sh**all anoint the basin and its base, and sanctif**y** it.

12 "You shall bring Aaron and his sons to the door of the tent of Meeting, and shall wash them with water. 13 You shall put on Aaron the holy garments; and you shall anoint him, and sanctify him, that he may minister to me in the priest's office. 14 You shall bring his sons, and put tunics on them. 15 You shall anoint them, as you anointed their father, that they may minister to me in the priest's office. Their anointing shall be to them for an everlästing priesthood throughout their generations." 16 Moses did so. According to all that YAHWEH commanded him, so he did.

17 In the first month in the second year, on the first day of the month, the tabernacle was raised up. 18 Moses raised up the tabernacle, and laid its sockets, and set up its boards, and put in its bars, and raised up its pillars. 19 He spread the covering over the tent, and put the reef of the tabernacle above on it, as YAHWEH commanded Moşeş. 20 He took and put the covenant into the ark, and set the poles on the ark, and put the mêrçy seat above on the ark. 21 He brought the ark into the tabernacle, and set up the veil of the screen, and screened the ärk of the covenant, as YAHWEH commanded Moses. 22 He put the table in the Tent of Meeting, on the north side of the tabernacle, outside of the veil. 23 He set the bread in order on it before YAHWEH, as YAHWEH commanded Moses. 24 He put the lamp stand in the tent of Meeting, opposite the table, on the south side of the tabernacle. 25 He lit the lamps before YAHWEH, as YAHWEH commanded Moses. 26 He put the golden altar in the tent of Meeting before the veil; 27 and he bûrned incense of sweet spices on it, as YAHWEH commanded Moses. 28 He put up the screen of the door to the tabernacle. 29 He set the altar of burnt offering at the door of the tabernacle of the tent of Meeting, and offered on it the bûrnt offering and the meal offering, as YAHWEH commanded Moses. 30 He set the basin between the tent of Meeting and the altar, and put water therein, with which to wash. 31 Moşeş, Aaron, and his sons washed their hands and their feet there. 32 When they went into the tent of Meeting, and when they came near to the altar, they washed, as YAHWEH commanded Moses. 33 He raised up the court around the tabernacle and the altar, and set up the screen of the gate of the court. So Moses finished the wôrk.

34 **Th**en the cloud covered the tent of Meeting, and YAHWEH'S glory filled the tabernacle. 35 Moses wasn't able to enter into the tent of Meeting, because the cloud stayed on it, and YAHWEH'S glory filled the tabernacle. 36 When the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the children of Israel went onward, throughout all their journeys; 37 but if the cloud wasn't taken up, then they didn't travel until the day that it was taken up. 38 For the cloud of YAHWEH was on the tabernacle by day, and there was fire in the cloud by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

Leviticus 1

YAHWEH cålled to Moşeş, and spoke to him from the tent of Meeting, saying, 2 "Speak to the children of Işrael, and tell them, 'When anyone of you offerş an offering to YAHWEH, you shall offer your offering of the livestock, from the hêrd and from the flock.

3 "If his offering is a bûrnt offering from the hêrd, he shall offer a male without defect. He shall offer it at the door of the tent of Meeting, that he may be accepted before YAHWEH. 4 He shall lay his hand on the head of the bûrnt offering, and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him. 5 He shall kill the bûll before YAHWEH. Aaron's sons, the priests, shall present the blood and sprinkle the blood around on the altar that is at the door of the tent of Meeting. 6 He shall skin the bûrnt offering and cut it into pieces. 7 The sons of Aaron the priest shall put fire on the altar, and lay wood in order on the fire; 8 and Aaron's sons, the priests, shall lay the pieces, the head, and the fat in order on the wood that is on the fire which is on the altar; 9 but he shall wash its innards and its legs with water. The priest shall bûrn all of it on the altar, for a bûrnt offering, an offering made by fire, of a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH.

10 "If his offering is from the flock, from the **shee**p or from the **go**ats, for a burnt offering, he **sha**ll offer a male without defect. 11 He **sha**ll kill it on the north side of the altar before YAHWEH. Aaron's sons, the priests, **sha**ll sprinkle its blood around on the altar. 12 He **sha**ll cut it into its pieces, with its head and its fat. The priest **sha**ll lay them in order on the wood that is on the fire which is on the altar, 13 but the innards and the legs he **sha**ll wash with water. The priest **sha**ll offer the whole, and burn it on the altar. It is a burnt offering, an offering made by fire, of a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH.

14 "If his offering to YAHWEH is a bûrnt offering of bîrdş, then he shall offer his offering from tûrtledoveş or of young pigeonş. 15 The priest shall bring it to the altar, and wring off its head, and bûrn it on the altar; and its blood shall be drained out on the side of the altar; 16 and he shall take away its crop and its featherş, and cast it beside the altar on the east part, in the place of the asheş. 17 He shall tear it by its wingş, but shall not divide it apart. The priest shall bûrn it on the altar, on the wood that is on the fire. It is a bûrnt offering, an offering made by fire, of a pleaşant aroma to YAHWEH.

Leviticus 2

"When anyone offers an offering of a meal offering to YAHWEH, his offering shall be of fine flour. He shall pour oil on it, and put frankincense on it. 2 He shall bring it to Aaron's sons, the priests. He shall take his handful of its fine flour, and of its oil, with all its frankincense, and the priest shall burn its memorial on the altar, an offering made by fire, of a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH. 3 That which is left of the meal offering shall be Aaron's and his sons! It is a most holy part of the offerings of YAHWEH made by fire.

4 "'When you offer an offering of a meal offering baked in the oven, it shall be unleavened cakes of fine flour mixed with oil, or unleavened wafers anointed with oil. 5 If your offering is a meal offering made on a griddle, it shall be of unleavened fine flour, mixed with oil. 6 You shall cut it in pieces, and pour oil on it. It is a meal offering. 7 If your offering is a meal offering of the pan, it shall be made of fine flour with oil. 8 You shall bring the meal offering that is made of these things to YAHWEH. It shall be presented to the priest, and he shall bring it to the altar. 9 The priest shall take from the meal offering its memorial, and shall burn it on the altar, an offering made by fire, of a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH. 10 That which is left of the meal offering shall be Aaron's and his sons'. It is a most holy part of the offerings of YAHWEH made by fire.

11 "'No meal offering which you shall offer to YAHWEH shall be made with yeast; for you shall burn no yeast, nor any honey, as an offering made by fire to YAHWEH. 12 As an offering of first fruits you shall offer them to YAHWEH, but they shall not rise up as a pleasant aroma on the altar. 13 Every offering of your meal offering you shall season with salt. You shall not allow the salt of the covenant of your Elohim to be lacking from your meal offering. With all your offerings you shall offer salt.

14 "If you offer a meal offering of first fruits to YAHWEH, you shall offer for the meal offering of your first fruits fresh heads of grain pärched with fire and crushed. 15 You shall put oil on it and lay frankincense on it. It is a meal offering. 16 The priest shall bûrn as its memorial pärt of its crushed grain and pärt of its oil, along with all its frankincense. It is an offering made by fire to YAHWEH.

Leviticus 3

"If his offering is a sacrifice of peace offerings, if he offers it from the herd, whether male or female, he shall offer it without defect before YAHWEH. 2 He shall lay his hand on the head of his offering, and kill it at the door of the tent of Meeting. Aaron's sons, the priests, shall sprinkle the blood around on the altar. 3 He shall offer of the sacrifice of peace offerings an offering made by fire to YAHWEH. The fat that covers the innards, and all the fat that is on the innards, 4 and the two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the loins, and the cover on the liver, with the kidneys, he shall take away. 5 Aaron's sons shall bûrn it on the altar on the bûrnt offering, which is on the wood that is on the fire: it is an offering made by fire, of a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH.

6 "If his offering for a sacrifice of peace offerings to YAHWEH is from the flock, either male or female, he shall offer it without defect. 7 If he offers a lamb for his offering, then he shall offer it before YAHWEH; 8 and he shall lay his hand on the head of his offering, and kill it before the tent of Meeting. Aaron's sons shall sprinkle its blood around on the altar. 9 He shall offer from the sacrifice of peace offerings an offering made by fire to YAHWEH; its fat, the entire tail fat, he shall take away close to the backbone; and the fat that covers the entrails, and all the fat that is on the entrails, 10 and the two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the loins,

and the cover on the liver, with the kidneys, he shall take away. 11 The priest shall bûrn it on the altar: it is the feed of the offering made by fire to YAHWEH.

12 "If his offering is a goat, then he shall offer it before YAHWEH. 13 He shall lay his hand on its head, and kill it before the tent of Meeting; and the sons of Aaron shall sprinkle its blood around on the altar. 14 He shall offer from it as his offering, an offering made by fire to YAHWEH; the fat that covers the innards, and all the fat that is on the innards, 15 and the two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the loins, and the cover on the liver, with the kidneys, he shall take away. 16 The priest shall bûrn them on the altar: it is the food of the offering made by fire, for a pleasant aroma; all the fat is YAHWEH'S.

17 "It shall be a perpetual statute throughout your generations in all your dwellings, that you shall eat neither fat nor blood."

Leviticus 4

YAHWEH spoke to Moses, saying, 2 "Speak to the children of Israel, saying, If anyone sins unintentionally, in any of the things which YAHWEH has commanded not to be done, and does any one of them, 3 if the anointed priest sins so as to bring quilt on the people, then let him offer for his sin which he has sinned a young built without defect to YAHWEH for a sin offering. 4 He shall bring the bull to the door of the tent of Meeting before YAHWEH; and he shall lay his hand on the head of the bull, and kill the bull before YAHWEH. 5 The anointed priest shall take some of the blood of the bull, and bring it to the tent of Meeting. 6 The priest shall dip his finger in the blood, and sprinkle some of the blood seven times before YAHWEH, before the veil of the sanctuary. 7 The priest shall put some of the blood on the horns of the altar of sweet incense before YAHWEH, which is in the tent of Meeting; and he shall pour out the rest of the blood of the bull at the base of the altar of burnt offering, which is at the door of the tent of Meeting. 8 He shall take all the fat of the bull of the sin offering from it: the fat that covers the innards, and all the fat that is on the innards, 9 and the two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the loins, and the cover on the liver, with the kidneys, he shall remove, 10 as it is remeved from the bull of the sacrifice of peace offerings. The priest shall burn them on the altar of burnt offering. 11 He shall carry the bull's skin, all its meat, with its head, and with its legs, its innards, and its dung 12 —all the rest of the bull—outside of the camp to a clean place where the ashes are poured out, and burn it on wood with fire. It shall be burned where the ashes are poured out.

13 "If the whole congregation of Işrael sinş, and the thing is hidden from the eyeş of the assembly, and they have done any of the thingş which YAHWEH haş commanded not to be done, and are guilty; 14 when the sin in which they have sinned is known, then the assembly shall offer a young bull for a sin offering, and bring it before the tent of Meeting. 15 The elderş of the congregation shall lay their handş on the head of the bull before YAHWEH; and the bull shall be killed before YAHWEH. 16 The anointed priest shall bring some of the blood of the bull to the tent of Meeting. 17 The priest shall dip his finger in the blood and sprinkle it seven times

before YAHWEH, before the veil. 18 He shall put some of the blood on the horns of the altar which is before YAHWEH, that is in the tent of Meeting; and the rest of the blood he shall pour out at the base of the altar of burnt offering, which is at the door of the tent of Meeting. 19 All its fat he shall take from it, and burn it on the altar. 20 He shall do this with the bull; as he did with the bull of the sin offering, so he shall do with this; and the priest shall make atonement for them, and they shall be forgiven. 21 He shall carry the bull outside the camp, and burn it as he burned the first bull. It is the sin offering for the assembly.

22 "'When a ruler sins, and unwittingly does any one of all the things which YAHWEH his Elohim has commanded not to be done, and is guilty, 23 if his sin in which he has sinned is made known to him, he shall bring as his offering a goat, a male without defect. 24 He shall lay his hand on the head of the goat, and kill it in the place where they kill the bûrnt offering before YAHWEH. It is a sin offering. 25 The priest shall take some of the blood of the sin offering with his finger, and put it on the horns of the altar of bûrnt offering. He shall pour out the rest of its blood at the base of the altar of bûrnt offering. 26 All its fat he shall bûrn on the altar, like the fat of the sacrifice of peace offerings; and the priest shall make atonement for him concerning his sin, and he will be forgiven.

27 "If anyone of the common people sins unwittingly, in deing any of the things which YAHWEH has commanded not to be done, and is guilty, 28 if his sin which he has sinned is made known to him, then he shall bring for his offering a goat, a female without defect, for his sin which he has sinned. 29 He shall lay his hand on the head of the sin offering, and kill the sin offering in the place of burnt offering. 30 The priest shall take some of its blood with his finger, and put it on the horns of the altar of burnt offering; and the rest of its blood he shall pour out at the base of the altar. 31 All its fat he shall take away, like the fat is taken away from the sacrifice of peace offerings; and the priest shall burn it on the altar for a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH; and the priest shall make atonement for him, and he will be forgiven.

32 "If he brings a lamb as his offering for a sin offering, he shall bring a female without defect. 33 He shall lay his hand on the head of the sin offering, and kill it for a sin offering in the place where they kill the bûrnt offering. 34 The priest shall take some of the blood of the sin offering with his finger, and put it on the horns of the altar of bûrnt offering; and all the rest of its blood he shall pour out at the base of the altar. 35 He shall remove all its fat, like the fat of the lamb is removed from the sacrifice of peace offerings. The priest shall bûrn them on the altar, on the offerings of YAHWEH made by fire. The priest shall make atonement for him concerning his sin that he has sinned, and he will be forgiven.

Leviticus 5

"If anyone sins, in **th**at he hears a public adjuration to testify, he being a witness, whether he has seen or known, if he doesn't report it, then he shall bear his iniquity.

2 "'Or if anyone touches any unclean thing, whether it is the carcass of an unclean animal, or the carcass of unclean livestock, or the carcass of unclean creeping things, and it is hidden from him, and he is unclean, then he shall be guilty.

3 "'Or if he tou**cheş** the uncl**e**anness of man, whatever his uncl**e**anness is wi**th** which he is uncl**e**an, and it is hidden from him; when he knows of it, **th**en he **sh**all be guilty.

4 "'Or if anyone swears rashly with his lips to de evil or to de good—whatever it is that a man might utter rashly with an oath, and it is hidden from him—when he knows of it, then he will be guilty of one of these. 5 It shall be, when he is guilty of one of these, he shall confess that in which he has sinned; 6 and he shall bring his trespäss offering to YAHWEH for his sin which he has sinned: a female from the flock, a lamb or a goat, for a sin offering; and the priest shall make atonement for him concerning his sin.

7 "If he cän't afford a lamb, then he shall bring his trespäss offering for that in which he has sinned, two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, to YAHWEH; one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering. 8 He shall bring them to the priest, who shall first offer the one which is for the sin offering. He shall wring off its head from its neck, but shall not sever it completely. 9 He shall sprinkle some of the blood of the sin offering on the side of the altar; and the rest of the blood shall be drained out at the base of the altar. It is a sin offering. 10 He shall offer the second for a burnt offering, according to the ordinance; and the priest shall make atonement for him concerning his sin which he has sinned, and he shall be forgiven.

11 "But if he cän't afford two turtledoves or two young pigeons, then he shall bring as his offering for that in which he has sinned, one tenth of an ephah of fine flour for a sin offering. He shall put no oil on it, and he shall not put any frankincense on it, for it is a sin offering. 12 He shall bring it to the priest, and the priest shall take his handful of it as the memorial portion, and burn it on the altar, on the offerings of YAHWEH made by fire. It is a sin offering. 13 The priest shall make atonement for him concerning his sin that he has sinned in any of these things, and he will be forgiven; and the rest shall be the priest's, as the meal offering."

14 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 15 "If anyone commits a trespäss, and sinş unwittingly regärding YAHWEH'S holy thingş, then he shall bring his trespäss offering to YAHWEH: a ram without defect from the flock, according to your estimation in silver by shekelş, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, for a trespäss offering. 16 He shall make restitution for that which he has done wrong regärding the holy thing, and shall add a fifth pärt to it, and give it to the priest; and the priest shall make atonement for him with the ram of the trespäss offering, and he will be forgiven.

17 "If anyone sins, deing any of the **th**ings which YAHWEH has commanded not to be done, **tho**ugh he didn't know it, he is still guilty, and **sh**all bear his iniquity. 18 He **sh**all bring a ram wi**the**ut defect from of the flock, according to your estimation, for a trespäss offering, to the priest; and the priest **sh**all make atonement for him

conçêrning the **th**ing in which he sinned and didn't know it, and he will be forgiven. 19 It is a trespäss offering. He is çêrtainly guilty before YAHWEH."

Leviticus 6

YAHWEH spoke to Moses, saying, 2 "If anyone sins, and commits a trespäss against YAHWEH, and deals falsely with his neighbor in a matter of deposit, or of bärgain, or of robbery, or has oppressed his neighbor, 3 or has found that which was lost, and lied about it, and swearing to a lie—in any of these things that a man sins in his actions—4 then it shall be, if he has sinned, and is guilty, he shall restore that which he took by robbery, or the thing which he has gotten by oppression, or the deposit which was committed to him, or the lost thing which he found, 5 or any thing about which he has sworn falsely: he shall restore it in full, and shall add a fifth pärt more to it. He shall return it to him to whem it belongs in the day of his being found guilty. 6 He shall bring his trespäss offering to YAHWEH: a ram without defect from the flock, according to your estimation, for a trespäss offering, to the priest. 7 The priest shall make atonement for him before YAHWEH, and he will be forgiven concerning whatever he does to become guilty."

8 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 9 "Command Aaron and his sons, saying, 'This is the law of the burnt offering: the burnt offering shall be on the hearth on the altar all night until the morning; and the fire of the altar shall be kept burning on it. 10 The priest shall put on his linen garment, and he shall put on his linen trousers upon his body; and he shall remove the ashes from where the fire has consumed the burnt offering on the altar, and he shall put them beside the altar. 11 He shall take off his garments, and put on other garments, and carry the ashes outside the camp to a clean place. 12 The fire on the altar shall be kept burning on it, it shall not go out; and the priest shall burn wood on it every morning. He shall lay the burnt offering in order upon it, and shall burn on it the fat of the peace offerings. 13 Fire shall be kept burning on the altar continually; it shall not go out.

14 "This is the law of the meal offering: the sons of Aaron shall offer it before YAHWEH, before the altar. 15 He shall take from there his handful of the fine flour of the meal offering, and of its oil, and all the frankincense which is on the meal offering, and shall burn it on the altar for a pleasant aroma, as its memorial portion, to YAHWEH. 16 That which is left of it Aaron and his sons shall eat. It shall be eaten without yeast in a holy place. They shall eat it in the court of the tent of Meeting. 17 It shall not be baked with yeast. I have given it as their portion of my offerings made by fire. It is most holy, as are the sin offering and the trespass offering. 18 Every male among the children of Aaron shall eat of it, as their portion forever throughout your generations, from the offerings of YAHWEH made by fire. Wheever touches them shall be holy."

19 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 20 "This is the offering of Aaron and of his sons, which they shall offer to YAHWEH in the day when he is anointed: one tenth of an ephah of fine flour for a meal offering perpetually, hälf of it in the morning, and

hälf of it in the evening. 21 It shall be made with oil in a griddle. When it is soaked, you shall bring it in. You shall offer the meal offering in baked pieces for a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH. 22 The anointed priest that will be in his place from among his sons shall offer it. By a statute forever, it shall be wholly bûrned to YAHWEH. 23 Every meal offering of a priest shall be wholly bûrned. It shall not be eaten."

24 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 25 "Speak to Aaron and to his sons, saying, 'This is the law of the sin offering: in the place where the burnt offering is killed, the sin offering shall be killed before YAHWEH. It is most holy. 26 The priest who offers it for sin shall eat it. It shall be eaten in a holy place, in the court of the tent of Meeting. 27 Whatever shall touch its flesh shall be holy. When there is any of its blood sprinkled on a garment, you shall wash that on which it was sprinkled in a holy place. 28 But the earthen vessel in which it is boiled shall be broken; and if it is boiled in a bronze vessel, it shall be scoured, and rinsed in water. 29 Every male among the priests shall eat of it. It is most holy. 30 No sin offering, of which any of the blood is brought into the tent of Meeting to make atonement in the Holy Place, shall be eaten. It shall be burned with fire.

Leviticus 7

"This is the law of the trespass offering: It is most holy. 2 In the place where they kill the burnt offering, he shall kill the trespass offering; and its blood he shall sprinkle around on the altar. 3 He shall offer all of its fat: the fat tail, and the fat that covers the innards, 4 and he shall take away the two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the loins, and the cover on the liver, with the kidneys; 5 and the priest shall burn them on the altar for an offering made by fire to YAHWEH: it is a trespass offering. 6 Every male among the priests may eat of it. It shall be eaten in a holy place. It is most holy.

7 "'As is the sin offering, so is the trespäss offering; there is one låw for them. The priest who makes atonement with them shall have it. 8 The priest who offers any man's bûrnt offering shall have for himself the skin of the bûrnt offering which he has offered. 9 Every meal offering that is baked in the oven, and åll that is prepared in the pan and on the griddle, shall be the priest's who offers it. 10 Every meal offering, mixed with oil or dry, belongs to åll the sons of Aaron, one as well as another.

11 "This is the law of the sacrifice of peace offerings, which one shall offer to YAHWEH: 12 If he offers it for a thanksgiving, then he shall offer with the sacrifice of thanksgiving unleavened cakes mixed with oil, and unleavened wafers anointed with oil, and cakes mixed with oil. 13 He shall offer his offering with the sacrifice of his peace offerings for thanksgiving with cakes of leavened bread. 14 Of it he shall offer one out of each offering for a heave offering to YAHWEH. It shall be the priest's whe sprinkles the blood of the peace offerings. 15 The flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings for thanksgiving shall be eaten on the day of his offering. He shall not leave any of it until the morning.

16 "But if the sacrifice of his offering is a vew, or a free will offering, it shall be eaten on the day that he offers his sacrifice. On the next day what remains of it shall be eaten, 17 but what remains of the meat of the sacrifice on the third day shall be burned with fire. 18 If any of the meat of the sacrifice of his peace offerings is eaten on the third day, it will not be accepted, and it shall not be credited to him whe offers it. It will be an abomination, and the soul whe eats any of it will bear his iniquity.

19 "'The meat that touches any unclean thing shall not be eaten. It shall be burned with fire. As for the meat, everyone who is clean may eat it; 20 but the soul who eats of the meat of the sacrifice of peace offerings that belongs to YAHWEH, having his uncleanness on him, that soul shall be cut off from his people. 21 When anyone touches any unclean thing, the uncleanness of man, or an unclean animal, or any unclean abomination, and eats some of the meat of the sacrifice of peace offerings which belong to YAHWEH, that soul shall be cut off from his people."

22 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 23 "Speak to the children of Işrael, saying, 'You shall eat no fat, of bull, or sheep, or goat. 24 The fat of that which dies of itself, and the fat of that which is torn of animals, may be used for any other service, but you shall in no way eat of it. 25 For wheever eats the fat of the animal which men offer as an offering made by fire to YAHWEH, even the soul wheeleats it shall be cut off from his people. 26 You shall not eat any blood, whether it is of bird or of animal, in any of your dwellings. 27 Wheever it is wheeleats any blood, that soul shall be cut off from his people."

28 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 29 "Speak to the children of Işrael, saying, 'He whe offers the sacrifice of his peace offerings to YAHWEH shall bring his offering to YAHWEH out of the sacrifice of his peace offerings, 30 With his own hands he shall bring the offerings of YAHWEH made by fire. He shall bring the fat with the breast, that the breast may be waved for a wave offering before YAHWEH. 31 The priest shall bûrn the fat on the altar, but the breast shall be Aaron's and his sons'. 32 The right thigh you shall give to the priest for a heave offering out of the sacrifices of your peace offerings. 33 He among the sons of Aaron who offers the blood of the peace offerings, and the fat, shall have the right thigh for a portion. 34 For the waved breast and the heaved thigh I have taken from the children of Israel out of the sacrifices of their peace offerings, and have given them to Aaron the priest and to his sons as their portion forever from the children of Israel."

35 **Th**is is the consecrated portion of Aaron, and the consecrated portion of his sons, out of the offerings of YAHWEH made by fire, in the day when he presented them to minister to YAHWEH in the priest's office; 36 which YAHWEH commanded to be given them of the children of Israel, in the day that he anointed them. It is their portion forever throughout their generations. 37 **Th**is is the law of the burnt offering, the meal offering, the sin offering, the trespass offering, the consecration, and the sacrifice of peace offerings 38 which YAHWEH commanded Moses in

Mount Sinai in the day that he commanded the children of Işrael to offer their offerings to YAHWEH, in the wilderness of Sinai.

Leviticus 8

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Take Aaron and his sons with him, and the gärments, and the anointing oil, and the bull of the sin offering, and the two rams, and the bäsket of unleavened bread; 3 and assemble all the congregation at the door of the tent of Meeting."

4 Moses did as YAHWEH commanded him; and the congregation was assembled at the door of the tent of Meeting. 5 Moses said to the congregation, "This is the thing which YAHWEH has commanded to be done." 6 Moses brought Aaron and his sons, and washed them with water. 7 He put the tunic on him, tied the sash on him, clothed him with the robe, put the ephod on him, and he tied the skillfully woven band of the ephod on him and fästened it to him with it. 8 He placed the breastplate on him. He put the Urim and Thummim in the breastplate. 9 He set the turban on his head. He set the golden plate, the holy crown, on the front of the turban, as YAHWEH commanded Moses. 10 Moses took the anointing oil, and anointed the tabernacle and all that was in it, and sanctified them. 11 He sprinkled it on the altar seven times, and anointed the altar and all its vessels, and the basin and its base, to sanctify them. 12 He poured some of the anointing oil on Aaron's head, and anointed him, to sanctify him. 13 Moses brought Aaron's sons, and clothed them with tunics, and tied sashes on them, and put headbands on them, as YAHWEH commanded Moses.

14 He brought the bull of the sin offering, and Aaron and his sons laid their hands on the head of the bull of the sin offering. 15 He killed it; and Moses took the blood, and put it around on the horns of the altar with his finger, and purified the altar, and poured out the blood at the base of the altar, and sanctified it, to make atonement for it. 16 He took all the fat that was on the innards, and the cover of the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat; and Moses burned it on the altar. 17 But the bull, and its skin, and its meat, and its dung, he bûrned with fire outside the camp, as YAHWEH commanded Moses. 18 He presented the ram of the burnt offering. Aaron and his sons laid their hands on the head of the ram. 19 He killed it; and Moses sprinkled the blood around on the altar. 20 He cut the ram into its pieces; and Moses burned the head, and the pieces, and the fat. 21 He washed the innards and the legs with wåter; and Moses bûrned the whole ram on the altar. It was a bûrnt offering for a pleasant aroma. It was an offering made by fire to YAHWEH, as YAHWEH commanded Moses. 22 He presented the other ram, the ram of consecration. Aaron and his sons laid their hands on the head of the ram. 23 He killed it; and Moşeş töök some of its blood, and put it on the tip of Aaron's right ear, and on the thumb of his right hand, and on the great toe of his right foot. 24 He brought Aaron's sons; and Moses put some of the blood on the tip of their right ear, and on the thumb of their right hand, and on the great toe of their right foot; and Moses sprinkled the blood around on the altar. 25 He took the fat, the fat tail, all the fat that thigh; 26 and out of the bäsket of unleavened bread that was before YAHWEH, he took one unleavened cake, one cake of oiled bread, and one wafer, and placed them on the fat and on the right thigh. 27 He put all these in Aaron's hands and in his sons' hands, and waved them for a wave offering before YAHWEH. 28 Moses took them from their hands, and bûrned them on the altar on the bûrnt offering. They were a consecration offering for a pleasant aroma. It was an offering made by fire to YAHWEH. 29 Moses took the breast, and waved it for a wave offering before YAHWEH. It was Moses' portion of the ram of consecration, as YAHWEH commanded Moses, 30 Moses took some of the anointing oil, and some of the blood which was on the altar, and sprinkled it on Aaron, on his gärments, and on his sons, and on his sons' gärments with him, and sanctified Aaron, his gärments, and his sons' gärments with him.

31 Moşeş said to Aaron and to his sons, "Boil the meat at the door of the tent of Meeting, and there eat it and the bread that is in the basket of consecration, as I commanded, saying, Aaron and his sons shall eat it. 32 What remains of the meat and of the bread you shall bûrn with fire. 33 You shall not go out from the door of the Tent of Meeting for seven days, until the days of your consecration are fulfilled: for he shall consecrate you seven days. 34 What has been done today, so YAHWEH has commanded to do, to make atonement for you. 35 You shall stay at the door of the tent of Meeting day and night seven days, and keep YAHWEH'S command, that you don't die: for so I am commanded." 36 Aaron and his sons did all the things which YAHWEH commanded by Moses.

Leviticus 9

On the eighth day, Moşeş cålled Aaron and his sons, and the elders of Işrael; 2 and he said to Aaron, "Take a cälf from the herd for a sin offering, and a ram for a bûrnt offering, without defect, and offer them before YAHWEH. 3 You shall speak to the children of Işrael, saying, 'Take a male goat for a sin offering; and a cälf and a lamb, both a year old, without defect, for a bûrnt offering; 4 and a bûll and a ram for peaçe offerings, to sacrifice before YAHWEH; and a meal offering mixed with oil: for today YAHWEH appears to you."

5 **Th**ey brought what Moses commanded before the tent of Meeting. All the congregation came near and stood before YAHWEH. 6 Moses said, "This is the thing which YAHWEH commanded that you should do; and YAHWEH'S glory shall appear to you." 7 Moses said to Aaron, "Draw near to the altar, and offer your sin offering, and your burnt offering, and make atonement for yourself, and for the people; and offer the offering of the people, and make atonement for them, as YAHWEH commanded."

8 So Aaron came near to the altar, and killed the cat of the sin offering, which was for himself. 9 The sons of Aaron presented the blood to him; and he dipped his finger in the blood, and put it on the horns of the altar, and poured out the blood at the base of the altar; 10 but the fat, and the kidneys, and the cover from the liver of the

sin offering, he bûrned upon the altar, as YAHWEH commanded Moses. 11 The meat and the skin he burned with fire outside the camp. 12 He killed the burnt offering; and Aaron's sons delivered the blood to him, and he sprinkled it around on the altar. 13 They delivered the burnt offering to him, piece by piece, and the head. He bûrned them upon the altar. 14 He washed the innards and the legs, and bûrned them on the burnt offering on the altar. 15 He presented the people's offering, and took the goat of the sin offering which was for the people, and killed it, and offered it for sin, like the first. 16 He presented the burnt offering, and offered it according to the ordinance. 17 He presented the meal offering, and filled his hand from there, and bûrned it upon the altar, in addition to the bûrnt offering of the morning. 18 He also killed the bull and the ram, the sacrifice of peace offerings, which was for the people. Aaron's sons delivered to him the blood, which he sprinkled around on the **a**ltar; 19 and the fat of the bull and of the ram, the fat tail, and that which covers the innards, and the kidneys, and the cover of the liver; 20 and they put the fat upon the breasts, and he burned the fat on the altar. 21 Aaron waved the breasts and the right thigh for a wave offering before YAHWEH, as Moses commanded. 22 Aaron lifted up his hands toward the people, and blessed them; and he came down from offering the sin offering, and the bûrnt offering, and the peace offerings.

23 Moşeş and Aaron went into the tent of Meeting, and came out, and blessed the people; and YAHWEH'S glory appeared to all the people. 24 Fire came out from before YAHWEH, and consumed the bûrnt offering and the fat upon the altar. When all the people saw it, they shouted, and fell on their faces.

Leviticus 10

Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer, and put fire in it, and laid incense on it, and offered strange fire before YAHWEH, which he had not commanded them. 2 Fire came out from before YAHWEH, and devoured them, and they died before YAHWEH.

3 Then Moşeş said to Aaron, "This is what YAHWEH spoke of, saying,

I will **sho**w myself holy to **those** who come near me, and before all the people I will be glorified."

Aaron held his peaçe. 4 Moses cålled Mishael and Elzaphan, the sons of Uzziel the uncle of Aaron, and said to them, "Dråw near, carry your brothers from before the sanctuary out of the camp." 5 So they came near, and carried them in their tunics out of the camp, as Moses had said.

6 Moşeş said to Aaron, and to Eleazar and to Ithamar, his sons, "Don't let the hair of your heads go leese, and don't tear your clothes, so that you don't die, and so that he will not be angry with all the congregation; but let your brothers, the whole house of Işrael, bewail the bûrning which YAHWEH has kindled. 7 You shall not go out from the door of the tent of Meeting, lest you die; for the anointing oil of YAHWEH is on you." They did according to the word of Moşeş. 8 Then YAHWEH said to Aaron, 9 "You and your sons are not to drink wine or strong drink whenever

you go into the tent of Meeting, or you will die. This shall be a statute forever throughout your generations. 10 You are to make a distinction between the holy and the common, and between the unclean and the clean. 11 You are to teach the children of Israel all the statute which YAHWEH has spoken to them by Moses."

12 Moşeş spoke to Aaron, and to Eleazar and to Ithamar, his sons who were left, "Take the meal offering that remains of the offerings of YAHWEH made by fire, and eat it without yeast beside the altar; for it is most holy; 13 and you shall eat it in a holy place, because it is your portion, and your sons' portion, of the offerings of YAHWEH made by fire; for so I am commanded. 14 The waved breast and the heaved thigh you shall eat in a clean place, you, and your sons, and your daughters with you: for they are given as your portion, and your sons' portion, out of the sacrifices of the peace offerings of the children of Israel. 15 They shall bring the heaved thigh and the waved breast with the offerings made by fire of the fat, to wave it for a wave offering before YAHWEH. It shall be yours, and your sons' with you, as a portion forever, as YAHWEH has commanded."

16 Moşeş diligently inquired about the goat of the sin offering, and, behold, it was burned. He was angry with Eleazar and with Ithamar, the sons of Aaron who were left, saying, 17 "Why haven't you eaten the sin offering in the place of the sanctuary, since it is most holy, and he has given it to you to bear the iniquity of the congregation, to make atonement for them before YAHWEH? 18 Behold, its blood was not brought into the inner part of the sanctuary. You certainly should have eaten it in the sanctuary, as I commanded."

19 Aaron spoke to Moşeş, "Behold, today they have offered their sin offering and their bûrnt offering before YAHWEH; and such things as these have happened to me. If I had eaten the sin offering today, woù/d it have been pleasing in YAHWEH'S sight?"

20 When Moses heard that, it was pleasing in his sight.

Leviticus 11

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş and to Aaron, saying to them, 2 "Speak to the children of Işrael, saying, 'Theşe are the living things which you may eat among all the animals that are on the earth. 3 Whatever parts the hoof, and is cloven-footed, and chews the cud among the animals, that you may eat.

4 "'Nevertheless these you shall not eat of those that chew the cud, or of those who part the hoof: the camel, because it chews the cud but doesn't have a parted hoof, is unclean to you. 5 The hyrax, because it chews the cud but doesn't have a parted hoof, is unclean to you. 6 The hare, because it chews the cud but doesn't have a parted hoof, is unclean to you. 7 The pig, because it has a split hoof, and is cloven-footed, but doesn't chew the cud, is unclean to you. 8 You shall not eat their meat. You shall not touch their carcasses. They are unclean to you.

9 "'You may eat of all these that are in the waters: whatever has fins and scales in the waters, in the seas, and in the rivers, that you may eat. 10 All that don't have fins and scales in the seas and rivers, all that move in the waters, and all the living creatures that are in the waters, they are an abomination to you, 11 and you shall detest them. You shall not eat of their meat, and you shall detest their carcasses. 12 Whatever has no fins nor scales in the waters is an abomination to you.

13 "'You shall detest **these** among the birds; **they shall** not be **e**aten because **they** are an abomination: the **e**agle, the vulture, the black vulture, 14 the red kite, any kind of black kite, 15 any kind of raven, 16 the horned owl, the screech owl, the gull, any kind of hawk, 17 the little owl, the cormorant, the great owl, 18 the white owl, the desert owl, the osprey, 19 the stork, any kind of heron, the hoopoe, and the bat.

20 "'all flying insects that wak on all fours are an abomination to you. 21 Yet you may eat these: of all winged creeping things that go on all fours, which have long, jointed legs for hopping on the earth. 22 Even of these you may eat: any kind of locust, any kind of katydid, any kind of cricket, and any kind of grässhopper. 23 But all winged creeping things which have four feet are an abomination to you.

24 "'By these you will become unclean: wheever touches their carcass shall be unclean until the evening. 25 Wheever carries any part of their carcass shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the evening.

26 "Every animal which has a split hoof that isn't completely divided, or doesn't chew the cud, is unclean to you. Everyone who touches them shall be unclean. 27 Whatever goes on its paws, among all animals that go on all fours, they are unclean to you. Whoever touches their carcass shall be unclean until the evening. 28 He who carries their carcass shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the evening. They are unclean to you.

29 "'These are they which are unclean to you among the creeping things that creep on the êarth: the weasel, the rat, any kind of great lizard, 30 the gecko, and the monitor lizard, the wall lizard, the skink, and the chameleon. 31 These are they which are unclean to you among all that creep. Wheever touches them when they are dead shall be unclean until the evening. 32 Anything they fall on when they are dead shall be unclean; whether it is any vessel of wood, or clothing, or skin, or sack, whatever vessel it is, with which any work is done, it must be put into water, and it shall be unclean until the evening. Then it will be clean. 33 Every êarthen vessel into which any of them falls and all that is in it shall be unclean. You shall break it. 34 All feed which may be eaten which is soaked in water shall be unclean. all drink that may be drunk in every such vessel shall be unclean. 35 Everything whereupon part of their carcass falls shall be unclean; whether oven, or range for pots, it shall be broken in pieces. They are unclean, and shall be unclean to you. 36 Nevertheless a spring or a cistêrn in which water is gathered shall be clean, but that which touches their carcass shall be unclean. 37 If part of their

cärcass fålls on any sowing seed which is to be sown, it is clean. 38 But if wåter is put on the seed, and pärt of their cärcass fålls on it, it is unclean to you.

39 "If any animal of which you may eat dies, he who touches its carcass shall be unclean until the evening. 40 He who eats of its carcass shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the evening. He also who carries its carcass shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the evening.

41 "Every creeping thing that creeps on the êarth is an abomination. It shall not be eaten. 42 Whatever goes on its belly, and whatever goes on all fours, or whatever has many feet, even all creeping things that creep on the êarth, them you shall not eat; for they are an abomination. 43 You shall not make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing that creeps. You shall not make yourselves unclean with them, that you should be defiled by them. 44 For I am YAHWEH your Elohim. Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be holy; for I am holy. You shall not defile yourselves with any kind of creeping thing that moves on the êarth. 45 For I am YAHWEH who brought you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your Elohim. You shall therefore be holy, for I am holy.

46 "'This is the law of the animal, and of the bird, and of every living creature that moves in the waters, and of every creature that creeps on the earth, 47 to make a distinction between the unclean and the clean, and between the living that may be eaten and the living that may not be eaten."

Leviticus 12

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Speak to the children of Işrael, saying, If a woman conçeiveş, and bearş a male child, then she shall be unclean seven days; as in the days of her monthly period she shall be unclean. 3 In the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumçişed. 4 She shall continue in the blood of purification thirty-three days. She shall not touch any holy thing, nor come into the sanctuary, until the days of her purifying are completed. 5 But if she bears a female child, then she shall be unclean two weeks, as in her period; and she shall continue in the blood of purification sixty-six days.

6 "When the days of her purification are completed for a son or for a daughter, she shall bring to the priest at the door of the tent of Meeting, a year old lamb for a burnt offering, and a young pigeon or a turtledove, for a sin offering. 7 He shall offer it before YAHWEH, and make atonement for her; then she shall be cleansed from the fountain of her blood.

"This is the law for her who bears, whether a male or a female. 8 If she cannot afford a lamb, then she shall take two turtledoves or two young pigeons: the one for a burnt offering, and the other for a sin offering. The priest shall make atonement for her, and she shall be clean."

YAHWEH spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying, 2 "When a man shall have a swelling in his body's skin, or a scab, or a bright spot, and it becomes in the skin of his body the plague of leprosy, then he shall be brought to Aaron the priest or to one of his sons, the priests. 3 The priest shall examine the plague in the skin of the body. If the hair in the plague has turned white, and the appearance of the plague is deeper than the body's skin, it is the plaque of leprosy; so the priest shall examine him and pronounce him unclean. 4 If the bright spot is white in the skin of his body, and its appearance isn't deeper than the skin, and its hair hasn't tûrned white, then the priest shall isolate the infected person for seven days. 5 The priest shall examine him on the seventh day. Behold, if in his eyes the plague is arrested and the plague haşn't spread in the skin, then the priest shall isolate him for seven more days. 6 The priest shall examine him again on the seventh day. Behold, if the plague has faded and the plague hasn't spread in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him clean. It is a scab. He shall wash his clothes, and be clean. 7 But if the scab spreads on the skin äfter he has shown himself to the priest for his cleansing, he shall show himself to the priest again. 8 The priest shall examine him; and behold, if the scab has spread on the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean. It is leprosy.

9 "When the plague of leprosy is in a man, then he shall be brought to the priest; 10 and the priest shall examine him. Behold, if there is a white swelling in the skin, and it has turned the hair white, and there is raw flesh in the swelling, 11 it is a chronic leprosy in the skin of his body, and the priest shall pronounce him unclean. He shall not isolate him, for he is already unclean.

12 "If the leprosy breaks out all over the skin, and the leprosy coverş all the skin of the infected person from his head even to his feet, as far as it appears to the priest, 13 then the priest shall examine him. Behold, if the leprosy has covered all his flesh, he shall pronounce him clean of the plague. It has all turned white: he is clean. 14 But whenever raw flesh appears in him, he shall be unclean. 15 The priest shall examine the raw flesh, and pronounce him unclean: the raw flesh is unclean. It is leprosy. 16 Or if the raw flesh turns again, and is changed to white, then he shall come to the priest. 17 The priest shall examine him. Behold, if the plague has turned white, then the priest shall pronounce him clean of the plague. He is clean.

18 "When the body has a boil on its skin, and it has healed, 19 and in the place of the boil there is a white swelling, or a bright spot, reddish-white, then it shall be shown to the priest. 20 The priest shall examine it. Behold, if its appearance is deeper than the skin, and its hair has turned white, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean. It is the plague of leprosy. It has broken out in the boil. 21 But if the priest examines it, and behold, there are no white hairs in it, and it isn't deeper than the skin, but is dim, then the priest shall isolate him seven days. 22 If it spreads in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean. It is a plague. 23 But if the bright spot stays

in its place, and haşn't spread, it is the sc $\ddot{\mathbf{a}}$ r from the boil; and the priest shall pronounce him clean.

24 "Or when the body has a bûrn from fire on its skin, and the råw flesh of the bûrn becomes a bright spot, reddish-white, or white, 25 then the priest shall examine it; and behold, if the hair in the bright spot has tûrned white, and its appearance is deeper than the skin, it is leprosy. It has broken out in the bûrning, and the priest shall pronounce him unclean. It is the plague of leprosy. 26 But if the priest examines it, and behold, there is no white hair in the bright spot, and it isn't deeper than the skin, but has faded, then the priest shall isolate him seven days. 27 The priest shall examine him on the seventh day. If it has spread in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean. It is the plague of leprosy. 28 If the bright spot stays in its place, and hasn't spread in the skin, but is faded, it is the swelling from the bûrn, and the priest shall pronounce him clean, for it is the scär from the bûrn.

29 "When a man or woman has a plague on the head or on the beard, 30 then the priest shall examine the plague; and behold, if its appearance is deeper than the skin, and the hair in it is yellow and thin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean. It is an itch. It is leprosy of the head or of the beard. 31 If the priest examines the plague of itching, and behold, its appearance isn't deeper than the skin, and there is no black hair in it, then the priest shall isolate the person infected with itching seven days. 32 On the seventh day the priest shall examine the plaque; and behold, if the itch hasn't spread, and there is no vellow hair in it, and the appearance of the itch isn't deeper than the skin, 33 then he shall be shaved, but he shall not shave the itch. Then the priest shall isolate the one who has the itch seven more days. 34 On the seventh day, the priest shall examine the itch; and behold, if the itch hasn't spread in the skin, and its appearance isn't deeper than the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him clean. He shall wash his clothes and be clean. 35 But if the itch spreads in the skin äfter his cleansing, 36 then the priest shall examine him; and behold, if the itch has spread in the skin, the priest shall not look for the yellow hair; he is unclean. 37 But if in his eyeş the itch is arrested and black hair has grown in it, then the itch is healed. He is clean. The priest shall pronounce him clean.

38 "When a man or a woman has bright spots in the skin of the body, even white bright spots, 39 then the priest shall examine them. Behold, if the bright spots on the skin of their body are a dull white, it is a härmless rash. It has broken out in the skin. He is clean.

40 "If a man's hair has fållen from his head, he is båld. He is clean. 41 If his hair has fållen off from the front pärt of his head, he is forehead båld. He is clean. 42 But if a reddish-white plague is in the båld head or the båld forehead, it is leprosy breaking out in his båld head or his båld forehead. 43 Then the priest shall examine him. Behold, if the swelling of the plague is reddish-white in his båld head, or in his båld forehead, like the appearance of leprosy in the skin of the body, 44 he is a leprous man. He is unclean. The priest shall surely pronounce him unclean. His plague is on his head.

45 "The leper in whem the plague is shall wear torn clothes, and the hair of his head shall hang leese. He shall cover his upper lip, and shall cry, 'Unclean! Unclean! 46 All the days in which the plague is in him he shall be unclean. He is unclean. He shall dwell alone. His dwelling shall be outside of the camp.

47 "The gärment ålso that the plague of leprosy is in, whether it is a woolen gärment, or a linen gärment; 48 whether it is in wårp or woof; of linen or of wool; whether in a leather, or in anything made of leather; 49 if the plague is greenish or reddish in the gärment, or in the leather, or in the wårp, or in the woof, or in anything made of leather; it is the plague of leprosy, and shall be shown to the priest. 50 The priest shall examine the plague, and isolate the plague seven days. 51 He shall examine the plague on the seventh day. If the plague has spread in the gärment, either in the wårp, or in the woof, or in the skin, whatever use the skin is used for, the plague is a destructive mildew. It is unclean. 52 He shall bûrn the gärment, whether the wårp or the woof, in wool or in linen, or anything of leather, in which the plague is, for it is a destructive mildew. It shall be bûrned in the fire.

53 "If the priest examines it, and behold, the plague hasn't spread in the gärment, either in the wårp, or in the woof, or in anything of skin; 54 then the priest shall command that they wash the thing that the plague is in, and he shall isolate it seven more days. 55 Then the priest shall examine it, after the plague is washed; and behold, if the plague hasn't changed its color, and the plague hasn't spread, it is unclean; you shall bûrn it in the fire. It is a mildewed spot, whether the bareness is inside or outside. 56 If the priest looks, and behold, the plague has faded after it is washed, then he shall tear it out of the gärment, or out of the skin, or out of the wårp, or out of the woof; 57 and if it appears again in the gärment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in anything of skin, it is spreading. You shall bûrn what the plague is in with fire. 58 The gärment, either the warp, or the woof, or whatever thing of skin it is, which you shall wash, if the plague has departed from them, then it shall be washed the second time, and it will be clean."

59 **Th**is is the law of the plague of mildew in a gärment of wool or linen, **eith**er in the warp, or the woof, or in anything of skin, to pronounce it clean, or to pronounce it unclean.

Leviticus 14

YAHWEH spoke to Moses, saying,

2 "This shall be the law of the leper in the day of his cleansing: He shall be brought to the priest, 3 and the priest shall go out of the camp. The priest shall examine him. Behold, if the plague of leprosy is healed in the leper, 4 then the priest shall command them to take for him who is to be cleansed two living clean birds, cedar wood, scarlet, and hyssop. 5 The priest shall command them to kill one of the birds in an earthen vessel over running water. 6 As for the living bird, he shall take it, the cedar wood, the scarlet, and the hyssop, and shall dip them and the living bird in the blood of the bird that was killed over the running water. 7 He shall sprinkle on

him who is to be cleansed from the leprosy seven times, and shall pronounce him clean, and shall let the living bird go into the open field.

8 "He who is to be cleansed shall wash his clothes, and shave off all his hair, and bathe himself in water; and he shall be clean. after that he shall come into the camp, but shall dwell outside his tent seven days. 9 It shall be on the seventh day, that he shall shave all his hair off his head and his beard and his eyebrows. He shall shave off all his hair. He shall wash his clothes, and he shall bathe his body in water. Then he shall be clean.

10 "On the eighth day he shall take two male lambs without defect, one ewe lamb a year old without defect, three tenths of an ephah of fine flour for a meal offering, mixed with oil, and one log of oil. 11 The priest who cleanses him shall set the man who is to be cleansed, and those things, before YAHWEH, at the door of the tent of Meeting.

12 "The priest shall take one of the male lambs, and offer him for a trespäss offering, with the log of oil, and wave them for a wave offering before YAHWEH. 13 He shall kill the male lamb in the place where they kill the sin offering and the burnt offering, in the place of the sanctuary; for as the sin offering is the priest's, so is the trespäss offering. It is most holy. 14 The priest shall take some of the blood of the trespäss offering, and the priest shall put it on the tip of the right ear of him whe is to be cleansed, and on the thumb of his right hand, and on the big toe of his right foot. 15 The priest shall take some of the log of oil, and pour it into the pälm of his own left hand. 16 The priest shall dip his right finger in the oil that is in his left hand, and shall sprinkle some of the oil with his finger seven times before YAHWEH. 17 The priest shall put some of the rest of the oil that is in his hand on the tip of the right ear of him whe is to be cleansed, and on the thumb of his right hand, and on the big toe of his right foot, upon the blood of the trespäss offering. 18 The rest of the oil that is in the priest's hand he shall put on the head of him whe is to be cleansed, and the priest shall make atonement for him before YAHWEH.

19 "The priest shall offer the sin offering, and make atonement for him who is to be cleansed because of his uncleanness. äfterward he shall kill the bûrnt offering; 20 then the priest shall offer the bûrnt offering and the meal offering on the altar. The priest shall make atonement for him, and he shall be clean.

21 "If he is poor, and can't afford so much, then he shall take one male lamb for a trespass offering to be waved, to make atonement for him, and one tenth of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil for a meal offering, and a log of oil; 22 and two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, such as he is able to afford; and the one shall be a sin offering, and the other a burnt offering.

23 "On the eighth day he shall bring them for his cleanşing to the priest, to the door of the tent of Meeting, before YAHWEH. 24 The priest shall take the lamb of the trespäss offering, and the log of oil, and the priest shall wave them for a wave offering before YAHWEH. 25 He shall kill the lamb of the trespäss offering. The

priest shall take some of the blood of the trespäss offering and put it on the tip of the right ear of him who is to be cleansed, and on the thumb of his right hand, and on the big toe of his right foot. 26 The priest shall pour some of the oil into the pälm of his own left hand; 27 and the priest shall sprinkle with his right finger some of the oil that is in his left hand seven times before YAHWEH. 28 Then the priest shall put some of the oil that is in his hand on the tip of the right ear of him who is to be cleansed, and on the thumb of his right hand, and on the big toe of his right foot, on the place of the blood of the trespäss offering. 29 The rest of the oil that is in the priest's hand he shall put on the head of him who is to be cleansed, to make atonement for him before YAHWEH. 30 He shall offer one of the turtledoves, or of the young pigeons, which ever he is able to afford, 31 of the kind he is able to afford, the one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering, with the meal offering. The priest shall make atonement for him who is to be cleansed before YAHWEH."

32 **Th**is is the law for him in whem is the plague of leprosy, when is not able to afford the sacrifice for his cleansing.

33 YAHWEH spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying, 34 "When you have come into the land of Canaan, which I give to you for a possession, and I put a spreading mildew in a house in the land of your possession, 35 then he who owns the house shall come and tell the priest, saying, 'There seems to me to be some sort of plague in the house. 36 The priest shall command that they empty the house, before the priest goes in to examine the plague, that all that is in the house not be made unclean. äfterward the priest shall go in to inspect the house. 37 He shall examine the plague; and behold, if the plague is in the walls of the house with hollow streaks. greenish or reddish, and it appears to be deeper than the wall, 38 then the priest shall go out of the house to the door of the house, and shut up the house seven dayş. 39 The priest shall come again on the seventh day, and look. If the plague has spread in the walls of the house, 40 then the priest shall command that they take out the stones in which is the plague, and cast them into an unclean place outside of the city. 41 He shall cause the inside of the house to be scraped all over. They shall pour out the mortar that they scraped off outside of the city into an unclean place. 42 They shall take other stones, and put them in the place of those stones; and he shall take other mortar, and shall pläster the house.

43 "If the plague comes again, and breaks out in the house after he has taken out the stones, and after he has scraped the house, and after it was plastered, 44 then the priest shall come in and look; and behold, if the plague has spread in the house, it is a destructive mildew in the house. It is unclean. 45 He shall break down the house, its stones, and its timber, and all the house's mortar. He shall carry them out of the city into an unclean place.

46 "Moreover he who goes into the house while it is shut up shall be unclean until the evening. 47 He who lies down in the house shall wash his clothes; and he who eats in the house shall wash his clothes.

48 "If the priest shall come in, and examine it, and behold, the plague haşn't spread in the house, äfter the house was plästered, then the priest shall pronounce the house clean, becauşe the plague is healed. 49 To cleanşe the house he shall take two birds, cedar wood, scärlet, and hyssop. 50 He shall kill one of the birds in an earthen vessel over running water. 51 He shall take the cedar wood, the hyssop, the scärlet, and the living bird, and dip them in the blood of the slain bird, and in the running water, and sprinkle the house seven times. 52 He shall cleanşe the house with the blood of the bird, and with the running water, with the living bird, with the cedar wood, with the hyssop, and with the scärlet; 53 but he shall let the living bird go out of the city into the open field. So shall he make atonement for the house; and it shall be clean."

54 This is the law for any plague of leprosy, and for an itch, 55 and for the destructive mildew of a garment, and for a house, 56 and for a swelling, and for a scab, and for a bright spot; 57 to teach when it is unclean, and when it is clean.

This is the law of leprosy.

Leviticus 15

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş and to Aaron, saying, 2 "Speak to the children of Işrael, and tell them, 'When any man has a dischärge from his body, becauşe of his dischärge he is unclean. 3 This shall be his uncleanness in his dischärge: whether his body runş with his dischärge, or his body has stopped from his dischärge, it is his uncleanness.

- 4 "Every bed on which he who has the dischärge lies shall be unclean; and everything he sits on shall be unclean. 5 Whoever touches his bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the evening. 6 He who sits on anything on which the man who has the dischärge sat shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the evening.
- 7 "'He who touches the body of him who has the discharge shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the evening.
- 8 "If he who has the dischärge spits on him who is clean, then he shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the evening.
- 9 "'Whatever saddle he who has the discharge rides on shall be unclean. 10 Whoever touches anything that was under him shall be unclean until the evening. He who carries those things shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the evening.
- 11 "'Whemever he whe has the discharge touches, without having rinsed his hands in water, he shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the evening.
- 12 "'The earthen vessel, which he who has the discharge touches, shall be broken; and every vessel of wood shall be rinsed in water.

13 "'When he who has a dischärge is cleansed of his dischärge, then he shall count to himself seven days for his cleansing, and wash his clothes; and he shall bathe his flesh in running water, and shall be clean.

14 "On the eighth day he shall take two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, and come before YAHWEH to the door of the tent of Meeting, and give them to the priest. 15 The priest shall offer them, the one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering. The priest shall make atonement for him before YAHWEH for his discharge.

16 "If any man has an emission of semen, then he shall bathe all his flesh in water, and be unclean until the evening. 17 Every gärment and every skin which the semen is on shall be washed with water, and be unclean until the evening. 18 If a man lies with a woman and there is an emission of semen, they shall both bathe themselves in water, and be unclean until the evening.

19 "If a woman has a dischärge, and her dischärge in her flesh is blood, she shall be in her impurity seven days. Wheever touches her shall be unclean until the evening.

20 "'Everything that she lies on in her impurity shall be unclean. Everything also that she sits on shall be unclean. 21 Wheever touches her bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the evening. 22 Wheever touches anything that she sits on shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the evening. 23 If it is on the bed, or on anything she sits on, when he touches it, he shall be unclean until the evening.

24 "If any man lies with her, and her monthly flow is on him, he shall be unclean seven days; and every bed he lies on shall be unclean.

25 "If a woman has a discharge of her blood many days not in the time of her period, or if she has a discharge beyond the time of her period, all the days of the discharge of her uncleanness shall be as in the days of her period. She is unclean. 26 Every bed she lies on all the days of her discharge shall be to her as the bed of her period. Everything she sits on shall be unclean, as the uncleanness of her period. 27 Wheever touches these things shall be unclean, and shall wash his clothes and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the evening.

28 "But if she is cleansed of her dischärge, then she shall count to herself seven days, and after that she shall be clean. 29 On the eighth day she shall take two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, and bring them to the priest, to the door of the tent of Meeting. 30 The priest shall offer the one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering; and the priest shall make atonement for her before YAHWEH for the uncleanness of her dischärge.

31 "'Thus you shall separate the children of Işrael from their uncleanness, so they will not die in their uncleanness when they defile my tabernacle that is among them."

32 This is the law of him who has a discharge, and of him who has an emission of semen, so that he is unclean by it; 33 and of her who has her period, and of a man or woman who has a discharge, and of him who lies with her who is unclean.

Leviticus 16

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş äfter the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they came near before YAHWEH, and died; 2 and YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Tell Aaron your brother not to come at just any time into the Most Holy Place within the veil, before the mêrçy seat which is on the ärk; lest he die; for I will appear in the cloud on the mêrçy seat.

3 "Aaron shall come into the sanctuary with a young built for a sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering. 4 He shall put on the holy linen tunic. He shall have the linen trousers on his body, and shall put on the linen sash, and he shall be clothed with the linen turban. They are the holy garments. He shall bathe his body in water, and put them on. 5 He shall take from the congregation of the children of Işrael two male goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering.

6 "Aaron **sh**all offer the bull of the sin offering, which is for himself, and make atonement for himself and for his house. 7 He **sh**all take the two goats, and set **th**em before YAHWEH at the door of the tent of Meeting. 8 Aaron **sh**all cast lots for the two goats: one lot for YAHWEH, and the other lot for the scapegoat. 9 Aaron **sh**all preşent the goat on which the lot fell for YAHWEH, and offer him for a sin offering. 10 But the goat on which the lot fell for the scapegoat **sh**all be presented alive before YAHWEH, to make atonement for him, to send him away as the scapegoat into the wilderness.

11 "Aaron shall preşent the bull of the sin offering, which is for himself, and shall make atonement for himself and for his house, and shall kill the bull of the sin offering which is for himself. 12 He shall take a censer full of coals of fire from off the altar before YAHWEH, and two handfuls of sweet incense beaten small, and bring it within the veil. 13 He shall put the incense on the fire before YAHWEH, that the cloud of the incense may cover the mêrcy seat that is on the covenant, so that he will not die. 14 He shall take some of the blood of the bull, and sprinkle it with his finger on the mêrcy seat on the east; and before the mêrcy seat he shall sprinkle some of the blood with his finger seven times.

15 "Then he shall kill the goat of the sin offering that is for the people, and bring his blood within the veil, and do with his blood as he did with the blood of the bull, and sprinkle it on the mêrçy seat and before the mêrçy seat. 16 He shall make atonement for the Holy Plaçe, becauşe of the uncleanness of the children of Işrael, and becauşe of their transgressions, even all their sins; and so he shall do for the tent of Meeting that dwells with them in the middle of their uncleanness. 17 No one shall be in the tent of Meeting when he enters to make atonement in the Holy Plaçe, until he comes out, and has made atonement for himself and for his household, and for all the assembly of Işrael.

18 "He shall go out to the altar that is before YAHWEH and make atonement for it, and shall take some of the bull's blood, and some of the goat's blood, and put it around on the horns of the altar. 19 He shall sprinkle some of the blood on it with his finger seven times, and cleanse it, and make it holy from the uncleanness of the children of Israel.

20 "When he has finished atoning for the Holy Place, the tent of Meeting, and the altar, he shall present the live goat. 21 Aaron shall lay both his hands on the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions, even all their sins; and he shall put them on the head of the goat, and shall send him away into the wilderness by the hand of a man who is ready. 22 The goat shall carry all their iniquities on himself to a solitary land, and he shall release the goat in the wilderness.

23 "Aaron shall come into the tent of Meeting, and shall take off the linen gärments which he put on when he went into the Holy Place, and shall leave them there. 24 Then he shall bathe himself in water in a holy place, put on his gärments, and come out and offer his burnt offering and the burnt offering of the people, and make atonement for himself and for the people. 25 The fat of the sin offering he shall burn on the altar.

26 "He whe lets the goat go as the scapegoat shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp. 27 The bull for the sin offering, and the goat for the sin offering, whese blood was brought in to make atonement in the Holy Place, shall be carried outside the camp; and they shall burn their skins, their flesh, and their dung with fire. 28 He who burns them shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp.

29 "It shall be a statute to you forever: in the seventh month, on the tenth day of the month, you shall afflict your souls, and shall do no kind of work, whether native-born or a stranger who lives as a foreigner among you; 30 for on this day shall atonement be made for you, to cleanse you. You shall be clean from all your sins before YAHWEH. 31 It is a Sabbath of solemn rest to you, and you shall afflict your souls. It is a statute forever. 32 The priest, who is anointed and who is consecrated to be priest in his father's place, shall make the atonement, and shall put on the linen garments, even the holy garments. 33 Then he shall make atonement for the Holy Sanctuary; and he shall make atonement for the tent of Meeting and for the altar; and he shall make atonement for the priests and for all the people of the assembly.

34 "This shall be an everlästing statute for you, to make atonement for the children of Işrael onçe in the year becauşe of all their sins."

It was done as YAHWEH commanded Moses.

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Speak to Aaron, and to his sons, and to all the children of Işrael, and say to them, 'This is the thing which YAHWEH has commanded: 3 Whatever man there is of the house of Işrael who kills a bull, or lamb, or goat in the camp, or who kills it outside the camp, 4 and hasn't brought it to the door of the tent of Meeting to offer it as an offering to YAHWEH before YAHWEH'S tabernacle: blood shall be imputed to that man. He has shed blood. That man shall be cut off from among his people. 5 This is to the end that the children of Işrael may bring their sacrifices, which they sacrifice in the open field, that they may bring them to YAHWEH, to the door of the tent of Meeting, to the priest, and sacrifice them for sacrifices of peace offerings to YAHWEH. 6 The priest shall sprinkle the blood on YAHWEH'S altar at the door of the tent of Meeting, and burn the fat for a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH. 7 They shall no more sacrifice their sacrifices to the goat idols, after which they play the prostitute. This shall be a statute forever to them throughout their generations.

8 "You shall say to them, Any man there is of the house of Işrael, or of the strangers who live as foreigners, among them, who offers a burnt offering or sacrifice, 9 and doesn't bring it to the door of the tent of Meeting to sacrifice it to YAHWEH, that man shall be cut off from his people.

10 "Any man of the house of Işrael, or of the strangers who live as foreigners, among them, who eats any kind of blood, I will set my face against that soul who eats blood, and will cut him off from among his people. 11 For the life of the flesh is in the blood. I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood that makes atonement by reason of the life. 12 Therefore I have said to the children of Işrael, "No person among you may eat blood, nor may any stranger who lives as a foreigner among you eat blood."

13 "'Whatever man there is of the children of Işrael, or of the strangerş who live as foreignerş, among them, who takes in hunting any animal or bird that may be eaten, he shall pour out its blood, and cover it with dust. 14 For as to the life of all flesh, its blood is with its life. Therefore I said to the children of Işrael, "You shall not eat the blood of any kind of flesh; for the life of all flesh is its blood. Whoever eats it shall be cut off."

15 "Every person that eats what dies of itself, or that which is torn by animals, whether he is native-born or a foreigner, shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the evening. Then he shall be clean. 16 But if he doesn't wash them, or bathe his flesh, then he shall bear his iniquity."

Leviticus 18

YAHWEH said to Moşeş, 2 "Speak to the children of Işrael, and say to them, I am YAHWEH your Elohim. 3 You shall not do as they do in the land of Egypt, where you lived. You shall not do as they do in the land of Canaan, where I am bringing you. You shall not follow their statute. 4 You shall do my ordinances. You shall

- keep my statute and wå/k in them. I am YAHWEH yður Elohim. 5 You shall therefðre keep my statute and my ðrdinançeş, which if a man dóeş, he shall live in them. I am YAHWEH.
- 6 "'None of you shall approach any close relatives, to uncover their nakedness: I am YAHWEH.
- 7 "'You shall not uncover the nakedness of your fäther, nor the nakedness of your mother: she is your mother. You shall not uncover her nakedness.
- 8 "'You shall not uncover the nakedness of your father's wife. It is your father's nakedness.
- 9 "'You shall not uncover the nakedness of your sister, the daughter of your father, or the daughter of your mother, whether born at home or born abroad.
- 10 "'You shall not uncover the nakedness of your son's daughter, or of your daughter, even their nakedness; for theirs is your own nakedness.
- 11 "'You shall not uncover the nakedness of your fäther's wife's dåughter, conçeived by your fäther, sinçe she is your sister.
- 12 "'Y₀u shall not uncover the nakedness of your fäther's sister. She is your fäther's near kinswoman.
- 13 "'You shall not uncover the nakedness of your mother's sister, for she is your mother's near kinswoman.
- 14 "'You shall not uncover the nakedness of your father's brother. You shall not approach his wife. She is your aunt.
- 15 "'You shall not uncover the nakedness of your daughter-in-law. She is your son's wife. You shall not uncover her nakedness.
- 16 "You shall not uncover the nakedness of your brother's wife. It is your brother's nakedness.
- 17 "'You shall not uncover the nakedness of a woman and her dåughter. You shall not take her son's dåughter, or her dåughter's dåughter, to uncover her nakedness. They are near kinswomen. It is wickedness.
- 18 "You shall not take a wife in addition to her sister, to be a rival, to uncover her nakedness, while her sister is still alive.
- 19 "You shall not approach a woman to uncover her nakedness, as long as she is impure by her uncleanness.
- 20 "'You shall not lie carnally with your neighbor's wife, and defile yourself with her.
- 21 "'You shall not give any of your children as a sacrifice to Molech. You shall not profane the name of your Elohim. I am YAHWEH.
- 22 "'You shall not lie with a man as with a woman. That is detestable.

- 23 "'You shall not lie with any animal to defile yourself with it. No woman may give herself to an animal, to lie down with it: it is a perversion.
- 24 "'Don't defile yourselves in any of these things; for in all these the nations which I am casting out before you were defiled. 25 The land was defiled. Therefore I punished its iniquity, and the land vomited out her inhabitants. 26 You therefore shall keep my statute and my ordinances, and shall not do any of these abominations; neither the native-born, nor the stranger who lives as a foreigner among you 27 (for the men of the land that were before you had done all these abominations, and the land became defiled), 28 that the land not vomit you out also, when you defile it, as it vomited out the nation that was before you.
- 29 "'For wheever shall do any of these abominations, even the souls that do them shall be cut off from among their people. 30 Therefore you shall keep my requirements, that you do not practice any of these abominable customs which were practiced before you, and that you do not defile yourselves with them. I am YAHWEH your Elohim."

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Speak to all the congregation of the **ch**ildren of Işrael, and tell **th**em, 'You shall be holy; for I, YAHWEH your Elohim, am holy.

- 3 "'Each one of you shall respect his mother and his father. You shall keep my Sabbaths. I am YAHWEH your Elohim.
- 4 "'Don't tûrn to idolş, nôr make molten godş for yôurselveş. I am YAHWEH yôur Elohim.
- 5 "When you offer a sacrifice of peace offerings to YAHWEH, you shall offer it so that you may be accepted. 6 It shall be eaten the same day you offer it, and on the next day. If anything remains until the third day, it shall be bûrned with fire. 7 If it is eaten at all on the third day, it is an abomination. It will not be accepted; 8 but everyone whereats it shall bear his iniquity, because he has profaned the holy thing of YAHWEH, and that soul shall be cut off from his people.
- 9 "'When you reap the härvest of your land, you shall not wholly reap the corners of your field, neither shall you gather the gleanings of your härvest. 10 You shall not glean your vineyard, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the foreigner. I am YAHWEH your Elohim.
- 11 "'You shall not steal.
- "'You shall not lie.
- "'You shall not deceive one another.
- 12 "'You shall not swear by my name falsely, and profane the name of your Elohim. I am YAHWEH.
- 13 "'You shall not oppress your neighbor, nor rob him.

- "'The wages of a hired servant shall not remain with you all night until the morning.
- 14 "'You shall not cûrse the deaf, nor put a stumbling block before the blind; but you shall fear your Elohim. I am YAHWEH.
- 15 "You shall de no injustiçe in judgment. You shall not be pärtial to the poor, nor show favoritism to the great; but you shall judge your neighbor in righteousness.
- 16 "You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people.
- "'You shall not endanger the life of your neighbor. I am YAHWEH.
- 17 "You shall not hate your brother in your heart. You shall surely rebuke your neighbor, and not bear sin because of him.
- 18 "You shall not take vengeançe, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people; but you shall love your neighbor as yourself. I am YAHWEH.
- 19 "'You shall keep my statute.
- "'You shall not cross-breed different kinds of animals.
- "'You shall not sow your field with two kinds of seed;
- "'Don't wear a gärment made of two kinds of material.
- 20 "If a man lies cärnally with a woman who is a slave gîrl, pledged to be married to another man, and not ransomed or given her freedom; they shall be punished. They shall not be put to death, because she was not free. 21 He shall bring his trespäss offering to YAHWEH, to the door of the tent of Meeting, even a ram for a trespäss offering. 22 The priest shall make atonement for him with the ram of the trespäss offering before YAHWEH for his sin which he has committed; and the sin which he has committed shall be forgiven him.
- 23 "When you come into the land, and have planted all kinds of trees for food, then you shall count their fruit as forbidden. For three years it shall be forbidden to you. It shall not be eaten. 24 But in the fourth year all its fruit shall be holy, for giving praise to YAHWEH. 25 In the fifth year you shall eat its fruit, that it may yield its increase to you. I am YAHWEH your Elohim.
- 26 "'You shall not eat any meat with the blood still in it. You shall not use enchantments, nor practice sorcery.
- 27 "You shall not cut the hair on the sides of your head or clip off the edge of your beard.
- 28 "'You shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor tattee any marks on you. I am YAHWEH.
- 29 "'Don't profane your daughter, to make her a prostitute; lest the land fall to prostitution, and the land become full of wickedness.
- 30 "'You shall keep my Sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary; I am YAHWEH.

- 31 "'Don't tûrn to **thoş**e who are mediums, nor to the wizards. Don't seek **th**em out, to be defiled by **th**em. I am YAHWEH your Elohim.
- 32 "'You shall rişe up before the gray head and honor the façe of the elderly; and you shall fear your Elohim. I am YAHWEH.
- 33 "If a stranger lives as a foreigner with you in your land, you shall not do him wrong. 34 The stranger who lives as a foreigner with you shall be to you as the native-born among you, and you shall love him as yourself; for you lived as foreigners, in the land of Egypt. I am YAHWEH your Elohim.
- 35 "'You shall de no unrighteousness in judgment, in measures of length, of weight, or of quantity. 36 You shall have just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin. I am YAHWEH your Elohim, whe brought you out of the land of Egypt.
- 37 "'You shall obşêrve åll my statute and åll my ordinançeş, and de them. I am YAHWEH."

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Môreover, you shall tell the children of Işrael, 'Anyone of the children of Işrael, or of the strangerş who live as foreignerş, in Işrael, who giveş any of his offspring to Molech shall surely be put to death. The people of the land shall stone that pêrson with stones. 3 I ålso will set my façe against that pêrson, and will cut him off from among his people, becauşe he haş given of his offspring to Molech, to defile my sanctuary, and to profane my holy name. 4 If the people of the land åll hide their eyeş from that pêrson when he giveş of his offspring to Molech, and don't put him to death, 5 then I will set my façe against that man and against his family, and will cut him off, and åll who play the prostitute äfter him to play the prostitute with Molech, from among their people.

- 6 "The person that turns to those who are mediums and wizards, to play the prostitute after them, I will even set my face against that person, and will cut him off from among his people.
- 7 "'Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be holy; for I am YAHWEH your Elohim. 8 You shall keep my statute, and do them. I am YAHWEH who sanctifies you.
- 9 "'For everyone who cûrses his fäther or his mother shall surely be put to death. He has cûrsed his fäther or his mother. His blood shall be upon himself.
- 10 "'The man whe commits adultery with another man's wife, even he whe commits adultery with his neighbor's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.
- 11 "'The man whe lies with his fäther's wife has uncovered his fäther's nakedness. Both of them shall surely be put to death. Their blood shall be upon themselves.
- 12 "If a man lieş with his dåughter-in-låw, both of them shall surely be put to death. They have committed a perversion. Their blood shall be upon themselves.

- 13 "If a man lieş with a male, as with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination. They shall surely be put to death. Their blood shall be upon themselves.
- 14 "If a man takes a wife and her mother, it is wickedness. They shall be bûrned with fire, both he and they, that there may be no wickedness among you.
- 15 "If a man lies with an animal, he shall surely be put to death; and you shall kill the animal.
- 16 "If a woman approaches any animal and lies with it, you shall kill the woman and the animal. They shall surely be put to death. Their blood shall be upon them.
- 17 "If a man takes his sister—his fäther's dåughter, or his mother's dåughter—and sees her nakedness, and she sees his nakedness, it is a shameful thing. They shall be cut off in the sight of the children of their people. He has uncovered his sister's nakedness. He shall bear his iniquity.
- 18 "If a man lies with a woman having her monthly period, and uncovers her nakedness, he has made her fountain naked, and she has uncovered the fountain of her blood. Both of them shall be cut off from among their people.
- 19 "'You shall not uncover the nakedness of your mother's sister, nor of your father's sister, for he has made his close relative naked. They shall bear their iniquity. 20 If a man lies with his uncle's wife, he has uncovered his uncle's nakedness. They shall bear their sin. They shall die childless.
- 21 "If a man takes his brother's wife, it is an impurity. He has uncovered his brother's nakedness. They shall be childless.
- 22 "'You shall therefore keep all my statute and all my ordinances, and de them, that the land where I am bringing you to dwell may not vomit you out. 23 You shall not walk in the customs of the nation which I am casting out before you; for they did all these things, and therefore I abhorred them. 24 But I have said to you, "You shall inherit their land, and I will give it to you to possess it, a land flowing with milk and honey." I am YAHWEH your Elohim, who has separated you from the peoples.
- 25 "'You shall therefore make a distinction between the clean animal and the unclean, and between the unclean fowl and the clean. You shall not make yourselves abominable by animal, or by bird, or by anything with which the ground teems, which I have separated from you as unclean for you. 26 You shall be holy to me, for I, YAHWEH, am holy, and have set you apart from the peoples, that you should be mine.
- 27 "A man or a woman **th**at is a medium or is a wizard **sh**all surely be put to death. They **sh**all be stoned with stones. Their blood **sh**all be upon **th**emselves."

YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Speak to the priests, the sons of Aaron, and say to them, A priest shall not defile himself for the dead among his people, 2 except for his relatives that are near to him: for his mother, for his fäther, for his son, for his dåughter, for his brother, 3 and for his virgin sister who is near to him, who has had no husband; for her he may defile himself. 4 He shall not defile himself, being a chief man among his people, to profane himself.

5 "'They shall not shave their heads or shave off the corners of their beards or make any cuttings in their flesh. 6 They shall be holy to their Elohim, and not profane the name of their Elohim, for they offer the offerings of YAHWEH made by fire, the bread of their Elohim. Therefore they shall be holy.

7 "'They shall not marry a woman who is a prostitute, or profane. A priest shall not marry a woman divorçed from her huşband; for he is holy to his Elohim. 8 Therefore you shall sanctify him, for he offerş the bread of your Elohim. He shall be holy to you, for I YAHWEH, who sanctify you, am holy.

9 "'The dåughter of any priest, if she profanes hêrself by playing the prostitute, she profanes her fäther. She shall be bûrned with fire.

10 "'He whe is the high priest among his brothers, upon whese head the anointing oil is poured, and whe is consecrated to put on the garments, shall not let the hair of his head hang leese, or tear his clothes. 11 He must not go in to any dead body, or defile himself for his father or for his mother. 12 He shall not go out of the sanctuary, nor profane the sanctuary of his Elohim; for the crown of the anointing oil of his Elohim is upon him. I am YAHWEH.

13 "'He shall take a wife in her vîrginity. 14 He shall not marry a widow, or one divorçed, or a woman who has been defiled, or a prostitute. He shall take a vîrgin of his own people as a wife. 15 He shall not profane his offspring among his people, for I am YAHWEH who sanctifies him."

throughout their generations who has a defect may approach to offer the bread of his Elohim. 18 For whatever man he is that has a defect, he shall not draw near: a blind man, or a lame, or he who has a flat nose, or any deformity, 19 or a man who has an injured foot, or an injured hand, 20 or hunchbacked, or a dwarf, or one who has a defect in his eye, or an itching disease, or scabs, or who has damaged testicles. 21 No man of the offspring of Aaron the priest who has a defect shall come near to offer the offerings of YAHWEH made by fire. Since he has a defect, he shall not come near to offer the bread of his Elohim. 22 He shall eat the bread of his Elohim, both of the most holy, and of the holy. 23 He shall not come near to the veil, nor come near to the altar, because he has a defect; that he may not profane my sanctuaries, for I am YAHWEH who sanctifies them."

24 So Moses spoke to Aaron, and to his sons, and to all the children of Israel.

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Tell Aaron and his sons to separate themselves from the holy things of the children of Işrael, which they make holy to me, and that they not profane my holy name. I am YAHWEH.

3 "Tell them, If anyone of all your offspring throughout your generations approaches the holy things which the children of Israel make holy to YAHWEH, having his uncleanness on him, that soul shall be cut off from before me. I am YAHWEH.

4 "'Wheever of the offspring of Aaron is a leper or has a discharge shall not eat of the holy things until he is clean. Wheever touches anything that is unclean by the dead, or a man whe has a seminal emission, 5 or wheever touches any creeping thing whereby he may be made unclean, or a man from whem he may become unclean, whatever uncleanness he has—6 the person that touches any such shall be unclean until the evening, and shall not eat of the holy things unless he bathes his body in water. 7 When the sun is down, he shall be clean; and afterward he shall eat of the holy things, because it is his bread. 8 He shall not eat that which dies of itself or is torn by animals, defiling himself by it. I am YAHWEH.

9 "'They shall therefore follow my commandment, lest they bear sin for it and die in it, if they profane it. I am YAHWEH who sanctifies them.

10 "'No stranger shall eat of the holy thing: a foreigner living with the priests, or a hired servant, shall not eat of the holy thing. 11 But if a priest buys a slave, purchased by his money, he shall eat of it; and those whe are born in his house shall eat of his bread. 12 If a priest's dåughter is married to an outsider, she shall not eat of the heave offering of the holy things. 13 But if a priest's dåughter is a widow, or divorçed, and has no child, and has returned to her fäther's house as in her youth, she may eat of her fäther's bread; but no stranger shall eat any of it.

14 "If a man eats something holy unwittingly, then he shall add the fifth part of its value to it, and shall give the holy thing to the priest. 15 The priests shall not profane the holy things of the children of Israel, which they offer to YAHWEH, 16 and so cause them to bear the iniquity that brings guilt when they eat their holy things; for I am YAHWEH who sanctifies them."

17 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 18 "Speak to Aaron, and to his sons, and to all the children of Işrael, and say to them, 'Wheever is of the house of Işrael, or of the foreigners, in Işrael, who offers his offering, whether it is any of their vows or any of their free will offerings, which they offer to YAHWEH for a burnt offering: 19 that you may be accepted, you shall offer a male without defect, of the bulls, of the sheep, or of the goats. 20 But you shall not offer whatever has a defect, for it shall not be acceptable for you. 21 Wheever offers a sacrifice of peace offerings to YAHWEH to accomplish a vow, or for a free will offering of the herd or of the flock, it shall be perfect to be accepted. It shall have no defect. 22 You shall not offer what is blind, is injured, is maimed, has a wart, is festering, or has a running sore to YAHWEH, nor make an offering by fire of them on the altar to YAHWEH. 23 Either

a bull or a lamb that has any deformity or lacking in his parts, that you may offer for a free will offering; but for a vew it shall not be accepted. 24 You must not offer to YAHWEH that which has its testicles bruised, crushed, broken, or cut. You must not de this in your land. 25 You must not offer any of these as the bread of your Elohim from the hand of a foreigner, because their corruption is in them. There is a defect in them. They shall not be accepted for you."

26 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 27 "When a bull, a sheep, or a goat is born, it shall remain seven days with its mother. From the eighth day on it shall be accepted for the offering of an offering made by fire to YAHWEH. 28 Whether it is a cow or ewe, you shall not kill it and its young both in one day.

29 "When you sacrifice a sacrifice of thanksgiving to YAHWEH, you shall sacrifice it so that you may be accepted. 30 It shall be eaten on the same day; you shall leave none of it until the morning. I am YAHWEH.

31 "Therefore you shall keep my commandments, and do them. I am YAHWEH. 32 You shall not profane my holy name, but I will be made holy among the children of Işrael. I am YAHWEH who makes you holy, 33 who brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your Elohim. I am YAHWEH."

Leviticus 23

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Speak to the **ch**ildren of Işrael, and tell **th**em, 'The set feasts of YAHWEH, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, even **these** are my set feasts.

3 "Six dayş shall wôrk be done, but on the seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest, a holy convocation; you shall do no kind of wôrk. It is a Sabbath to YAHWEH in all your dwellings.

4 "'These are the set feasts of YAHWEH, even holy convocations, which you shall proclaim in their appointed season. 5 In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month in the evening, is YAHWEH'S Pässover. 6 On the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread to YAHWEH. Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread. 7 In the first day you shall have a holy convocation. You shall de no regular work. 8 But you shall offer an offering made by fire to YAHWEH seven days. In the seventh day is a holy convocation. You shall de no regular work."

9 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 10 "Speak to the children of Işrael, and tell them, 'When you have come into the land which I give to you, and shall reap its härvest, then you shall bring the sheaf of the first fruits of your härvest to the priest. 11 He shall wave the sheaf before YAHWEH, to be accepted for you. On the next day äfter the Sabbath the priest shall wave it. 12 On the day when you wave the sheaf, you shall offer a male lamb without defect a year old for a burnt offering to YAHWEH. 13 The meal offering with it shall be two tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil, an offering made by fire to YAHWEH for a pleasant aroma; and the drink offering with it shall be of wine, the fourth pärt of a hin. 14 You must not eat bread, or roasted grain, or fresh grain, until this same day, until you have brought

the offering of your Elohim. **Th**is is a statute forever **th**roughout your **g**enerations in all your dwellings.

15 "'You shall count from the next day äfter the Sabbath, from the day that you brought the sheaf of the wave offering: seven Sabbaths shall be completed. 16 The next day äfter the seventh Sabbath you shall count fifty days; and you shall offer a new meal offering to YAHWEH. 17 You shall bring out of your habitations two loaves of bread for a wave offering made of two tenths of an ephah of fine flour. They shall be baked with yeast, for first fruits to YAHWEH. 18 You shall present with the bread seven lambs without defect a year old, one young buill, and two rams. They shall be a burnt offering to YAHWEH, with their meal offering and their drink offerings, even an offering made by fire, of a sweet aroma to YAHWEH. 19 You shall offer one male goat for a sin offering, and two male lambs a year old for a sacrifice of peace offerings. 20 The priest shall wave them with the bread of the first fruits for a wave offering before YAHWEH, with the two lambs. They shall be holy to YAHWEH for the priest. 21 You shall make proclamation on the same day that there shall be a holy convocation to you. You shall do no regular work. This is a statute forever in all your dwellings throughout your generations.

22 "'When you reap the härvest of your land, you must not wholly reap into the corners of your field, and you must not gather the gleanings of your härvest. You must leave them for the poor, and for the foreigner. I am YAHWEH your Elohim."

23 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 24 "Speak to the **ch**ildren of Işrael, saying, In the seven**th** mon**th**, on the first day of the mon**th**, **there shall** be a solemn rest for you, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation. 25 You **shall** do no regular work. You **shall** offer an offering made by fire to YAHWEH."

26 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 27 "However on the tenth day of this seventh month is the day of atonement. It shall be a holy convocation to you. You shall afflict yourselves and you shall offer an offering made by fire to YAHWEH. 28 You shall do no kind of work in that same day, for it is a day of atonement, to make atonement for you before YAHWEH your Elohim. 29 For whoever it is who shall not deny himself in that same day shall be cut off from his people. 30 Whoever does any kind of work in that same day, I will destroy that person from among his people. 31 You shall do no kind of work: it is a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. 32 It shall be a Sabbath of solemn rest for you, and you shall deny yourselves. In the ninth day of the month at evening, from evening to evening, you shall keep your Sabbath."

33 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 34 "Speak to the children of Işrael, and say, On the fifteenth day of this seventh month is the feast of beeths for seven dayş to YAHWEH. 35 On the first day shall be a holy convocation. You shall do no regular work. 36 Seven dayş you shall offer an offering made by fire to YAHWEH. On the eighth day shall be a holy convocation to you. You shall offer an offering made by fire to YAHWEH. It is a solemn assembly; you shall do no regular work.

37 "'These are the appointed feasts of YAHWEH which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire to YAHWEH, a burnt offering, a meal offering, a sacrifice, and drink offerings, each on its own day—38 in addition to the Sabbaths of YAHWEH, and in addition to your gifts, and in addition to all your vews, and in addition to all your free will offerings, which you give to YAHWEH.

39 "'So on the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when you have gathered in the fruits of the land, you shall keep the feast of YAHWEH seven days. On the first day shall be a solemn rest, and on the eighth day shall be a solemn rest. 40 You shall take on the first day the fruit of majestic trees, branches of pälm trees, and boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and you shall rejoice before YAHWEH your Elohim seven days. 41 You shall keep it as a feast to YAHWEH seven days in the year. It is a statute forever throughout your generations. You shall keep it in the seventh month. 42 You shall dwell in temporary shelters for seven days. all who are native-born in Israel shall dwell in temporary shelters, 43 that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in temporary shelters when I brought them out of the land of Egypt. I am YAHWEH your Elohim."

44 So Moşeş declared to the children of Işrael the appointed feasts of YAHWEH.

Leviticus 24

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Command the **ch**ildren of Işrael, **th**at **th**ey bring to you pure olive oil beaten for the light, to cauşe a lamp to bûrn continually. 3 outside of the veil of the testimony, in the tent of Meeting, Aaron shall keep it in order from evening to morning before YAHWEH continually. It shall be a statute forever **th**roughout your generations, 4 He shall keep in order the lamps on the pure gold lamp stand before YAHWEH continually.

5 "You shall take fine flour, and bake twelve cakes of it: two tenths of an ephah shall be in one cake. 6 You shall set them in two rows, six on a row, on the pure gold table before YAHWEH. 7 You shall put pure frankincense on each row, that it may be to the bread for a memorial, even an offering made by fire to YAHWEH. 8 Every Sabbath day he shall set it in order before YAHWEH continually. It is an everlästing covenant on the behälf of the children of Işrael. 9 It shall be for Aaron and his sons. They shall eat it in a holy place; for it is most holy to him of the offerings of YAHWEH made by fire by a perpetual statute."

10 The son of an Işraelite woman, whose fäther was an Egyptian, went out among the children of Işrael; and the son of the Işraelite woman and a man of Işrael strove together in the camp. 11 The son of the Işraelite woman blasphemed the Name, and cûrsed; and they brought him to Moses. His mother's name was Shelomith, the dåughter of Dibri, of the tribe of Dan. 12 They put him in custody until YAHWEH'S will should be declared to them. 13 YAHWEH spoke to Moses, saying, 14 "Bring him who cûrsed out of the camp; and let all who heard him lay their hands on his head, and let all the congregation stone him. 15 You shall speak to the children of Işrael, saying, 'Whoever cûrses his Elohim shall bear his sin. 16 He who blasphemes YAHWEH'S name, he shall surely be put to death. all the congregation shall

çêrtainly stone him. The foreigner as well as the native-born shall be put to death when he blasphemes the Name.

17 "'He whe strikes any man mortally shall surely be put to death. 18 He whe strikes an animal mortally shall make it good, life for life. 19 If anyone injures his neighbor, it shall be done to him as he has done: 20 fracture for fracture, eye for eye, teeth for teeth. It shall be done to him as he has injured someone. 21 He whe kills an animal shall make it good; and he whe kills a man shall be put to death. 22 You shall have one kind of law for the foreigner as well as the native-born; for I am YAHWEH your Elohim."

23 Moşeş spoke to the **ch**ildren of Işrael; and **th**ey brought him who had cûrsed out of the camp, and stoned him with stones. The **ch**ildren of Işrael did as YAHWEH commanded Moşeş.

Leviticus 25

YAHWEH said to Moşeş on Mount Sinai, 2 "Speak to the children of Işrael, and tell them, 'When you come into the land which I give you, then the land shall keep a Sabbath to YAHWEH. 3 You shall sow your field six years, and you shall prune your vineyard six years, and gather in its fruits; 4 but in the seventh year there shall be a Sabbath of solemn rest for the land, a Sabbath to YAHWEH. You shall not sow your field or prune your vineyard. 5 What grows of itself in your harvest you shall not reap, and you shall not gather the grapes of your undressed vine. It shall be a year of solemn rest for the land. 6 The Sabbath of the land shall be for feed for you; for yourself, for your servant, for your maid, for your hired servant, and for your stranger, whe lives as a foreigner with you. 7 For your livestock also, and for the animals that are in your land, shall all its increase be for feed.

8 "You shall count off seven Sabbaths of years, seven times seven years; and there shall be to you the days of seven Sabbaths of years, even forty-nine years. 9 Then you shall sound the loud trumpet on the tenth day of the seventh month. On the Day of Atonement you shall sound the trumpet throughout all your land. 10 You shall make the fiftieth year holy, and proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee to you; and each of you shall return to his own property, and each of you shall return to his family. 11 That fiftieth year shall be a jubilee to you. In it you shall not sow, neither reap that which grows of itself, nor gather from the undressed vines. 12 For it is a jubilee; it shall be holy to you. You shall eat of its increase out of the field.

13 "In this Year of Jubilee each of you shall return to his property.

14 "If you sell anything to your neighbor, or buy from your neighbor, you shall not wrong one another. 15 According to the number of years after the Jubilee you shall buy from your neighbor. According to the number of years of the crops he shall sell to you. 16 According to the length of the years you shall increase its price, and according to the shortness of the years you shall diminish its price; for he is selling

the number of the crops to you. 17 You **sh**all not wrong one an**ôth**er, but you **sh**all fear yôur Elohim; for I am YAHWEH yôur Elohim.

18 "'Therefore you shall do my statute, and keep my ordinances and do them; and you shall dwell in the land in safety. 19 The land shall yield its fruit, and you shall eat your fill, and dwell therein in safety. 20 If you said, "What shall we eat the seventh year? Behold, we shall not sow, nor gather in our increase;" 21 then I will command my blessing on you in the sixth year, and it shall bear fruit for the three years. 22 You shall sow the eighth year, and eat of the fruits from the old store until the ninth year. Until its fruits come in, you shall eat the old store.

23 "'The land **sh**all not be **sol**d in **pê**rpet**u**ity, for the land is **mi**ne; for you are str**a**n**g**er**ş** and live as foreigner**ş**, wi**th** me. 24 In **å**ll the land of y**o**ur po**ş**şessi**o**n you **sh**all grant a redempti**o**n for the land.

25 "If your brother becomes poor, and sells some of his possessions, then his kinsman who is next to him shall come, and redeem that which his brother has sold. 26 If a man has no one to redeem it, and he becomes prosperous and finds sufficient means to redeem it, 27 then let him reckon the years since its sale, and restore the surplus to the man to whom he sold it; and he shall return to his property. 28 But if he isn't able to get it back for himself, then what he has sold shall remain in the hand of him who has bought it until the Year of Jubilee. In the Jubilee it shall be released, and he shall return to his property.

29 "If a man sells a dwelling house in a walled city, then he may redeem it within a whole year after it has been sold. For a full year he shall have the right of redemption. 30 If it isn't redeemed within the space of a full year, then the house that is in the walled city shall be made sure in perpetuity to him who bought it, throughout his generations. It shall not be released in the Jubilee. 31 But the houses of the villages which have no wall around them shall be accounted for with the fields of the country: they may be redeemed, and they shall be released in the Jubilee.

32 "Nevertheless, in the cities of the Levites, the Levites may redeem the houses in the cities of their possession at any time. 33 The Levites may redeem the house that was sold, and the city of his possession, and it shall be released in the Jubilee; for the houses of the cities of the Levites are their possession among the children of Israel. 34 But the field of the pästure lands of their cities may not be sold, for it is their perpetual possession.

35 "If your brother has become poor, and his hand can't support himself among you, then you shall uphold him. He shall live with you like an alien and a temporary resident. 36 Take no interest from him or profit; but fear your Elohim, that your brother may live among you. 37 You shall not lend him your money at interest, nor give him your feed for profit. 38 I am YAHWEH your Elohim, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, to give you the land of Canaan, and to be your Elohim.

39 "If your brother has grown poor among you, and sells himself to you, you shall not make him to serve as a slave. 40 As a hired servant, and as a temporary resident, he shall be with you; he shall serve with you until the Year of Jubilee. 41 Then he shall go out from you, he and his children with him, and shall return to his own family, and to the possession of his fäthers. 42 For they are my servants, whem I brought out of the land of Egypt. They shall not be sold as slaves. 43 You shall not rule over him with harshness, but shall fear your Elohim.

44 "'As for your male and your female slaves, whem you may have from the nations that are around you, from them you may buy male and female slaves. 45 Moreover, of the children of the aliens whe live among you, of them you may buy, and of their families whe are with you, which they have conceived in your land; and they will be your property. 46 You may make them an inheritance for your children äfter you, to hold for a possession. Of them you may take your slaves forever, but over your brothers the children of Israel you shall not rule, one over another, with härshness.

47 "If an alien or temporary resident with you becomes rich, and your brother beside him has grown poor, and sells himself to the stranger or foreigner living among you, or to a member of the stranger's family, 48 after he is sold he may be redeemed. One of his brothers may redeem him; 49 or his uncle, or his uncle's son, may redeem him, or any who is a close relative to him of his family may redeem him; or if he has grown rich, he may redeem himself. 50 He shall reckon with him who bought him from the year that he sold himself to him to the Year of Jubilee. The price of his sale shall be according to the number of years; he shall be with him according to the time of a hired servant. 51 If there are yet many years, according to them he shall give back the price of his redemption out of the money that he was bought for. 52 If there remain but a few years to the year of jubilee, then he shall reckon with him; according to his years of service he shall give back the price of his redemption. 53 As a servant hired year by year shall he be with him. He shall not rule with härshness over him in your sight. 54 If he isn't redeemed by these means, then he shall be released in the Year of Jubilee: he and his children with him. 55 For to me the **children** of **Işra**el are sêrvants; **th**ey are my sêrvants whem I brought out of the land of **Eg**ypt. I am YAHWEH your Elohim.

Leviticus 26

"'You shall make for yourselves no idols, and you shall not raise up a carved image or a pillar, and you shall not place any figured stone in your land, to bow down to it; for I am YAHWEH your Elohim.

- 2 "'You shall keep my Sabbaths, and have reverence for my sanctuary. I am YAHWEH.
- 3 "If you walk in my statute and keep my commandments, and de them, 4 then I will give you your rains in their season, and the land shall yield its increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit. 5 Your threshing shall continue until the

vintage, and the vintage shall continue until the sowing time. You shall eat your bread to the full, and dwell in your land safely.

6 "I will give peaçe in the land, and you shall lie down, and no one will make you afraid. I will remove evil animals out of the land, neither shall the sword go through your land. 7 You shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword. 8 Five of you shall chase a hundred, and a hundred of you shall chase ten thousand; and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword.

9 "I will have respect for you, make you fruitful, multiply you, and will establish my covenant with you. 10 You shall eat old supplies long kept, and you shall meve out the old because of the new. 11 I will set my tent among you, and my soul won't abhor you. 12 I will walk among you, and will be your Elohim, and you will be my people. 13 I am YAHWEH your Elohim, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that you should not be their slaves. I have broken the bars of your yoke, and made you walk upright.

14 "But if you will not listen to me, and will not de all these commandments, 15 and if you shall reject my statute, and if your soul abhors my ordinances, so that you will not de all my commandments, but break my covenant, 16 I also will de this to you: I will appoint terror over you, even consumption and fever, that shall consume the eyes, and make the soul to pine away. You will sow your seed in vain, for your enemies will eat it. 17 I will set my face against you, and you will be struck before your enemies. Those who hate you will rule over you; and you will flee when no one pursues you.

18 "If you in spite of **these things** will not listen to me, **then** I will **chastise** you seven times more for your sins. 19 I will break the pride of your power, and I will make your sky like iron, and your soil like bronze. 20 Your strength will be spent in vain; for your land won't yield its increase, neither will the trees of the land yield their fruit.

21 "If you walk contrary to me, and won't listen to me, then I will bring seven times more plagues on you according to your sins. 22 I will send the wild animals among you, which will rob you of your children, destroy your livestock, and make you few in number. Your roads will become desolate.

23 "If by these things you won't be turned back to me, but will walk contrary to me, 24 then I will also walk contrary to you; and I will strike you, even I, seven times for your sins. 25 I will bring a sword upon you that will execute the vengeance of the covenant. You will be gathered together within your cities, and I will send the pestilence among you. You will be delivered into the hand of the enemy. 26 When I break your staff of bread, ten women shall bake your bread in one oven, and they shall deliver your bread again by weight. You shall eat, and not be satisfied.

27 "If you in spite of this won't listen to me, but wak contrary to me, 28 then I will wak contrary to you in wrath. I will also chastise you seven times for your sins. 29 You will eat the flesh of your sons, and you will eat the flesh of your daughters. 30 I will destroy your high places, and cut down your incense altars, and

cäst your dead bodies upon the bodies of your idols; and my soul will abhor you. 31 I will lay your cities waste, and will bring your sanctuaries to desolation. I will not take delight in the sweet fragrance of your offerings. 32 I will bring the land into desolation, and your enemies who dwell in it will be astonished at it. 33 I will scatter you among the nations, and I will draw out the sword after you. Your land will be a desolation, and your cities shall be a waste. 34 Then the land will enjoy its Sabbaths as long as it lies desolate and you are in your enemies land. Even then the land will rest and enjoy its Sabbaths. 35 As long as it lies desolate it shall have rest, even the rest which it didn't have in your Sabbaths when you lived on it.

36 "'As for **those** of you whe are left, I will send a faintness into **their** heärts in the lands of **their** enemies. The sound of a driven leaf will put **them** to flight; and **they** shall flee, as one flees from the sword. They will fall when no one pursues. 37 They will stumble over one another, as it were before the sword, when no one pursues. You will have no power to stand before your enemies. 38 You will perish among the nations. The land of your enemies will eat you up. 39 Those of you who are left will pine away in their iniquity in your enemies' lands; and also in the iniquities of their fathers they shall pine away with them.

40 "If they confess their iniquity and the iniquity of their fäthers, in their trespäss which they trespassed against me; and ålso that because they wålked contrary to me, 41 l ålso wålked contrary to them, and brought them into the land of their enemies; if then their uncircumcised heärt is humbled, and they then accept the punishment of their iniquity, 42 then I will remember my covenant with Jacob, my covenant with Isaac, and ålso my covenant with Abraham; and I will remember the land. 43 The land ålso will be left by them, and will enjoy its Sabbaths while it lies desolate without them; and they will accept the punishment of their iniquity because they rejected my ordinances, and their soul abhorred my statute. 44 Yet for åll that, when they are in the land of their enemies, I will not reject them, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly and to break my covenant with them; for I am YAHWEH their Elohim. 45 But I will for their sake remember the covenant of their ancestors, whem I brought out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the nations, that I might be their Elohim. I am YAHWEH."

46 **Thes**_e are the statute, ordinances, and laws, which YAHWEH made between him and the children of Israel in Mount Sinai by Moses.

Leviticus 27

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Speak to the children of Işrael, and say to them, 'When a man consecrates a person to YAHWEH in a vew, according to your valuation, 3 your valuation of a male from twenty yearş old to sixty yearş old shall be fifty shekelş of silver, according to the shekel of the sanctuary. 4 If she is a female, then your valuation shall be thirty shekelş. 5 If the person is from five yearş old to twenty yearş old, then your valuation shall be for a male twenty shekelş, and for a female ten shekelş. 6 If the person is from a month old to five yearş old, then your valuation shall be for a male five shekelş of silver, and for a

female your valuation shall be three shekels of silver. 7 If the person is from sixty years old and upward; if he is a male, then your valuation shall be fifteen shekels, and for a female ten shekels. 8 But if he is poorer than your valuation, then he shall be set before the priest, and the priest shall assign a value to him. The priest shall assign a value according to his ability to pay.

9 "If it is an animal of which men offer an offering to YAHWEH, all that any man gives of such to YAHWEH becomes holy. 10 He shall not alter it, nor exchange it, a good for a bad, or a bad for a good. If he shall at all exchange animal for animal, then both it and that for which it is exchanged shall be holy. 11 If it is any unclean animal, of which they do not offer as an offering to YAHWEH, then he shall set the animal before the priest; 12 and the priest shall evaluate it, whether it is good or bad. As the priest evaluates it, so it shall be. 13 But if he will indeed redeem it, then he shall add the fifth part of it to its valuation.

14 "'When a man dedicates his house to be holy to YAHWEH, then the priest shall evaluate it, whether it is good or bad. As the priest evaluates it, so it shall stand. 15 If he who dedicates it will redeem his house, then he shall add the fifth part of the money of your valuation to it, and it shall be his.

16 "If a man dedicates to YAHWEH part of the field of his possession, then your valuation shall be according to the seed for it. The sowing of a homer of barley shall be valued at fifty shekels of silver. 17 If he dedicates his field from the Year of Jubilee, according to your valuation it shall stand. 18 But if he dedicates his field after the Jubilee, then the priest shall reckon to him the money according to the years that remain to the Year of Jubilee; and an abatement shall be made from your valuation. 19 If he who dedicated the field will indeed redeem it, then he shall add the fifth part of the money of your valuation to it, and it shall remain his. 20 If he will not redeem the field, or if he has sold the field to another man, it shall not be redeemed any more; 21 but the field, when it goes out in the Jubilee, shall be holy to YAHWEH, as a devoted field. It shall be owned by the priests.

22 "If he dedicates a field to YAHWEH which he has bought, which is not of the field of his possession, 23 then the priest shall reckon to him the worth of your valuation up to the Year of Jubilee; and he shall give your valuation on that day, as a holy thing to YAHWEH. 24 In the Year of Jubilee the field shall return to him from whom it was bought, even to him to whom the possession of the land belongs. 25 All your valuations shall be according to the shekel of the sanctuary: twenty gerahs to the shekel.

26 "However the firstborn among animals, which belongs to YAHWEH as a firstborn, no man may dedicate, whether an ox or a sheep. It is YAHWEH'S. 27 If it is an unclean animal, then he shall buy it back according to your valuation, and shall add to it the fifth part of it; or if it isn't redeemed, then it shall be sold according to your valuation.

- 28 "Notwithstanding, no devoted thing that a man devotes to YAHWEH of all that he has, whether of man or animal, or of the field of his possession, shall be sold or redeemed. Everything that is permanently devoted is most holy to YAHWEH.
- 29 "'No one devoted to destruction, who shall be devoted from among men, shall be ransomed. He shall surely be put to death.
- 30 "All the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the trees, is YAHWEH'S. It is holy to YAHWEH. 31 If a man redeems anything of his tithe, he shall add a fifth part to it. 32 All the tithe of the herds or the flocks, whatever passes under the rod, the tenth shall be holy to YAHWEH. 33 He shall not examine whether it is good or bad, neither shall he exchange it. If he exchanges it at all, then both it and that for which it is exchanged shall be holy. It shall not be redeemed."
- 34 These are the commandments which YAHWEH commanded Moşeş for the children of Işrael on Mount Sinai.

THE BOOK OF NUMBERS

Numbers 1

YAHWEH spoke to Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the Tent of Meeting, on the first day of the second month, in the second year after they had come out of the land of Egypt, saying, 2 "Take a census of all the congregation of the children of Israel, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, every male, one by one, 3 from twenty years old and upward, all who are able to go out to war in Israel. You and Aaron shall count them by their divisions. 4 With you there shall be a man of every tribe, each one head of his fathers' house. 5 These are the names of the men who shall stand with you:

Of Reuben: Elizur the son of **Sh**edeur.

6 Of Simeon: **Sh**elumiel the son of Zuri**sh**addai.

7 Of Judah: Nahshon the son of Amminadab.

8 Of Issachar: Nethanel the son of Zuar.

9 Of Zebulun: Eliab the son of Helon.

10 Of the **ch**ildren of J**o**se**ph**: of E**gh**raim: Eli**sh**ama the s**o**n of Ammihud; of Manasseh: Gamaliel the s**o**n of Pedahzur.

11 Of Benjamin: Abidan the son of Gideoni.

12 Of Dan: Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

13 Of Asher: Pagiel the son of Ochran.

14 Of Gad: Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

15 Of Naphtali: Ahira the son of Enan."

16 **These** are **those** whe were called of the congregation, the princes of the tribes of their fathers; they were the heads of the **thousands** of Israel. 17 Moses and Aaron took these men who are mentioned by name. 18 They assembled all the congregation together on the first day of the second month; and they declared their ancestry by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, one by one. 19 As YAHWEH commanded Moses, so he counted them in the wilderness of Sinai.

20 The children of Reuben, Işrael'ş fîrstborn, their generations, by their families, by their fäthers' houses, according to the number of the names, one by one, every male from twenty years old and upward, all who were able to go out to war: 21 those who were counted of them, of the tribe of Reuben, were forty-six thousand five hundred.

22 Of the **ch**ildren of Simeon, **th**eir **g**enerations, by **th**eir families, by **th**eir fathers' houses, **those** who were counted of it, according to the number of the names, one by one, every male from twenty years old and upward, all who were able to go out to war: 23 **those** who were counted of **th**em, of the tribe of Simeon, were fifty-nine **thousand three** hundred.

24 Of the **children** of Gad, **their generations**, by **their families**, by **their fäthers'** houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all who were able to go out to war: 25 **those** who were counted of **them**, of the tribe of Gad, were forty-five **thousand** six hundred fifty.

26 Of the **ch**ildren of **Judah**, **their generations**, by **their families**, by **their fathers'** houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all who were able to go out to war: 27 **those** who were counted of **them**, of the tribe of **Judah**, were seventy-four **thousand** six hundred.

28 Of the **children** of Issachar, **their generations**, by **their families**, by **their fathers**' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all who were able to go out to war: 29 **those** who were counted of **them**, of the tribe of Issachar, were fifty-four **thousand** four hundred.

30 Of the **ch**ildren of Zebulun, **th**eir **g**enerations, by **th**eir families, by **th**eir fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all who were able to go out to war: 31 **those** who were counted of **th**em, of the tribe of Zebulun, were fifty-seven **thousand** four hundred.

32 Of the children of Joseph: of the children of Ephraim, their generations, by their families, by their fäthers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all who were able to go out to war: 33 those who were counted of them, of the tribe of Ephraim, were forty thousand five hundred.

34 Of the **ch**ildren of Manasseh, **th**eir **g**enerations, by **th**eir families, by **th**eir fä**th**ers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all who were able to go out to war: 35 **those** who were counted of **th**em, of the tribe of Manasseh, were **th**irty-two **thous** and two hundred.

36 Of the **ch**ildren of Benjamin, **th**eir **g**enerations, by **th**eir families, by **th**eir fä**th**ers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all who were able to go out to war: 37 **those** who were counted of **th**em, of the tribe of Benjamin, were **th**irty-five **thous** and four hundred.

38 Of the **children** of Dan, **their generations**, by **their families**, by **their fathers'** houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all who were able to go out to war: 39 **those** who were counted of **them**, of the tribe of Dan, were sixty-two **thousand** seven hundred.

40 Of the **children** of Asher, **their generations**, by **their families**, by **their fäthers'** houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all who were able to go out to war: 41 **those** who were counted of **them**, of the tribe of Asher, were forty-one **thousand** five hundred.

42 Of the **children** of Naphtali, **their generations**, by **their families**, by **their familie**

44 These are those who were counted, whom Moses and Aaron counted, and the twelve men who were princes of Israel, each one for his fäthers' house. 45 So all those who were counted of the children of Israel by their fathers' houses, from twenty years old and upward, all who were able to go out to war in Israel — 46 all those who were counted were six hundred three thousand five hundred fifty. 47 But the Levites äfter the tribe of their fäthers were not counted among them. 48 For YAHWEH spoke to Moses, saying, 49 "Only the tribe of Levi you shall not count, neither shall you take a census of them among the children of Işrael; 50 but appoint the Levites over the Tabernacle of the Testimony, and over all its fûrnishings, and over all that belongs to it. They shall carry the tabernacle and åll its furnishings; and they shall take care of it, and shall encamp around it. 51 When the tabernacle is to move, the Levites shall take it down; and when the tabernacle is to be set up, the Levites shall set it up. The stranger who comes near shall be put to death. 52 The children of Işrael shall pitch their tents, every man by his own camp, and every man by his own standard, according to their divisions. 53 But the Levites shall encamp around the Tabernacle of the Testimony, that there may be no wräth on the congregation of the children of Işrael. The Levites shall be responsible for the Tabernacle of the Testimony."

54 **Th**us the **ch**ildren of **Işra**el did. Acc**o**rding to **a**ll **th**at YAHWEH commanded Moşeş, so **th**ey did.

Numbers 2

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş and to Aaron, saying, 2 "The children of Işrael shall encamp every man by his own standard, with the banners of their fäthers' houses. They shall encamp around the Tent of Meeting at a distance from it."

- 3 **Those** who encamp on the **e**ast side toward the sunrise **sh**all be of the standard of the camp of Judah, according to **their** divisions. The prince of the **ch**ildren of Judah **sh**all be Nahshon the son of Amminadab. 4 His division, and **those** who were counted of **them**, were seventy-four **thousand** six hundred.
- 5 **Thoş**e whe encamp next to him **sh**all be the tribe of Issachar. The prin**ç**e of the **ch**ildren of Issachar **sh**all be Ne**th**anel the son of Zuar. 6 His divi**ş**ion, and **thoş**e whe were counted of it, were fifty-four **tho**uşand four hundred.

- 7 The tribe of Zebulun: the prince of the **ch**ildren of Zebulun **sh**all be Eliab the son of Helon. 8 His division, and **those** who were counted of it, were fifty-seven **thousand** four hundred.
- 9 All who were counted of the camp of Judah were one hundred eighty-six thousand four hundred, according to their divisions. They shall set out first.
- 10 "On the south side shall be the standard of the camp of Reuben according to their divisions. The prince of the children of Reuben shall be Elizur the son of Shedeur. 11 His division, and those who were counted of it, were forty-six thousand five hundred.
- 12 "**Thos**e who encamp next to him **shall** be the tribe of Simeon. The prince of the **children** of Simeon **shall** be **Shelumiel** the son of Zurishaddai. 13 His division, and **thos**e who were counted of **them**, were fifty-nine **thousand three** hundred.
- 14 "The tribe of Gad: the prince of the **children** of Gad **shall** be Eliasa**ph** the **son** of Reuel. 15 His division, and **those** who were counted of **them**, were forty-five **thousand** six hundred fifty.
- 16 "åll whe were counted of the camp of Reuben were one hundred fifty-one thousand four hundred fifty, according to their ärmies. They shall set out second.
- 17 "Then the Tent of Meeting shall set out, with the camp of the Levites in the middle of the camps. As they encamp, so shall they set out, every man in his place, by their standards.
- 18 "On the west side shall be the standard of the camp of Ephraim according to their divisions. The prince of the children of Ephraim shall be Elishama the son of Ammihud. 19 His division, and those who were counted of them, were forty thousand five hundred.
- 20 "Next to him **sh**all be the tribe of Manasseh. The prin**ç**e of the **ch**ildren of Manasseh **sh**all be Gamaliel the **so**n of Peda*h*zur. 21 His divi**ș**i**o**n, and **thoș**e who were **co**unted of **them**, were **th**irty-two **thousand** two hundred.
- 22 "The tribe of Benjamin: the prince of the **ch**ildren of Benjamin **sh**all be Abidan the son of Gideoni. 23 His ärmy, and **those** who were counted of **th**em, were **th**irty-five **thousand** four hundred.
- 24 "all who were counted of the camp of Ephraim were one hundred eight **thousand** one hundred, according to **their** divisions. **They shall** set out **th**ird.
- 25 "On the north side shall be the standard of the camp of Dan according to their divisions. The prince of the children of Dan shall be Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai. 26 His division, and those who were counted of them, were sixty- two thousand seven hundred.

- 27 "Those who encamp next to him shall be the tribe of Asher. The prince of the children of Asher shall be Pagiel the son of Ochran. 28 His division, and those who were counted of them, were forty-one thousand five hundred.
- 29 "The tribe of Naphtali: the prince of the **children** of Naphtali **shall** be Ahira the son of Enan. 30 His division, and **those** who were counted of **them**, were fifty-**th**ree **thousand** four hundred.
- 31 "åll whe were counted of the camp of Dan were one hundred fifty-seven thousand six hundred. They shall set out läst by their standards."
- 32 **These** are **those** who were counted of the **children** of Israel by **their** fäthers' houses, all who were counted of the camps according to **their** ärmies were six hundred **three thousand** five hundred fifty. 33 But the Levites were not counted among the **children** of Israel, as YAHWEH commanded Moses.
- 34 Thus the **children** of Işrael did. According to all **th**at YAHWEH commanded Moşeş, so **th**ey encamped by **th**eir standards, and so **th**ey set out, everyone by **th**eir families, according to **th**eir fathers' houses.

Numbers 3

New **th**is is the history of the **g**enerations of Aaron and Moses in the day **th**at YAHWEH spoke wi**th** Moses in Mount Sinai. 2 These are the names of the sons of Aaron: Nadab the firstborn, and Abihu, Eleazar, and I**th**amar.

- 3 **These** are the names of the sons of Aaron, the priests who were anointed, whom he consecrated to minister in the priest's office. 4 Nadab and Abihu died before YAHWEH when they offered strange fire before YAHWEH in the wilderness of Sinai, and they had no children. Eleazar and Ithamar ministered in the priest's office in the presence of Aaron their fäther.
- 5 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 6 "Bring the tribe of Levi near, and set them before Aaron the priest, that they may minister to him. 7 They shall keep his requirements, and the requirements of the whole congregation before the Tent of Meeting, to do the sêrviçe of the tabernacle. 8 They shall keep all the furnishings of the Tent of Meeting, and the obligations of the children of Israel, to do the sêrviçe of the tabernacle. 9 You shall give the Levites to Aaron and to his sons. They are wholly given to him on the behälf of the children of Israel. 10 You shall appoint Aaron and his sons, and they shall keep their priesthood, but the stranger who comes near shall be put to death."
- 11 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 12 "Behold, I have taken the Levites from among the children of Işrael instead of all the firstborn who open the womb among the children of Işrael; and the Levites shall be mine, 13 for all the firstborn are mine. On the day that I struck down all the firstborn in the land of Egypt I made holy to me all the firstborn in Işrael, both man and animal. They shall be mine. I am YAHWEH

- 14 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş in the wilderness of Sinai, saying, 15 "Count the children of Levi by their fätherş' houşeş, by their familieş. You shall count every male from a month old and upward."
- 16 Moşeş counted them according to YAHWEH'S word, as he was commanded.
- 17 **These** were the sons of Levi by their names: Gêrshon, Kohath, and Merari.
- 18 **Theş**e are the nameş of the sons of Gêrshon's by their families: Libni and Shimei.
- 19 The sons of Kohath by their families: Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel.
- 20 The sons of Merari by their families: Mahli and Mushi.

These are the families of the Levites according to their fathers' houses.

- 21 Of Gêrshon was the family of the Libnites, and the family of the **Sh**imeites. **These** are the families of the Gêrshonites.
- 22 **Those** who were counted of **th**em, according to the number of all the males from a month old and upward, even **those** who were counted of **th**em were seven **thousand** five hundred.
- 23 The families of the Gershonites shall encamp behind the tabernacle westward.
- 24 Eliasaph the son of Lael **sh**all be the prince of the fäthers' house of the Gêrshonites. 25 The duty of the sons of Gêrshon in the Tent of Meeting **sh**all be the tabernacle, the tent, its covering, the screen for the door of the Tent of Meeting, 26 the hangings of the court, the screen for the door of the court which is by the tabernacle and around the altar, and its cords for all of its sêrvice.
- 27 Of Kohath was the family of the Amramites, the family of the Izharites, the family of the Hebronites, and the family of the Uzzielites. **Thes**e are the families of the Kohathites. 28 According to the number of all the males from a month old and upward, there were eight thousand six hundred keeping the requirements of the sanctuary.
- 29 The families of the sons of Kohath shall encamp on the south side of the tabernacle. 30 The prince of the fäthers' house of the families of the Kohathites shall be Elizaphan the son of Uzziel. 31 Their duty shall be the ärk, the table, the lamp stand, the åltars, the vessels of the sanctuary with which they minister, the screen, and åll its sêrvice. 32 Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest shall be prince of the princes of the Levites, with the oversight of those who keep the requirements of the sanctuary.
- 33 Of Merari was the family of the Mahlites and the family of the Mushites. **Theş**e are the families of Merari. 34 **Thos**e who were counted of **th**em, according to the

number of **å**ll the m**a**le**ş** from a m**o**n**th** old and upward, were six **tho**u**ş**and two hundred.

35 The prince of the fathers' house of the families of Merari was Zuriel the son of Abihail. They shall encamp on the north side of the tabernacle. 36 The appointed duty of the sons of Merari shall be the tabernacle's boards, its bars, its pillars, its sockets, all its instruments, all its service, 37 the pillars of the court around it, their sockets, their pins, and their cords.

38 **Those** whe encamp before the tabernacle **e**astward, in front of the Tent of Meeting toward the sunrise, shall be Moses, with Aaron and his sons, keeping the requirements of the sanctuary for the duty of the **ch**ildren of Israel. The outsider whe comes near shall be put to death. 39 All whe were counted of the Levites, whem Moses and Aaron counted at the commandment of YAHWEH, by their families, all the males from a month old and upward, were twenty-twe thousand.

40 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Count all the firstborn males of the children of Işrael from a month old and upward, and take the number of their names. 41 You shall take the Levites for me—I am YAHWEH—instead of all the firstborn among the children of Işrael; and the livestock of the Levites instead of all the firstborn among the livestock of the children of Işrael."

42 Moşeş counted, as YAHWEH commanded him, all the firstborn among the children of Işrael. 43 All the firstborn maleş according to the number of names from a month old and upward, of those who were counted of them, were twenty-two thousand two hundred seventy-three.

44 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 45 "Take the Levites instead of all the firstborn among the children of Işrael, and the livestock of the Levites instead of their livestock; and the Levites shall be mine. I am YAHWEH. 46 For the redemption of the two hundred seventy-three of the firstborn of the children of Işrael who exceed the number of the Levites, 47 you shall take five shekelş apieçe for each one; according to the shekel of the sanctuary you shall take them (the shekel is twenty gerahs); 48 and you shall give the money, with which their remainder is redeemed, to Aaron and to his sons."

49 Moşeş töök the redemption money from those who exceeded the number of those who were redeemed by the Levites; 50 from the firstborn of the children of Israel he töök the money, one thousand three hundred sixty-five shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary; 51 and Moses gave the redemption money to Aaron and to his sons, according to YAHWEH'S word, as YAHWEH commanded Moses.

Numbers 4

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş and to Aaron, saying, 2 "Take a census of the sons of Kohath from among the sons of Levi, by their families, by their fathers'

houşeş, 3 from thirty yearş old and upward even until fifty yearş old, âll who enter into the sêrviçe to do the work in the Tent of Meeting.

- 4 "This is the service of the sons of Kohath in the Tent of Meeting, regarding the most holy things. 5 When the camp moves forward, Aaron shall go in with his sons; and they shall take down the veil of the screen, cover the ärk of the Testimony with it, 6 put a covering of sealskin on it, spread a blue cloth over it, and put in its poles.
- 7 "On the table of **sho**w bread **th**ey **sh**all spread a blue clo**th**, and put on it the di**shes**, the speens, the bowls, and the cups with which to pour out; and the continual bread **sh**all be on it. 8 **Th**ey **sh**all spread on **th**em a scärlet clo**th**, and cover it with a covering of sealskin, and **sh**all put in its poles.
- 9 "They shall take a blue cloth and cover the lamp stand of the light, its lamps, its snuffers, its snuff dishes, and all its oil vessels, with which they minister to it. 10 They shall put it and all its vessels within a covering of sealskin, and shall put it on the frame.
- 11 "On the golden altar they shall spread a blue cloth, and cover it with a covering of sealskin, and shall put in its poles.
- 12 "They shall take all the vessels of ministry with which they minister in the sanctuary, and put them in a blue cloth, cover them with a covering of sealskin, and shall put them on the frame.
- 13 "They shall take away the ashes from the altar, and spread a purple cloth on it. 14 They shall put on it all its vessels with which they minister about it, the fire pans, the meat hooks, the shovels, and the basins—all the vessels of the altar; and they shall spread on it a covering of sealskin, and put in its poles.
- 15 "When Aaron and his sons have finished covering the sanctuary and all the furniture of the sanctuary, as the camp moves forward; after that, the sons of Kohath shall come to carry it; but they shall not touch the sanctuary, lest they die. The sons of Kohath shall carry these things belonging to the Tent of Meeting.
- 16 "The duty of Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest shall be the oil for the light, the sweet incense, the continual meal offering, and the anointing oil, the requirements of all the tabernacle, and of all that is in it, the sanctuary, and its furnishings."
- 17 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş and to Aaron, saying, 18 "Don't cut off the tribe of the families of the Kohathites from among the Levites; 19 but de this to them, that they may live, and not die, when they approach the most holy things: Aaron and his sons shall go in and appoint everyone to his service and to his burden; 20 but they shall not go in to see the sanctuary even for a moment, lest they die."
- 21 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 22 "Take a census of the sons of Gêrshon also, by their fathers' houses, by their families; 23 you shall count them from

thirty yearş old and upward until fifty yearş old: **å**ll who enter in to wait on the sêrviçe, to do the work in the Tent of Meeting.

24 "This is the sêrviçe of the families of the Gêrshonites, in sêrving and in bearing bûrdens: 25 they shall carry the cûrtains of the tabernacle and the Tent of Meeting, its covering, the covering of sealskin that is on it, the screen for the door of the Tent of Meeting, 26 the hangings of the court, the screen for the door of the gate of the court which is by the tabernacle and around the altar, their cords, and all the instruments of their sêrviçe, and whatever shall be done with them. They shall sêrve in there. 27 At the commandment of Aaron and his sons shall be all the sêrviçe of the sons of the Gêrshonites, in all their bûrden and in all their sêrviçe; and you shall appoint their duty to them in all their responsibilities. 28 This is the sêrviçe of the families of the sons of the Gêrshonites in the Tent of Meeting. Their duty shall be under the hand of lthamar the son of Aaron the priest.

29 "As for the sons of Merari, you shall count them by their families, by their fathers' houses; 30 you shall count them from thirty years old and upward even to fifty years old—everyone who enters on the service, to do the work of the Tent of Meeting. 31 This is the duty of their bûrden, according to all their service in the Tent of Meeting: the tabernacle's boards, its bars, its pillars, its sockets, 32 the pillars of the court around it, their sockets, their pins, their cords, with all their instruments, and with all their service. You shall appoint the instruments of the duty of their bûrden to them by name. 33 This is the service of the families of the sons of Merari, according to all their service in the Tent of Meeting, under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest."

34 Moşeş and Aaron and the princes of the congregation counted the sons of the Kohathites by their families, and by their fäthers' houses, 35 from thirty years old and upward even to fifty years old, everyone who entered into the service for work in the Tent of Meeting. 36 Those who were counted of them by their families were two thousand seven hundred fifty. 37 These are those who were counted of the families of the Kohathites, all who served in the Tent of Meeting, whom Moses and Aaron counted according to the commandment of YAHWEH by Moses.

38 Those who were counted of the sons of Gêrshon, by their families, and by their fäthers' houses, 39 from thirty years old and upward even to fifty years old—everyone who entered into the sêrvice for work in the Tent of Meeting, 40 even those who were counted of them, by their families, by their fäthers' houses, were two those who were counted of the families of the sons of Gêrshon, all who sêrved in the Tent of Meeting, whom Moses and Aaron counted according to the commandment of YAHWEH.

42 **Those** who were counted of the families of the sons of Merari, by their families, by their fäthers' houses, 43 from thirty years old and upward even to fifty years old—everyone who entered into the service for work in the Tent of Meeting, 44 even

those who were counted of them by their families, were three thousand two hundred. 45 These are those who were counted of the families of the sons of Merari, whom Moses and Aaron counted according to the commandment of YAHWEH by Moses.

46 All **those** whe were counted of the Levites whem Moses and Aaron and the princes of Israel counted, by **their** families and by **their** fathers' houses, 47 from **th**irty years old and upward even to fifty years old, everyone who entered in to do the work of service and the work of bearing bûrdens in the Tent of Meeting, 48 even **those** who were counted of **them**, were eight **thousand** five hundred eighty. 49 According to the commandment of YAHWEH **they** were counted by Moses, everyone according to his service and according to his bûrden. **Thus they** were counted by him, as YAHWEH commanded Moses.

Numbers 5

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Command the children of Işrael that they put on the camp every leper, everyone who has a discharge, and who ever is unclean by a corpse. 3 You shall put both male and female outside of the camp so that they don't defile their camp, in the midst of which I dwell."

4 The **ch**ildren of Işrael did so, and put **th**em **o**utside of the camp; as YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, so the **ch**ildren of Işrael did.

5 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 6 "Speak to the children of Işrael: 'When a man or woman commits any sin that men commit, so as to trespäss against YAHWEH, and that soul is guilty, 7 then he shall confess his sin which he has done; and he shall make restitution for his guilt in full, add to it the fifth part of it, and give it to him in respect of whom he has been guilty. 8 But if the man has no kinsman to whom restitution may be made for the guilt, the restitution for guilt which is made to YAHWEH shall be the priest's, in addition to the ram of the atonement, by which atonement shall be made for him. 9 Every heave offering of all the holy things of the children of Işrael, which they present to the priest, shall be his. 10 Every man's holy things shall be his; whatever any man gives the priest, it shall be his."

11 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 12 "Speak to the children of Işrael, and tell them: If any man'ş wife goeş astray and is unfaithfül to him, 13 and a man lieş with her cärnally, and it is hidden from the eyeş of her huşband and this is kept conçealed, and she is defiled, there is no witness against her, and she işn't taken in the act; 14 and the spirit of jealousy comeş on him, and he is jealous of his wife and she is defiled; or if the spirit of jealousy comeş on him, and he is jealous of his wife and she işn't defiled; 15 then the man shall bring his wife to the priest, and shall bring her offering for her: one tenth of an ephah of bärley meal. He shall pour no oil on it, nor put frankinçense on it, for it is a meal offering of jealousy, a meal offering of memorial, bringing iniquity to memory. 16 The priest shall bring her near, and set her before YAHWEH. 17 The priest shall take holy water in an earthen vessel; and

the priest shall take some of the dust that is on the floor of the tabernacle and put it into the water. 18 The priest shall set the woman before YAHWEH, and let the hair of the woman's head go leese, and put the meal offering of memorial in her hands, which is the meal offering of jealousy. The priest shall have in his hand the water of bitterness that brings a curse. 19 The priest shall cause her to take an oath and shall tell the woman, "If no man has lain with you, and if you haven't gone aside to uncleanness, being under your husband's authority, be free from this water of bitterness that brings a curse. 20 But if you have gone astray, being under your husband's authority, and if you are defiled, and some man has lain with you besides your husband—"21 then the priest shall cause the woman to swear with the oath of cursing, and the priest shall tell the woman, "May YAHWEH make you a curse and an oath among your people, when YAHWEH allows your thigh to fall away, and your body to swell; 22 and this water that brings a curse will go into your bowels, and make your body swell, and your thigh fall away." The woman shall say, "Amen, Amen."

23 "'The priest shall write these cûrses in a book, and he shall wipe them into the water of bitterness. 24 He shall make the woman drink the water of bitterness that causes the cûrse; and the water that causes the cûrse shall enter into her and become bitter. 25 The priest shall take the meal offering of jealousy out of the woman's hand, and shall wave the meal offering before YAHWEH, and bring it to the altar. 26 The priest shall take a handful of the meal offering, as its memorial portion, and bûrn it on the altar, and afterward shall make the woman drink the water. 27 When he has made her drink the water, then it shall happen, if she is defiled and has committed a trespass against her husband, that the water that causes the cûrse will enter into her and become bitter, and her body will swell, and her thigh will fall away; and the woman will be a cûrse among her people. 28 If the woman işn't defiled, but is clean; then she shall be free, and shall conceive offspring.

29 "'This is the law of jealousy, when a wife, being under her huşband, goeş astray, and is defiled, 30 or when the spirit of jealousy comes on a man, and he is jealous of his wife; then he shall set the woman before YAHWEH, and the priest shall execute on her all this law. 31 The man shall be free from iniquity, and that woman shall bear her iniquity."

Numbers 6

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Speak to the children of Işrael, and tell them: 'When either man or woman shall make a speçial vew, the vew of a Nazirite, to separate himself to YAHWEH, 3 he shall separate himself from wine and strong drink. He shall drink no vinegar of wine, or vinegar of fermented drink, neither shall he drink any juiçe of grapes, nor eat fresh grapes or dried. 4 All the days of his separation he shall eat nothing that is made of the grapevine, from the seeds even to the skins.

5 "'all the days of his vow of separation no razor shall come on his head, until the days are fulfilled in which he separates himself to YAHWEH. He shall be holy. He shall let the locks of the hair of his head grow long.

6 "'all the days that he separates himself to YAHWEH he shall not go near a dead body. 7 He shall not make himself unclean for his fäther, or for his mother, for his brother, or for his sister, when they die, because his separation to Elohim is on his head. 8 All the days of his separation he is holy to YAHWEH.

9 "If any man dies very suddenly beside him, and he defiles the head of his separation, then he shall shave his head in the day of his cleansing. On the seventh day he shall shave it. 10 On the eighth day he shall bring two turtledovesor two young pigeons to the priest, to the door of the Tent of Meeting. 11 The priest shall offer one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering, and make atonement for him, because he sinned by reason of the dead, and shall make his head holy that same day. 12 He shall separate to YAHWEH the days of his separation, and shall bring a male lamb a year old for a trespass offering; but the former days shall be void, because his separation was defiled.

13 "'This is the law of the Nazirite: when the days of his separation are fulfilled, he shall be brought to the door of the Tent of Meeting, 14 and he shall offer his offering to YAHWEH: one male lamb a year old without defect for a burnt offering, one ewe lamb a year old without defect for a sin offering, one ram without defect for peace offerings, 15 a basket of unleavened bread, cakes of fine flour mixed with oil, and unleavened wafers anointed with oil with their meal offering and their drink offerings. 16 The priest shall present them before YAHWEH, and shall offer his sin offerings to YAHWEH, with the basket of unleavened bread. The priest shall offer

ålso its meal offering and its drink offering. 18 The Nazirite shall shave the head of his separation at the door of the Tent of Meeting, take the hair of the head of his separation, and put it on the fire which is under the sacrifice of peace offerings. 19 The priest shall take the boiled shoulder of the ram, one unleavened cake out of the bäsket, and one unleavened wafer, and shall put them on the hands of the Nazirite äfter he has shaved the head of his separation; 20 and the priest shall wave them for a wave offering before YAHWEH. They are holy for the priest, together with the breast that is waved and the thigh that is offered. after that the Nazirite may drink wine.

21 "'This is the law of the Nazirite who vows and of his offering to YAHWEH for his separation, in addition to that which he is able to afford. According to his vow which he vows, so he must do after the law of his separation."

22 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 23 "Speak to Aaron and to his sons, saying, 'This is how you shall bless the children of Işrael. You shall tell them,

24 'YAHWEH bless you, and keep you. 25 YAHWEH make his face to shine on you, and be gracious to you.26 YAHWEH lift up his face toward you, and give you peace.

27 "So they shall put my name on the children of Işrael; and I will bless them."

Numbers 7

On the day that Moşeş had finished setting up the tabernacle, and had anointed it and sanctified it with all its furniture, and the altar with all its vessels, and had anointed and sanctified them; 2 the princes of Israel, the heads of their fathers' houses, offered. These were the princes of the tribes. These are they who were over those who were counted; 3 and they brought their offering before YAHWEH, six covered wagons, and twelve oxen; a wagons for every two of the princes, and for each one an ox. They presented them before the tabernacle. 4 YAHWEH spoke to Moses, saying, 5 "Accept these from them, that they may be used in doing the service of the Tent of Meeting; and you shall give them to the Levites, to every man according to his service."

6 Moşeş töök the wagönş, and the oxen, and gave them to the Levites. 7 He gave two wagönş, and föur oxen to the sönş of Gêrshon, accörding to their sêrviçe. 8 He gave föur wagönş, and eight oxen to the sönş of Merari, accörding to their sêrviçe, under the direction of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest. 9 But to the sonş of Kohath he gave none, becauşe the sêrviçe of the sanctuary belonged to them; they carried it on their shoulders.

10 The princes gave offerings for the dedication of the altar in the day that it was anointed. The princes gave their offerings before the altar. 11 YAHWEH said to Moses, "They shall offer their offering, each prince on his day, for the dedication of the altar."

12 He who offered his offering the first day was Nahshon the son of Amminadab, of the tribe of Judah, 13 and his offering was: one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil for a meal offering; 14 one golden ladle of ten shekels, full of incense; 15 one young bull, one ram, one male lamb a year old, for a burnt offering; 16 one male goat for a sin offering;

17 and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two head of cattle, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Nahshon the son of Amminadab.

18 On the second day Nethanel the son of Zuar, prince of Issachar, gave his offering. 19 He offered for his offering:one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil for a meal offering;

20 one golden ladle of ten shekelş, full of inçense; 21 one young bull, one ram, one male lamb a year old, for a burnt offering; 22 one male goat for a sin offering;

23 and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two head of cattle, five rams, five male goats, five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Nethanel the son of Zuar.

24 On the **th**ird day Eliab the son of Helon, prince of the **ch**ildren of Zebulun, 25 gave his offering: one silver platter, the weight of which was a hundred and **th**irty **sh**ekels, one silver bowl of seventy **sh**ekels, according to the **sh**ekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil for a meal offering;

26 one golden ladle of ten **sh**ekel**ş**, f**u**ll of in**ç**ense; 27 one young b**u**ll, one ram, one male lamb a year old, for a b**û**rnt offering; 28 one male goat for a sin offering;

29 and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two head of cattle, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Eliab the son of Helon.

30 On the fourth day Elizur the son of Shedeur, prince of the children of Reuben, 31 gave his offering: one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil for a meal offering;

32 one golden ladle of ten **sh**ekel**ş**, f**u**ll of in**c**ense; 33 one young b**u**ll, one ram, one male lamb a year old, for a b**u**rnt offering; 34 one male goat for a sin offering;

35 and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two head of cattle, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Elizur the son of Shedeur.

36 On the fifth day Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai, prince of the children of Simeon, 37 gave his offering: one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil for a meal offering;

38 one golden ladle of ten **sh**ekel**ş**, f**u**ll of in**ç**ense; 39 one young b**u**ll, one ram, one male lamb a year old, for a b**u**rnt offering; 40 one male goat for a sin offering;

41 and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two head of cattle, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old: this was the offering of Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

42 On the sixth day, Eliasaph the son of Deuel, prince of the children of Gad, 43 gave his offering: one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil for a meal offering;

44 one golden ladle of ten **sh**ekelş, f**u**ll of in**ç**ense; 45 one young b**u**ll, one ram, one male lamb a year old, for a b**u**rnt offering; 46 one male goat for a sin offering;

goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

48 On the seventh day Elishama the son of Ammihud, prince of the children of Ephraim, 49 gave his offering: one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil for a meal offering;

50 one golden ladle of ten **sh**ekel**ş**, f**u**ll of in**c**ense; 51 one young b**u**ll, one ram, one male lamb a year old, for a b**u**rnt offering; 52 one male goat for a sin offering;

53 and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two head of cattle, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Elishama the son of Ammihud.

54 On the eighth day Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur, prince of the **ch**ildren of Manasseh, 55 gave his offering: one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred **th**irty **sh**ekels, one silver bowl of seventy **sh**ekels, according to the **sh**ekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil for a meal offering;

56 one golden ladle of ten **sh**ekel**ş**, f**u**ll of in**c**ense; 57 one young b**u**ll, one ram, one male lamb a year old, for a b**u**rnt offering; 58 one male goat for a sin offering;

59 and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two head of cattle, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

60 On the ninth day Abidan the son of Gideoni, prince of the children of Benjamin, 61 gave his offering: one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil for a meal offering;

62 one golden ladle of ten **sh**ekel**ş**, f**u**ll of in**c**ense; 63 one young b**u**ll, one ram, one male lamb a year old, for a b**u**rnt offering; 64 one male goat for a sin offering;

65 and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two head of cattle, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Abidan the son of Gideoni.

66 On the tenth day Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai, prince of the children of Dan, 67 gave his offering: one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil for a meal offering;

68 one golden ladle of ten shekelş, full of inçense; 69 one young bull, one ram, one male lamb a year old, for a burnt offering; 70 one male goat for a sin offering;

goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

72 On the eleventh day Pagiel the son of Ochran, prince of the children of Asher, 73 gave his offering: one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil for a meal offering;74 one golden ladle of ten shekels, full of incense;75 one young bull, one ram, one male lamb a year old, for a burnt offering; 76 one male goat for a sin offering;

77 and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two head of cattle, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Pagiel the son of Ochran.

78 On the twelfth day Ahira the son of Enan, prince of the **children** of Naphtali, 79 gave his offering: one silver platter, the weight of which was one hundred thirty **sh**ekels, one silver bowl of seventy **sh**ekels, according to the **sh**ekel of the sanctuary, both of them full of fine flour mixed with oil for a meal offering;

80 one golden speen of ten shekelş, full of inçense; 81 one young bull, one ram, one male lamb a year old, for a burnt offering; 82 one male goat for a sin offering; 83 and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two head of cattle, five rams, five male goats, and five male lambs a year old. This was the offering of Ahira the son of Enan.

84 **Th**is was the dedication offering of the altar, on the day when it was anointed, by the princes of Israel: twelve silver platters, twelve silver bowls, twelve golden ladles; 85 each silver platter weighing one hundred **th**irty **sh**ekels, and **each** bowl seventy; all the silver of the vessels two **theus** and four hundred **sh**ekels, according to the **sh**ekel of the sanctuary; 86 the twelve golden ladles, full of incense, weighing ten **sh**ekels apiece, according to the **sh**ekel of the sanctuary; all the gold of the ladles weighed one hundred twenty **sh**ekels; 87 all the cattle for the burnt offering twelve bulls, the rams twelve, the male lambs a year old twelve, and **th**eir meal offering; and twelve male goats for a sin offering; 88 and all the cattle for the sacrifice of peace offerings: twenty-four bulls, sixty rams, sixty male goats, and sixty male lambs a year old. **Th**is was the dedication offering of the altar, after it was anointed.

89 When Moşeş went into the Tent of Meeting to speak with YAHWEH, he heard his voice speaking to him from above the mercy seat that was on the ärk of the Testimony, from between the two cherubim; and he spoke to him.

Numbers 8

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Speak to Aaron, and tell him, 'When you light the lamps, the seven lamps shall give light in front of the lamp stand."

3 Aaron did so. He lit its lamps to light the area in front of the lamp stand, as YAHWEH commanded Moses. 4 This was the workmanship of the lamp stand,

beaten work of gold. From its base to its flowers, it was beaten work. He made the lamp stand according to the pattern which YAHWEH had shown Moses.

5 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 6 "Take the Levites from among the children of Işrael, and cleanşe them. 7 You shall do this to them to cleanşe them: sprinkle the water of cleanşing on them, let them shave their whole bodies with a razor, let them wash their clothes, and cleanse themselves. 8 Then let them take a young build and its meal offering, fine flour mixed with oil; and another young build you shall take for a sin offering. 9 You shall present the Levites before the Tent of Meeting. You shall assemble the whole congregation of the children of Işrael. 10 You shall present the Levites before YAHWEH. The children of Işrael shall lay their hands on the Levites, 11 and Aaron shall offer the Levites before YAHWEH for a wave offering on the behälf of the children of Işrael, that it may be theirs to do the sêrviçe of YAHWEH.

12 "The Levites shall lay their hands on the heads of the bulls, and you shall offer the one for a sin offering and the other for a burnt offering to YAHWEH, to make atonement for the Levites. 13 You shall set the Levites before Aaron and before his sons, and offer them as a wave offering to YAHWEH. 14 Thus you shall separate the Levites from among the children of Israel, and the Levites shall be mine.

15 " after that, the Levites shall go in to de the sêrviçe of the Tent of Meeting. You shall cleanse them, and offer them as a wave offering. 16 For they are wholly given to me from among the children of Işrael; instead of all who open the womb, even the firstborn of all the children of Işrael, I have taken them to me. 17 For all the firstborn among the children of Işrael are mine, both man and animal. On the day that I struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, I sanctified them for myself. 18 I have taken the Levites instead of all the firstborn among the children of Işrael. 19 I have given the Levites as a gift to Aaron and to his sons from among the children of Işrael, to do the sêrviçe of the children of Işrael in the Tent of Meeting, and to make atonement for the children of Işrael, so that there will be no plague among the children of Işrael when the children of Işrael come near to the sanctuary."

20 Moşeş, and Aaron, and all the congregation of the children of Işrael did so to the Levites. According to all that YAHWEH commanded Moşeş conçerning the Levites, so the children of Işrael did to them. 21 The Levites purified themselves from sin, and they washed their clothes; and Aaron offered them for a wave offering before YAHWEH and Aaron made atonement for them to cleanse them. 22 After that, the Levites went in to de their service in the Tent of Meeting before Aaron and before his sons: as YAHWEH had commanded Moşeş conçerning the Levites, so they did to them.

23 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 24 "This is what is assigned to the Levites: from twenty-five yearş old and upward they shall go in to wait on the sêrviçe in the wôrk of the Tent of Meeting; 25 and from the age of fifty yearş they shall retire from deing the wôrk, and shall sêrve no môre, 26 but shall assist their brothers in the

Tent of Meeting, to perform the duty, and shall perform no service. This is how you shall have the Levites do their duties."

Numbers 9

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş in the wilderness of Sinai, in the first month of the second year after they had come out of the land of Egypt, saying, 2 "Let the children of Işrael keep the Passover in its appointed season. 3 On the fourteenth day of this month, at evening, you shall keep it in its appointed season. You shall keep it according to all its statute and according to all its ordinances."

4 Moşeş told the children of Işrael that they shoù/d keep the Pässover. 5 They kept the Pässover in the fîrst month, on the fourteenth day of the month at evening, in the wilderness of Sinai. According to all that YAHWEH commanded Moşeş, so the children of Işrael did. 6 There were certain men, who were unclean becauşe of the dead body of a man, so that they coù/d not keep the Pässover on that day, and they came before Moşeş and Aaron on that day. 7 Thoşe men said to him, "We are unclean becauşe of the dead body of a man. Why are we kept back, that we may not offer the offering of YAHWEH in its appointed seaşon among the children of Işrael?"

8 Moşeş answered them, "Wait, that I may hear what YAHWEH will command concerning you."

9 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 10 "Say to the children of Işrael, If any man of you or of your generations is unclean by reason of a dead body, or is on a journey far away, he shall still keep the Pässover to YAHWEH. 11 In the second month, on the fourteenth day at evening they shall keep it; they shall eat it with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. 12 They shall leave none of it until the morning, nor break a bone of it. According to all the statute of the Pässover they shall keep it. 13 But the man who is clean, and is not on a journey, and fails to keep the Pässover, that soul shall be cut off from his people. Because he didn't offer the offering of YAHWEH in its appointed season, that man shall bear his sin.

14 "If a foreigner lives among you, and desires to keep the Pässover to YAHWEH, then he shall do so according to the statute of the Pässover, and according to its ordinance. You shall have one statute, both for the foreigner, and for him who is born in the land."

15 On the day that the tabernacle was raised up, the cloud covered the tabernacle, even the Tent of the Testimony. At evening it was over the tabernacle, as it were the appearance of fire, until morning. 16 So it was continually. The cloud covered it, and the appearance of fire by night. 17 Whenever the cloud was taken up from over the Tent, then äfter that the children of Israel traveled; and in the place where the cloud remained, there the children of Israel encamped. 18 At the commandment of YAHWEH, the children of Israel traveled, and at the commandment of YAHWEH

they encamped. As long as the cloud remained on the tabernacle they remained encamped. 19 When the cloud stayed on the tabernacle many days, then the children of Işrael kept YAHWEH'S command, and didn't travel. 20 Sometimes the cloud was a few days on the tabernacle; then according to the commandment of YAHWEH they remained encamped, and according to the commandment of YAHWEH they traveled. 21 Sometimes the cloud was from evening until morning; and when the cloud was taken up in the morning, they traveled; or by day and by night, when the cloud was taken up, they traveled. 22 Whether it was two days, or a month, or a year that the cloud stayed on the tabernacle, remaining on it, the children of Işrael remained encamped, and didn't travel; but when it was taken up, they traveled. 23 At the commandment of YAHWEH they encamped, and at the commandment of YAHWEH they traveled. They kept YAHWEH'S command, at the commandment of YAHWEH by Moşeş.

Numbers 10

YAHWEH spoke to Moses, saying, 2 "Make two trumpets of silver. You shall make them of beaten work. You shall use them for the calling of the congregation, and for the journeying of the camps. 3 When they blow them, all the congregation shall gather themselves to you at the door of the Tent of Meeting. 4 If they blow just one, then the princes, the heads of the thousands of Israel, shall gather themselves to you. 5 When you blow an alarm, the camps that lie on the east side shall go forward. 6 When you blow an alarm the second time, the camps that lie on the south side shall go forward. They shall blow an alarm for their journeys. 7 But when the assembly is to be gathered together, you shall blow, but you shall not sound an alarm.

8 "The sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow the trumpets. This shall be to you for a statute forever throughout your generations. 9 When you go to war in your land against the adversary who oppresses you, then you shall sound an alarm with the trumpets. Then you will be remembered before YAHWEH your Elohim, and you will be saved from your enemies.

10 "ålso in the day of your gladness, and in your set feasts, and in the beginnings of your months, you shall blow the trumpets over your burnt offerings, and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; and they shall be to you for a memorial before your Elohim. I am YAHWEH your Elohim."

11 In the second year, in the second month, on the twentieth day of the month, the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle of the covenant. 12 The children of Işrael went forward on their joûrneyş out of the wilderness of Sinai; and the cloud stayed in the wilderness of Paran. 13 They first went forward according to the commandment of YAHWEH by Moşeş.

14 First, the standard of the camp of the **ch**ildren of Judah went forward according to **th**eir ärmies. Nahshon the son of Amminadab was over his ärmy. 15 Ne**th**anel

the son of Zuar was over the ärmy of the tribe of the children of Issachar. 16 Eliab the son of Helon was over the ärmy of the tribe of the children of Zebulun. 17 The tabernacle was taken down; and the sons of Gershon and the sons of Merari, who bore the tabernacle, went forward. 18 The standard of the camp of Reuben went forward according to their ärmies. Elizur the son of Shedeur was over his ärmy. 19 elumiel the son of Zurishaddai was over the ärmy of the tribe of the children of Simeon. 20 Eliasaph the son of Deuel was over the ärmy of the tribe of the children of Gad.

- 21 The Koha**thi**tes set f**ô**rward, bearing the sanctuary. The **oth**er**ş** set up the tabernacle bef**ô**re **th**ey arrived.
- 22 The standard of the camp of the **ch**ildren of **Eph**raim set forward according to **their ärmies**. Eli**sh**ama the son of Ammihud was over his ärmy. 23 Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur was over the ärmy of the tribe of the **ch**ildren of Manasseh. 24 Abidan the son of Gideoni was over the ärmy of the tribe of the **ch**ildren of Benjamin.
- 25 The standard of the camp of the **ch**ildren of Dan, whi**ch** was the rear guard of all the camps, set forward according to **their armies**. Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai was over his army. 26 Pagiel the son of Ochran was over the army of the tribe of the **ch**ildren of Asher. 27 Ahira the son of Enan was over the army of the tribe of the **ch**ildren of Naphtali. 28 **Th**us were the travels of the **ch**ildren of Israel according to **their armies**; and **they** went forward.
- 29 Moşeş said to Hobab, the son of Reuel the Midianite, Moşeş' fäther-in-låw, "We are joûrney ing to the place of which YAHWEH said, I will give it to you. Come with us, and we will treat you well; for YAHWEH has spoken good concerning Işrael."
- 30 He said to him, "I will not go; but I will depärt to my own land, and to my relatives."
- 31 Moşeş said, "Don't leave us, pleaşe; becauşe you know how we are to encamp in the wilderness, and you can be our eyeş. 32 lt shall be, if you go with us—yes, it shall be—that whatever good YAHWEH does to us, we will do the same to you."
- 33 **Th**ey set forward from the Mount of YAHWEH **th**ree days' joûrney. The ärk of YAHWEH'S covenant went before **th**em **th**ree days' joûrney, to seek out a resting place for **th**em. 34 The cloud of YAHWEH was over **th**em by day, when **th**ey set forward from the camp. 35 When the ärk went forward, Moses said, "Rise up, YAHWEH, and let your enemies be scattered! Let **those** who hate you flee before you!" 36 When it rested, he said, "Retûrn, YAHWEH, to the ten **thousands** of the **thousands** of Israel."

Numbers 11

The people were complaining in the ears of YAHWEH. When YAHWEH heard it, his anger burned; and YAHWEH'S fire burned among them, and consumed some of the outskirts of the camp. 2 The people cried to Moses; and Moses prayed to YAHWEH, and the fire abated. 3 The name of that place was called Taberah, because YAHWEH'S fire burned among them.

4 The mixed multitude that was among them lusted exceedingly; and the children of Işrael âlso wept again, and said, "Who will give us meat to eat? 5 We remember the fish, which we are in Egypt for nothing; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the gärlic; 6 but now we have lost our appetite. There is nothing at all except this manna to look at." 7 The manna was like coriander seed, and it looked like bdellium. 8 The people went around, gathered it, and ground it in mills, or beat it in mortars, and boiled it in pots, and made cakes of it. Its taste was like the taste of fresh oil. 9 When the dew fell on the camp in the night, the manna fell on it.

10 Moşeş hêard the people weeping throughout their families, every man at the door of his tent; and YAHWEH'S anger b**û**rned greatly; and Moses was displeaşed. 11 Moşeş said to YAHWEH, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why haven't I found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? 12 Have I conceived all this people? Have I brought them out, that you should tell me, Carry them in your bosom, as a nûrse carries a nûrsing infant, to the land which you swore to their fathers? 13 Where could I get meat to give all these people? For they weep before me, saying, 'Give us meat, that we may eat. 14 I am not able to bear all this people alone, because it is to heavy for me. 15 If you treat me this way, please kill me right new, if I have found favor in your sight; and don't let me see my wretchedness."

16 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Gather to me seventy men of the elderş of Işrael, whem you know to be the elderş of the people and officerş over them; and bring them to the Tent of Meeting, that they may stand there with you. 17 I will come down and tak with you there. I will take of the Spirit which is on you, and will put it on them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with you, that you don't bear it yourself alone.

18 "Say to the people, 'Sanctify yourselves in preparation for tomorrow, and you will eat meat; for you have wept in the ears of YAHWEH, saying, "Who will give us meat to eat? For it was well with us in Egypt." Therefore YAHWEH will give you meat, and you will eat. 19 You will not eat just one day, or two days, or five days, or ten days, or twenty days, 20 but a whole month, until it comes out at your nostrils, and it is loathsome to you; because you have rejected YAHWEH who is among you, and have wept before him, saying, "Why did we come out of Egypt?""

21 Moşeş said, "The people, among whom I am, are six hundred thouşand men on foot; and you have said, I will give them meat, that they may eat a whole month. 22 Shall flocks and herdş be slaughtered for them, to be sufficient for them? Shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them, to be sufficient for them?"

23 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Haş YAHWEH'S hand grown short? Now you will see whether my word will happen to you or not."

24 Moşeş went out, and told the people YAHWEH'S words; and he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them around the Tent. 25 YAHWEH came down in the cloud, and spoke to him, and took of the Spirit that was on him, and put it on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied, but they did so no more. 26 But two men remained in the camp. The name of one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad; and the Spirit rested on them. They were of those who were written, but had not gone out to the Tent; and they prophesied in the camp. 27 A young man ran, and told Moşeş, and said, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp!"

28 Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of Moşeş, one of his choşen men, answered, "My Mäster Moşeş, forbid them!"

29 Moşeş said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all YAHWEH'S people were prophets, that YAHWEH would put his Spirit on them!"

30 Moşeş went into the camp, he and the elderş of Işrael. 31 A wind from YAHWEH went out and brought quails from the sea, and let them fall by the camp, about a day's journey on this side, and a day's journey on the other side, around the camp, and about two cubits above the surface of the earth. 32 The people rose up all that day, and all of that night, and all the next day, and gathered the quails. He who gathered least gathered ten homers; and they spread them all out for themselves around the camp. 33 While the meat was still between their teeth, before it was chewed, YAHWEH'S anger burned against the people, and YAHWEH struck the people with a very great plague. 34 The name of that place was called Kibroth Hattaavah, because there they buried the people who lusted.

35 From Kibroth Hattaavah the people traveled to Hazeroth; and they stayed at Hazeroth.

Numbers 12

Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moşeş becauşe of the Cüshite woman whem he had married; for he had married a Cüshite woman. 2 They said, "Haş YAHWEH indeed spoken only with Moşeş? Haşn't he spoken ålso with us?" And YAHWEH hêard it.

3 Now the man Moşeş was very humble, more than all the men who were on the surface of the earth. 4 YAHWEH spoke suddenly to Moşeş, to Aaron, and to Miriam, "You three come out to the Tent of Meeting!"

The **three** of **them** came out. 5 YAHWEH came down in a pillar of cloud, and stood at the door of the Tent, and called Aaron and Miriam; and **th**ey both came forward. 6 He said, "Now hear my words. If **there** is a prophet among you, I, YAHWEH, will make myself known to him in a vision. I will speak with him in a dream. 7 My servant Moses is not so. He is faithful in all my house. 8 With him, I will speak mouth to mouth, even plainly, and not in riddles; and he shall see YAHWEH'S form. Why then were you not afraid to speak against my servant, against Moses?" 9 YAHWEH'S anger burned against them; and he departed.

- 10 The cloud depärted from over the Tent; and behold, Miriam was leprous, as white as snow. Aaron looked at Miriam, and behold, she was leprous.
- 11 Aaron said to Moşeş, "Oh, my Mäster, pleaşe don't count this sin against us, in which we have done foolishly, and in which we have sinned. 12 Let her not, I pray, be as one dead, of whom the flesh is hälf consumed when he comes out of his mother's womb."
- 13 Moşeş cried to YAHWEH, saying, "Heal her, Elohim, I beg you!"
- 14 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "If her fäther had but spit in her façe, shoù/dn't she be ashamed seven dayş? Let her be shut up outside of the camp seven dayş, and äfter that she shall be brought in again."
- 15 Miriam was **sh**ut up **o**utside of the camp seven days, and the p**o**ople didn't travel until Miriam was brought in again. 16 äfterward the p**o**ople traveled from Hazero**th**, and encamped, in the wilderness of Paran.

Numbers 13

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Send men, that they may spy out the land of Canaan, which I give to the children of Işrael. Of every tribe of their fäthers, you shall send a man, every one a prince among them."

3 Moşeş sent them from the wilderness of Paran according to the commandment of YAHWEH. All of them were men who were heads of the children of Işrael. 4 Theşe were their names:

Of the tribe of Reuben, Shammua the son of Zaccur.

- 5 Of the tribe of Simeon, **Shaphat** the son of Hori.
- 6 Of the tribe of Judah, Caleb the son of Jephunneh.
- 7 Of the tribe of Issachar, Igal the son of Joseph.
- 8 Of the tribe of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Nun.

- 9 Of the tribe of Benjamin, Palti the son of Raphu.
- 10 Of the tribe of Zebulun, Gaddiel the son of Sodi.
- 11 Of the tribe of Joseph, of the tribe of Manasseh, Gaddi the son of Susi.
- 12 Of the tribe of Dan, Ammiel the son of Gemalli.
- 13 Of the tribe of Asher, Sethur the son of Michael.
- 14 Of the tribe of Naphtali, Nahbi the son of Vophsi.
- 15 Of the tribe of Gad, Geuel the son of Machi.
- 16 **These** are the names of the men who Moses sent to spy out the land. Moses called Hoshea the son of Nun Joshua. 17 Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said to them, "Go up this way by the South, and go up into the hill country. 18 See the land, what it is; and the people who dwell therein, whether they are strong or weak, whether they are few or many; 19 and what the land is that they dwell in, whether it is good or bad; and what cities they are that they dwell in, whether in camps, or in strongholds; 20 and what the land is, whether it is fertile or poor, whether there is wood therein, or not. Be courageous, and bring some of the fruit of the land." Now the time was the time of the first-ripe grapes.
- 21 So **th**ey went up, and spied out the land from the wilderness of Zin to Rehob, to the entrance of Hamath. 22 They went up by the South, and came to Hebron; and Ahiman, Sheshai, and Talmai, the children of Anak, were there. (New Hebron was built seven years before Zoan in Egypt.) 23 They came to the valley of Eshcol, and cut down from there a branch with one cluster of grapes, and they bore it on a stäff between two. They also brought some of the pomegranates and figs. 24 That place was called the valley of Eshcol, because of the cluster which the children of Israel cut down from there. 25 They returned from spying out the land at the end of forty dayş. 26 They went and came to Moşeş, to Aaron, and to all the congregation of the children of Işrael, to the wilderness of Paran, to Kadesh; and brought back word to them and to all the congregation. They showed them the fruit of the land. 27 They told him, and said, "We came to the land where you sent us. Surely it flows with milk and honey, and this is its fruit. 28 However, the people who dwell in the land are strong, and the cities are fortified and very lärge. Moreover, we saw the children of Anak there. 29 Amalek dwells in the land of the South. The Hittite, the Jebusite, and the Amorite dwell in the hill country. The Canaanite dwells by the sea, and along the side of the Jordan."
- 30 Caleb stilled the people before Moşeş, and said, "Let's go up at onçe, and poşşess it; for we are well able to overcome it!"
- 31 But the men whe went up with him said, "We ären't able to go up against the people; for they are stronger than we." 32 They brought up an evil report of the land which they had spied out to the children of Işrael, saying, "The land, through which

we have gone to spy it out, is a land that eats up its inhabitants; and all the people who we saw in it are men of great stature. 33 There we saw the Nephilim, the sons of Anak, who come from the Nephilim. We were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight."

Numbers 14

All the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried; and the people wept that night. 2 All the children of Işrael murmured against Moşeş and against Aaron. The whole congregation said to them, "We wish that we had died in the land of Egypt, or that we had died in this wilderness! 3 Why does YAHWEH bring us to this land, to fall by the sword? our wives and our little ones will be captured or killed! Wouldn't it be better for us to return into Egypt?" 4 They said to one another, "Let's choose a leader, and let's return into Egypt."

5 Then Moşeş and Aaron fell on their façeş before all the assembly of the congregation of the children of Işrael.

6 Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, who were of those who spied out the land, tore their clothes. 7 They spoke to all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, "The land, which we passed through to spy it out, is an exceedingly good land. 8 If YAHWEH delights in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it to us: a land which flows with milk and honey. 9 Only don't rebel against YAHWEH, neither fear the people of the land; for they are bread for us. Their defense is removed from over them, and YAHWEH is with us. Don't fear them."

10 But all the congregation threatened to stone them with stones.

YAHWEH'S glory appeared in the Tent of Meeting to all the children of Işrael. 11 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "How long will this people despise me? How long will they not believe in me, for all the signs which I have worked among them? 12 I will strike them with the pestilence, and disinherit them, and will make of you a nation greater and mightier than they."

13 Moses said to YAHWEH, "Then the Egyptians will hear it; for you brought up this people in your might from among them. 14 They will tell it to the inhabitants of this land. They have heard that you YAHWEH are among this people; for you YAHWEH are seen face to face, and your cloud stands over them, and you go before them, in a pillar of cloud by day, and in a pillar of fire by night. 15 Now if you killed this people as one man, then the nations which have heard the fame of you will speak, saying, 16 'BecauseYAHWEH was not able to bring this people into the land which he swore to them, therefore he has slain them in the wilderness. 17 Now please let the power of the Mäster be great, according as you have spoken, saying, 18 'YAHWEH is slow to anger, and abundant in loving kindness, forgiving iniquity and disobedience; and he will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the

fäthers on the **th**ird and on the **fo**ur**th g**eneration. 19 Please pärdon the iniquity of **th**is people according to the greatness of your loving kindness, and just as you have forgiven **th**is people, from **Eg**ypt **e**ven until now."

20 YAHWEH said, "I have pärdoned according to your word; 21 but in very deed—as I live, and as **å**ll the **ê**ar**th sh**all be filled wi**th** YAHWEH'S gl**o**ry— 22 bec**a**u**ş**e **å**ll those men who have seen my glory and my signs, which I worked in Egypt and in the wilderness, yet have tempted me **thes**e ten times, and have not listened to my voice; 23 surely they shall not see the land which I swore to their fathers, neither shall any of those who despised me see it. 24 But my sêrvant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and has followed me fully, him I will bring into the land into which he went. His offspring shall possess it. 25 Since the Amalekite and the Canaanite dwell in the valley, tomorrow turn and go into the wilderness by the way to the Red Sea." 26 YAHWEH spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying, 27 "How long shall I bear with this evil congregation that complain against me? I have heard the complaints of the children of Işrael, which they complain against me. 28 Tell them, 'As I live, says YAHWEH, surely as you have spoken in my ears, so I will de to you. 29 Your dead bodies shall fall in this wilderness; and all who were counted of you, according to your whole number, from twenty years old and upward, who have complained against me, 30 surely you shall not come into the land concerning which I swore that I would make you dwell therein, except Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun. 31 But I will bring in your little ones that you said shoù/d be captured or killed, and they shall know the land which you have rejected. 32 But as for you, your dead bodies shall fall in this wilderness. 33 Your children shall be wanderers in the wilderness forty years, and shall bear your prostitution, until your dead bodies are consumed in the wilderness. 34 After the number of the days in which you spied out the land, even forty days, for every day a year, you will bear your iniquities, even forty years, and you will know my alienation. 35 I, YAHWEH, have spoken. I will surely do this to all this evil congregation who are gathered together against me. In this wilderness they shall be consumed, and there they shall die."

36 The men when Moşeş sent to spy out the land, whe returned and made all the congregation to murmur against him by bringing up an evil report against the land, 37 even those men who brought up an evil report of the land, died by the plague before YAHWEH. 38 But Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh remained alive of those men who went to spy out the land.

39 Moşeş told theşe wôrdş to åll the children of Işrael, and the people mourned greatly. 40 They rose up êarly in the morning and went up to the top of the mountain, saying, "Behold, we are here, and will go up to the place which YAHWEH has promised; for we have sinned."

41 Moşeş said, "Why now do you disobey the commandment of YAHWEH, since it shall not prosper? 42 Don't go up, for YAHWEH işn't among you; that way you

won't be struck down before your enemies. 43 For there the Amalekite and the Canaanite are before you, and you will fall by the sword because you turned back from following YAHWEH; therefore YAHWEH will not be with you."

44 But **th**ey pre**şu**med to **go** up to the top of the mountain. Never**th**eless, the **ä**rk of YAHWEH'S covenant and Moses didn't dep**ä**rt out of the camp. 45 **Th**en the Amalekites came down, and the Canaanites who lived in **th**at mountain, and struck **th**em and beat **th**em down even to Hormah.

Numbers 15

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Speak to the **ch**ildren of Işrael, and tell **th**em, 'When you have come into the land of your habitations, which I give to you, 3 and will make an offering by fire to YAHWEH —a bûrnt offering, or a sacrifice, to accomplish a vow, or as a free will offering, or in your set feasts, to make a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH, of the herd, or of the flock—4 then he who offers his offering shall offer to YAHWEH a meal offering of one tenth of an ephah of fine flour mixed with one fourth of a hin of oil. 5 You shall prepare wine for the drink offering, one fourth of a hin, with the bûrnt offering or for the sacrifice, for each lamb.

6 "'For a ram, you shall prepare for a meal offering two tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with the third part of a hin of oil; 7 and for the drink offering you shall offer the third part of a hin of wine, of a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH. 8 When you prepare a built for a burnt offering or for a sacrifice, to accomplish a vow, or for peace offerings to YAHWEH, 9 then he shall offer with the built a meal offering of three tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with half a hin of oil; 10 and you shall offer for the drink offering half a hin of wine, for an offering made by fire, of a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH. 11 Thus it shall be done for each built, for each ram, for each of the male lambs, or of the young goats. 12 According to the number that you shall prepare, so you shall do to everyone according to their number.

13 "All who are native-born shall do these things in this way, in offering an offering made by fire, of a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH. 14 If a stranger lives as a foreigner with you, or whoever may be among you throughout your generations, and will offer an offering made by fire, of a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH, as you do, so he shall do. 15 For the assembly, there shall be one statute for you and for the stranger who lives as a foreigner, a statute forever throughout your generations. As you are, so the foreigner shall be before YAHWEH. 16 One law and one ordinance shall be for you and for the stranger who lives as a foreigner with you."

17 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 18 "Speak to the **ch**ildren of Işrael, and tell **th**em, 'When you come into the land where I bring you, 19 **th**en it **sh**all be **th**at when you **e**at of the bread of the land, you **sh**all offer up a wave offering to YAHWEH. 20 Of the first of your dough you **sh**all offer up a cake for a wave offering. As the wave offering of the **th**reshing floor, so you **sh**all heave it. 21 Of the first of your dough, you **sh**all give to YAHWEH a wave offering **th**roughout your **g**enerations.

22 "'When you êrr, and don't obşêrve åll these commandments which YAHWEH has spoken to Moses—23 even åll that YAHWEH has commanded you by Moses, from the day that YAHWEH gave commandment and onwård throughout your generations—24 then it shall be, if it was done unwittingly, without the knowledge of the congregation, that åll the congregation shall offer one young built for a burnt offering, for a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH, with its meal offering and its drink offering, according to the ordinance, and one male goat for a sin offering. 25 The priest shall make atonement for åll the congregation of the children of Israel, and they shall be forgiven; for it was an error, and they have brought their offering, an offering made by fire to YAHWEH, and their sin offering before YAHWEH, for their error. 26 All the congregation of the children of Israel shall be forgiven, as well as the stranger who lives as a foreigner among them; for with regard to åll the people, it was done unwittingly.

27 "If a person sins unwittingly, then he shall offer a female goat a year old for a sin offering. 28 The priest shall make atonement for the soul who errs when he sins unwittingly before YAHWEH. He shall make atonement for him; and he shall be forgiven. 29 You shall have one law for him who does anything unwittingly, for him who is native-born among the children of Israel, and for the stranger who lives as a foreigner among them.

30 "But the soul who does anything with a high hand, whether he is native-born or a foreigner, blasphemes YAHWEH. That soul shall be cut off from among his people. 31 Because he has despised YAHWEH'S word, and has broken his commandment, that soul shall be utterly cut off. His iniquity shall be on him."

32 While the **ch**ildren of Işrael were in the wilderness, **th**ey found a man ga**th**ering sticks on the Sabba**th** day. 33 Those who found him ga**th**ering sticks brought him to Moşeş and Aaron, and to all the congregation. 34 **Th**ey put him in custody, becauşe it had not been declared what should be done to him.

35 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "The man shall surely be put to death. All the congregation shall stone him with stones outside of the camp." 36 All the congregation brought him outside of the camp, and stoned him to death with stones, as YAHWEH commanded Moses.

37 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 38 "Speak to the children of Işrael, and tell them that they shoù/d make themselveş fringeş on the borderş of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put on the fringe of each border a cord of blue. 39 It shall be to you for a fringe, that you may see it, and remember all YAHWEH'S commandments, and de them; and that you don't follow your own heart and your own eyeş, after which you used to play the prostitute; 40 so that you may remember and de all my commandments, and be holy to your Elohim. 41 I am YAHWEH your Elohim, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your Elohim: I am YAHWEH your Elohim."

Numbers 16

Now Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, with Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, and On, the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took some men. 2 They rose up before Moses, with some of the children of Israel, two hundred fifty princes of the congregation, called to the assembly, men of renown. 3 They assembled themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said to them, "You take too much on yourself, since all the congregation are holy, everyone of them, and YAHWEH is among them! Why do you lift yourselves up above YAHWEH'S assembly?"

4 When Moses heard it, he fell on his face. 5 He said to Korah and to all his company, "In the morning, YAHWEH will show who are his, and who is holy, and will cause him to come near to him. Even him whom he shall choose, he will cause to come near to him. 6 Do this: have Korah and all his company take censers, 7 put fire in them, and put incense on them before YAHWEH tomorrow. It shall be that the man whom YAHWEH chooses, he shall be holy. You have gone too far, you sons of Levi!"

8 Moşeş said to Korah, "Hear new, you sons of Levi! 9 Is it a small thing to you that the Elohim of Işrael haş separated you from the congregation of Işrael, to bring you near to himself, to do the sêrviçe of YAHWEH'S tabernacle, and to stand before the congregation to minister to them; 10 and that he has brought you near, and all your brothers the sons of Levi with you? Do you seek the priesthood also? 11 Therefore you and all your company have gathered together against YAHWEH! What is Aaron that you complain against him?"

12 Moşeş sent to call Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab; and they said, "We won't come up! 13 Is it a small thing that you have brought us up out of a land flowing with milk and honey, to kill us in the wilderness, but you must also make yourself a prince over us? 14 Moreover you haven't brought us into a land flowing with milk and honey, nor given us inheritance of fields and vineyards. Will you put out the eyes of these men? We won't come up."

15 Moşeş was very angry, and said to YAHWEH, "Don't respect **their** offering. I have not taken one donkey from **them**, neither have I hûrt one of **them**."

16 Moşeş said to Korah, "You and åll your company go before YAHWEH, you, and they, and Aaron, tomorrow. 17 Each man take his censer and put incense on it, and each man bring before YAHWEH his censer, two hundred fifty censers; you ålso, and Aaron, each with his censer."

18 **They each** took his censer, and put fire in it, and laid incense on it, and stood at the door of the Tent of Meeting with Moses and Aaron. 19 Korah assembled all the congregation opposite them to the door of the Tent of Meeting.

YAHWEH'S glory appeared to all the congregation. 20 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş and to Aaron, saying, 21 "Separate yourselves from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment!"

22 **Th**ey fell on **th**eir façeş, and said, "Elohim, the Elohim of the spirits of **å**ll flesh, shall one man sin, and will you be angry wi**th å**ll the congregation?"

23 YAHWEH spoke to Moses, saying, 24 "Speak to the congregation, saying, Get away from around the tent of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram!"

25 Moşeş roşe up and went to Dathan and Abiram; and the elderş of Işrael followed him. 26 He spoke to the congregation, saying, "Depärt, please, from the tents of these wicked men, and touch nothing of theirs, lest you be consumed in all their sins!"

27 So **th**ey went away from the tent of Korah, Da**th**an, and Abiram, on every **side**. Da**th**an and Abiram came **o**ut, and **stoo**d at the d**o**or of **th**eir tents wi**th th**eir wive**ş**, **th**eir **sonş**, and **th**eir little one**ş**.

28 Moşeş said, "Hereby you shall know that YAHWEH has sent me to de all these works; for they are not from my own mind. 29 If these men die the common death of all men, or if they experience what all men experience, then YAHWEH hasn't sent me. 30 But if YAHWEH makes a new thing, and the ground opens its mouth, and swallows them up with all that belong to them, and they go down alive into Sheol, then you shall understand that these men have despised YAHWEH."

31 As he finished speaking all these words, the ground that was under them split apart. 32 The earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up with their households, all of Korah's men, and all their goods. 33 So they, and all that belonged to them went down alive into Sheol. The earth closed on them, and they perished from among the assembly. 34 All Israel that were around them fled at their cry; for they said, "Lest the earth swallow us up!" 35 Fire came out from YAHWEH, and devoured the two hundred fifty men who offered the incense.

36 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 37 "Speak to Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest, that he take up the censers out of the burning, and scatter the fire away from the camp; for they are holy, 38 even the censers of those who sinned against their own lives. Let them be beaten into plates for a covering of the altar, for they offered them before YAHWEH. Therefore they are holy. They shall be a sign to the children of Israel."

39 Eleazar the priest took the bronze censers which those who were burned had offered; and they beat them out for a covering of the altar, 40 to be a memorial to the children of Israel, to the end that no stranger who isn't of the offspring of Aaron, would come near to burn incense before YAHWEH, that he not be as Korah and as his company; as YAHWEH spoke to him by Moses.

- 41 But on the next day all the congregation of the **children** of **Işrael** complained against Moşeş and against Aaron, saying, "You have killed YAHWEH'S people!"
- 42 When the congregation was assembled against Moşeş and against Aaron, they looked toward the Tent of Meeting. Behold, the cloud covered it, and YAHWEH'S glory appeared. 43 Moşeş and Aaron came to the front of the Tent of Meeting. 44 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 45 "Get away from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment!" They fell on their faces.
- 46 Moşeş said to Aaron, "Take your çenser, put fire from the altar in it, lay incense on it, carry it quickly to the congregation, and make atonement for them; for wrath has gone out from YAHWEH! The plague has begun."
- 47 Aaron did as Moşeş said, and ran into the middle of the assembly. The plague had already begun among the people. He put on the incense, and made atonement for the people. 48 He stood between the dead and the living; and the plague was stayed. 49 New those who died by the plague were fourteen thousand seven hundred, in addition to those who died about the matter of Korah. 50 Aaron returned to Moşeş to the door of the Tent of Meeting, and the plague was stopped.

Numbers 17

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Speak to the children of Işrael, and take rodş from them, one for each fätherş' house, of all their princes according to their fätherş' houses, twelve rodş. Write each man's name on his rod. 3 You shall write Aaron's name on Levi'ş rod. There shall be one rod for each head of their fätherş' houşeş. 4 You shall lay them up in the Tent of Meeting before the covenant, where I meet with you. 5 It shall happen that the rod of the man whom I shall choose shall bud. I will make the mûrmûringş of the children of Işrael, which they mûrmur against you, çease from me."

- 6 Moşeş spoke to the **ch**ildren of Işrael; and **å**ll **th**eir prin**ç**eş gave him rodş, for **e**a**ch** prin**ç**e one, according to **th**eir fä**th**erş' houşeş, a total of twelve rodş. Aaron'ş rod was among **th**eir rodş. 7 Moşeş laid up the rodş before YAHWEH in the Tent of the Testimony.
- 8 On the next day, Moşeş went into the Tent of the Testimony; and behold, Aaron'ş rod for the house of Levi had sprouted, budded, produçed blossoms, and bore ripe ä/monds. 9 Moşeş brought out all the rods from before YAHWEH to all the children of Işrael. They looked, and each man took his rod.
- 10 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Put back the rod of Aaron before the covenant, to be kept for a token against the children of rebellion; that you may make an end of their complaining against me, that they not die." 11 Moşeş did so. As YAHWEH commanded him, so he did.

12 The **children** of **lşrael** spoke to **Moşeş**, saying, "Behold, we perish! We are undone! We are all undone! 13 Everyone who keeps approaching YAHWEH'S tabernacle, dieş! Will we all perish?"

Numbers 18

YAHWEH said to Aaron, "You and your sons and your fathers' house with you shall bear the iniquity of the sanctuary; and you and your sons with you shall bear the iniquity of your priesthood. 2 Bring your brothers also, the tribe of Levi, the tribe of your father, near with you, that they may be joined to you, and minister to you; but you and your sons with you shall be before the Tent of the Testimony. 3 They shall keep your commands and the duty of the whole Tent; only they shall not come near to the vessels of the sanctuary and to the altar, that they not die, neither they nor you. 4 They shall be joined to you and keep the responsibility of the Tent of Meeting, for all the service of the Tent. A stranger shall not come near to you.

5 "You shall perform the duty of the sanctuary and the duty of the altar, that there be no more wrath on the children of Işrael. 6 Behold, I myself have taken your brothers the Levites from among the children of Işrael. They are a gift to you, dedicated to YAHWEH, to do the service of the Tent of Meeting. 7 You and your sons with you shall keep your priesthood for everything of the altar, and for that within the veil. You shall serve. I give you the service of the priesthood as a gift. The stranger who comes near shall be put to death."

8 YAHWEH spoke to Aaron, "Behold, I myself have given you the command of my wave offerings, even all the holy things of the children of Israel. I have given them to you by reason of the anointing, and to your sons, as a portion forever. 9 This shall be yours of the most holy things from the fire: every offering of theirs, even every meal offering of theirs, and every sin offering of theirs, and every trespass offering of theirs, which they shall render to me, shall be most holy for you and for your sons. 10 You shall eat of it like the most holy things. Every male shall eat of it. It shall be holy to you.

11 "This is yours, too: the wave offering of their gift, even all the wave offerings of the children of Israel. I have given them to you, and to your sons and to your daughters with you, as a portion forever. Everyone who is clean in your house shall eat of it.

12 "I have given to you all the best of the oil, all the best of the vintage, and of the grain, the first fruits of them which they give to YAHWEH. 13 The first-ripe fruits of all that is in their land, which they bring to YAHWEH, shall be yours. Everyone who is clean in your house shall eat of it.

14 "Everything devoted in Işrael shall be yourş. 15 Everything that openş the wemb, of all flesh which they offer to YAHWEH, both of man and animal, shall be yours. Nevertheless, you shall surely redeem the firstborn of man, and you shall

redeem the firstborn of unclean animals. 16 You shall redeem those who are to be redeemed of them from a month old, according to your estimation, for five shekels of money, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, which weighs twenty gerahs.

17 "But you shall not redeem the firstborn of a cow, or the firstborn of a sheep, or the firstborn of a goat. They are holy. You shall sprinkle their blood on the altar, and shall burn their fat for an offering made by fire, for a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH. 18 Their meat shall be yours, as the wave offering breast and as the right thigh, it shall be yours. 19 All the wave offerings of the holy things which the children of Israel offer to YAHWEH, I have given you and your sons and your daughters with you, as a portion forever. It is a covenant of salt forever before YAHWEH to you and to your offspring with you."

20 YAHWEH said to Aaron, "You shall have no inheritance in their land, neither shall you have any portion among them. I am your portion and your inheritance among the children of Işrael.

21 "To the **ch**ildren of **Levi**, behold, I have given **å**ll the t**ith**e in **Işrael** for an inheritançe, in retûrn for **th**eir sêrviçe which **th**ey sêrve, **e**ven the sêrviçe of the Tent of Meeting. 22 Hençeför**th** the **ch**ildren of **Işrael sh**all not come near the Tent of Meeting, lest **th**ey bear sin, and die. 23 But the **Levites sh**all de the sêrviçe of the Tent of Meeting, and **th**ey **sh**all bear **th**eir iniquity. It **sh**all be a statute forever **th**roughout your **g**enerations. Among the **ch**ildren of **Işrael**, **th**ey **sh**all have no inheritançe. 24 For the **tith**e of the **ch**ildren of **Işrael**, which **th**ey offer as a wave offering to YAHWEH, I have given to the **Levites** for an inheritançe. **Th**erefore I have said to **th**em, 'Among the **ch**ildren of **Işrael** they **sh**all have no inheritançe."

25 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 26 "Moreover you shall speak to the Levites, and tell them, 'When you take of the children of Işrael the tithe which I have given you from them for your inheritance, then you shall offer up a wave offering of it for YAHWEH, a tithe of the tithe. 27 Your wave offering shall be credited to you, as though it were the grain of the threshing floor, and as the fullness of the wine press. 28 Thus you also shall offer a wave offering to YAHWEH of all your tithes, which you receive of the children of Işrael; and of it you shall give YAHWEH'S wave offering to Aaron the priest. 29 Out of all your gifts, you shall offer every wave offering to YAHWEH, of all its best parts, even the holy part of it.

30 "Therefore you shall tell them, 'When you heave its best from it, then it shall be credited to the Levites as the increase of the threshing floor, and as the increase of the wine press. 31 You may eat it anywhere, you and your households, for it is your reward in return for your service in the Tent of Meeting. 32 You shall bear no sin by reason of it, when you have heaved from it its best. You shall not profane the holy things of the children of Israel, that you not die."

Numbers 19

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş and to Aaron, saying, 2 "This is the statute of the låw which YAHWEH has commanded. Tell the children of Işrael to bring you a red heifer without spot, in which is no defect, and which was never yokeq. 3 You shall give her to Eleazar the priest, and he shall bring her outside of the camp, and one shall kill her before his face. 4 Eleazar the priest shall take some of her blood with his finger, and sprinkle her blood toward the front of the Tent of Meeting seven times. 5 One shall bûrn the heifer in his sight; her skin, and her meat, and her blood, with her dung, shall he bûrn. 6 The priest shall take cedar wood, hyssop, and scärlet, and cäst it into the middle of the bûrning of the heifer. 7 Then the priest shall wash his clothes, and he shall bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp, and the priest shall be unclean until the evening. 8 He who bûrns her shall wash his clothes in water, and bathe his flesh in water, and shall be unclean until the evening.

9 "A man who is clean shall gather up the ashes of the heifer, and lay them up outside of the camp in a clean place; and it shall be kept for the congregation of the children of Israel for use in water for cleansing impurity. It is a sin offering. 10 He who gathers the ashes of the heifer shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the evening. It shall be to the children of Israel, and to the stranger who lives as a foreigner among them, for a statute forever.

11 "He who touches the dead body of any man shall be unclean seven days. 12 He shall purify himself with water on the third day, and on the seventh day he shall be clean; but if he doesn't purify himself the third day, then the seventh day he shall not be clean. 13 Whoever touches a dead person, the body of a man who has died, and doesn't purify himself, defiles YAHWEH'S tabernacle; and that soul shall be cut off from Israel; because the water for impurity was not sprinkled on him, he shall be unclean. His uncleanness is yet on him.

14 "This is the law when a man dies in a tent: everyone who comes into the tent, and everyone who is in the tent, shall be unclean seven days. 15 Every open vessel, which has no covering bound on it, is unclean.

16 "Wheever in the open field touches one whe is slain with a sword, or a dead body, or a bone of a man, or a grave, shall be unclean seven days.

17 "For the unclean, they shall take of the ashes of the burning of the sin offering; and running water shall be poured on them in a vessel. 18 A clean person shall take hyssop, dip it in the water, and sprinkle it on the tent, on all the vessels, on the persons who were there, and on him who touched the bone, or the slain, or the dead, or the grave. 19 The clean person shall sprinkle on the unclean on the third day, and on the seventh day. On the seventh day, he shall purify him. He shall wash his clothes and bathe himself in water, and shall be clean at evening. 20 But the man who shall be unclean, and shall not purify himself, that soul shall be cut off from

among the assembly, becauşe he haş defiled the sanctuary of YAHWEH. The water for impurity has not been sprinkled on him. He is unclean. 21 It shall be a perpetual statute to them. He who sprinkles the water for impurity shall wash his clothes, and he who touches the water for impurity shall be unclean until evening.

22 "Whatever the unclean person touches shall be unclean; and the soul that touches it shall be unclean until evening."

Numbers 20

The children of Işrael, even the whole congregation, came into the wilderness of Zin in the first month. The people stayed in Kadesh. Miriam died there, and was buried there. 2 There was no water for the congregation; and they assembled themselves together against Moses and against Aaron. 3 The people quarreled with Moses, and spoke, saying, "We wish that we had died when our brothers died before YAHWEH! 4 Why have you brought YAHWEH'S assembly into this wilderness, that we should die there, we and our animals? 5 Why have you made us to come up out of Egypt, to bring us in to this evil place? It is no place of seed, or of figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates; neither is there any water to drink."

6 Moşeş and Aaron went from the preşençe of the assembly to the door of the Tent of Meeting, and fell on their façeş. YAHWEH'S glory appeared to them. 7 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 8 "Take the rod, and assemble the congregation, you, and Aaron your brother, and speak to the rock before their eyeş, that it pour out its water. You shall bring water to them out of the rock; so you shall give the congregation and their livestock drink."

9 Moşeş töök the rod from beföre YAHWEH, as he commanded him. 10 Moşeş and Aaron gathered the assembly together beföre the rock, and he said to them, "Hear now, you rebels! Shall we bring water out of this rock for you?" 11 Moşeş lifted up his hand, and struck the rock with his rod twice, and water came out abundantly. The congregation and their livestock drank.

12 YAHWEH said to Moşeş and Aaron, "Becauşe you didn't believe in me, to sanctify me in the eyeş of the children of Işrael, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land which I have given them."

13 **Theş**e are the waters of Meribah; because the **ch**ildren of Işrael strove with YAHWEH, and he was sanctified in **th**em.

14 Moses sent messengers from Kadesh to the king of Edom, saying:

"Your brother Işrael sayş: You know all the travail that has happened to us; 15 how our fathers went down into Egypt, and we lived in Egypt a long time. The Egyptians mistreated us and our fathers. 16 When we cried to YAHWEH, he heard our voice, sent an angel, and brought us out of Egypt. Behold, we are in Kadesh, a city in the edge of your border.

- 17 "Pleaşe let us päss through your land. We will not päss through field or through vineyärd, neither will we drink from the water of the wells. We will go along the king's highway. We will not turn away to the right hand nor to the left, until we have pässed your border."
- 18 Edom said to him, "You shall not pass **th**rough me, lest I come out with the sword against you."
- 19 The **children** of **lşrael** said to him, "We will go up by the highway; and if we drink your water, I and my livestock, then I will give its price. Only let me, without doing anything else, pass through on my feet."
- 20 He said, "You shall not pass through." Edom came out against him with many people, and with a strong hand. 21 Thus Edom refused to give Işrael passage through his border, so Işrael tûrned away from him.
- 22 **Th**ey traveled from Kadesh, and the **ch**ildren of Işrael, **e**ven the whole congregation, came to Mount Hor. 23 YAHWEH spoke to Moses and Aaron in Mount Hor, by the border of the land of Edom, saying, 24 "Aaron shall be gathered to his people; for he shall not enter into the land which I have given to the **ch**ildren of Işrael, becauşe you rebelled against my word at the waters of Meribah. 25 Take Aaron and Eleazar his son, and bring them up to Mount Hor; 26 and strip Aaron of his gärments, and put them on Eleazar his son. Aaron shall be gathered, and shall die there."
- 27 Moşeş did as YAHWEH commanded. **Th**ey went up onto Mount Hor in the sight of all the congregation. 28 Moşeş stripped Aaron of his gärments, and put them on Eleazar his son. Aaron died there on the top of the mountain, and Moşeş and Eleazar came down from the mountain. 29 When all the congregation saw that Aaron was dead, they wept for Aaron thirty days, even all the house of Işrael.

Numbers 21

The Canaanite, the king of Arad, who lived in the South, heard that Işrael came by the way of Atharim. He fought against Işrael, and took some of them captive. 2 Işrael vowed a vow to YAHWEH, and said, "If you will indeed deliver this people into my hand, then I will utterly destroy their cities." 3 YAHWEH listened to the voice of Işrael, and delivered up the Canaanites; and they utterly destroyed them and their cities. The name of the place was called Hormah.

4 They traveled from Mount Hor by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. The soul of the people was very discouraged because of the journey. 5 The people spoke against Elohim and against Moses: "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no bread, there is no water, and our soul loathes this disgusting feed!"

6 YAHWEH sent venomous snakes among the people, and they bit the people. Many people of Işrael died. 7 The people came to Moşeş, and said, "We have sinned, becauşe we have spoken against YAHWEH and against you. Pray to YAHWEH, that he take away the serpents from us." Moşeş prayed for the people.

8 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Make a venomous snake, and set it on a pole. It shall happen that everyone who is bitten, when he seeş it, shall live." 9 Moşeş made a sêrpent of bronze, and set it on the pole. If a sêrpent had bitten any man, when he looked at the sêrpent of bronze, he lived.

10 The **ch**ildren of Işrael traveled, and encampe**q**, in Obo**th**. 11 **Th**ey traveled from Obo**th**, and encampe**q**, at Iyeabarim, in the wilderness which is before Moab, toward the sunrise. 12 From **th**ere **th**ey traveled, and encampe**q**, in the valley of Zered. 13 From **th**ere **th**ey traveled, and encampe**q**, on the **other** side of the Arnon, which is in the wilderness **th**at comes out of the border of the Amorites; for the Arnon is the border of Moab, between Moab and the Amorites. 14 **Th**erefore it is said in The Book of the Wars of YAHWEH, "Vaheb in Suphah, the valleys of the Arnon, 15 the slope of the valleys **th**at incline toward the dwelling of Ar, leans on the border of Moab." 16 From **th**ere **th**ey traveled to Beer; **th**at is the well of which YAHWEH said to Moses, "Gather the people together, and I will give **th**em water."

"Spring up, well! Sing to it,18 the well, which the princes dug, which the nobles of the people dug, with the scepter, and with their poles."

From the wilderness **th**ey traveled to Mattanah; 19 and from Mattanah to Nahaliel; and from Nahaliel to Bamo**th**; 20 and from Bamo**th** to the valley **th**at is in the field of Moab, to the top of Pisgah, which looks down on the deşert. 21 Işrael sent messengerş to Sihon king of the Amorites, saying, 22 "Let me pass **th**rough your land. We will not turn away into field or vineyard. We will not drink of the water of the wells. We will go by the king's highway, until we have passed your border."

23 Sihon woùld not allow Işrael to päss through his border, but Sihon gathered all his people together, and went out against Işrael into the wilderness, and came to Jahaz. He fought against Işrael. 24 Işrael struck him with the edge of the sword, and possesed his land from the Arnon to the Jabbok, even to the children of Ammon; for the border of the children of Ammon was fortified. 25 Işrael took all these cities. Işrael lived in all the cities of the Amorites, in Heshbon, and in all its villages. 26 For Heshbon was the city of Sihon the king of the Amorites, who had fought against the former king of Moab, and taken all his land out of his hand, even to the Arnon. 27 Therefore those who speak in proverbs say,

"Come to Heshbon. Let the city of Sihon be built and established; 28 for a fire has gone out of Heshbon, a flame from the city of Sihon. It has devoured Ar of Moab, The Mästers of the high places of the Arnon. 29 Woe to you, Moab! You are undone, people of Chemosh! He has given his sons as fugitives, and his daughters

into captivity, to Sihon king of the Amorites.30 We have **sh**ot at **th**em. He**sh**bon has peri**sh**ed even to Dibon.We have laid waste even to Nophah, Which reaches to Medeba."

31 **Th**us Işrael lived in the land of the Amorites. 32 Moşeş sent to spy out Jazer. **Th**ey took its villages, and drove out the Amorites who were **th**ere. 33 **Th**ey turned and went up by the way of Bashan. Og the king of Bashan went out against **th**em, he and all his people, to battle at Edrei.

34 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Don't fear him, for I have delivered him into your hand, with all his people, and his land. You shall do to him as you did to Sihon king of the Amorites, who lived at Heshbon."

35 So **th**ey struck him, wi**th** his s**o**ns and **a**ll his p**e**ople, until **th**ere were no survivors; and **th**ey possessed his land.

Numbers 22

The **ch**ildren of Işrael traveled, and encamped in the plains of Moab beyond the Jordan at Jericho. 2 Balak the son of Zippor saw all that Işrael had done to the Amorites. 3 Moab was very afraid of the people, because they were many. Moab was distressed because of the **ch**ildren of Işrael. 4 Moab said to the elders of Midian, "New this multitude will lick up all that is around us, as the ox licks up the grass of the field."

Balak the son of Zippor was king of Moab at that time. 5 He sent messengers to Balaam the son of Beor, to Pethor, which is by the River, to the land of the children of his people, to call him, saying, "Behold, there is a people who came out of Egypt. Behold, they cover the surface of the earth, and they are staying opposite me. 6 Please come now therefore, and curse this people for me; for they are too mighty for me. Perhaps I shall prevail, that we may strike them, and that I may drive them out of the land; for I know that he whom you bless is blessed, and he whom you curse is cursed."

7 The elders of Moab and the elders of Midian depärted with the rewards of divination in their hand. They came to Balaam, and spoke to him the words of Balak.

8 He said to **th**em, "Lod**g**e h**e**re **th**is n**i**ght, and I will bring you w**ô**rd ag**a**in, as YAHWEH **sh**all sp**e**ak to me." The prin**ces** of M**o**ab stayed wi**th** Balaam.

9 Elohim came to Balaam, and said, "Who are these men with you?"

10 Balaam said to Elohim, "Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, has said to me, 11 'Behold, the people that has come out of Egypt covers the surface of the earth. Now, come curse them for me. Perhaps I shall be able to fight against them, and shall drive them out."

- 12 Elohim said to Balaam, "You shall not go with them. You shall not cûrse the people, for they are blessed."
- 13 Balaam rose up in the morning, and said to the princes of Balak, "Go to your land; for YAHWEH refuses to permit me to go with you."
- 14 The princes of Moab rose up, and they went to Balak, and said, "Balaam refuses to come with us."
- 15 Balak again sent princes, more, and more honorable than they. 16 They came to Balaam, and said to him, "Balak the son of Zippor says, 'Please let nothing hinder you from coming to me, 17 for I will promote you to very great honor, and whatever you say to me I will do. Please come therefore, and curse this people for me."
- 18 Balaam answered the servants of Balak, "If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I can't go beyond the word of YAHWEH my Elohim, to do less or more.

 19 Now therefore please stay here tonight as well, that I may know what else YAHWEH will speak to me."
- 20 Elohim came to Balaam at night, and said to him, "If the men have come to call you, rişe up, go with them; but only the word which I speak to you, that you shall de."
- 21 Balaam roşe up in the morning, and saddled his donkey, and went with the princes of Moab. 22 Elohim's anger bûrned because he went; and YAHWEH'S angel placed himself in the way as an adversary against him. Now he was riding on his donkey, and his two sêrvants were with him. 23 The donkey såw YAHWEH'S angel standing in the way, with his sword drawn in his hand; and the donkey tûrned out of the path, and went into the field. Balaam struck the donkey, to tûrn her into the path. 24 Then YAHWEH'S angel stood in a narrow path between the vineyards, a wall being on this side, and a wall on that side. 25 The donkey såw YAHWEH'S angel, and she thrust hêrself to the wall, and crushed Balaam's foot against the wall. He struck her again.
- 26 YAHWEH'S angel went fûrther, and stòod in a narrow place, where there was no way to tûrn either to the right hand or to the left. 27 The donkey såw YAHWEH'S angel, and she lay down under Balaam. Balaam's anger bûrned, and he struck the donkey with his stäff.
- 28 YAHWEH opened the mouth of the donkey, and she said to Balaam, "What have I done to you, that you have struck me these three times?"
- 29 Balaam said to the donkey, "Becauşe you have mocked me, I wish there were a sword in my hand, for new I would have killed you."
- 30 The donkey said to Balaam, "Am I not your donkey, on which you have ridden all your life long until today? Was I ever in the habit of doing so to you?"He said, "No."

31 Then YAHWEH opened the eyeş of Balaam, and he såw YAHWEH'S angel standing in the way, with his sword dråwn in his hand; and he bowed his head, and fell on his façe. 32 YAHWEH'S angel said to him, "Why have you struck your donkey these times? Behold, I have come out as an adversary, because your way is perverse before me. 33 The donkey såw me, and turned away before me these times. Unless she had turned away from me, surely now I would have killed you, and saved her alive."

34 Balaam said to YAHWEH'S angel, "I have sinned; for I didn't know **th**at you stood in the way against me. Now **th**erefore, if it displeases you, I will go back again."

35 YAHWEH'S angel said to Balaam, "Go with the men; but you shall only speak the word that I shall speak to you."

So Balaam went with the princes of Balak. 36 When Balak heard that Balaam had come, he went out to meet him to the city of Moab, which is on the border of the Arnon, which is in the utmost part of the border. 37 Balak said to Balaam, "Didn't I earnestly send for you to summon you? Why didn't you come to me? Am I not able indeed to promote you to honor?"

38 Balaam said to Balak, "Behold, I have come to you. Have I now any power at all to speak anything? I will speak the word that Elohim puts in my mouth."

39 Balaam went with Balak, and they came to Kiriath Huzoth. 40 Balak sacrificed cattle and sheep, and sent to Balaam, and to the princes who were with him. 41 In the morning, Balak took Balaam, and brought him up into the high places of Baal; and he saw from there part of the people.

Numbers 23

Balaam said to Balak, "Build here seven åltarş for me, and prepare here seven bullş and seven ramş for me."

2 Balak did as Balaam had spoken; and Balak and Balaam offered on every altar a bull and a ram. 3 Balaam said to Balak, "Stand by your burnt offering, and I will go. Perhaps YAHWEH will come to meet me. Whatever he shows me I will tell you."

He went to a bare height. 4 Elohim met Balaam, and he said to him, "I have prepared the seven altars, and I have offered up a bull and a ram on every altar."

5 YAHWEH put a word in Balaam's mouth, and said, "Return to Balak, and thus you shall speak."

6 He retûrned to him, and behold, he was standing by his bûrnt offering, he, and âll the princes of Moab. 7 He took up his parable, and said,

"From Aram has Balak brought me, the king of Moab from the mountains of the East. Come, curse Jacob for me. Come, defy Israel.8 How shall I curse whom Elohim has not cursed? How shall I defy whom YAHWEH has not defied? For from the top of

the rocks I see him. From the hills I see him. Behold, it is a people that dwells alone, and shall not be listed among the nations. 10 Who can count the dust of Jacob, or count the fourth part of Israel? Let me die the death of the righteous! Let my läst end be like his!"

- 11 Balak said to Balaam, "What have you done to me? I took you to curse my enemies, and behold, you have blessed them altogether."
- 12 He answered and said, "Must I not take heed to speak that which YAHWEH puts in my mouth?"
- 13 Balak said to him, "Pleaşe come with me to another plaçe, where you may see them. You shall see just part of them, and shall not see them all. Curse them from there for me."
- 14 He took him into the field of Zophim, to the top of Pisgah, and built seven åltarş, and offered up a bull and a ram on every åltar. 15 He said to Balak, "Stand here by your burnt offering, while I meet Elohim over there."
- 16 YAHWEH met Balaam, and put a word in his mouth, and said, "Return to Balak, and say this."
- 17 He came to him, and behold, he was standing by his bûrnt offering, and the princes of Moab with him. Balak said to him, "What has YAHWEH spoken?"
- 18 He took up his parable, and said,
- "Rişe up, Balak, and hear! Listen to me, you son of Zippor.19 Elohim is not a man, that he should lie, nor a son of man, that he should repent. Has he said, and he won't de it? Or has he spoken, and he won't make it good? 20 Behold, I have received a command to bless. He has blessed, and I can't reverse it.21 He has not seen iniquity in Jacob. Neither has he seen perverseness in Işrael. YAHWEH his Elohim is with him. The shout of a king is among them.22 Elohim brings them out of Egypt. He has as it were the strength of the wild ox.23 Surely there is no enchantment with Jacob; Neither is there any divination with Işrael. New it shall be said of Jacob and of Işrael, 'Whathas Elohim done! 24 Behold, a people rises up as a lioness. As a lion he lifts himself up. He shall not lie down until he eats of the prey, and drinks the blood of the slain."
- 25 Balak said to Balaam, "Neither cûrse them at all, nor bless them at all."
- 26 But Balaam answered Balak, "Didn't I tell you, saying, 'åll **th**at YAHWEH sp**e**aks, **th**at I must d**•**?"
- 27 Balak said to Balaam, "Come now, I will take you to another place; perhaps it will please Elohim that you may curse them for me from there."

28 Balak took Balaam to the top of Peor, **th**at looks down on the desert. 29 Balaam said to Balak, "Build seven altars for me here, and prepare seven bulls and seven rams for me here."

30 Balak did as Balaam had said, and offered up a bull and a ram on every altar.

Numbers 24

When Balaam saw that it pleaşed YAHWEH to bless Işrael, he didn't go, as at the other times, to use divination, but he set his face toward the wilderness. 2 Balaam lifted up his eyeş, and he saw Işrael dwelling according to their tribes; and the Spirit of Elohim came on him. 3 He took up his parable, and said,

"Balaam the son of Beor says, the man whose eyes are open says;4 he says, who hears the words of Elohim, who sees the vision of the Almighty, falling down, and having his eyes open: 5 How goodly are your tents, Jacob, and your dwellings, Israel! 6 As valleys they are spread out, as gardens by the riverside, as aloes which YAHWEH has planted, as cedar trees beside the waters.7 Water shall flow from his buckets. His seed shall be in many waters. His king shall be higher than Agag. His kingdom shall be exalted.8 Elohim brings him out of Egypt.He has as it were the strength of the wild ox.He shall consume the nations his adversaries, shall break their bones in pieces, and piece them with his arrows.9 He couched, he lay down as a lion, as a lioness; who shall rouse him up? Everyone who blesses you is blessed. Everyone who courses you is coursed."

10 Balak's anger bûrned against Balaam, and he struck his hands together. Balak said to Balaam, "I cålled you to cûrse my enemies, and, behold, you have åltogether blessed them these three times. 11 Therefore, flee to your place, new! I thought to promote you to great honor; but, behold, YAHWEH has kept you back from honor."

12 Balaam said to Balak, "Didn't I ålso tell your messengers whom you sent to me, saying, 13 'If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I can't go beyond YAHWEH'S word, to do either good or bad from my own mind. I will say what YAHWEH says'? 14 Now, behold, I go to my people. Come, I will inform you what this people shall do to your people in the latter days."

15 He took up his parable, and said,

"Balaam the son of Beor says, the man whose eyes are open says;16 he says, who hears the words of Elohim, knows the knowledge of the Most High, and who sees the vision of the Almighty, falling down, and having his eyes open:17 I see him, but not now. I see him, but not near. A stär will come out of Jacob. A scepter will rise out of Israel, and shall strike through the corners of Moab, and crush all the sons of Sheth. 18 Edom shall be a possession. Seir, his enemy, also shall be a possession, while Israel does valiantly. 19 Out of Jacob shall one have dominion, and shall destroy the remnant from the city."

20 He looked at Amalek, and took up his parable, and said, "Amalek was the first of the nations," But his latter end shall come to destruction."

21 He looked at the Kenite, and took up his parable, and said,

"Your dwelling place is strong. Your nest is set in the rock. 22 Nevertheless Kain shall be wasted, until Asshur carries you away captive."

23 He took up his parable, and said, "Alas, who shall live when Elohim does this?
24 But ships shall come from the coast of Kittim. They shall afflict Asshur, and shall afflict Eber. He also shall come to destruction."

25 Balaam roșe up, and went and retûrned to his plaçe; and Balak ålso went his way.

Numbers 25

Işrael stayed in Shittim; and the people began to play the prostitute with the dåughters of Moab; 2 for they cålled the people to the sacrifices of their gods. The people are and bowed down to their gods. 3 Işrael joined himself to Baal Peor, and YAHWEH'S anger bûrned against Işrael. 4 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Take åll the chiefs of the people, and hang them up to YAHWEH before the sun, that the fiêrce anger of YAHWEH may tûrn away from Işrael."

5 Moşeş said to the judgeş of Işrael, "Everyone kill his men who have joined themselveş to Baal Peor."

6 Behold, one of the **ch**ildren of Işrael came and brought to his brothers a Midianite woman in the sight of Moses, and in the sight of all the congregation of the **ch**ildren of Işrael, while they were weeping at the door of the Tent of Meeting. 7 When Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, saw it, he rose up from the middle of the congregation, and took a spear in his hand. 8 He went after the man of Işrael into the pavilion, and thrust both of them through, the man of Işrael, and the woman through her body. So the plague was stopped among the **ch**ildren of Işrael. 9 Those whe died by the plague were twenty-four thousand.

10 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 11 "Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, haş tûrned my wräth away from the children of Işrael, in that he was jealous with my jealousy among them, so that I didn't consume the children of Işrael in my jealousy. 12 Therefore say, 'Behold, I give to him my covenant of peace. 13 It shall be to him, and to his offspring äfter him, the covenant of an everlästing priesthood, becauşe he was jealous for his Elohim, and made atonement for the children of Işrael."

14 New the name of the man of Işrael that was slain, who was slain with the Midianite woman, was Zimri, the son of Salu, a prince of a fätherş' house among the Simeonites. 15 The name of the Midianite woman who was slain was Cozbi, the dåughter of Zur. He was head of the people of a fätherş' house in Midian.

16 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 17 "Harass the Midianites, and strike them; 18 for they harassed you with their wileş, wherein they have deçeived you in the matter of Peor, and in the incident regärding Cozbi, the dåughter of the prince of Midian, their sister, who was slain on the day of the plague in the matter of Peor."

Numbers 26

After the plague, YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş and to Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest, saying, 2 "Take a census of all the congregation of the children of Işrael, from twenty yearş old and upward, by their fätherş' houşeş, all who are able to go out to war in Işrael." 3 Moşeş and Eleazar the priest spoke with them in the plainş of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho, saying, 4 "Take a census, from twenty yearş old and upward, as YAHWEH commanded Moşeş and the children of Işrael."

These are those who came out of the land of Egypt. 5 Reuben, the firstborn of Işrael; the sons of Reuben: of Hanoch, the family of the Hanochites; of Pallu, the family of the Palluites; 6 of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites; of Carmi, the family of the Carmites. 7 These are the families of the Reubenites; and those who were counted of them were forty-three thousand seven hundred thirty. 8 The son of Pallu: Eliab. 9 The sons of Eliab: Nemuel, Dathan, and Abiram. These are that Dathan and Abiram who were called by the congregation, who rebelled against Moses and against Aaron in the company of Korah when they rebelled against YAHWEH; 10 and the **ê**ar**th** opened its mouth, and swallowed them up together with Korah when **th**at company died; at the time the fire devoured two hundred fifty men, and **th**ey became a sign. 11 Notwithstanding, the sons of Korah didn't die. 12 The sons of Simeon äfter their families: of Nemuel, the family of the Nemuelites; of Jamin, the family of the Jaminites; of Jachin, the family of the Jachinites; 13 of Zerah, the family of the Zerahites; of Shaul, the family of the Shaulites. 14 These are the families of the Simeonites, twenty-two thousand two hundred. 15 The sons of Gad after their families: of Zephon, the family of the Zephonites; of Haggi, the family of the Haggites; of Shuni, the family of the Shunites; 16 of Ozni, the family of the Oznites; of Eri, the family of the Erites; 17 of Arod, the family of the Arodites; of Areli, the family of the Arelites. 18 These are the families of the sons of Gad according to those who were counted of them, forty thousand and five hundred. 19 The sons of Judah: Er and Onan. Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan. 20 The sons of Judah after their families were: of Shelah, the family of the **Sh**elanites; of Perez, the family of the Perezites; of Zerah, the family of the Zerahites. 21 The sons of Perez were: of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites; of Hamul, the family of the Hamulites. 22 **These** are the families of Judah according to **those** whe were counted of them, seventy-six thousand five hundred. 23 The sons of Issachar äfter their families: of Tola, the family of the Tolaites; of Puvah, the family of the Puvites; 24 of Jashub, the family of the Jashubites; of Shimron, the family of the Shimronites. 25 These are the families of Issachar according to those who were counted of them, sixty-four thousand three hundred. 26 The sons of

Zebulun **ä**fter **th**eir famili**es**: of Sered, the family of the Seredites; of Elon, the family of the Elonites; of Jahle-el, the family of the Jahle-elites. 27 These are the families of the Zebulunites according to those who were counted of them, sixty thousand five hundred. 28 The sons of Joseph äfter their families: Manasseh and Ephraim. 29 The sons of Manasseh: of Machir, the family of the Machirites; and Machir became the fäther of Gilead; of Gilead, the family of the Gileadites. 30 These are the sons of Gilead: of lezer, the family of the lezerites; of Helek, the family of the Helekites; 31 and Asriel, the family of the Asrielites; and Shechem, the family of the Shechemites; 32 and Shemida, the family of the Shemidaites; and Hepher, the family of the Hepherites. 33 Zelophehad the son of Hepher had no sons, but dåughters: and the names of the dåughters of Zelophehad were Mahlah, Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah. 34 These are the families of Manasseh. Those whe were counted of them were fifty-two thousand seven hundred. 35 These are the sons of Ephraim after their families: of Shuthelah, the family of the Shuthelahites; of Becher, the family of the Becherites; of Tahan, the family of the Tahanites. 36 These are the sons of Shuthelah: of Eran, the family of the Eranites. 37 These are the families of the sons of Ephraim according to those who were counted of them, thirty-two thousand five hundred. These are the sons of Joseph äfter their families. 38 The sons of Benjamin äfter their families: of Bela, the family of the Belaites; of Ashbel, the family of the Ashbelites; of Ahiram, the family of the Ahiramites; 39 of Shephupham, the family of the Shuphamites; of Hupham, the family of the Huphamites. 40 The sons of Bela were Ard and Naaman: the family of the Ardites; and of Naaman, the family of the Naamites. 41 **Thes**e are the sons of Benjamin äfter their families; and those who were counted of them were forty-five thousand six hundred. 42 These are the sons of Dan after their families: of Shuham, the family of the Shuhamites. These are the families of Dan äfter their families. 43 All the families of the Shuhamites, according to those whe were counted of them, were sixty-four thousand four hundred. 44 The sons of Asher äfter their families: of Imnah, the family of the Imnites; of Ishvi, the family of the Ishvites; of Beriah, the family of the Berites. 45 Of the sons of Beriah: of Heber, the family of the Heberites; of Malchiel, the family of the Malchielites. 46 The name of the dåughter of Asher was Serah. 47 **Thes**e are the families of the sons of Asher according to those who were counted of them, fifty-three thousand four hundred. 48 The sons of Naphtali after their families: of Jahze-el, the family of the Jahze-elites; of Guni, the family of the Gunites; 49 of Jezer, the family of the Jezerites; of Shillem, the family of the Shillemites. 50 These are the families of Naphtali according to their families; and those who were counted of them were fortyfive thousand four hundred. 51 These are those who were counted of the children of Işrael, six hundred one thouşand seven hundred thirty.

52 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 53 "To **theş**e the land **sh**all be divided for an inheritançe according to the number of names. 54 To the more you **sh**all give the more inheritançe, and to the fewer you **sh**all give the less inheritançe. To everyone according to **thoş**e who were counted of him **sh**all his inheritançe be

given. 55 Notwithstanding, the land **sh**all be divided by lot. According to the names of the tribes of **th**eir fäthers **th**ey **sh**all inherit. 56 According to the lot **sh**all **th**eir inheritance be divided between the more and the fewer."

57 These are those who were counted of the Levites after their families: of Gershon, the family of the Gershonites; of Kohath, the family of the Kohathites; of Merari, the family of the Merarites. 58 **Thes**e are the families of Levi: the family of the Libnites, the family of the Hebronites, the family of the Mahlites, the family of the Muchites, and the family of the Korahites. Kohath became the father of Amram. 59 The name of Amram's wife was Jochebed, the daughter of Levi, who was born to Levi in Egypt. She bore to Amram Aaron and Moses, and Miriam their sister. 60 To Aaron were born Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. 61 Nadab and Abihu died when they offered strange fire before YAHWEH. 62 Those who were counted of them were twenty-three thousand, every male from a month old and upward; for they were not counted among the children of Israel, because there was no inheritance given them among the children of Işrael. 63 Theşe are those who were counted by Moses and Eleazar the priest, who counted the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho. 64 But among these there was not a man of them who were counted by Moşeş and Aaron the priest, who counted the children of Işrael in the wilderness of Sinai. 65 For YAHWEH had said of them, "They shall surely die in the wilderness." There was not a man left of them, except Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun.

Numbers 27

Then the dåughters of Zelophehad, the son of Hepher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of Manasseh the son of Joseph came near. These are the names of his dåughters: Mahlah, Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah. 2 They stood before Moses, before Eleazar the priest, and before the princes and all the congregation, at the door of the Tent of Meeting, saying, 3 "our fäther died in the wilderness. He was not among the company of those who gathered themselves together against YAHWEH in the company of Korah, but he died in his own sin. He had no sons, 4 Why should the name of our fäther be taken away from among his family, because he had no son? Give to us a possession among the brothers of our fäther."

5 Moşeş brought their cauşe before YAHWEH. 6 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 7 "The daughters of Zelophehad speak right. You shall surely give them a possession of an inheritance among their father's brothers. You shall cause the inheritance of their father to pass to them. 8 You shall speak to the children of Israel, saying, If a man dies, and has no son, then you shall cause his inheritance to pass to his daughter. 9 If he has no daughter, then you shall give his inheritance to his brothers. 10 If he has no brothers, then you shall give his inheritance to his father has no brothers, then you shall give his inheritance to his his kinsman who is next to him of his family, and he shall possess it.

This shall be a statute and ordinance for the children of Işrael, as YAHWEH commanded Moşeş."

12 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Go up into this mountain of Abarim, and see the land which I have given to the children of Işrael. 13 When you have seen it, you also shall be gathered to your people, as Aaron your brother was gathered; 14 becauşe in the strife of the congregation, you rebelled against my word in the wilderness of Zin, to honor me as holy at the waters before their eyeş." (These are the waters of Meribah of Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin.)

15 Moşeş spoke to YAHWEH, saying, 16 "Let YAHWEH, the Elohim of the spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the congregation, 17 who may go out before them, and who may come in before them, and who may lead them out, and who may bring them in, that the congregation of YAHWEH may not be as sheep which have no shepherd."

18 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Take Joshua the son of Nun, a man in whom is the Spirit, and lay your hand on him. 19 Set him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation; and commission him in their sight. 20 You shall give authority to him, that all the congregation of the children of Işrael may obey. 21 He shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall inquire for him by the judgment of the Urim before YAHWEH. At his word they shall go out, and at his word they shall come in, both he and all the children of Işrael with him, even all the congregation."

22 Moşeş did as YAHWEH commanded him. He took Joshua, and set him before Eleazar the priest and before all the congregation. 23 He laid his hands on him and commissioned him, as YAHWEH spoke by Moşeş.

Numbers 28

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Command the children of Işrael, and tell them, 'See that you preşent my offering, my feed for my offerings made by fire, as a pleaşant aroma to me, in their due seaşon. 3 You shall tell them, 'This is the offering made by fire which you shall offer to YAHWEH: male lambs a year old without defect, two day by day, for a continual bûrnt offering. 4 You shall offer the one lamb in the morning, and you shall offer the other lamb at evening, 5 with one tenth of an ephah of fine flour for a meal offering, mixed with the fourth part of a hin of beaten oil. 6 It is a continual bûrnt offering which was ordained in Mount Sinai for a pleasant aroma, an offering made by fire to YAHWEH. 7 Its drink offering shall be the fourth part of a hin for each lamb. You shall pour out a drink offering of strong drink to YAHWEH in the holy place. 8 The other lamb you shall offer at evening. As the meal offering of the morning, and as its drink offering, you shall offer it, an offering made by fire, for a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH.

9 "On the Sabbath day, you shall offer two male lambs a year old without defect, and two tenths of an ephah of fine flour for a meal offering mixed with oil, and its

drink offering: 10 **th**is is the b $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$ rnt offering of every Sabba**th**, in additi**o**n to the c**o**ntin**u**al b $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$ rnt offering and its drink offering.

11 "In the beginnings of your months, you shall offer a burnt offering to YAHWEH: two young bulls, one ram, seven male lambs a year old without defect, 12 and three tenths of an ephah of fine flour for a meal offering mixed with oil, for each bull; and two tenth parts of fine flour for a meal offering mixed with oil, for the one ram; 13 and one tenth part of fine flour mixed with oil for a meal offering to every lamb, as a burnt offering of a pleasant aroma, an offering made by fire to YAHWEH. 14 Their drink offerings shall be half a hin of wine for a bull, the third part of a hin for the ram, and the fourth part of a hin for a lamb. This is the burnt offering of every month throughout the months of the year. 15 Also, one male goat for a sin offering to YAHWEH shall be offered in addition to the continual burnt offering and its drink offering.

16 "In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month, is YAHWEH'S Pässover. 17 On the fifteenth day of this month shall be a feast. Unleavened bread shall be eaten for seven days. 18 In the first day shall be a holy convocation. You shall de no regular work, 19 but you shall offer an offering made by fire, a burnt offering to YAHWEH: two young bulls, one ram, and seven male lambs a year old. They shall be without defect, 20 with their meal offering, fine flour mixed with oil. You shall offer three tenths for a bull, and two tenths for the ram. 21 You shall offer one tenth for every lamb of the seven lambs; 22 and one male goat for a sin offering, to make atonement for you. 23 You shall offer these in addition to the burnt offering of the morning, which is for a continual burnt offering. 24 In this way you shall offer daily, for seven days, the feed of the offering made by fire, of a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH. It shall be offered in addition to the continual burnt offering and its drink offering. 25 On the seventh day you shall have a holy convocation. You shall de no regular work.

26 "Also in the day of the first fruits, when you offer a new meal offering to YAHWEH in your feast of weeks, you shall have a holy convocation. You shall do no regular work; 27 but you shall offer a burnt offering for a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH: two young bulls, one ram, seven male lambs a year old; 28 and their meal offering, fine flour mixed with oil, three tenths for each bull, two tenths for the one ram, 29 one tenth for every lamb of the seven lambs; 30 and one male goat, to make atonement for you. 31 Besides the continual burnt offering and its meal offering, you shall offer them and their drink offerings. See that they are without defect.

Numbers 29

"In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall have a holy convocation; you shall do no regular work. It is a day of blowing of trumpets to you. 2 You shall offer a burnt offering for a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH: one young bull, one ram, seven male lambs a year old without defect; 3 and their meal offering,

fine flour mixed with oil: three tenths for the bull, two tenths for the ram, 4 and one tenth for every lamb of the seven lambs; 5 and one male goat for a sin offering, to make atonement for you; 6 in addition to the burnt offering of the new moon with its model offering, and the continual burnt offering with its model offering, and their drink offerings, according to their ordinance, for a pleasant aroma, an offering made by fire to YAHWEH.

7 "On the tenth day of this seventh month you shall have a holy convocation. You shall afflict your souls. You shall do no kind of work; 8 but you shall offer a burnt offering to YAHWEH for a pleasant aroma: one young bull, one ram, seven male lambs a year old, all without defect; 9 and their meal offering, fine flour mixed with oil: three tenths for the bull, two tenths for the one ram, 10 one tenth for every lamb of the seven lambs; 11 one male goat for a sin offering, in addition to the sin offering of atonement, and the continual burnt offering, and its meal offering, and their drink offerings.

12 "On the fifteenth day of the seventh month you shall have a holy convocation. You shall do no regular work. You shall keep a feast to YAHWEH seven days. 13 You shall offer a burnt offering, an offering made by fire, of a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH: thirteen young bulls, two rams, fourteen male lambs a year old, all without defect; 14 and their meal offering, fine flour mixed with oil: three tenths for every bull of the thirteen bulls, two tenths for each ram of the two rams, 15 and one tenth for every lamb of the fourteen lambs; 16 and one male goat for a sin offering, in addition to the continual burnt offering, its meal offering, and its drink offering.

17 "On the second day you shall offer twelve young bulls, two rams, and fourteen male lambs a year old without defect; 18 and their meal offering and their drink offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance; 19 and one male goat for a sin offering, in addition to the continual burnt offering, with its meal offering and their drink offerings.

20 "On the **th**ird day: eleven bulls, two rams, fourteen male lambs a year old without defect; 21 and their meal offering and their drink offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance; 22 and one male goat for a sin offering, in addition to the continual burnt offering, and its meal offering, and its drink offering.

23 "On the fourth day ten bulls, two rams, fourteen male lambs a year old without defect; 24 their meal offering and their drink offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance; 25 and one male goat for a sin offering; in addition to the continual burnt offering, its meal offering, and its drink offering.

26 "On the fifth day: nine bulls, two rams, fourteen male lambs a year old without defect; 27 and their meal offering and their drink offerings for the bulls, for the rams,

and for the lambs, according to **their** number, **ä**fter the δ rdinance, 28 and one male goat for a sin offering, in addition to the continual burnt offering, and its meal offering, and its drink offering.

29 "On the sixth day: eight bulls, two rams, fourteen male lambs a year old without defect; 30 and their meal offering and their drink offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance, 31 and one male goat for a sin offering; in addition to the continual burnt offering, its meal offering, and the drink offerings of it.

32 "On the seventh day: seven bulls, two rams, fourteen male lambs a year old without defect; 33 and their meal offering and their drink offerings for the bulls, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance, 34 and one male goat for a sin offering; in addition to the continual burnt offering, its meal offering, and its drink offering.

35 "On the eighth day you shall have a solemn assembly. You shall do no regular work; 36 but you shall offer a burnt offering, an offering made by fire, a pleasant aroma to YAHWEH: one bull, one ram, seven male lambs a year old without defect; 37 their meal offering and their drink offerings for the bull, for the ram, and for the lambs, shall be according to their number, äfter the ordinance, 38 and one male goat for a sin offering, in addition to the continual burnt offering, with its meal offering, and its drink offering.

39 "You shall offer these to YAHWEH in your set feasts—in addition to your vows and your free will offerings—for your burnt offerings, your meal offerings, your drink offerings, and your peace offerings."

40 Moşeş told the children of Işrael according to all that YAHWEH

Numbers 30

Moşeş spoke to the headş of the tribeş of the **children** of Işrael, saying, "**Th**is is the **th**ing which YAHWEH has commanded. 2 When a man vews a vew to YAHWEH, or swearş an **oath** to bind his soul with a bond, he **shall not break his word.** He **shall de** according to all **th**at proceeds out of his mouth.

3 "ålso, when a woman vows a vow to YAHWEH and binds herself by a pledge, being in her fäther's house, in her youth, 4 and her fäther hears her vow and her pledge with which she has bound her soul, and her fäther says nothing to her, then åll her vows shall stand, and every pledge with which she has bound her soul shall stand. 5 But if her fäther forbids her in the day that he hears, none of her vows or of her pledges with which she has bound her soul, shall stand. YAHWEH will forgive her, because her fäther has förbidden her.

6 "If she has a husband, while her vows are on her, or the rash utterance of her lips with which she has bound her soul, 7 and her husband hears it, and says nothing to her in the day that he hears it; then her vows shall stand, and her pledges with

which she has bound her soul shall stand. 8 But if her husband forbids her in the day that he hears it, then he makes void her vow which is on her and the rash utterance of her lips, with which she has bound her soul. YAHWEH will forgive her.

9 "But the vow of a widow, or of her who is divorçed, everything with which she has bound her soul shall stand against her.

10 "If she vewed in her huşband'ş heuse or beund her soul by a bond with an oath, 11 and her huşband hêard it, and held his peaçe at her and didn't disallew her, then åll her vews shall stand, and every pledge with which she beund her soul shall stand. 12 But if her huşband made them null and void in the day that he hêard them, then whatever proçeeded out of her lips conçêrning her vews, or conçêrning the bond of her soul, shall not stand. Her huşband haş made them void. YAHWEH will forgive her. 13 Every vew, and every binding oath to afflict the soul, her huşband may establish it, or her huşband may make it void. 14 But if her huşband sayş nothing to her from day to day, then he establisheş åll her vewş or åll her pledgeş which are on her. He haş established them, becauşe he said nothing to her in the day that he hêard them. 15 But if he makes them null and void äfter he haş hêard them, then he shall bear her iniquity."

16 **Thes**e are the statute which YAHWEH commanded Moses, between a man and his wife, between a fäther and his dåughter, being in her youth, in her fäther's house.

Numbers 31

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Avenge the children of Işrael on the Midianites. äfterward you shall be gathered to your people."

3 Moşeş spoke to the people, saying, "ärm men from among you for war, that they may go against Midian, to execute YAHWEH'S vengeance on Midian. 4 You shall send one thousand out of every tribe, throughout all the tribes of Israel, to the wår." 5 So there were delivered, out of the thousands of Israel, a thousand from every tribe, twelve thousand armed for war. 6 Moses sent them, one thousand of every tribe, to the war with Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, to the war, with the vessels of the sanctuary and the trumpets for the alarm in his hand. 7 **Th**ey fought against Midian, as YAHWEH commanded Moses. They killed every male. 8 They killed the kings of Midian with the rest of their slain: Evi, Rekem, Zur, Hur, and Reba, the five kings of Midian. They also killed Balaam the son of Beor with the sword. 9 The children of Işrael took the women of Midian captive with their little ones; and all their livestock, all their flocks, and all their goods, they took as plunder. 10 All their cities in the places in which they lived, and all their encampments, they burned with fire. 11 They took all the captives, and all the plunder, both of man and of animal. 12 They brought the captives with the prey and the plunder, to Moses, and to Eleazar the priest, and to the congregation of the children of Işrael, to the camp at the plains of Moab, which are by the Jordan at

Jericho. 13 Moşeş and Eleazar the priest, with all the princes of the congregation, went out to meet them outside of the camp. 14 Moşeş was angry with the officers of the ärmy, the captains of thousands and the captains of hundreds, who came from the service of the war. 15 Moşeş said to them, "Have you saved all the women alive? 16 Behold, these caused the children of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to commit trespäss against YAHWEH in the matter of Peor, and so the plague was among the congregation of YAHWEH. 17 Now therefore kill every male among the little ones, and kill every woman who has known man by lying with him. 18 But all the girls, who have not known man by lying with him, keep alive for yourselves.

19 "Encamp outside of the camp for seven days. Wheever has killed any person, and wheever has touched any slain, purify yourselves on the third day and on the seventh day, you and your captives. 20 You shall purify every garment, and all that is made of skin, and all work of goats' hair, and all things made of wood."

21 Eleazar the priest said to the men of war who went to the battle, "This is the statute of the law which YAHWEH has commanded Moses. 22 However the gold, and the silver, the bronze, the iron, the tin, and the lead, 23 everything that may withstand the fire, you shall make to go through the fire, and it shall be clean; nevertheless it shall be purified with the water for impurity. All that doesn't withstand the fire you shall make to go through the water. 24 You shall wash your clothes on the seventh day, and you shall be clean. Afterward you shall come into the camp."

25 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 26 "Count the plunder that was taken, both of man and of animal, you, and Eleazar the priest, and the headş of the fätherş' householdş of the congregation; 27 and divide the plunder into two parts: between the men skilled in war, who went out to battle, and all the congregation. 28 Levy a tribute to YAHWEH of the men of war who went out to battle: one soul of five hundred; of the persons, of the cattle, of the donkeys, and of the flocks. 29 Take it from their half, and give it to Eleazar the priest, for YAHWEH'S wave offering. 30 Of the children of Işrael'ş half, you shall take one drawn out of every fifty, of the persons, of the cattle, of the donkeys, and of the flocks, of all the livestock, and give them to the Levites, who perform the duty of YAHWEH'S tabernacle."

31 Moşeş and Eleazar the priest did as YAHWEH commanded Moşeş.

32 New the plunder, over and above the beety which the men of war took, was six hundred seventy-five theusand sheep, 33 seventy-two thousand head of cattle, 34 sixty-one thousand donkeys, 35 and thirty-two thousand persons in all, of the women who had not known man by lying with him. 36 The hälf, which was the portion of those who went out to war, was in number three hundred thirty-seven thousand five hundred sheep; 37 and YAHWEH'S tribute of the sheep was six hundred seventy-five. 38 The cattle were thirty-six thousand, of which YAHWEH'S tribute was seventy-two. 39 The donkeys were thirty thousand five hundred, of

when YAHWEH'S tribute was thirty-two persons, 41 Moses gave the tribute, which was YAHWEH'S wave offering, to Eleazar the priest, as YAHWEH commanded Moses, 42 Of the children of Israel's hälf, which Moses divided off from the men who fought 43 (now the congregation's hälf was three hundred thirty-seven thousand five hundred sheep, 44 thirty-six thousand head of cattle, 45 thirty thousand five hundred donkeys, 46 and sixteen thousand persons), 47 even of the children of Israel's hälf, Moses took one drawn out of every fifty, both of man and of animal, and gave them to the Levites, who performed the duty of YAHWEH'S tabernacle, as YAHWEH commanded Moses.

48 The officers who were over the **thousands** of the **ärmy**, the captains of **thousands**, and the captains of hundreds, came near to Moses. 49 **They** said to Moses, "Your servants have taken the sum of the men of war who are under our command, and **there** lacks not one man of us. 50 We have brought YAHWEH'S offering, what every man found: gold ornaments, ärmlets, bracelets, signet rings, earrings, and necklaces, to make atonement for our souls before YAHWEH."

51 Moşeş and Eleazar the priest took their gold, even all worked jewelş. 52 All the gold of the wave offering that they offered up to YAHWEH, of the captains of theuşands, and of the captains of hundreds, was sixteen thousand seven hundred fifty shekels. 53 The men of war had taken beety, every man for himself. 54 Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold of the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and brought it into the Tent of Meeting for a memorial for the children of Israel before YAHWEH.

Numbers 32

Now the **ch**ildren of Reuben and the **ch**ildren of Gad had a very great multitude of livestock. **Th**ey saw the land of Jazer, and the land of Gilead. Behold, the place was a place for livestock. 2 **Th**en the **ch**ildren of Gad and the **ch**ildren of Reuben came and spoke to Moses, and to Eleazar the priest, and to the princes of the congregation, saying, 3 "Ataroth, Dibon, Jazer, Nimrah, Heshbon, Elealeh, Sebam, Nebo, and Beon, 4 the land which YAHWEH struck before the congregation of Israel, is a land for livestock; and your servants have livestock." 5 **Th**ey said, "If we have found favor in your sight, let **th**is land be given to your servants for a possession. Don't bring us over the Jordan."

6 Moşeş said to the **ch**ildren of Gad, and to the **ch**ildren of Reuben, "**Sh**all your brothers go to war while you sit here? 7 Why do you discourage the heart of the **ch**ildren of Işrael from going over into the land which YAHWEH has given them? 8 Your fäthers did so when I sent them from Kadesh Barnea to see the land. 9 For when they went up to the valley of Eshcol, and saw the land, they discouraged the heart of the **ch**ildren of Işrael, that they shoù/d not go into the land which YAHWEH had given them. 10 YAHWEH'S anger bûrned in that day, and he

swore, saying, 11' Surely none of the men who came up out of Egypt, from twenty years old and upward, shall see the land which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; because they have not wholly followed me, 12 except Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite, and Joshua the son of Nun, because they have followed YAHWEH completely. 13 YAHWEH'S anger bûrned against Israel, and he made them wander back and forth in the wilderness forty years, until all the generation who had done evil in YAHWEH'S sight was consumed.

14 "Behold, you have rişen up in your fathers' place, an increase of sinful men, to increase the fierce anger of YAHWEH toward Işrael. 15 For if you turn away from after him, he will yet again leave them in the wilderness; and you will destroy all these people."

16 They came near to him, and said, "We will build sheepfolds here for our livestock, and cities for our little ones; 17 but we ourselves will be ready armed to go before the children of Israel, until we have brought them to their place. Our little ones shall dwell in the fortified cities because of the inhabitants of the land. 18 We will not return to our houses until the children of Israel have all received their inheritance. 19 For we will not inherit with them on the other side of the Jordan and beyond, because our inheritance has come to us on this side of the Jordan eastward."

20 Moşeş said to **th**em: "If you will de **th**is **th**ing, if you will **ä**rm yourselveş to go before YAHWEH to the war, 21 and every one of your **ä**rmed men will pass over the Jordan before YAHWEH until he has driven out his enemies from before him, 22 and the land is subdued before YAHWEH; **th**en **ä**fterward you **sh**all return, and be clear of obligation to YAHWEH and to Işrael. **Th**en **th**is land **sh**all be your poşşession before YAHWEH.

23 "But if you will not do so, behold, you have sinned against YAHWEH; and be sure your sin will find you out. 24 Build cities for your little ones, and folds for your sheep; and do that which has proceeded out of your mouth."

25 The **ch**ildren of Gad and the **ch**ildren of Reuben spoke to Moşeş, saying, "Your servants will do as my Mäster commands. 26 Our little oneş, our wiveş, our flocks, and all our livestock shall be **th**ere in the cities of Gilead; 27 but your servants will pass over, every man who is armed for war, before YAHWEH to battle, as my lord says."

28 So Moşeş commanded conçêrning them to Eleazar the priest, and to Joshua the son of Nun, and to the heads of the fäthers' households of the tribes of the children of Işrael. 29 Moşeş said to them, "If the children of Gad and the children of Reuben will pass with you over the Jordan, every man who is ärmed to battle before YAHWEH, and the land is subdued before you, then you shall give them the land of Gilead for a poşşession; 30 but if they will not pass over with you ärmed, they shall have poşşessions among you in the land of Canaan."

31 The **ch**ildren of Gad and the **ch**ildren of Reuben answered, saying, "As YAHWEH haş said to your servants, so will we de 32 We will pass over ärmed before YAHWEH into the land of Canaan, and the possession of our inheritance shall remain with us beyond the Jordan."

33 Moşeş gave to them, even to the children of Gad, and to the children of Reuben, and to the härf-tribe of Manasseh the son of Joseph, the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, and the kingdom of Og king of Bashan; the land, according to its cities and borders, even the cities of the surrounding land. 34 The children of Gad built Dibon, Ataroth, Aroer, 35 Atroth-shophan, Jazer, Jogbehah, 36 Beth Nimrah, and Beth Haran: fortified cities and folds for sheep. 37 The children of Reuben built Heshbon, Elealeh, Kiriathaim, 38 Nebo, and Baal Meon, (their names being changed), and Sibmah. They gave other names to the cities which they built. 39 The children of Machir the son of Manasseh went to Gilead, took it, and dispossessed the Amorites who were therein. 40 Moses gave Gilead to Machir the son of Manasseh; and he lived therein. 41 Jair the son of Manasseh went and took its villages, and called them Havvoth Jair. 42 Nobah went and took Kenath and its villages, and called it Nobah, äfter his own name.

Numbers 33

These are the journeys of the children of Israel, when they went of the land of Egypt by their ärmies under the hand of Moses and Aaron. 2 Moses wrote the stärting points of their joûrneys by the commandment of YAHWEH. These are their joûrneys according to their stärting points. 3 They traveled from Rameses in the first month, on the fifteenth day of the first month; on the next day after the Pässover, the children of Israel went out with a high hand in the sight of all the Egyptians, 4 while the Egyptians were burying all their firstborn, whom YAHWEH had struck among them. YAHWEH also executed judgments on their gods. 5 The children of Işrael traveled from Rameses, and encamped in Succoth. 6 They traveled from Succoth, and encamped in Etham, which is in the edge of the wilderness. 7 They traveled from Etham, and tûrned back to Pihahiroth, which is before Baal Zephon, and they encamped before Migdol. 8 They traveled from before Hahiroth, and crossed through the middle of the sea into the wilderness. They went three days' joûrney in the wilderness of Etham, and encamped in Marah. 9 They traveled from Marah, and came to Elim. In Elim, there were twelve springs of water and seventy pä/m trees, and they encamped there. 10 They traveled from Elim, and encamped by the Red Sea. 11 **Th**ey traveled from the Red Sea, and encamped in the wilderness of Sin. 12 **Th**ey traveled from the wilderness of Sin, and encamped in Dophkah. 13 They traveled from Dophkah, and encamped in Alush. 14 They traveled from Alush, and encamped in Rephidim, where there was no water for the people to drink. 15 **Th**ey traveled from Rephidim, and encamped in the wilderness of Sinai. 16 **Th**ey traveled from the wilderness of Sinai, and encamped in Kibroth Hattaavah. 17 **Th**ey traveled from Kibro**th** Hattaavah, and encamped in

Hazeroth. 18 They traveled from Hazeroth, and encamped in Rithmah. 19 They traveled from Rithmah, and encamped in Rimmon Perez. 20 They traveled from Rimmon Perez, and encamped in Libnah. 21 They traveled from Libnah, and encamped in Rissah. 22 They traveled from Rissah, and encamped in Kehelathah. They traveled from Kehelathah, and encamped in Mount Shepher. 24 They traveled from Mount Shepher, and encamped in Haradah. 25 They traveled from Haradah, and encamped in Makheloth. 26 They traveled from Makheloth, and encamped in Tahath. 27 They traveled from Tahath, and encamped in Terah. 28 They traveled from Terah, and encamped in Mithkah. 29 They traveled from Mithkah, and encamped in Hashmonah. 30 They traveled from Hashmonah, and encamped in Moseroth. 31 They traveled from Moseroth, and encamped in Bene Jaakan. 32 They traveled from Bene Jaakan, and encamped in Hor Haggidgad. 33 **Th**ey traveled from Hor Haggidgad, and encamped in Jotbathah. 34 They traveled from Jotbathah, and encamped in Abronah. 35 They traveled from Abronah, and encamped in Ezion Geber. 36 They traveled from Ezion Geber, and encamped at Kadeth in the wilderness of Zin. 37 They traveled from Kadesh, and encamped in Mount Hor, in the edge of the land of Edom. 38 Aaron the priest went up into Mount Hor at the commandment of YAHWEH and died there, in the fortieth year after the children of Işrael had come out of the land of Egypt, in the fifth month, on the first day of the month. 39 Aaron was one hundred twenty-three years old when he died in Mount Hor. 40 The Canaanite king of Arad, who lived in the South in the land of Canaan, hêard of the coming of the children of Israel. 41 They traveled from Mount Hor, and encamped in Zalmonah. 42 They traveled from Zalmonah, and encamped in Punon. 43 They traveled from Punon, and encamped in Oboth. 44 They traveled from Oboth, and encamped in lye Abarim, in the border of Moab. 45 They traveled from lyim, and encamped in Dibon Gad. 46 They traveled from Dibon Gad, and encamped in Almon Diblathaim. 47 They traveled from Almon Diblathaim, and encamped in the mountains of Abarim, before Nebo. 48 They traveled from the mountains of Abarim, and encamped in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho. 49 They encamped by the Jordan, from Beth Jeshimoth even to Abel Shittim in the plains of Moab. 50 YAHWEH spoke to Moses in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho, saying, 51 Speak to the children of Işrael, and tell them, "When you pass over the Jordan into the land of Canaan, 52 then you shall drive out all the inhabitants of the land from before you, destroy all their stone idols, destroy all their molten images, and demolish all their high places. 53 You shall take possession of the land, and dwell therein; for I have given the land to you to possess it. 54 You shall inherit the land by lot according to your families; to the lärger groups you shall give a lärger inheritance, and to the småller you shall give a småller inheritance. Wherever the lot fålls to any man, that shall be his. You shall inherit according to the tribes of your fathers.

55 "But if you do not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you, then those you let remain of them will be like pricks in your eyes and thorns in your

sides. They will harass you in the land in which you dwell. 56 It shall happen that as I thought to do to them, so I will do to you."

Numbers 34

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 2 "Command the children of Işrael, and tell them, 'When you come into the land of Canaan (this is the land that shall fall to you for an inheritance, even the land of Canaan according to its borders), 3 then your south quarter shall be from the wilderness of Zin along by the side of Edom, and your south border shall be from the end of the Salt Sea eastward. 4 Your border shall turn about southward of the ascent of Akrabbim, and pass along to Zin; and it shall pass southward of Kadesh Barnea; and it shall go from there to Hazar Addar, and pass along to Azmon. 5 The border shall turn about from Azmon to the brook of Egypt, and it shall end at the sea.

6 "'For the western border, you **sh**all have the great s**e**a and its border. **Th**is **sh**all be your west border.

7 "'This shall be your north border: from the great sea you shall mark out for yourselves Mount Hor. 8 From Mount Hor you shall mark out to the entrance of Hamath; and the border shall pass by Zedad. 9 Then the border shall go to Ziphron, and it shall end at Hazar Enan. This shall be your north border.

10 "'You shall märk out your east border from Hazar Enan to Shepham. 11 The border shall go down from Shepham to Riblah, on the east side of Ain. The border shall go down, and shall reach to the side of the sea of Chinnereth eastward. 12 The border shall go down to the Jordan, and end at the Salt Sea. This shall be your land according to its borders around it."

13 Moşeş commanded the **ch**ildren of Işrael, saying, "**Th**is is the land whi**ch** you **sh**all inherit by lot, whi**ch** YAHWEH has commanded to give to the nine tribes, and to the hälf-tribe; 14 for the tribe of the **ch**ildren of Reuben according to **th**eir fäthers' houses, the tribe of the **ch**ildren of Gad according to **th**eir fäthers' houses, and the hälf-tribe of Manasseh have received **th**eir inheritance. 15 The two tribes and the hälf-tribe have received **th**eir inheritance beyond the Jordan at Jericho eastward, toward the sunrise."

16 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş, saying, 17 "Theşe are the nameş of the men who shall divide the land to you for inheritançe: Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun. 18 You shall take one prinçe of every tribe, to divide the land for inheritançe. 19 Theşe are the nameş of the men: Of the tribe of Judah, Caleb the son of Jephunneh. 20 Of the tribe of the children of Simeon, Shemuel the son of Ammihud. 21 Of the tribe of Benjamin, Elidad the son of Chislon. 22 Of the tribe of the children of Dan a prinçe, Bukki the son of Jogli. 23 Of the children of Joseph: of the tribe of the children of Manasseh a prinçe, Hanniel the son of Shiphtan. 25 Of the tribe of the tribe of

the **ch**ildren of Zebulun a prin**ç**e, Eliza**ph**an the s**o**n of Parnach. 26 Of the tribe of the **ch**ildren of Issachar a prin**ç**e, Paltiel the s**o**n of Azzan. 27 Of the tribe of the **ch**ildren of A**sh**er a prin**ç**e, Ahihud the s**o**n of **Sh**elomi. 28 Of the tribe of the **ch**ildren of Na**ph**tali a prin**ç**e, Pedahel the s**o**n of Ammihud." 29 **Theş**e are **th**ey whom YAHWEH commanded to divide the inheritan**ç**e to the **ch**ildren of I**ş**rael in the land of Canaan.

Numbers 35

YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho, saying, 2 "Command the children of Işrael to give to the Levites cities to dwell in out of their inheritance. You shall give pasture lands for the cities around them to the Levites. 3 They shall have the cities to dwell in. Their pasture lands shall be for their livestock, and for their possessions, and for all their animals.

4 "The pästure lands of the cities, which you shall give to the Levites, shall be from the wall of the city and autward one thousand cubits around it. 5 You shall measure autside of the city for the east side two thousand cubits, and for the south side two thousand cubits, and for the west side two thousand cubits, and for the north side two thousand cubits, the city being in the middle. This shall be the pästure lands of their cities.

6 "The cities which you shall give to the Levites, they shall be the six cities of refuge, which you shall give for the man slayer to flee to. Besides them you shall give forty-two cities. 7 All the cities which you shall give to the Levites shall be forty-eight cities together with their pasture lands. 8 Concerning the cities which you shall give of the possession of the children of Israel, from the many you shall take many, and from the few you shall take few. Everyone according to inheritan**c**e which he inherits shall give some of his çitieş Levites." 9 YAHWEH spoke to Moses, saying, 10 "Speak to the children of Israel, and tell **th**em, 'When you pass over the Jordan into the land of Canaan, 11 **th**en you shall appoint for yourselves cities to be cities of refuge for you, that the man slayer who kills any person unwittingly may flee there. 12 The cities shall be for your refuge from the avenger, that the man slayer not die until he stands before the congregation for judgment. 13 The cities which you shall give shall be for you six cities of refuge. 14 You shall give three cities beyond the Jordan, and you shall give three cities in the land of Canaan. They shall be cities of refuge. 15 These six cities shall be refuge for the children of Israel, for the stranger, and for the foreigner living among them, that everyone who kills any person unwittingly may flee there.

16 "But if he struck him with an instrument of iron, so that he died, he is a murderer. The murderer shall surely be put to death. 17 If he struck him with a stone in the hand, by which a man may die, and he died, he is a murderer. The murderer shall surely be put to death. 18 Or if he struck him with a weapon of wood in the hand, by

which a man may die, and he died, he is a mûrderer. The mûrderer shall surely be put to death. 19 The avenger of blood shall himself put the mûrderer to death. When he meets him, he shall put him to death. 20 If he shoved him out of hatred, or hûrled something at him while lying in wait, so that he died, 21 or in hostility struck him with his hand, so that he died, he who struck him shall surely be put to death. He is a mûrderer. The avenger of blood shall put the mûrderer to death when he meets him.

22 "But if he **sho**ved him suddenly wi**thout** hostility, or hûrled on him any**th**ing wi**thout** lying in wait, 23 or wi**th** any stone, by which a man may die, not seeing him, and cäst it on him so **th**at he died, and he was not his enemy and not seeking his härm, 24 **th**en the congregation **sh**all judge between the striker and the avenger of blood according to **theşe** ordinançeş. 25 The congregation **sh**all deliver the man slayer of the hand of the avenger of blood, and the congregation **sh**all restore him to his city of refuge, where he had fled. He **sh**all dwell **th**erein until the death of the high priest, who was anointed with the holy oil.

26 "But if the man slayer shall at any time go beyond the border of his city of refuge where he flees, 27 and the avenger of blood finds him outside of the border of his city of refuge, and the avenger of blood kills the man slayer, he shall not be guilty of blood, 28 because he shoù/d have remained in his city of refuge until the death of the high priest. But äfter the death of the high priest, the man slayer shall return into the land of his possession.

- 29 "These things shall be for a statute and ordinance to you throughout your generations in all your dwellings.
- 30 "Wheever kills any person, the murderer shall be slain based on the testimony of witnesses; but one witness shall not testify alone against any person so that he dies.
- 31 "'Môreover you shall take no ransom for the life of a mûrderer who is guilty of death. He shall surely be put to death.
- 32 "You shall take no ransom for him who has fled to his city of refuge, that he may come again to dwell in the land before the death of the priest.
- 33 "'So you **sh**all not pollute the land where you live; for blood pollutes the land. No atonement can be made for the land, for the blood **th**at is **sh**ed in it, but by the blood of him who shed it. 34 You **sh**all not defile the land which you inhabit, where I dwell; for I, YAHWEH, dwell among the **ch**ildren of Işrael."

Numbers 36

The heads of the fäthers' households of the family of the children of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of the sons of Joseph, came near, and spoke before Moses and before the princes, the heads of the fäthers'

households of the children of Israel. 2 They said, "YAHWEH commanded my lord to give the land for inheritance by lot to the children of Israel. My Mäster was commanded by YAHWEH to give the inheritance of Zelophehad our brother to his dåughters. 3 If they are married to any of the sons of the other tribes of the children of Israel, then their inheritance will be taken away from the inheritance of our fäthers, and will be added to the inheritance of the tribe to which they shall belong. So it will be taken away from the lot of our inheritance. 4 When the jubilee of the children of Israel comes, then their inheritance will be added to the inheritance of the tribe to which they shall belong. So their inheritance will be taken away from the inheritance of the tribe of our fäthers."

5 Moşeş commanded the children of Işrael according to YAHWEH'S word, saying, "The tribe of the sons of Joseph speak what is right. 6 This is the thing which YAHWEH commands conçerning the daughters of Zelophehad, saying, Let them be married to whem they think best, only they shall marry into the family of the tribe of their fäther. 7 So shall no inheritance of the children of Işrael meve from tribe to tribe; for the children of Işrael shall all keep the inheritance of the tribe of his fäthers. 8 Every daughter whe possesses an inheritance in any tribe of the children of Işrael shall be wife to one of the family of the tribe of her fäther, that the children of Işrael may each possess the inheritance of his fäthers. 9 So shall no inheritance meve from one tribe to another tribe; for the tribes of the children of Işrael shall each keep his own inheritance."

10 The dåughters of Zelophehad did as YAHWEH commanded Moses: 11 for Mahlah, Tirzah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Noah, the dåughters of Zelophehad, were married to their fäther's brothers' sons. 12 They were married into the families of the sons of Manasseh the son of Joseph. Their inheritance remained in the tribe of the family of their fäther.

13 **Thes** are the commandments and the ordinances which YAHWEH commanded by Moses to the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho.

THE BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY

Deuteronomy 1

These are the wôrds which Moses spoke to åll Israel beyond the Jordan in the wilderness, in the Arabah opposite Suf, between Paran, Tophel, Laban, Hazeroth, and Dizahab. 2 It is eleven days' journey from Horeb by the way of Mount Seir to Kadesh Barnea. 3 In the fortieth year, in the eleventh month, on the first day of the month, Moses spoke to the children of Israel according to åll that YAHWEH had given him in commandment to them, 4 after he had struck Sihon the king of the Amorites who lived in Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan who lived in Ashtaroth, at Edrei. 5 Beyond the Jordan, in the land of Moab, Moses began to declare this law, saying, 6 "YAHWEH our Elohim spoke to us in Horeb, saying, 'You have lived long enough at this mountain. 7 Turn, and take your journey, and go to the hill country of the Amorites and to all the places near there: in the Arabah, in the hill country, in the lowland, in the South, by the seashore, in the land of the Canaanites, and in Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates. 8 Behold, I have set the land before you. Go in and possess the land which YAHWEH swore to your fathers—to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob—to give to them and to their offspring after them."

9 I spoke to you at **th**at time, saying, "I am not **a**ble to bear you myself alone. 10 YAHWEH your Elohim has multiplied you, and behold, you are today as the stärs of the sky for multitude. 11 YAHWEH, the Elohim of your fäthers, make you a **theus**and times as many as you are and bless you, as he has promised you! 12 How can I myself alone bear your problems, your burdens, and your strife? 13 Take wise men of understanding who are respected among your tribes, and I will make **th**em heads over you."

14 You answered me, and said, "The **th**ing which you have spoken is good to de." 15 So I took the heads of your tribes, wise and respected men, and made them heads over you, captains of thousands, captains of hundreds, captains of fifties, captains of tens, and officers, according to your tribes. 16 I commanded your judges at that time, saying, "Hear cases between your brothers and judge righteously between a man and his brother, and the foreigner who is living with him. 17 You shall not show pärtiality in judgment; you shall hear the småll and the great alike. You shall not be afraid of the face of man, for the judgment is Elohim's. The case that is tee härd for you, you **sh**all bring to me, and I will hear it." 18 I commanded you at **th**at time all the things which you should do. 19 We traveled from Horeb and went through åll that great and terrible wilderness which you såw, by the way to the hill country of the Amorites, as YAHWEH our Elohim commanded us; and we came to Kadesh Barnea. 20 I said to you, "You have come to the hill country of the Amorites, which YAHWEH our Elohim gives to us. 21 Behold, YAHWEH your Elohim has set the land before you. Go up, take possession, as YAHWEH the Elohim of your fathers has spoken to you. Don't be afraid, neither be dismayed."

- 22 You came near to me, everyone of you, and said, "Let's send men before us, that they may search the land for us, and bring back to us word of the way by which we must go up, and the cities to which we shall come."
- 23 The **th**ing pleased me well. I took twelve of your men, one man for every tribe. 24 They turned and went up into the hill country, and came to the valley of Eshcol, and spied it out. 25 They took some of the fruit of the land in **th**eir hands and brought it down to us, and brought us word again, and said, "It is a good land which YAHWEH our Elohim gives to us."
- 26 Yet you woù/dn't go up, but rebelled against the commandment of YAHWEH your Elohim. 27 You mûrmured in your tents, and said, "Becauşe YAHWEH hated us, he has brought us out of the land of Egypt, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites to destroy us. 28 Where are we going up? our brothers have made our heart melt, saying, 'The people are greater and taller than we. The cities are great and fortified up to the sky. Moreover we have seen the sons of the Anakim there!"
- 29 **Th**en I said to you, "Don't be terrified. Don't be afraid of **th**em. 30 YAHWEH your Elohim, who goes before you, he will fight for you, according to all **th**at he did for you in **Eg**ypt before your eyes, 31 and in the wilderness where you have seen how **th**at YAHWEH your Elohim carried you, as a man carries his son, in all the way **th**at you went, until you came to **th**is place."
- 32 Yet in **th**is **th**ing you didn't believe YAHWEH your Elohim, 33 who went before you on the way, to seek out a place for you to pitch your tents in: in fire by night, to show you by what way you should go, and in the cloud by day. 34 YAHWEH heard the voice of your words and was angry, and swore, saying, 35 "Surely not one of **these** men of **th**is evil generation shall see the good land which I swore to give to your fathers, 36 except Caleb the son of Jephunneh. He shall see it. I will give the land that he has trodden on to him and to his children, because he has wholly followed YAHWEH."
- 37 Also YAHWEH was angry with me for your sakes, saying, "You also shall not go in there. 38 Joshua the son of Nun, who stands before you, shall go in there. Encourage him, for he shall cause Israel to inherit it. 39 Moreover your little ones, whom you said would be captured or killed, your children, who today have no knowledge of good or evil, shall go in there. I will give it to them, and they shall possess it. 40 But as for you, turn, and take your journey into the wilderness by the way to the Red Sea."
- 41 **Th**en you answered and said to me, "We have sinned against YAHWEH. We will go up and fight, according to all that YAHWEH our Elohim commanded us." Every man of you put on his weapons of war, and presumed to go up into the hill country.
- 42 YAHWEH said to me, "Tell **th**em, 'Don't go up and don't fight; for I am not among you, lest you be struck before your enemies."
- 43 So I spoke to you, and you didn't listen; but you rebelled against the commandment of YAHWEH, and were presumptuous, and went up into the hill country. 44 The

Amorites, who lived in **th**at hill country, came out against you and **chased** you as bees do, and beat you down in Seir, even to Hormah. 45 You returned and wept before YAHWEH; but YAHWEH didn't listen to your voice, nor turn his ear to you. 46 So you stayed in Kadesh many days, according to the days that you remained.

Deuteronomy 2

Then we tûrned, and took our joûrney into the wilderness by the way to the Red Sea, as YAHWEH spoke to me; and we ençîrcled Mount Seir many dayş.

2 YAHWEH spoke to me, saying, 3 "You have ençîrcled this mountain long enough. Tûrn nôrthward. 4 Command the people, saying, 'You are to pass through the border of your brothers, the children of Esåu, who dwell in Seir; and they will be afraid of you. Therefore be careful. 5 Don't contend with them; for I will not give you any of their land, no, not so much as for the sole of the foot to tread on, because I have given Mount Seir to Esåu, for a possession. 6 You shall pûrchase food from them for money, that you may eat. You shall also buy water from them for money, that you may drink."

7 For YAHWEH your Elohim has blessed you in all the work of your hands. He has known your walking through this great wilderness. These forty years, YAHWEH your Elohim has been with you. You have lacked nothing.

8 So we passed by from our brothers, the children of Esåu, , who dwell in Seir, from the way of the Arabah from Elath and from Ezion Geber. We tûrned and passed by the way of the wilderness of Moab.

9 YAHWEH said to me, "Don't bother Moab, neither contend with them in battle; for I will not give you any of his land for a possession, because I have given Ar to the children of Lot for a possession."

10 (The Emim lived **there before**, a great and numerous people, and tall as the Anakim. 11 **These** also are considered to be Rephaim, as the Anakim; but the Moabites call **them** Emim. 12 The Horites also lived in Seir in the past, but the children of **Esa**u, succeeded them. They destroyed them from before them, and lived in their place, as Israel did to the land of his possession, which YAHWEH gave to them.)

13 "Now rise up, and cross over the brook Zered." We went over the brook Zered.

14 The days in which we came from Kadesh Barnea until we had come over the brook Zered were thirty-eight years: until all the generation of the men of war were consumed from the middle of the camp, as YAHWEH swore to them. 15 Moreover YAHWEH'S hand was against them, to destroy them from the middle of the camp, until they were consumed. 16 So, when all the men of war were consumed and dead from among the people, 17 YAHWEH spoke to me, saying, 18 "You are to pass over Ar, the border of Moab, today. 19 When you come near the border of the children of Ammon, don't bother them, nor contend with them; for I will not give you any of the

land of the **ch**ildren of Ammon for a possession, because I have given it to the **ch**ildren of Lot for a possession."

20 (That ålso is considered a land of Rephaim. Rephaim lived there in the päst, but the Ammonites call them Zamzummim, 21 a great people, many, and tall, as the Anakim; but YAHWEH destroyed them from before Işrael, and they sucçeeded them, and lived in their place; 22 as he did for the children of Esau, who dwell in Seir, when he destroyed the Horites from before them; and they succeeded them, and lived in their place even to this day. 23 Then the Avvim, who lived in villages as fär as Gaza: the Caphtorim, who came out of Caphtor, destroyed them and lived in their place.)

24 "Rişe up, take your journey, and pass over the valley of the Arnon. Behold, I have given into your hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land; begin to possess it, and contend with him in battle. 25 Today I will begin to put the dread of you and the fear of you on the peoples who are under the whole sky, who shall hear the report of you, and shall tremble and be in anguish. because of you."

26 I sent messengers out of the wilderness of Kedemoth to Sihon king of Heshbon with words of peace, saying, 27 "Let me pass through your land. I will go along by the highway. I will turn neither to the right hand nor to the left. 28 You shall sell me feed for money, that I may eat; and give me water for money, that I may drink. Just let me pass through on my feet, 29 as the children of Esau, who dwell in Seir, and the Moabites who dwell in Ar, did to me; until I pass over the Jordan into the land which YAHWEH our Elohim gives us." 30 But Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass by him; for YAHWEH your Elohim hardened his spirit and made his heart obstinate, that he might deliver him into your hand, as it is today.

31 YAHWEH said to me, "Behold, I have begun to deliver up Sihon and his land before you. Begin to possess, that you may inherit his land." 32 Then Sihon came out against us, he and all his people, to battle at Jahaz. 33 YAHWEH our Elohim delivered him up before us; and we struck him, his sons, and all his people. 34 We took all his cities at that time, and utterly destroyed every inhabited city, with the women and the little ones. We left no one remaining. 35 Only the livestock we took for plunder for ourselves, with the plunder of the cities which we had taken. 36 From Aroer, which is on the edge of the valley of the Arnon, and the city that is in the valley, even to Gilead, there was not a city too high for us. YAHWEH our Elohim delivered up all before us. 37 Only to the land of the children of Ammon you didn't come near: all the banks of the river Jabbok, and the cities of the hill country, and wherever YAHWEH our Elohim forbade us.

Deuteronomy 3

Then we tûrned, and went up the way to Bashan. Og the king of Bashan came out against us, he and åll his people, to battle at Edrei. 2 YAHWEH said to me, "Don't fear him; for I have delivered him, with åll his people and his land, into your hand. You shall do to him as you did to Sihon king of the Amorites, who lived at Heshbon."

3 So YAHWEH our Elohim also delivered into our hand Og, the king of Bashan, and åll his people. We struck him until no one was left to him remaining. 4 We took åll his cities at that time. There was not a city which we didn't take from them: sixty cities, åll the region of Argob, the kingdom of Og in Bashan. 5 All these were cities fortified with high walls, gates, and bars, in addition to a great many villages without wålls. 6 We utterly destroyed them, as we did to Sihon king of Heshbon, utterly destroying every inhabited city, with the women and the little ones. 7 But all the livestock, and the plunder of the cities, we took for plunder for our-selves. 8 We took the land at that time out of the hand of the two kings of the Amorites who were beyond the Jordan, from the valley of the Arnon to Mount Hermon. 9 (The Sidonians cåll Hermon Sirion, and the Amorites cåll it Senir.) 10 We took åll the çitieş of the plain, and all Gilead, and all Bashan, to Salecah and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan. 11 (For only Og king of Bashan remained of the remnant of the Rephaim. Behold, his bedstead was a bedstead of iron. Isn't it in Rabbah of the children of Ammon? Nine cubits was its length, and four cubits its width, after the cubit of a man.) 12 This land we took in possession at that time: from Aroer, which is by the valley of the Arnon, and hälf the hill country of Gilead with its cities. I gave to the Reubenites and to the Gadites; 13 and the rest of Gilead, and all Bashan, the kingdom of Og, I gave to the häff-tribe of Manasseh—all the region of Argob, even all Bashan. (The same is called the land of Rephaim. 14 Jair the son of Manasseh took åll the region of Argob, to the border of the Geshurites and the Maacathites, and cålled them, even Bashan, äfter his own name, Havvoth Jair, to this day.) 15 l gave Gilead to Machir. 16 To the Reubenites and to the Gadites I gave from Gilead even to the valley of the Arnon, the middle of the valley, and its border, even to the river Jabbok, which is the border of the children of Ammon; 17 the Arabah also, and the Jordan and its border, from Chinnereth even to the sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, under the slopes of Pisgah eastward.

18 I commanded you at that time, saying, "YAHWEH your Elohim has given you this land to possess it. all of you men of valor shall pass over armed before your brothers, the children of Israel. 19 But your wives, and your little ones, and your livestock, (I know that you have much livestock), shall live in your cities which I have given you, 20 until YAHWEH gives rest to your brothers, as to you, and they also possess the land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives them beyond the Jordan. Then you shall each return to his own possession, which I have given you."

21 I commanded Joshua at that time, saying, "Your eyes have seen all that YAHWEH your Elohim has done to these two kings. So shall YAHWEH do to all the kingdoms where you go over. 22 You shall not fear them; for YAHWEH your Elohim himself fights for you."

23 I begged YAHWEH at **th**at time, saying, 24 "Mäster YAHWEH, you have begun to **show** your servant your greatness, and your strong hand. For what god is **th**ere in heaven or in earth that can do works like yours, and mighty acts like yours? 25 Please let me go over and see the good land that is beyond the Jordan, that fine mountain, and Lebanon."

26 But YAHWEH was angry with me becauşe of you, and didn't listen to me. YAHWEH said to me, "That is enough! Speak no more to me of this matter. 27 Go up to the top of Pisgah, and lift up your eyeş westward, and northward, and southward, and eastward, and see with your eyeş; for you shall not go over this Jordan. 28 But commission Joshua, and encourage him, and strengthen him; for he shall go over before this people, and he shall cauşe them to inherit the land which you shall see." 29 So we stayed in the valley near Beth Peor.

Deuteronomy 4

Now, Işrael, listen to the statute and to the ordinances which I teach you, to do them; that you may live, and go in and possess the land which YAHWEH, the Elohim of your fathers, gives you. 2 You shall not add to the word which I command you, neither shall you take away from it, that you may keep the commandments of YAHWEH your Elohim which I command you. 3 Your eyes have seen what YAHWEH did because of Baal Peor; for YAHWEH your Elohim has destroyed all the men who followed Baal Peor from among you. 4 But you who were faithful to YAHWEH your Elohim are all alive today. 5 Behold, I have taught you statute and ordinances, even as YAHWEH my Elohim commanded me, that you should do so in the middle of the land where you go in to possess it. 6 Keep therefore and do them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples who shall hear all these statute and say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people." 7 For what great nation is there that has a god so near to them as YAHWEH our Elohim is whenever we call on him? 8 What great nation is there that has statute and ordinances so righteous as all this law which I set before you today?

9 Only be careful, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the **things** which your eyeş såw, and lest they depärt from your heart all the days of your life; but make them known to your children and your children's children — 10 the day that you stood before YAHWEH your Elohim in Horeb, when YAHWEH said to me, "Assemble the people to me, and I will make them hear my words, that they may learn to fear me åll the days that they live on the earth, and that they may teach their children." 11 You came near and stood under the mountain. The mountain bûrned with fire to the heart of the sky, with darkness, cloud, and thick därkness. 12 YAHWEH spoke to you out of the middle of the fire: you heard the voice of words, but you saw no form; you only heard a voice. 13 He declared to you his covenant, which he commanded you to perform, even the ten commandments. He wrote them on two stone tablets. 14 YAHWEH commanded me at that time to teach you statute and ordinances, that you might de them in the land where you go over to possess it. 15 Be very careful, for you saw no kind of form on the day that YAHWEH spoke to you in Horeb out of the middle of the fire, 16 lest you corrupt yourselves, and make yourself a carved image in the form of any figure, the likeness of male or female, 17 the likeness of any animal that is on the earth, the likeness of any winged bird that flies in the sky, 18 the likeness of anything that creeps on the ground, the likeness of any fish that is in the water under the earth; 19 and lest you lift up your eyeş to the sky, and when you see the sun and the meen and the stärş, even åll the

ärmy of the sky, you are dråwn away and wôrship them, and sêrve them, which YAHWEH your Elohim has allotted to all the peoples under the whole sky. 20 But YAHWEH has taken you, and brought you out of the iron furnace, out of Egypt, to be to him a people of inheritance, as it is today. 21 FûrthermôreYAHWEH was angry with me for your sakes, and swore that I should not go over the Jordan, and that I should not go in to that good land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you for an inheritançe; 22 but I must die in this land. I must not go over the Jordan, but you shall go over and possess that good land. 23 Be careful, lest you forget the covenant of YAHWEH your Elohim, which he made with you, and make yourselves a carved image in the form of anything which YAHWEH your Elohim has forbidden you. 24 For YAHWEH your Elohim is a devouring fire, a jealous Elohim. 25 When you father children and children's children, and you have been long in the land, and then corrupt yourselves, and make a carved image in the form of anything, and de that which is evil in YAHWEH your Elohim's sight to provoke him to anger, 26 I call heaven and **ê**ar**th** to witness against you today, **th**at you will seen utterly perish from off the land which you go over the Jordan to possess it. You will not prolong your days on it, but will utterly be destroyed. 27 YAHWEH will scatter you among the peoples, and you will be left few in number among the nations where YAHWEH will lead you away. 28 There you will serve gods, the work of men's hands, wood and stone, which neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell. 29 But from there you shall seek YAHWEH your Elohim, and you will find him when you search after him with all your heart and with all your soul. 30 When you are in oppression, and all these things have come on you, in the latter days you shall return to YAHWEH your Elohim and listen to his voice. 31 For YAHWEH your Elohim is a mêrciful Elohim. He will not fail you nor destroy you, nor forget the covenant of your fathers which he swore to them. 32 For äsk new of the days that are past, which were before you, since the day that Elohim created man on the êarth, and from the one end of the sky to the other, whether there has been anything as great as this thing is, or has been heard like it? 33 Did a people ever hear the voice of Elohim speaking out of the middle of the fire, as you have heard, and live? 34 Or has Elohim tried to go and take a nation for himself from among another nation, by trials, by signs, by wonders, by war, by a mighty hand, by an outstretched arm, and by great terrors, according to all that YAHWEH your Elohim did for you in **Eg**ypt before your eyes? 35 It was shown to you so that you might know that YAHWEH is Elohim. There is no one else besides him. 36 Out of heaven he made you to hear his voice, that he might instruct you. On earth he made you to see his great fire; and you heard his words out of the middle of the fire. 37 Because he loved your fäthers, therefore he chose their offspring after them, and brought you out with his presence, with his great power, out of Egypt; 38 to drive out nations from before you greater and mightier than you, to bring you in, to give you their land for an inheritance, as it is today. 39 Know therefore today, and take it to heart, that YAHWEH himself is Elohim in heaven above and on the earth beneath. There is no one else. 40 You shall keep his statute and his commandments which I command you today, that it may go well with you and with your children after you, and that you may prolong your days in the land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you for all time.

41 **Then Moşeş** set apärt **three ç**iti**eş** beyond the Jordan toward the sunrise, 42 **th**at the man slayer might flee **there**, who kills his neighbor unintentionally and didn't hate him in time päst, and **th**at fleeing to one of **these ç**ities he might live: 43 Bezer in the wilderness, in the plain country, for the Reubenites; and Ramoth in Gilead for the Gadites; and Golan in Bashan for the Manassites.

44 This is the law which Moses set before the children of Israel. 45 These are the testimonies, and the statute, and the ordinances which Moses spoke to the children of Israel when they came out of Egypt, 46 beyond the Jordan, in the valley opposite Beth Peor, in the land of Sihon king of the Amorites, who lived at Heshbon, whom Moses and the children of Israel struck when they came out of Egypt. 47 They took possession of his land and the land of Og king of Bashan, the two kings of the Amorites, who were beyond the Jordan toward the sunrise; 48 from Aroer, which is on the edge of the valley of the Arnon, even to Mount Sion (also called Hermon), 49 and all the Arabah beyond the Jordan eastward, even to the sea of the Arabah, under the slopes of Pisgah.

Deuteronomy 5

Moşeş câlled to âll Işrael, and said to them, "Hear, Işrael, the statute and the ordinances which I speak in your ears today, that you may learn them, and observe to de them." 2 YAHWEH our Elohim made a covenant with us in Horeb. 3 YAHWEH didn't make this covenant with our fathers, but with us, even us, who are all of us here alive today. 4 YAHWEH spoke with you face to face on the mountain out of the middle of the fire, 5 (I stood between YAHWEH and you at that time, to show you YAHWEH'S word; for you were afraid because of the fire, and didn't go up onto the mountain) saying,

6 "I am YAHWEH your Elohim, who brought you out of the land of **Eg**ypt, out of the house of bondage.

7 "You shall have no other gods before me.

8 "You shall not make a carved image for yourself—any likeness of what is in heaven above, or what is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. 9 You shall not bow yourself down to them, nor serve them; for I, YAHWEH your Elohim, am a jealous Elohim, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and on the third and on the fourth generation of those who hate me; 10 and showing loving kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

11 "You shall not misuse the name of YAHWEH your Elohim; for YAHWEH will not hold him guiltless who misuses his name.

12 "Obşêrve the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as YAHWEH your Elohim commanded you. 13 You shall labor six dayş, and de âll your work; 14 but the seventh day is a Sabbath to YAHWEH your Elohim, in which you shall not de any work— neither you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your daughter, nor your livestock, nor your stranger whe is within

your gates; that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. 15 You shall remember that you were a servant in the land of **Eg**ypt, and YAHWEH your Elohim brought you of there by a mighty hand and by an outstretched ärm. Therefore YAHWEH your Elohim commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

- 16 "Honor your fäther and your mother, as YAHWEH your Elohim commanded you; that your days may be long, and that it may go well with you in the land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you.
- 17 "You shall not mûrder.
- 18 "You shall not commit adultery.
- 19 "You shall not steal.
- 20 "You shall not give fålse testimony against your neighbor.
- 21 "You shall not covet your neighbor's wife. Neither shall you desire your neighbor's house, his field, or his male servant, or his female servant, his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."
- 22 YAHWEH spoke these words to all your assembly on the mountain out of the middle of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick därkness, with a great voice. He added no more. He wrote them on two stone tablets, and gave them to me. 23 When you heard the voice out of the middle of the därkness, while the mountain was burning with fire, you came near to me, even all the heads of your tribes, and your elders; 24 and you said, "Behold, YAHWEH our Elohim has shown us his glory and his greatness, and we have heard his voice out of the middle of the fire. We have seen today that Elohim does speak with man, and he lives. 25 Now therefore, why should we die? For this great fire will consume us. If we hear YAHWEH our Elohim's voice any more, then we shall die. 26 For who is there of all flesh who has heard the voice of the living Elohim speaking out of the middle of the fire, as we have, and lived? 27 Go near, and hear all that YAHWEH our Elohim shall say, and tell us all that YAHWEH our Elohim tells you; and we will hear it, and do it."
- 28 YAHWEH heard the voice of your words when you spoke to me; and YAHWEH said to me, "I have heard the voice of the words of this people which they have spoken to you. They have well said all that they have spoken. 29 Oh that there were such a heart in them that they would fear me and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them and with their children forever!
- 30 "Go tell **th**em, 'Retûrn to your tents. 31 But as for you, stand here by me, and I will tell you all the commandments, and the statute, and the ordinances, which you shall teach them, that they may do them in the land which I give them to possess."
- 32 You **sh**all ob**şê**rve to d**e th**eref**o**re as YAHWEH y**o**ur Elohim ha**ş** commanded you. Yo**u sh**all not t**û**rn away to the r**i**ght hand or to the left. 33 You **sh**all w**a**k in **a**ll the way whi**ch** YAHWEH y**o**ur Elohim ha**ş** commanded you, **th**at you may live and **th**at it may

be well with you, and that you may prolong your days in the land which you shall possess.

Deuteronomy 6

New these are the commandments, the statute, and the ordinances, which YAHWEH your Elohim commanded to teach you, that you might do them in the land that you go over to possess; 2 that you might fear YAHWEH your Elohim, to keep all his statute and his commandments, which I command you—you, your son, and your son's son, all the days of your life; and that your days may be prolonged. 3 Hear therefore, Israel, and observe to do it, that it may be well with you, and that you may increase mightily, as YAHWEH, the Elohim of your fathers, has promised to you, in a land flowing with milk and honey.

4 Hear, Işrael: YAHWEH is our Elohim. YAHWEH is one. 5 You shall love YAHWEH your Elohim with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your might. 6 These words, which I command you today, shall be on your heart; 7 and you shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall tak of them when you sit in your house, and when you wak by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise up. 8 You shall bind them for a sign on your hand, and they shall be for frontlets between your eyes. 9 You shall write them on the door posts of your house and on your gates.

10 It **sh**all be, when YAHWEH your Elohim brings you into the land which he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you, great and goodly cities which you didn't build, 11 and houses full of all good things which you didn't fill, and cistêrns dug out which you didn't dig, vineyards and olive trees which you didn't plant, and you shall eat and be full; 12 then beware lest you forget YAHWEH, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. 13 You shall fear YAHWEH your Elohim; and you shall serve him, and shall swear by his name. 14 You shall not go äfter other gods, of the gods of the peoples who are around you, 15 for YAHWEH your Elohim among you is a jealous Elohim, lest the anger of YAHWEH your Elohim be kindled against you, and he destroy you from off the face of the earth. 16 You shall not tempt YAHWEH your Elohim, as you tempted him in Massah. 17 You shall diligently keep the commandments of YAHWEH your Elohim, and his testimonies, and his statute, which he has commanded you. 18 You shall de that which is right and good in YAHWEH'S sight, that it may be well with you and that you may go in and possess the good land which YAHWEH swore to your fathers, 19 to thrust out åll your enemies from before you, as YAHWEH has spoken.

20 When your son äsks you in time to come, saying, "What do the testimonies, the statute, and the ordinances, which YAHWEH our Elohim has commanded you mean?" 21 then you shall tell your son, "We were Pharaoh's slaves in Egypt. YAHWEH brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand; 22 and YAHWEH showed great and awesome signs and wonders on Egypt, on Pharaoh, and on all his house, before our eyes; 23 and he brought us out from there, that he might bring us in, to give us the land which he swore to our fathers. 24 YAHWEH commanded us to do all these statute, to fear YAHWEH our Elohim, for our good always, that he might preserve us

alive, as we are today. 25 It shall be righteousness to us, if we obşêrve to de åll theşe commandments before YAHWEH our Elohim, as he haş commanded us."

Deuteronomy 7

When YAHWEH your Elohim brings you into the land where you go to possess it, and casts out many nations before you—the Hittite, the Girgashite, the Amorite, the Canaanite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite-seven nations greater and mightier than you; 2 and when YAHWEH your Elohim delivers them up before you, and you strike them, then you shall utterly destroy them. You shall make no covenant with them, nor show mêrcy to them. 3 You shall not make marriages with them. You shall not give your daughter to his son, nor shall you take his daughter for your son. 4 For that would turn away your sons from following me, that they may sêrve other gods. So YAHWEH'S anger would be kindled against you, and he would destroy you quickly. 5 But you shall deal with them like this: you shall break down their åltarş, dash their pillarş in pieçeş, cut down their Asherah poleş, and bûrn their engraved images with fire. 6 For you are a holy people to YAHWEH your Elohim. YAHWEH your Elohim has chosen you to be a people for his own possession, above åll peoples whe are on the face of the êarth. 7 YAHWEH didn't set his love on you nor cheeşe you, becauşe you were more in number than any people; for you were the fewest of all peoples; 8 but because YAHWEH loves you, and because he desires to keep the oath which he swore to your fathers, YAHWEH has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, from the hand of Pharaon king of **Eg**ypt. 9 Know therefore that YAHWEH your Elohim himself is Elohim, the faithful Elohim, who keeps covenant and loving kindness to a thousand generations with those who love him and keep his commandments, 10 and repays those who hate him to their face, to destroy them. He will not be slack to him who hates him. He will repay him to his face. 11 You shall therefore keep the commandments, the statute, and the ordinances which I command you today, to de them. 12 lt shall happen, because you listen to these ordinances and keep and de them, that YAHWEH your Elohim will keep with you the covenant and the loving kindness which he swore to your fäthers. 13 He will love you, bless you, and multiply you. He will also bless the fruit of your body and the fruit of your ground, your grain and your new wine and your oil, the increase of your livestock and the young of your flock, in the land which he swore to your fathers to give you. 14 You will be blessed above all peoples. There won't be male or female barren among you, or among your livestock. 15 YAHWEH will take away from you all sickness; and he will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which you know, on you, but will lay them on all those who hate you. 16 You shall consume all the peoples whom YAHWEH your Elohim shall deliver to you. Your eye shall not pity them. You shall not sêrve their gods; for that would be a snare to you. 17 If you shall say in your heart, "These nations are more than I; how can I dispossess them?" 18 you shall not be afraid of them. You shall remember well what YAHWEH your Elohim did to Pharaon and to all Egypt: 19 the great trials which your eyeş såw, the signs, the wonders, the mighty hand, and the outstretched arm, by which YAHWEH your Elohim brought you out. So shall YAHWEH your Elohim do to all the peoples of whem you are afraid. 20 Môreover YAHWEH yôur Elohim will send the hôrnet amông them, until those whe are left, and hide themselves, perish from befôre you. 21 You shall not be scared of them; for YAHWEH yôur Elohim is amông you, a great and âwesôme Elohim. 22 YAHWEH yôur Elohim will cäst out those nations befôre you little by little. You may not cônsume them at once, lest the animals of the field increase on you. 23 But YAHWEH yôur Elohim will deliver them up befôre you, and will cônfuse them with a great cônfusion, until they are destroyed. 24 He will deliver their kings into yôur hand, and you shall make their name perish from under the sky. No one will be able to stand befôre you until you have destroyed them. 25 You shall bûrn the engraved images of their gods with fire. You shall not côvet the silver or the gold that is on them, nôr take it for yôurself, lest you be snared in it; for it is an abomination to YAHWEH yôur Elohim. 26 You shall not bring an abomination into yôur house and becôme a devoted thing like it. You shall utterly detest it. You shall utterly abhôr it; for it is a devoted thing.

Deuteronomy 8

You shall obşêrve to de all the commandments which I command you today, that you may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which YAHWEH swore to your fäthers. 2 You shall remember all the way which YAHWEH your Elohim has led you **thes**e forty years in the wilderness, **th**at he might humble you, to test you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. 3 He humbled you, allowed you to be hungry, and fed you with manna, which you didn't know, neither did your fäthers know, that he might teach you that man does not live by bread only, but man lives by every word that proceeds out of YAHWEH'S meu<u>th</u>. 4 Your clothing didn't grow old on you, neither did your foot swell, these forty years. 5 You shall Consider in your heart that as a man disciplines his son, so YAHWEH your Elohim disciplines you. 6 You shall keep the commandments of YAHWEH your Elohim, to walk in his ways, and to fear him. 7 For YAHWEH your Elohim brings you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of springs, and underground water flowing into valleys and hills; 8 a land of wheat, barley, vines, fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of olive trees and honey; 9 a land in which you shall eat bread without scarcity, you shall not lack anything in it; a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you may dig copper. 10 You shall eat and be full, and you shall bless YAHWEH your Elohim for the good land which he has given you.

11 Beware lest you forget YAHWEH your Elohim, in not keeping his commandments, his ordinances, and his statute, which I command you today; 12 lest, when you have eaten and are full, and have built fine houses and lived in them; 13 and when your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and your gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied; 14 then your heart might be lifted up, and you forget YAHWEH your Elohim, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage; 15 who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, with venomous snakes and scorpions, and thirsty ground where there was no water; who poured water for you out of the rock of flint; 16 who fed you in the wilderness with manna, which

your fäthers didn't know, that he might humble you, and that he might prove you, to do you good at your latter end; 17 and lest you say in your heart, "My power and the might of my hand has gotten me this wealth." 18 But you shall remember YAHWEH your Elohim, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he swore to your fäthers, as it is today.

19 It shall be, if you shall forget YAHWEH your Elohim, and walk after other gods, and serve them and worship them, I testify against you today that you shall surely perish. 20 As the nations that YAHWEH makes to perish before you, so you shall perish, because you wouldn't listen to YAHWEH your Elohim's voice.

Deuteronomy 9

Hear, Işrael! You are to pass over the Jordan today, to go in to dispossess nations greater and mightier than yourself, cities great and fortified up to the sky, 2 a people great and tall, the sons of the Anakim, whom you know, and of whom you have heard say, "Who can stand before the sons of Anak?" 3 Know therefore today that YAHWEH your Elohim is he who goes over before you as a devouring fire. He will destroy them and he will bring them down before you. So you shall drive them out and make them perish quickly, as YAHWEH has spoken to you.

4 Don't say in your heart, after YAHWEH your Elohim has thrust them out from before you, "For my righteousness YAHWEH has brought me in to possess this land;" because YAHWEH drives them out before you because of the wickedness of these nations. 5 Not for your righteousness or for the uprightness of your heart do you go in to possess their land; but for the wickedness of these nations YAHWEH your Elohim does drive them out from before you, and that he may establish the word which YAHWEH swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. 6 Know therefore that YAHWEH your Elohim doesn't give you this good land to possess for your righteousness, for you are a stiff-necked people. 7 Remember, and don't forget, how you provoked YAHWEH your Elohim to wrath in the wilderness. From the day that you left the land of Egypt until you came to this place, you have been rebellious against YAHWEH. 8 Also in Horeb you provoked YAHWEH to wräth, and YAHWEH was angry with you to destroy you. 9 When I had gone up onto the mountain to receive the stone tablets, even the tablets of the covenant which YAHWEH made with you, then I stayed on the mountain forty days and forty nights. I neither ate bread nor drank wåter. 10 YAHWEH delivered to me the twe stone tablets written with Elohim's finger. On them were all the words which YAHWEH spoke with you on the mountain out of the middle of the fire in the day of the assembly.

11 It came to pass at the end of forty days and forty nights that YAHWEH gave me the two stone tablets, even the tablets of the covenant. 12 YAHWEH said to me, "Arise, get down quickly from here; for your people whom you have brought out of Egypt have corrupted themselves. They have quickly turned away from the way which I commanded them. They have made a molten image for themselves!"

13 Fûrthermôre YAHWEH spoke to me, saying, "I have seen these people, and behold, they are a stiff-necked people. 14 Leave me alone, that I may destroy them, and blot out their name from under the sky; and I will make of you a nation mightier and greater than they."

15 So I tûrned and came down from the mountain, and the mountain was bûrning with fire. The two tablets of the covenant were in my two hands. 16 I looked, and behold, you had sinned against YAHWEH your Elohim. You had made yourselves a molded cäif. You had quickly tûrned away from the way which YAHWEH had commanded you. 17 I took hold of the two tablets, and threw them out of my two hands, and broke them before your eyes. 18 I fell down before YAHWEH, as at the first, forty days and forty nights. I neither ate bread nor drank water, because of all your sin which you sinned, in deing that which was evil in YAHWEH'S sight, to provoke him to anger. 19 For I was afraid of the anger and hot displeasure with which YAHWEH was angry against you to destroy you. But YAHWEH listened to me that time ålso. 20 YAHWEH was angry enough with Aaron to destroy him. I prayed for Aaron ålso at the same time. 21 I took your sin, the caf which you had made, and bûrned it with fire, and crushed it, grinding it very small, until it was as fine as dust. I threw its dust into the brook that descended out of the mountain. 22 At Taberah, at Massah, and at Kibroth Hattaavah you provoked YAHWEH to wräth. 23 When YAHWEH sent you from Kadesh Barnea, saying, "Go up and possess the land which I have given you," you rebelled against the commandment of YAHWEH your Elohim, and you didn't believe him or listen to his voice. 24 You have been rebellious against YAHWEH from the day that I knew you. 25 So I fell down before YAHWEH the forty days and forty nights that I fell down, because YAHWEH had said he would destroy you. 26 I prayed to YAHWEH, and said, "Mäster YAHWEH, don't destroy your people and your inheritance that you have redeemed through your greatness, that you have brought out of **Eg**ypt with a mighty hand. 27 Remember your servants, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Don't look at the stubbornness of this people, nor at their wickedness, nor at their sin, 28 lest the land you brought us out from say, 'Because YAHWEH was not able to bring them into the land which he promised to them, and because he hated them, he has brought them out to kill them in the wilderness. 29 Yet they are your people and your inheritance, which you brought out by your great power and by your outstretched ärm.

Deuteronomy 10

At that time YAHWEH said to me, "Cut two stone tablets like the first, and come up to me onto the mountain, and make an ärk of wood. 2 I will write on the tablets the words that were on the first tablets which you broke, and you shall put them in the ärk." 3 So I made an ärk of acaçia wood, and cut two stone tablets like the first, and went up onto the mountain, having the two tablets in my hand. 4 He wrote on the tablets, according to the first writing, the ten commandments, which YAHWEH spoke to you on the mountain out of the middle of the fire in the day of the assembly; and

YAHWEH gave them to me. 5 I tûrned and came down from the mountain, and put the tablets in the ärk which I had made; and there they are as YAHWEH commanded me.

6 (The **ch**ildren of Işrael traveled from Be-eroth Bene Jaakan to Moserah. **There** Aaron died, and **there** he was buried; and Eleazar his son ministered in the priest's office in his place. 7 From **there** they traveled to Gudgodah; and from Gudgodah to Jotbathah, a land of brooks of water. 8 At that time YAHWEH set apart the tribe of Levi to bear the ark of YAHWEH'S covenant, to stand before YAHWEH to minister to him, and to bless in his name, to this day. 9 **Therefore** Levi has no portion nor inheritance with his brothers; YAHWEH is his inheritance, according as YAHWEH your Elohim spoke to him.)

10 I stayed on the mountain, as at the first time, forty days and forty nights; and YAHWEH listened to me that time also. YAHWEH would not destroy you. 11 YAHWEH said to me, "Arise, take your journey before the people; and they shall go in and possess the land which I swore to their fathers to give to them."

12 New, Israel, what does YAHWEH your Elohim require of you, but to fear YAHWEH your Elohim, to walk in all his ways, to love him, and to serve YAHWEH your Elohim with all your heart and with all your soul, 13 to keep YAHWEH'S commandments and statute, which I command you today for your good? 14 Behold, to YAHWEH your Elohim belongs heaven, the heaven of heavens, and the êarth, with all that is therein. 15 Only YAHWEH had a delight in your fathers to love them, and he chose their offspring after them, even you above all peoples, as it is today. 16 Cîrcumçise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no more stiff-necked. 17 For YAHWEH your Elohim, he is Elohim of gods and Mäster of lords, the great Elohim, the mighty, and the awesome, who doesn't respect persons or take bribes. 18 He executes justice for the fätherless and widow and loves the foreigner in giving him food and clothing. 19 Therefore love the foreigner, for you were foreigners, in the land of Egypt. 20 You shall fear YAHWEH your Elohim. You shall serve him. You shall cling to him, and you **sh**all swear by his name. 21 He is your praise, and he is your Elohim, who has done for you these great and awesome things which your eyes have seen. 22 Your fäthers went down into Egypt with seventy persons; and now YAHWEH your Elohim has made you as the stärs of the sky for multitude.

Deuteronomy 11

Therefore you shall love YAHWEH your Elohim, and keep his instructions, his statute, his ordinances, and his commandments, always. 2 Know this day—for I don't speak with your children who have not known, and who have not seen the chastisement of YAHWEH your Elohim, his greatness, his mighty hand, his outstretched arm, 3 his signs, and his works, which he did in the middle of Egypt to Pharaoh the king of Egypt, and to all his land; 4 and what he did to the army of Egypt, to their horses, and to their chariots; how he made the water of the Red Sea to overflow them as they pursued you, and how YAHWEH has destroyed them to this day; 5 and what he did to you in the wilderness until you came to this place; 6 and what he did to Dathan and

Abiram, the sons of Eliab, the son of Reuben—how the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up, with their households, their tents, and every living thing that followed them, in the middle of all Israel; 7 but your eyes have seen all of YAHWEH'S great work which he did.

8 Therefore you shall keep the entire commandment which I command you today, that you may be strong, and go in and possess the land that you go over to possess; 9 and that you may prolong your days in the land which YAHWEH swore to your fathers to give to them and to their offspring, a land flowing with milk and honey. 10 For the land, where you go in to possess isn't like the land of Egypt that you came out of, where you sowed your seed and watered it with your foot, as a garden of herbs; 11 but the land that you go over to possess is a land of hills and valleys which drinks water from the rain of the sky, 12 a land which YAHWEH your Elohim careş for. YAHWEH your Elohim's eyeş are alwayş on it, from the beginning of the year even to the end of the year. 13 It shall happen, if you shall listen diligently to my commandments which I command you today, to love YAHWEH your Elohim, and to sêrve him with åll your heart and with åll your soul, 14 that I will give the rain for your land in its season, the early rain and the latter rain, that you may gather in your grain, your new wine, and your oil. 15 I will give gräss in your fields for your livestock, and you shall eat and be full. 16 Be careful, lest your heart be deceived, and you turn away to sêrve other gods and worship them; 17 and YAHWEH'S anger be kindled against you, and he shut up the sky so that there is no rain, and the land doesn't yield its fruit; and you perish quickly from off the good land which YAHWEH gives you. 18 Therefore you shall lay up these words of mine in your heart and in your soul. You shall bind them for a sign on your hand, and they shall be for frontlets between your eyes. 19 You shall teach them to your children, talking of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. 20 You shall write them on the door posts of your house and on your gates; 21 that your days and your children's days may be multiplied in the land which YAHWEH swore to your fathers to give them, as the days of the heavens above the earth. 22 For if you shall diligently keep all these commandments which I command you—to de them, to love YAHWEH your Elohim, to walk in all his ways, and to cling to him— 23 then YAHWEH will drive out all these nations from before you, and you shall dispossess nations greater and mightier than yourselves. 24 Every place on which the sole of your foot treads shall be yours: from the wilderness and Lebanon, from the river, the river Euphrates, even to the western sea shall be your border. 25 No man will be able to stand before you. YAHWEH your Elohim will lay the fear of you and the dread of you on all the land that you tread on, as he has spoken to you. 26 Behold, I set before you today a blessing and a curse: 27 the blessing, if you listen to the commandments of YAHWEH your Elohim, which I command you today; 28 and the cûrse, if you de not listen to the commandments of YAHWEH your Elohim, but tûrn away out of the way which I command you today, to go after other gods which you have not known. 29 It shall happen, when YAHWEH your Elohim brings you into the land that you go to possess, that you shall set the blessing on Mount Gerizim, and the curse on Mount Ebal. 30 ären't they beyond the Jordan, behind the way of the going down of the sun, in the land of the Canaanites who dwell in the Arabah near Gilgal, beside the oaks of Moreh? 31 For you are to pass over the Jordan to go in to possess the land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you, and you shall possess it and dwell in it. 32 You shall observe to do all the statute and the ordinances which I set before you today.

Deuteronomy 12

These are the statute and the ordinances which you shall observe to do in the land which YAHWEH, the Elohim of your fathers, has given you to possess all the days that you live on the earth. 2 You shall surely destroy all the places in which the nations that you shall dispossess served their gods: on the high mountains, and on the hills, and under every green tree. 3 You shall break down their altars, dash their pillarş in pieçeş, and bûrn their Asherah poleş with fire. You shall cut down the engraved images of their gods. You shall destroy their name out of that place. 4 You shall not do so to YAHWEH your Elohim. 5 But to the place which YAHWEH your Elohim shall choose out of all your tribes, to put his name there, you shall seek his habitation, and you shall come there. 6 You shall bring your bûrnt offerings, your sacrifices, your tithes, the wave offering of your hand, your vows, your free will offerings, and the firstborn of your herd and of your flock there. 7 There you shall eat before YAHWEH your Elohim, and you shall rejoice in all that you put your hand to. you and your households, in which YAHWEH your Elohim has blessed you. 8 You shall not de all the things that we de here today, every man whatever is right in his own eyes; 9 for you haven't yet come to the rest and to the inheritance which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you. 10 But when you go over the Jordan and dwell in the land which YAHWEH your Elohim cauşeş you to inherit, and he giveş you rest from all your enemies around you, so that you dwell in safety, 11 then it shall happen that to the place which YAHWEH your Elohim shall cheese, to cause his name to dwell there, there you shall bring all that I command you: your burnt offerings, your sacrifices, your tithes, the wave offering of your hand, and all your choice vows which you vow to YAHWEH. 12 You shall rejoice before YAHWEH your Elohim—you, and your sons, your daughters, your male servants, your female servants, and the Levite who is within your gates, because he has no portion nor inheritance with you. 13 Be careful that you don't offer your burnt offerings in every place that you see; 14 but in the place which YAHWEH cheeşeş in one of your tribes, there you shall offer your bûrnt offerings, and there you shall de all that I command you.

15 Yet you may kill and eat meat within all your gates, after all the desire of your soul, according to YAHWEH your Elohim's blessing which he has given you. The unclean and the clean may eat of it, as of the gazelle and the deer. 16 Only you shall not eat the blood. You shall pour it out on the earth like water. 17 You may not eat within your gates the tithe of your grain, or of your new wine, or of your oil, or the firstborn of your herd or of your flock, nor any of your vows which you vow, nor your free will offerings, nor the wave offering of your hand; 18 but you shall eat them before YAHWEH your Elohim in the place which YAHWEH your Elohim shall cheese: you, your son, your daughter, your male servant, your female servant, and the Levite who is within your

gates. You shall rejoiçe before YAHWEH your Elohim in all that you put your hand to. 19 Be careful that you don't forsake the Levite as long as you live in your land.

20 When YAHWEH your Elohim enlärges your border, as he has promised you, and you say, "I want to eat meat," because your soul desires to eat meat, you may eat meat, äfter åll the deşire of your soul. 21 If the place which YAHWEH your Elohim shall cheese to put his name is tee far from you, then you shall kill of your herd and of your flock, which YAHWEH has given you, as I have commanded you; and you may eat within your gates, after all the desire of your soul. 22 Even as the gazelle and as the deer is eaten, so you shall eat of it. The unclean and the clean may eat of it alike. 23 Only be sure that you don't eat the blood; for the blood is the life. You shall not eat the life with the meat. 24 You shall not eat it. You shall pour it out on the êarth like wåter. 25 You shall not eat it, that it may go well with you and with your children äfter you, when you de that which is right in YAHWEH'S eyeş. 26 Only your holy things which you have, and your vews, you shall take and go to the place which YAHWEH shall cheese. 27 You shall offer your burnt offerings, the meat and the blood, on YAHWEH your Elohim's altar. The blood of your sacrifices shall be poured out on YAHWEH your Elohim's altar, and you shall eat the meat. 28 Observe and hear åll these words which I command you, that it may go well with you and with your children äfter you forever, when you de that which is good and right in YAHWEH your Elohim's eyes.

29 When YAHWEH your Elohim cuts off the nations from before you where you go in to dispossess them, and you dispossess them and dwell in their land, 30 be careful that you are not ensnared to follow them after they are destroyed from before you, and that you not inquire after their gods, saying, "How do these nations serve their gods? I will do likewise." 31 You shall not do so to YAHWEH your Elohim; for every abomination to YAHWEH, which he hates, they have done to their gods; for they even burn their sons and their daughters in the fire to their gods. 32 Whatever thing I command you, that you shall observe to do. You shall not add to it, nor take away from it.

Deuteronomy 13

If a prophet or a dreamer of dreams arises among you, and he gives you a sign or a wonder, 2 and the sign or the wonder comes to pass, of which he spoke to you, saying, "Let's go after other gods" (which you have not known) "and let's serve them," 3 you shall not listen to the words of that prophet, or to that dreamer of dreams; for YAHWEH your Elohim is testing you, to know whether you love YAHWEH your Elohim with all your heart and with all your soul. 4 You shall wak after YAHWEH your Elohim, fear him, keep his commandments, and obey his voice. You shall serve him, and cling to him. 5 That prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to death, because he has spoken rebellion against YAHWEH your Elohim, who brought you out of the land of Egypt and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, to draw you aside out of the way which YAHWEH your Elohim commanded you to wak in. So you shall remeve the evil from among you.

6 If your brother, the son of your mother, or your son, or your daughter, or the wife of your bosom, or your friend who is as your own soul, entices you secretly, saying, "Let's go and serve other gods"— which you have not known, you, nor your fathers; 7 of the gods of the peoples who are around you, near to you, or far off from you, from the one end of the earth even to the other end of the earth — 8 you shall not consent to him nor listen to him; neither shall your eye pity him, neither shall you spare, neither shall you conceal him; 9 but you shall surely kill him. Your hand shall be first on him to put him to death, and afterwards the hands of all the people. 10 You shall stone him to death with stones, because he has sought to draw you away from YAHWEH your Elohim, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. 11 All Israel shall hear, and fear, and shall not do any more wickedness like this among you.

12 If you hear about one of your cities, which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you to dwell there, that 13 certain wicked fellows have gone out from among you and have drawn away the inhabitants of their city, saying, "Let's go and serve other gods," which you have not known, 14 then you shall inquire, investigate, and ask diligently. Behold, if it is true, and the thing certain, that such abomination was done among you, 15 you shall surely strike the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword, destroying it utterly, with all that is therein and its livestock, with the edge of the sword. 16 You shall gather all its plunder into the middle of its street, and shall burn with fire the city, with all of its plunder, to YAHWEH your Elohim. It shall be a heap forever. It shall not be built again. 17 Nothing of the devoted thing shall cling to your hand, that YAHWEH may turn from the fier ceness of his anger and show you mercy, and have compassion on you and multiply you, as he has sworn to your fathers, 18 when you listen to YAHWEH your Elohim's voice, to keep all his commandments which I command you today, to de that which is right in YAHWEH your Elohim's eyes.

Deuteronomy 14

You are the **ch**ildren of YAHWEH your Elohim. You **sh**all not cut yourselves, nor make any bäldness between your eyes for the dead. 2 For you are a holy people to YAHWEH your Elohim, and YAHWEH has **chosen** you to be a people for his own possession, above all peoples who are on the face of the earth.

3 You shall not eat any abominable thing. 4 These are the animals which you may eat: the ox, the sheep, the goat, 5 the deer, the gazelle, the roebuck, the wild goat, the ibex, the antelope, and the chamois. 6 Every animal that pärts the hööf, and has the hööf split in two and chews the cud, among the animals, you may eat. 7 Nevertheless these you shall not eat of them that chew the cud, or of those who have the hööf split: the camel, the hare, and the rabbit. Because they chew the cud but don't pärt the hööf, they are unclean to you. 8 The pig, because it has a split hööf but doesn't chew the cud, is unclean to you. You shall not eat their meat. You shall not touch their cärcasses. 9 These you may eat of all that are in the waters: you may eat whatever has fins and scales. 10 You shall not eat whatever doesn't have fins and scales. It is unclean to you. 11 Of all clean birds you may eat. 12 But these

are **th**ey of whi**ch** you **sh**all not **e**_at: the **e**_agle, the vulture, the osprey, 13 the red kite, the falcon, the kite of any kind, 14 every raven of any kind, 15 the ostri**ch**, the **sw**l, the **se**_agull, the h**å**wk of any kind, 16 the little **sw**l, the great **sw**l, the h**ô**rned **sw**l, 17 the pelican, the vulture, the c**ô**rmorant, 18 the st**ô**rk, the heron **ä**fter its kind, the h**o**poe, and the bat. 19 All winged creeping **th**ings are unclean to you. **Th**ey **sh**all not be **e**_aten. 20 Of **å**ll clean **bi**rds you may **e**_at.

21 You shall not eat of anything that dies of itself. You may give it to the foreigner living among you who is within your gates, that he may eat it; or you may sell it to a foreigner; for you are a holy people to YAHWEH your Elohim. You shall not boil a young goat in its mother's milk.

22 You shall surely tithe all the increase of your seed, that which comes out of the field year by year. 23 You shall eat before YAHWEH your Elohim, in the place which he cheeşeş to câuşe his name to dwell, the tithe of your grain, of your new wine, and of your oil, and the firstborn of your herd and of your flock; that you may learn to fear YAHWEH your Elohim always. 24 If the way is tee long for you, so that you are not able to carry it because the place which YAHWEH your Elohim shall cheese to set his name there is tee fär from you, when YAHWEH your Elohim blesses you, 25 then you shall tûrn it into money, bind up the money in your hand, and shall go to the place which YAHWEH your Elohim shall cheese. 26 You shall trade the money for whatever your soul desires: for cattle, or for sheep, or for wine, or for strong drink, or for whatever your soul asks of you. You shall eat there before YAHWEH your Elohim, and you shall rejoice, you and your household. 27 You shall not forsake the Levite whe is within your gates, for he has no portion nor inheritance with you. 28 At the end of every three years you shall bring all the tithe of your increase in the same year, and shall store it within your gates. 29 The Levite, because he has no portion nor inheritance with you, as well as the foreigner living among you, the fatherless, and the widow who are within your gates shall come, and shall eat and be satisfied; that YAHWEH your Elohim may bless you in all the work of your hand which you de.

Deuteronomy 15

At the end of every seven years, you shall cancel debts. 2 This is the way it shall be done: every creditor shall release that which he has lent to his neighbor. He shall not require payment from his neighbor and his brother, because YAHWEH'S release has been proclaimed. 3 Of a foreigner you may require it; but whatever of yours is with your brother, your hand shall release. 4 However there will be no poor with you (for YAHWEH will surely bless you in the land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you for an inheritance to possess) 5 if only you diligently listen to YAHWEH your Elohim's voice, to observe to de all this commandment which I command you today. 6 For YAHWEH your Elohim will bless you, as he promised you. You will lend to many nations, but you will not borrow. You will rule over many nations, but they will not rule over you. 7 If a poor man, one of your brothers, is with you within any of your gates in your land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you, you shall not harden your heart, nor shut your hand from your poor brother; 8 but you shall surely open your hand to

him, and shall surely lend him sufficient for his need, which he lacks. 9 Beware that there not be a wicked thought in your heart, saying, "The seventh year, the year of release, is at hand," and your eye be evil against your poor brother and you give him nothing; and he cry to YAHWEH against you, and it be sin to you. 10 You shall surely give, and your heart shall not be grieved when you give to him, because it is for this thing YAHWEH your Elohim will bless you in all your work and in all that you put your hand to. 11 For the poor will never cease out of the land. Therefore I command you to surely open your hand to your brother, to your needy, and to your poor, in your land. 12 If your brother, a Hebrew man, or a Hebrew woman, is sold to you and serves you six years, then in the seventh year you shall let him go free from you. 13 When you let him go free from you, you shall not let him go empty. 14 You shall fûrnish him liberally out of your flock, out of your threshing floor, and out of your wine press. As YAHWEH your Elohim has blessed you, you shall give to him. 15 You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and YAHWEH your Elohim redeemed you. Therefore I command you this thing today. 16 It shall be, if he tells you, "I will not go out from you," because he loves you and your house, because he is well with you, 17 then you shall take an awl, and thrust it through his ear to the door, and he shall be your servant forever. also to your female servant you shall de likewise. 18 lt shall not seem härd to you when you let him go free from you, for he haş been double the value of a hired hand as he sêrved you six yearş. YAHWEH your Elohim will bless you in all that you do. 19 You shall dedicate all the firstborn males that are born of your herd and of your flock to YAHWEH your Elohim. You shall do no wôrk with the fîrstborn of your hêrd, nor shear the fîrstborn of your flock. 20 You shall eat it before YAHWEH your Elohim year by year in the place which YAHWEH shall cheeşe, you and your household. 21 If it has any defect—is lame or blind, or haş any defect whatever, you shall not sacrifice it to YAHWEH your Elohim. 22 You shall eat it within your gates. The unclean and the clean shall eat it alike, as the gazelle and as the deer. 23 Only you shall not eat its blood. You shall pour it out on the ground like wåter.

Deuteronomy 16

Obşêrve the month of Abib, and keep the Pässover to YAHWEH your Elohim; for in the month of Abib YAHWEH your Elohim brought you out of Egypt by night. 2 You shall sacrifice the Pässover to YAHWEH your Elohim, of the flock and the hêrd, in the place which YAHWEH shall cheese to cause his name to dwell there. 3 You shall eat no leavened bread with it. You shall eat unleavened bread with it seven days, even the bread of affliction (for you came out of the land of Egypt in haste) that you may remember the day when you came out of the land of Egypt all the days of your life. 4 No yeast shall be seen with you in all your borders seven days; neither shall any of the meat, which you sacrifice the first day at evening, remain all night until the morning. 5 You may not sacrifice the Pässover within any of your gates which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you; 6 but at the place which YAHWEH your Elohim shall cheese to cause his name to dwell in, there you shall sacrifice the Pässover at evening, at the going down of the sun, at the season that you came out of

Egypt. 7 You **sh**all **ro**ast and **e**at it in the place which YAHWEH your Elohim **chee**şeş. In the morning you **sh**all retûrn to your tents. 8 Six dayş you **sh**all **e**at unleavened bread. On the seven**th** day **sh**all be a solema assembly to YAHWEH your Elohim. You **sh**all de no work.

9 You shall count for yourselves seven weeks. From the time you begin to put the sickle to the standing grain you shall begin to count seven weeks. 10 You shall keep the feast of weeks to YAHWEH your Elohim with a tribute of a free will offering of your hand, which you shall give according to how YAHWEH your Elohim blesses you. 11 You shall rejoice before YAHWEH your Elohim: you, your son, your daughter, your male servant, your female servant, the Levite who is within your gates, the foreigner, the fatherless, and the widow who are among you, in the place which YAHWEH your Elohim shall choose to cause his name to dwell there. 12 You shall remember that you were a slave in Egypt. You shall observe and do those statute.

13 You shall keep the feast of booths seven days, after you have gathered in from your threshing floor and from your wine press. 14 You shall rejoice in your feast, you, your son, your daughter, your male servant, your female servant, the Levite, the foreigner, the fätherless, and the widow who are within your gates. 15 You shall keep a feast to YAHWEH your Elohim seven days in the place which YAHWEH cheeses, because YAHWEH your Elohim will bless you in all your increase and in all the work of your hands, and you shall be altogether joyful. 16 three times in a year all of your maleş shall appear before YAHWEH your Elohim in the place which he chooses: in the feast of unleavened bread, in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of beeths. They shall not appear before YAHWEH empty. 17 Every man shall give as he is able, according to YAHWEH your Elohim's blessing which he has given you. 18 You shall make judges and officers in all your gates, which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you, according to your tribes; and they shall judge the people with righteous judgment. 19 You shall not pervert justice. You shall not show partiality. You shall not take a bribe, for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and perverts the words of the righteous. 20 You shall follow that which is altogether just, that you may live and inherit the land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you. 21 You shall not plant for yourselves an Asherah of any kind of tree beside YAHWEH your Elohim's altar, which you shall make for yourselves. 22 Neither shall you set yourself up a sacred stone which YAHWEH your Elohim hates.

Deuteronomy 17

You shall not sacrifice to YAHWEH your Elohim an ox or a sheep in which is a defect or anything evil; for that is an abomination to YAHWEH your Elohim.

2 If there is found among you, within any of your gates which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you, a man or woman who does that which is evil in YAHWEH your Elohim's sight in transgressing his covenant, 3 and has gone and served other gods and worshiped them, or the sun, or the moon, or any of the stärs of the sky, which I have not commanded, 4 and you are told, and you have heard of it, then you shall inquire

diligently. Behold, if it is true, and the thing certain, that such abomination is done in Işrael, 5 then you shall bring out that man or that woman who has done this evil thing to your gates, even that same man or woman; and you shall stone them to death with stones, 6 At the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, he who is to die shall be put to death. At the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death. 7 The hands of the witnesses shall be first on him to put him to death, and afterward the hands of all the people. So you shall remove the evil from among you.

8 If there arises a matter tee hard for you in judgment, between blood and blood, between plea and plea, and between stroke and stroke, being matters of controversy within your gates, then you shall arise, and go up to the place which YAHWEH your Elohim cheeses. 9 You shall come to the priests who are Levites and to the judge who shall be in those days. You shall inquire, and they shall give you the verdict. 10 You shall do according to the decisions of the verdict which they shall give you from that place which YAHWEH cheeses. You shall observe to do according to all that they shall teach you. 11 According to the decisions of the law which they shall teach you, and according to the judgment which they shall tell you, you shall do. You shall not turn away from the sentence which they announce to you, to the right hand, nor to the left. 12 The man who does presumptuously in not listening to the priest who stands to minister there before YAHWEH your Elohim, or to the judge, even that man shall die. You shall put away the evil from Israel. 13 All the people shall hear and fear, and do no more presumptuously.

14 When you have come to the land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you, and possess it and dwell in it, and say, "I will set a king over me, like all the nations that are around me," 15 you shall surely set him whom YAHWEH your Elohim chooses as king over yourselves. You shall set as king over you one from among your brothers. You may not put a foreigner over you, who is not your brother. 16 Only he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end that he may multiply horses; because YAHWEH has said to you, "You shall not go back that way again." 17 He shall not multiply wives to himself, that his heart not turn away. He shall not greatly multiply to himself silver and gold.

18 It shall be, when he sits on the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write himself a copy of this law in a book, out of that which is before the Levitical priests. 19 It shall be with him, and he shall read from it all the days of his life, that he may learn to fear YAHWEH his Elohim, to keep all the words of this law and these statute, to de them; 20 that his heart not be lifted up above his brothers, and that he not turn away from the commandment to the right hand, or to the left, to the end that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he and his children, in the middle of Israel.

Deuteronomy 18

The priests and the Levites— all the tribe of Levi — shall have no portion nor inheritance with Işrael. They shall eat the offerings of YAHWEH made by fire and his portion. 2 They shall have no inheritance among their brothers. YAHWEH is their

inheritançe, as he has spoken to **th**em. 3 **Th**is **sh**all be the priests' due from the people, from **those** whe offer a sacrifice, whether it be ox or **shee**p, **th**at **th**ey **sh**all give to the priest: the **sho**ulder, the two **chee**ks, and the inner pärts. 4 You **sh**all give him the first fruits of your grain, of your new wine, and of your oil, and the first of the fleece of your **shee**p. 5 For YAHWEH your Elohim has **chosen** him out of all your tribes to stand to minister in YAHWEH'S name, him and his sons forever.

6 If a Levite comes from any of your gates out of all Israel where he lives, and comes with all the desire of his soul to the place which YAHWEH shall choose, 7 then he shall minister in the name of YAHWEH his Elohim, as all his brothers the Levites do, who stand there before YAHWEH. 8 They shall have like portions to eat, in addition to that which comes from the sale of his family possessions.

9 When you have come into the land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you, you shall not learn to imitate the abominations of those nations. 10 There shall not be found with you anyone who makes his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, one who uses divination, one who tells fortunes, or an enchanter, or a sorcerer, 11 or a charmer, or someone who consults with a familiar spirit, or a wizard, or a necromancer. 12 For whoever does these things is an abomination to YAHWEH. Because of these abominations, YAHWEH your Elohim drives them out from before you. 13 You shall be blameless with YAHWEH your Elohim. 14 For these nations that you shall dispossess listen to those who practice sorcery and to diviners; but as for you, YAHWEH your Elohim has not allowed you so to do. 15 YAHWEH your Elohim will raise up to you a prophet from among you, of your brothers, like me. You shall listen to him. 16 This is according to all that you desired of YAHWEH your Elohim in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, "Let me not hear again YAHWEH my Elohim's voice, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I not die."

17 YAHWEH said to me, "They have well said that which they have spoken. 18 I will raise them up a prophet from among their brothers, like you. I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I shall command him. 19 It shall happen, that wheever will not listen to my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him. 20 But the prophet whe speaks a word presumptuously in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or whe speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die."

21 You may say in your heart, "How shall we know the word which YAHWEH has not spoken?" 22 When a prophet speaks in YAHWEH'S name, if the **th**ing doesn't follow, nor happen, **th**at is the **th**ing which YAHWEH has not spoken. The prophet has spoken it presumptuously. You shall not be afraid of him.

Deuteronomy 19

When YAHWEH your Elohim cuts off the nations whose land YAHWEH your Elohim gives you, and you succeed them and dwell in their cities and in their houses, 2 you shall set apart three cities for yourselves in the middle of your land, which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you to possess. 3 You shall prepare the way, and divide the borders

of your land which YAHWEH your Elohim causes you to inherit into three parts, that every man slayer may flee there. 4 This is the case of the man slayer who shall flee there and live: Wheever kills his neighbor unintentionally, and didn't hate him in time past—5 as when a man goes into the forest with his neighbor to chop wood and his hand swings the ax to cut down the tree, and the head slips from the handle and hits his neighbor so that he dies—he shall flee to one of these cities and live. 6 otherwise, the avenger of blood might pursue the man slayer while hot anger is in his heärt and overtake him, because the way is long, and strike him mortally, even though he was not wôrthy of death, because he didn't hate him in time past. 7 Therefore I command you to set apart three cities for yourselves. 8 If YAHWEH your Elohim enlarges your border, as he has sworn to your fathers, and gives you all the land which he promised to give to your fäthers; 9 and if you keep all this commandment to de it, which I command you today, to love YAHWEH your Elohim, and to walk ever in his ways, then you shall add three cities more for yourselves, in addition to these three. 10 This is so that innocent blood will not be shed in the middle of your land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you for an inheritance, leaving blood guilt on you. 11 But if any man hates his neighbor, lies in wait for him, rises up against him, strikes him mortally so that he dies, and he flees into one of these cities; 12 then the elders of his city shall send and bring him there, and deliver him into the hand of the avenger of blood, that he may die. 13 Your eye shall not pity him, but you shall pûrge the innocent blood from Işrael that it may go well with you.

14 You **sh**all not remeve your neighbor's landmark, which they of old time have set, in your inheritance which you **sh**all inherit, in the land that YAHWEH your Elohim gives you to possess.

15 One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin that he sins. At the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall a matter be established. 16 If an unrighteous witness rises up against any man to testify against him of wrongdoing, 17 then both the men, between whom the controversy is, shall stand before YAHWEH, before the priests and the judges who shall be in those days; 18 and the judges shall make diligent inquisition; and behold, if the witness is a false witness, and has testified falsely against his brother, 19 then you shall do to him as he had thought to do to his brother. So you shall remove the evil from among you. 20 Those who remain shall hear, and fear, and will never again commit any such evil among you. 21 Your eyes shall not pity: life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot.

Deuteronomy 20

When you go out to battle against your enemies, and see horses, chariots, and a people more numerous than you, you shall not be afraid of them; for YAHWEH your Elohim is with you, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. 2 It shall be, when you draw near to the battle, that the priest shall approach and speak to the people, 3 and shall tell them, "Hear, Işrael, you draw near today to battle against your enemies. Don't let your heart faint! Don't be afraid, nor tremble, neither be scared of them; 4 for

YAHWEH your Elohim is he who goes with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save you."

5 The officers shall speak to the people, saying, "What man is there who has built a new house, and has not dedicated it? Let him go and return to his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man dedicate it. 6 What man is there who has planted a vineyard, and has not used its fruit? Let him go and return to his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man use its fruit. 7 What man is there who has pledged to be married to a wife, and has not taken her? Let him go and return to his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man take her." 8 The officers shall speak fürther to the people, and they shall say, "What man is there who is fearful and faint-hearted? Let him go and return to his house, lest his brother's heart melt as his heart." 9 It shall be, when the officers have finished speaking to the people, that they shall appoint captains of armies at the head of the people.

10 When you draw near to a city to fight against it, then proclaim peace to it. 11 It shall be, if it gives you answer of peace and opens to you, then it shall be that all the people who are found therein shall become forced laborers to you, and shall serve you. 12 If it will make no peaçe with you, but will make war against you, then you shall besiege it. 13 When YAHWEH your Elohim delivers it into your hand, you shall strike every male of it with the edge of the sword; 14 but the women, the little ones, the livestock, and all that is in the city, even all its plunder, you shall take for plunder for yourself. You may use the plunder of your enemies, which YAHWEH your Elohim has given you. 15 Thus you shall de to all the cities which are very far off from you, which are not of the cities of these nations. 16 But of the cities of these peoples that YAHWEH your Elohim gives you for an inheritance, you shall save alive nothing that breathes; 17 but you shall utterly destroy them: the Hittite, the Amorite, the Canaanite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite, as YAHWEH your Elohim has commanded you; 18 that they not teach you to follow all their abominations, which they have done for their gods; so would you sin against YAHWEH your Elohim. 19 When you shall besiege a city a long time, in making war against it to take it, you shall not destroy its trees by wielding an ax against them; for you may eat of them. You shall not cut them down, for is the tree of the field man, that it should be besieged by you? 20 Only the trees that you know are not trees for feed, you shall destroy and cut them down. You shall build bulwarks against the city that makes war wi**th** you, until it fållş.

Deuteronomy 21

If someone is found slain in the land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you to possess, lying in the field, and it isn't known who has struck him, 2 then your elders and your judges shall come out, and they shall measure to the cities which are around him who is slain. 3 It shall be that the elders of the city which is nearest to the slain man shall take a helfer of the herd, which hasn't been worked with and which has not drawn in the yoke. 4 The elders of that city shall bring the helfer down to a valley with running water, which is neither plowed nor sown, and shall break

the heifer's neck there in the valley. 5 The priests the sons of Levi shall come near, for them YAHWEH your Elohim has chosen to minister to him, and to bless in YAHWEH'S name; and according to their word shall every controversy and every assault be decided. 6 All the elders of that city which is nearest to the slain man shall wash their hands over the heifer whose neck was broken in the valley. 7 They shall answer and say, "our hands have not shed this blood, neither have our eyes seen it. 8 Forgive, YAHWEH, your people Israel, whom you have redeemed, and don't allow innocent blood among your people Israel." The blood shall be forgiven them. 9 So you shall put away the innocent blood from among you, when you shall de that which is right in YAHWEH'S eyes.

10 When you go out to battle against your enemies, and YAHWEH your Elohim delivers them into your hands and you carry them away captive, 11 and see among the captives a beautiful woman, and you are attracted to her, and desire to take her as your wife, 12 then you shall bring her home to your house. She shall shave her head and trim her nails. 13 She shall take off the clothing of her captivity, and shall remain in your house, and bewail her father and her mother a full month. After that you shall go in to her and be her husband, and she shall be your wife. 14 It shall be, if you have no delight in her, then you shall let her go where she desires; but you shall not sell her at all for money. You shall not deal with her as a slave, because you have humbled her.

15 If a man haş twe wiveş, the one beloved and the other hated, and they have borne him children, both the beloved and the hated, and if the firstborn son is herş who was hated, 16 then it shall be, in the day that he cauşeş his sons to inherit that which he has, that he may not give the son of the beloved the rights of the firstborn before the son of the hated, who is the firstborn; 17 but he shall acknowledge the firstborn, the son of the hated, by giving him a double portion of all that he has; for he is the beginning of his strength. The right of the firstborn is his.

18 If a man has a stubborn and rebellious son who will not obey the voice of his father or the voice of his mother, and though they chasten him, will not listen to them, 19 then his father and his mother shall take hold of him and bring him out to the elders of his city and to the gate of his place. 20 They shall tell the elders of his city, "This our son is stubborn and rebellious. He will not obey our voice. He is a glutton and a drunkard." 21 All the men of his city shall stone him to death with stones. So you shall remove the evil from among you. All Israel shall hear, and fear.

22 If a man has committed a sin worthy of death, and he is put to death, and you hang him on a tree, 23 his body shall not remain all night on the tree, but you shall surely bury him the same day; for he who is hanged is accursed of Elohim. Don't defile your land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you for an inheritance.

Deuteronomy 22

You shall not see your brother's ox or his sheep go astray and hide yourself from them. You shall surely bring them again to your brother. 2 If your brother isn't near

to you, or if you don't know him, then you shall bring it home to your house, and it shall be with you until your brother comes looking for it, and you shall restore it to him. 3 So you shall do with his donkey. So you shall do with his gärment. So you shall do with every lost thing of your brother's, which he has lost and you have found. You may not hide yourself. 4 You shall not see your brother's donkey or his ox fallen down by the way, and hide yourself from them. You shall surely help him to lift them up again.

5 A woman shall not wear men's clothing, neither shall a man put on women's clothing; for wheever does these things is an abomination to YAHWEH your Elohim.

6 If you come across a bird's nest on the way, in any tree or on the ground, with young ones or eggs, and the hen sitting on the young, or on the eggs, you shall not take the hen with the young. 7 You shall surely let the hen go, but the young you may take for yourself, that it may be well with you, and that you may prolong your days.

8 When you build a new house, then you shall make a railing around your roof, so that you don't bring blood on your house if anyone falls from there.

9 You shall not sow your vineyard with two kinds of seed, lest all the fruit be defiled, the seed which you have sown, and the increase of the vineyard. 10 You shall not plow with an ox and a donkey together. 11 You shall not wear clothes of wool and linen woven together.

12 You shall make yourselves fringes on the four corners of your cloak with which you cover yourself.

things, gives her a bad name, and says, "I took this woman, and when I came near to her, I didn't find in her the tokens of virginity;" 15 then the young lady's fäther and mother shall take and bring the tokens of the young lady's virginity to the elders of the city in the gate. 16 The young lady's fäther shall tell the elders, "I gave my dåughter to this man as his wife, and he hates her. 17 Behold, he has accused her of shameful things, saying, I didn't find in your dåughter the tokens of virginity; and yet these are the tokens of my dåughter's virginity." They shall spread the cloth before the elders of the city. 18 The elders of that city shall take the man and chastise him. 19 They shall fine him one hundred shekels of silver, and give them to the fäther of the young lady, because he has given a bad name to a virgin of Israel. She shall be his wife. He may not put her away åll his days.

20 But if **th**is **th**ing is true, **th**at the **to**ken**ş** of v**i**rginity were not **fo**und in the young lady, 21 **th**en **th**ey **sh**all bring **o**ut the young lady to the d**o**or of her **fath**er'**ş** h**o**use, and the men of her **c**ity **sh**all stone her to dea**th** wi**th** stone**ş**, bec**a**u**ş**e she ha**ş** d**o**ne folly in l**ş**rael, to play the prostitute in her f**ath**er'**ş** h**o**use. So you **sh**all rem**o**ve the **e**vil from am**o**ng you.

22 If a man is found lying with a woman married to a huşband, then they shall both die, the man who lay with the woman and the woman. So you shall remove the evil

from Işrael. 23 If there is a young lady who is a vîrgin pledged to be married to a huşband, and a man findş her in the çity, and lieş with her, 24 then you shall bring them both out to the gate of that city, and you shall stone them to death with stones; the lady, becauşe she didn't cry, being in the city; and the man, becauşe he has humbled his neighbor's wife. So you shall remove the evil from among you. 25 But if the man findş the lady who is pledged to be married in the field, and the man forces her and lies with her, then only the man who lay with her shall die; 26 but to the lady you shall do nothing. There is in the lady no sin worthy of death; for as when a man rises against his neighbor and killş him, even so is this matter; 27 for he found her in the field, the pledged to be married lady cried, and there was no one to save her. 28 If a man findş a lady who is a vîrgin, who is not pledged to be married, grabş her and lieş with her, and they are found, 29 then the man who lay with her shall give to the lady'ş fäther fifty shekelş of silver. She shall be his wife, becauşe he haş humbled her. He may not put her away âll his dayş. 30 A man shall not take his fäther'ş wife, and shall not uncover his fäther'ş skîrt.

Deuteronomy 23

He whe is emasculated by crushing or cutting shall not enter into YAHWEH'S assembly. 2 A person born of a forbidden union shall not enter into YAHWEH'S assembly; even to the tenth generation shall no one of his enter into YAHWEH'S assembly. 3 An Ammonite or a Moabite shall not enter into YAHWEH'S assembly; even to the tenth generation shall no one belonging to them enter into YAHWEH'S assembly forever, 4 because they didn't meet you with bread and with water on the way when you came out of Egypt, and because they hired against you Balaam the son of Beor from Pethor of Mesopotamia, to curse you. 5 Nevertheless YAHWEH your Elohim wouldn't listen to Balaam, but YAHWEH your Elohim turned the curse into a blessing to you, because YAHWEH your Elohim loved you. 6 You shall not seek their peace nor their prosperity all your days forever. 7 You shall not abhor an Edomite, for he is your brother. You shall not abhor an Egyptian, because you lived as a foreigner in his land. 8 The children of the third generation whe are born to them may enter into YAHWEH'S assembly.

9 When you go out and camp against your enemies, then you shall keep yourselves from every evil thing. 10 If there is among you any man who is not clean by reason of that which happens to him by night, then shall he go outside of the camp. He shall not come within the camp; 11 but it shall be, when evening comes, he shall bathe himself in water. When the sun is down, he shall come within the camp. 12 You shall have a place also outside of the camp where you go relieve yourself. 13 You shall have a trowel among your weapons. It shall be, when you relieve yourself, you shall dig with it, and shall turn back and cover your excrement; 14 for YAHWEH your Elohim walks in the middle of your camp, to deliver you, and to give up your enemies before you. Therefore your camp shall be holy, that he may not see an unclean thing in you, and turn away from you.

15 You **sh**all not deliver to his m**ä**ster a s**ê**rvant wh**e** ha**ş** escape**d** from his m**ä**ster to you. 16 He **sh**all dwell wi**th** you, am**o**ng you, in the pla**ç**e whi**ch** he **sh**all **cheeş**e wi**th**in one of y**o**ur gates, where it plea**ş**e**ş** him best. You **sh**all not oppress him.

17 **There shall** be no prostitute of the dåughters of Işrael, neither shall there be a sodomite of the sons of Işrael. 18 You shall not bring the hire of a prostitute, or the wages of a male prostitute, into the house of YAHWEH your Elohim for any vow; for both of these are an abomination to YAHWEH your Elohim.

19 You **shall** not lend on interest to your brother: interest of money, interest of feed, interest of anything that is lent on interest. 20 You may **charge** a foreigner interest; but you **shall** not **charge** your brother interest, that YAHWEH your Elohim may bless you in all that you put your hand to, in the land where you go in to possess it.

21 When you vow a vow to YAHWEH your Elohim, you shall not be slack to pay it, for YAHWEH your Elohim will surely require it of you; and it would be sin in you. 22 But if you refrain from making a vow, it shall be no sin in you. 23 You shall observe and do that which has gone out of your lips. Whatever you have vowed to YAHWEH your Elohim as a free will offering, which you have promised with your mouth, you must do. 24 When you come into your neighbor's vineyard, then you may eat your fill of grapes at your own pleasure; but you shall not put any in your container. 25 When you come into your neighbor's standing grain, then you may pluck the ears with your hand; but you shall not use a sickle on your neighbor's standing grain.

Deuteronomy 24

When a man takes a wife and marries her, then it shall be, if she finds no favor in his eyes because he has found some unseemly thing in her, that he shall write her a certificate of divorce, put it in her hand, and send her out of his house. 2 When she has depärted out of his house, she may go and be another man's wife. 3 If the latter husband hates her, and write her a certificate of divorce, puts it in her hand, and sends her out of his house; or if the latter husband dies, who took her to be his wife; 4 her former husband, who sent her away, may not take her again to be his wife after she is defiled; for that would be an abomination to YAHWEH. You shall not cause the land to sin, which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you for an inheritance. 5 When a man takes a new wife, he shall not go out in the army, neither shall he be assigned any business. He shall be free at home one year, and shall cheer his wife whom he has taken.

6 No man **sh**all take the mill or the upper millstone as a pledge, for he takes a life in pledge.

7 If a man is found stealing any of his brothers of the children of Işrael, and he deals with him as a slave, or sells him, then that thief shall die. So you shall remove the evil from among you.

8 Be careful in the plague of leprosy, **th**at you obşêrve diligently and de according to all **th**at the Levitical priests teach you. As I commanded **th**em, so you **sh**all obşêrve

to de. 9 Remember what YAHWEH your Elohim did to Miriam, by the way as you came out of **Eg**ypt.

10 When you lend your neighbor any kind of loan, you shall not go into his house to get his pledge. 11 You shall stand outside, and the man to whom you lend shall bring the pledge outside to you. 12 If he is a poor man, you shall not sleep with his pledge. 13 You shall surely restore to him the pledge when the sun goes down, that he may sleep in his gärment and bless you. It shall be righteousness to you before YAHWEH your Elohim.

14 You **shall** not oppress a hired sêrvant whe is poor and needy, whether he is one of your brothers or one of the foreigners, whe are in your land within your gates. 15 In his day you **shall** give him his wages, neither **shall** the sun go down on it; for he is poor and sets his heart on it; lest he cry against you to YAHWEH, and it be sin to you.

16 The fäthers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fäthers. Every man shall be put to death for his own sin.

17 You shall not deprive the foreigner or the fätherless of justiçe, nor take a widow's clothing in pledge; 18 but you shall remember that you were a slave in Egypt, and YAHWEH your Elohim redeemed you there. Therefore I command you to de this thing.

19 When you reap your harvest in your field, and have forgotten a sheaf in the field, you shall not go again to get it. It shall be for the foreigner, for the fatherless, and for the widow, that YAHWEH your Elohim may bless you in all the work of your hands. 20 When you beat your olive tree, you shall not go over the boughs again. It shall be for the foreigner, for the fatherless, and for the widow.

21 When you härvest your vineyärd, you shall not glean it äfter yourselves. It shall be for the foreigner, for the fätherless, and for the widow. 22 You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt. Therefore I command you to de this thing.

Deuteronomy 25

If there is a controversy between men, and they come to judgment and the judges judge them, then they shall justify the righteous and condemn the wicked. 2 It shall be, if the wicked man is worthy to be beaten, that the judge shall cause him to lie down and to be beaten before his face, according to his wickedness, by number. 3 He may sentence him to no more than forty stripes. He shall not give more, lest if he should give more and beat him more than that many stripes, then your brother will be degraded in your sight.

4 You **sh**all not muzzle the ox when he tread**\$ o**ut the grain.

5 If brothers dwell together, and one of them dies and has no son, the wife of the dead shall not be married outside to a stranger. Her husband's brother shall go in to her, and take her as his wife, and perform the duty of a husband's brother to her. 6 It

shall be that the firstborn whom she bears shall succeed in the name of his brother who is dead, that his name not be blotted out of Israel.

7 If the man doesn't want to take his brother's wife, then his brother's wife shall go up to the gate to the elders, and say, "My husband's brother refuses to raise up to his brother a name in Israel. He will not perform the duty of a husband's brother to me." 8 Then the elders of his city shall call him, and speak to him. If he stands and says, "I don't want to take her," 9 then his brother's wife shall come to him in the presence of the elders, and loose his sandal from off his foot, and spit in his face. She shall answer and say, "So shall it be done to the man who does not build up his brother's house." 10 His name shall be called in Israel, "The house of him who had his sandal removed."

11 When men strive against each other, and the wife of one draws near to deliver her husband on the hand of him who strikes him, and puts out her hand, and grabs him by his private parts, 12 then you shall cut off her hand. Your eye shall have no pity.

13 You shall not have in your bag diverse weights, one heavy and one light. 14 You shall not have in your house diverse measures, one lärge and one småll. 15 You shall have a perfect and just weight. You shall have a perfect and just measure, that your days may be long in the land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you. 16 For all who do such things, all who do unrighteously, are an abomination to YAHWEH your Elohim.

17 Remember what Amalek did to you by the way as you came out of Egypt; 18 how he met you by the way, and struck the rearmost of you, all who were feeble behind you, when you were faint and weary; and he didn't fear Elohim. 19 Therefore it shall be, when YAHWEH your Elohim has given you rest from all your enemies all around, in the land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you for an inheritance to possess it, that you shall blot out the memory of Amalek from under the sky. You shall not forget.

Deuteronomy 26

It shall be, when you have come in to the land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you for an inheritance, possess it, and dwell in it, 2 that you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you shall bring in from your land that YAHWEH your Elohim gives you. You shall put it in a basket, and shall go to the place which YAHWEH your Elohim shall cheese to cause his name to dwell there. 3 You shall come to the priest who shall be in those days, and tell him, "I profess today to YAHWEH your Elohim, that I have come to the land which YAHWEH swore to our fathers to give us." 4 The priest shall take the basket out of your hand, and set it down before YAHWEH your Elohim's altar. 5 You shall answer and say before YAHWEH your Elohim, "My father was a Syrian ready to perish. He went down into Egypt, and lived there, few in number. There he became a great, mighty, and populous nation. 6 The Egyptians mistreated us, afflicted us, and imposed hard labor on us. 7 Then we cried to YAHWEH, the Elohim of our fathers. YAHWEH heard our voice, and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. 8 YAHWEH brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand, with an outstretched arm, with great terror, with signs,

and with wonders; 9 and he has brought us into this place, and has given us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. 10 New, behold, I have brought the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, YAHWEH, have given me." You shall set it down before YAHWEH your Elohim, and worship before YAHWEH your Elohim. 11 You shall rejoice in all the good which YAHWEH your Elohim has given to you, and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the foreigner who is among you.

12 When you have finished tithing all the tithe of your increase in the third year, which is the year of tithing, then you shall give it to the Levite, to the foreigner, to the fätherless, and to the widow, that they may eat within your gates and be filled. 13 You shall say before YAHWEH your Elohim, "I have put away the holy things out of my house, and also have given them to the Levite, to the foreigner, to the fätherless, and to the widow, according to all your commandment which you have commanded me. I have not transgressed any of your commandments, neither have I forgotten them. 14 I have not eaten of it in my mourning, neither have I removed any of it while I was unclean, nor given of it for the dead. I have listened to YAHWEH my Elohim's voice. I have done according to all that you have commanded me. 15 Look down from your holy habitation, from heaven, and bless your people Israel, and the ground which you have given us, as you swore to our fäthers, a land flowing with milk and honey."

16 Today YAHWEH your Elohim commands you to de these statute and ordinances. You shall therefore keep and de them with all your heart and with all your soul. 17 You have declared today that YAHWEH is your Elohim, and that you would walk in his ways, keep his statute, his commandments, and his ordinances, and listen to his voice. 18 YAHWEH has declared today that you are a people for his own possession, as he has promised you, and that you should keep all his commandments. 19 He will make you high above all nations that he has made, in praise, in name, and in honor; and that you may be a holy people to YAHWEH your Elohim, as he has spoken.

Deuteronomy 27

Moşeş and the elderş of Işrael commanded the people, saying, "Keep åll the commandment which I command you today. 2 It shall be on the day when you shall pass over the Jordan to the land which YAHWEH your Elohim giveş you, that you shall set yourself up great stones, and coat them with plaster. 3 You shall write on them all the words of this law, when you have passed over, that you may go in to the land which YAHWEH your Elohim giveş you, a land flowing with milk and honey, as YAHWEH, the Elohim of your fathers, has promised you. 4 It shall be, when you have crossed over the Jordan, that you shall set up these stones, which I command you today, on Mount Ebal, and you shall coat them with plaster. 5 There you shall build an altar to YAHWEH your Elohim, an altar of stones. You shall not use any iron to them. 6 You shall build YAHWEH your Elohim's altar of uncut stones. You shall offer burnt offerings on it to YAHWEH your Elohim. 7 You shall sacrifice peace

offerings, and shall eat there. You shall rejoice before YAHWEH your Elohim. 8 You shall write on the stones all the words of this law very plainly."

9 Moşeş and the Levitical priests spoke to all Işrael, saying, "Be silent and listen, Işrael! Today you have become the people of YAHWEH your Elohim. 10 You shall therefore obey YAHWEH your Elohim'ş voiçe, and de his commandments and his statute, which I command you today."

11 Moşeş commanded the people the same day, saying, 12 "Theşe shall stand on Mount Gerizim to bless the people, when you have crossed over the Jordan: Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, Joseph, and Benjamin. 13 Theşe shall stand on Mount Ebal for the cûrse: Reuben, Gad, Asher, Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali. 14 With a loud voiçe, the Levites shall say to all the men of Işrael, 15 'Cûrsed is the man who makes an engraved or molten image, an abomination to YAHWEH, the work of the hands of the cräftsman, and sets it up in secret. All the people shall answer and say, Amen.

16 'Cûrsed is he who dishonors his fäther or his mother.

åll the people shall say, Amen.

17 'Cûrsed is he who removes his neighbor's landmärk.

åll the people shall say, Amen.

18 'Cûrsed is he who leads the blind astray on the road.

åll the people shall say, Amen.

19 'Cûrsed is he who withholds justice from the foreigner, fätherless, and widow.

åll the people shall say, Amen.

20 'Cûrsed is he who lieş with his fäther'ş wife, becauşe he dişhonorş his fäther'ş bed.

åll the people shall say, Amen.

21 'Cûrsed is he whe lies with any kind of animal.

åll the people shall say, Amen.

22 'Cûrsed is he who lies with his sister, his father's daughter or his mother's daughter.

åll the people shall say, Amen.

23 'Cûrsed is he whe lies with his mother-in-law.

åll the people shall say, Amen.

24 'Cûrsed is he who secretly kills his neighbor.

åll the people shall say, Amen.

25 'Cûrsed is he who takes a bribe to kill an innocent pêrson.

åll the people shall say, Amen.

26 'Cûrsed is he who doeşn't uphold the words of this law by doing them.

åll the people shall say, Amen."

Deuteronomy 28

It shall happen, if you shall listen diligently to YAHWEH your Elohim's voice, to obşêrve to de åll his commandments which I command you today, that YAHWEH your Elohim will set you high above all the nations of the earth. 2 All these blessings will come upon you, and overtake you, if you listen to YAHWEH your Elohim's voice. 3 You shall be blessed in the city, and you shall be blessed in the field. 4 You shall be blessed in the fruit of your body, the fruit of your ground, the fruit of your animals, the increase of your livestock, and the young of your flock. 5 Your basket and your kneading trough shall be blessed. 6 You shall be blessed when you come in, and you shall be blessed when you go out. 7 YAHWEH will cause your enemies who rise up against you to be struck before you. They will come out against you one way, and will flee before you seven ways. 8 YAHWEH will command the blessing on you in your bärns, and in all that you put your hand to. He will bless you in the land which YAHWEH your Elohim gives you. 9 YAHWEH will establish you for a holy people to himself, as he has sworn to you, if you shall keep the commandments of YAHWEH your Elohim, and walk in his ways. 10 All the peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by YAHWEH'S name, and they will be afraid of you. 11 YAHWEH will grant you abundant prosperity in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your ground, in the land which YAHWEH swore to your fathers to give you. 12 YAHWEH will open to you his good treasure in the sky, to give the rain of your land in its season, and to bless all the work of your hand. You will lend to many nations, and you will not borrow. 13 YAHWEH will make you the head, and not the tail. You will be above only, and you will not be beneath, if you listen to the commandments of YAHWEH your Elohim which I command you today, to observe and to de, 14 and shall not turn away from any of the words which I command you today, to the right hand or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

15 But it **sh**all **co**me to pass, if you will not listen to YAHWEH your Elohim's voice, to observe to de all his commandments and his statute which I command you today, that all these curses will come on you and overtake you. 16 You will be cursed in the city, and you will be cursed in the field. 17 Your basket and your kneading trough will be cursed. 18 The fruit of your body, the fruit of your ground, the increase of your livestock, and the young of your flock will be cursed. 19 You will be cursed when you come in, and you will be cursed when you go out. 20 YAHWEH will send on you cursing, confusion, and rebuke in all that you put your hand to do, until you are destroyed and until you perish quickly, because of the evil of your doings, by which you have forsaken me. 21 YAHWEH will make the pestilence cling to you, until he has consumed you from off the land where you go in to possess it. 22 YAHWEH will strike you with consumption, with fever, with inflammation, with fiery heat, with the sword,

with blight, and with mildew. They will pûrsue you until you perish. 23 Your sky that is over your head will be bronze, and the earth that is under you will be iron. 24 YAHWEH will make the rain of your land powder and dust. It will come down on you from the sky, until you are destroyed. 25 YAHWEH will cause you to be struck before your enemies. You will go out one way against them, and will flee seven ways before them. You will be tossed back and forth among all the kingdoms of the êarth. 26 Your dead bodies will be feed to all birds of the sky, and to the animals of the **ê**ar**th**; and **there** will be no one to frighten **them** away. 27 YAHWEH will strike you with the boils of Egypt, with the tumors, with the scurvy, and with the itch, of which you can not be healed. 28 YAHWEH will strike you with madness, with blindness, and with astonishment of heart. 29 You will grope at neenday, as the blind gropes in därkness, and you shall not prosper in your ways. You will only be oppressed and robbed always, and there will be no one to save you. 30 You will betroth a wife, and another man shall lie with her. You will build a house, and you won't dwell in it. You will plant a vineyard, and not use its fruit. 31 Your ox will be slain before your eyes, and you will not eat any of it. Your donkey will be violently taken away from before your face, and will not be restored to you. Your sheep will be given to your enemies, and you will have no one to save you. 32 Your sons and your daughters will be given to another people. Your eyeş will look, and fail with longing for them all day long. There will be no power in your hand. 33 A nation which you don't know will eat the fruit of your ground and all of your work. You will only be oppressed and crushed ålwayş, 34 so that the sights that you see with your eyeş will drive you mad. 35 YAHWEH will strike you in the knees and in the legs with a sore boil, of which you cannot be healed, from the sole of your foot to the crown of your head. 36 YAHWEH will bring you, and your king whom you will set over yourselves, to a nation that you have not known, you nor your fathers. There you will serve other gods of wood and stone. 37 You will become an astonishment, a proverb, and a byword among all the peoples where YAHWEH will lead you away. 38 You will carry much seed out into the field, and will gather little in, for the locust will consume it. 39 You will plant vineyards and dress them, but you will neither drink of the wine, nor harvest, because worms will eat them. 40 You will have olive trees throughout all your borders, but you won't anoint yourself with the oil, for your olives will drop off. 41 You will father sons and dåughters, but they will not be yours, for they will go into captivity. 42 Locusts will consume all of your trees and the fruit of your ground. 43 The foreigner who is among you will mount up above you higher and higher, and you will come down lower and lower. 44 He will lend to you, and you won't lend to him. He will be the head, and you will be the tail.

45 All **theş**e cûrses will come on you, and will pûrsue you and overtake you, until you are destroyed, becauşe you didn't listen to YAHWEH your Elohim's voice, to keep his commandments and his statute which he commanded you. 46 **Th**ey will be for a sign and for a wonder to you and to your offspring forever. 47 Becauşe you didn't sêrve YAHWEH your Elohim with joyfulness and with gladness of heart, by reason of the abundance of all **th**ings; 48 **th**ereforeyou will sêrve your enemies whom YAHWEH sends against you, in hunger, in **th**irst, in nakedness, and in lack of all **th**ings. He will

put an iron yoke on your neck until he has destroyed you. 49 YAHWEH will bring a nation against you from far, from the end of the earth, as the eagle flies: a nation whese language you will not understand, 50 a nation of fierce facial expressions, that doeşn't respect the elderly, nor show favor to the young. 51 They will eat the fruit of your livestock and the fruit of your ground, until you are destroyed. They also won't leave you grain, new wine, oil, the increase of your livestock, or the young of your flock, until they have caused you to perish. 52 They will besiege you in all your gates until your high and fortified walls in which you trusted come down throughout all your land. They will besiege you in all your gates throughout all your land which YAHWEH your Elohim haş given you. 53 You will eat the fruit of your own body, the flesh of your sons and of your daughters, whom YAHWEH your Elohim has given you, in the siege and in the distress with which your enemies will distress you. 54 The man who is tender among you, and very delicate, his eye will be evil toward his brother, toward the wife whom he loves, and toward the remnant of his children whom he has remaining, 55 so that he will not give to any of them of the flesh of his children whom he will eat, because he has nothing left to him, in the siege and in the distress with which your enemy will distress you in all your gates. 56 The tender and delicate woman among you, who would not venture to set the sole of her foot on the ground for delicateness and tenderness, her eye will be evil toward the husband that she loves, toward her son, toward her daughter, 57 toward her young one who comes out from between her feet, and toward her children whom she bears; for she will eat them secretly for lack of all things in the siege and in the distress with which your enemy will distress you in your gates. 58 If you will not observe to de all the words of this law that are written in this book, that you may fear this glorious and fearful name, YAHWEH your Elohim, 59 then YAHWEH will make your plagues and the plagues of your offspring fearful, even great plagues, and of long duration, and severe sicknesses, and of long duration. 60 He will bring on you again all the diseases of Egypt, which you were afraid of; and they will cling to you. 61 Also every sickness and every plague which is not written in the book of this law, YAHWEH will bring them on you until you are destroyed. 62 You will be left few in number, even though you were as the stärs of the sky for multitude, becauşe you didn't listen to YAHWEH your Elohim's voice. 63 lt will happen that as YAHWEH rejoiced over you to de you good, and to multiply you, so YAHWEH will rejoice over you to cause you to perish and to destroy you. You will be plucked from the land that you are going in to possess. 64 YAHWEH will scatter you among all peoples, from one end of the earth to the other end of the earth. There you will sêrve other gods which you have not known, you nor your fathers, even wood and stone. 65 Among these nations you will find no ease, and there will be no rest for the sole of your foot; but YAHWEH will give you there a trembling heart, failing of eyes, and pining of soul. 66 Your life will hang in doubt before you. You will be afraid night and day, and will have no assurance of your life. 67 In the morning you will say, "I wish it were evening!" and at evening you will say, "I wish it were morning!" for the fear of your heart which you will fear, and for the sights which your eyes will see. 68 YAHWEH will bring you into Egypt again with ships, by the way of which I told to you that you

woù/d never see it again. There you will offer yourselveş to your enemieş for male and female slaveş, and nobody will buy you.

Deuteronomy 29

These are the words of the covenant which YAHWEH commanded Moses to make with the children of Israel in the land of Moab, in addition to the covenant which he made with them in Horeb. 2 Moses called to all Israel, and said to them:

Your eyeş have seen all that YAHWEH did in the land of Egypt to Pharaoh, and to all his sêrvants, and to all his land; 3 the great trials which your eyes saw, the signs, and those great wonders. 4 But YAHWEH has not given you a heart to know, eyes to see, and earş to hear, to this day. 5 I have led you forty yearş in the wilderness. Your clotheş have not grown old on you, and your sandalş have not grown old on your feet. 6 You have not eaten bread, neither have you drunk wine or strong drink, that you may know that I am YAHWEH your Elohim. 7 When you came to this place, Sihon the king of Heshbon and Og the king of Bashan came out against us to battle, and we struck them. 8 We took their land, and gave it for an inheritance to the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to the hälf-tribe of the Manassites. 9 Therefore keep the words of this covenant and de them, that you may prosper in all that you de. 10 All of you stand today in the presence of YAHWEH your Elohim: your heads, your tribes, your elderş, and your officerş, even all the men of Işrael, 11 your little oneş, your wiveş, and the foreigners, who are in the middle of your camps, from the one who cuts your wood to the one who draws your water, 12 that you may enter into the covenant of YAHWEH your Elohim, and into his oath, which YAHWEH your Elohim makes with you today, 13 that he may establish you today as his people, and that he may be your Elohim, as he spoke to you and as he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Işaac, and to Jacob. 14 Neither de I make this covenant and this oath with you only, 15 but with those who stand here with us today before YAHWEH our Elohim, and also with those who are not here with us today 16 (for you know how we lived in the land of Egypt, and how we came through the middle of the nations through which you passed; 17 and you have seen their abominations and their idols of wood, stone, silver, and gold, which were among them); 18 lest there should be among you man, woman, family, or tribe whose heart tûrns away today from YAHWEH our Elohim, to go to sêrve the gods of those nations; lest there should be among you a reet that produces bitter poison; 19 and it happen, when he hears the words of this cûrse, that he bless himself in his heärt, saying, "I shall have peace, though I walk in the stubbornness of my heärt," to destroy the moist with the dry. 20 YAHWEH will not pärdon him, but then YAHWEH'S anger and his jealousy will smoke against that man, and **å**ll the c**û**rse **th**at is written in **th**is book will f**å**ll on him, and YAHWEH will blot **o**ut his name from under the sky. 21 YAHWEH will set him apart for evil out of all the tribes of Işrael, according to all the curses of the covenant written in this book of the law.

22 The **g**eneration to come—your **ch**ildren who will rise up after you, and the foreigner who will come from a far land—will say, when **th**ey see the plagues of **th**at land, and the sicknesses with which YAHWEH has made it sick, 23 **th**at all of its land is sulfur,

salt, and bûrning, that it is not sown, doeşn't produçe, nor doeş any grass grow in it, like the overthrow of Sodom, Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboiim, which YAHWEH overthrew in his anger, and in his wrath. 24 Even all the nations will say, "Why has YAHWEH done this to this land? What does the heat of this great anger mean?"

25 Then men will say, "Becauşe they abandoned the covenant of YAHWEH, the Elohim of their fäthers, which he made with them when he brought them out of the land of Egypt, 26 and went and served other gods and worshiped them, gods that they didn't know and that he had not given to them. 27 Therefore YAHWEH'S anger burned against this land, to bring on it all the curses that are written in this book. 28 YAHWEH rected them out of their land in anger, in wräth, and in great indignation, and thrust them into another land, as it is today."

29 The secret **th**ings belong to YAHWEH our Elohim; but the **th**ings **th**at are revealed belong to us and to our **ch**ildren forever, **th**at we may do all the words of **th**is law.

Deuteronomy 30

It shall happen, when all these things have come on you, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before you, and you shall call them to mind among all the nations where YAHWEH your Elohim has driven you, 2 and return to YAHWEH your Elohim and obey his voice according to all that I command you today, you and your children, with all your heart and with all your soul, 3 that then YAHWEH your Elohim will release you from captivity, have compassion on you, and will return and gather you from all the peoples where YAHWEH your Elohim has scattered you. 4 If your outcasts are in the uttermost parts of the heavens, from there YAHWEH your Elohim will gather you, and from **there** he will bring you back. 5 YAHWEH your Elohim will bring you into the land which your fathers possessed, and you will possess it. He will de you good, and increase your numbers more than your fathers. 6 YAHWEH your Elohim will cîrcum**cis**e your heart, and the heart of your offspring, to love YAHWEH your Elohim with all your heart and with all your soul, that you may live. 7 YAHWEH your Elohim will put all these curses on your enemies and on those who hate you, who persecuted you. 8 You **sh**all ret**û**rn and **o**bey YAHWEH'S voi**ç**e, and d**o å**ll his commandments which I command you today. 9 YAHWEH your Elohim will make you prosperous in all the work of your hand, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your ground, for good; for YAHWEH will again rejoice over you for good, as he rejoiced over your fathers, 10 if you will obey YAHWEH your Elohim's voice, to keep his commandments and his statute which are written in this book of the law; if you tûrn to YAHWEH your Elohim with all your heart and with all your soul.

11 For this commandment which I command you today is not tee härd for you or tee distant. 12 It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Whe will go up for us to heaven, bring it to us, and proclaim it to us, that we may de it?" 13 Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Whe will go over the sea for us, bring it to us, and proclaim it to us, that we may de it?" 14 But the word is very near to you, in your mouth and in your heart, that you may de it. 15 Behold, I have set before you today life and prosperity, and death and evil. 16 For I command you today to love YAHWEH your

Elohim, to wå/k in his ways and to keep his commandments, his statute, and his ordinances, that you may live and multiply, and that YAHWEH your Elohim may bless you in the land where you go in to possess it. 17 But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away and worship other gods, and serve them, 18 I declare to you today that you will surely perish. You will not prolong your days in the land where you pass over the Jordan to go in to possess it. 19 I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. Therefore cheese life, that you may live, you and your descendants, 20 to love YAHWEH your Elohim, to obey his voice, and to cling to him; for he is your life, and the length of your days, that you may dwell in the land which YAHWEH swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.

Deuteronomy 31

Moşeş went and spoke these wôrds to all Israel. 2 He said to them, "I am one hundred twenty years old today. I can no more go out and come in. YAHWEH has said to me, 'You shall not go over this Jordan. 3 YAHWEH your Elohim himself will go over before you. He will destroy these nations from before you, and you shall disposses them. Joshua will go over before you, as YAHWEH has spoken. 4 YAHWEH will do to them as he did to Sihon and to Og, the kings of the Amorites, and to their land, when he destroyed them. 5 YAHWEH will deliver them up before you, and you shall do to them according to all the commandment which I have commanded you. 6 Be strong and courageous. Don't be afraid or scared of them; for YAHWEH your Elohim himself is who goes with you. He will not fail you nor forsake you."

7 Moşeş cålled to Joshua, and said to him in the sight of åll Işrael, "Be strong and courageous, for you shall go with this people into the land which YAHWEH has sworn to their fäthers to give them; and you shall cåuşe them to inherit it. 8 YAHWEH himself is who goes before you. He will be with you. He will not fail you nor forsake you. Don't be afraid. Don't be discouraged."

9 Moşeş wrote this låw and delivered it to the priests the sons of Levi, who bore the ärk of YAHWEH'S covenant, and to åll the elders of Israel. 10 Moşeş commanded them, saying, "At the end of every seven years, in the set time of the year of release, in the feast of booths, 11 when åll Israel has come to appear before YAHWEH your Elohim in the place which he will choose, you shall read this låw before åll Israel in their hearing. 12 Assemble the people, the men and the women and the little ones, and the foreigners, who are within your gates, that they may hear, learn, fear YAHWEH your Elohim, and observe to do åll the words of this låw, 13 and that their children, who have not known, may hear and learn to fear YAHWEH your Elohim, as long as you live in the land where you go over the Jordan to possess it."

14 YAHWEH said to Moşeş, "Behold, your days approach that you must die. Call Joshua, and preşent yourselves in the Tent of Meeting, that I may commission him."

Moses and Joshua went, and presented themselves in the Tent of Meeting.

15 YAHWEH appeared in the Tent in a pillar of cloud, and the pillar of cloud stood over the Tent's door. 16 YAHWEH said to Moses, "Behold, you shall sleep with your fäthers. This people will rise up and play the prostitute after the strange gods of the land where they go to be among them, and will forsake me and break my covenant which I have made with them. 17 Then my anger shall be kindled against them in that day, and I will forsake them, and I will hide my face from them, and they shall be devoured, and many evils and troubles shall come on them; so that they will say in that day, 'Haven't these evils come on us because our Elohim is not among us? 18 I will surely hide my face in that day for all the evil which they have done, in that they have turned to other gods.

19 "New therefore write this song for yourselves, and teach it to the children of Işrael. Put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness for me against the children of Işrael. 20 For when I have brought them into the land which I swore to their fathers, flowing with milk and honey, and they have eaten and filled themselves, and grown fat, then they will turn to other gods, and serve them, and despise me, and break my covenant. 21 It will happen, when many evils and troubles have come on them, that this song will testify before them as a witness; for it will not be forgotten out of the mouths of their descendants; for I know their ways and what they are doing today, before I have brought them into the land which I promised them."

22 So Moşeş wrote this song the same day, and taught it to the children of Işrael.

23 He commissioned Joshua the son of Nun, and said, "Be strong and courageous; for you shall bring the children of Işrael into the land which I swore to them. I will be with you."

24 When Moşeş had finished writing the words of this law in a book, until they were finished, 25 Moşeş commanded the Levites, who bore the ark of YAHWEH'S covenant, saying, 26 "Take this book of the law, and put it by the side of the ark of YAHWEH your Elohim's covenant, that it may be there for a witness against you. 27 For I know your rebellion and your stiff neck. Behold, while I am yet alive with you today, you have been rebellious against YAHWEH. How much more after my death? 28 Assemble to me all the elders of your tribes and your officers, that I may speak these words in their ears, and call heaven and earth to witness against them. 29 For I know that after my death you will utterly corrupt yourselves, and turn away from the way which I have commanded you; and evil will happen to you in the latter days, because you will de that which is evil in YAHWEH'S sight, to provoke him to anger through the work of your hands."

30 Moşeş spoke in the earş of all the assembly of Işrael the wordş of this song, until they were finished.

Deuteronomy 32

Give ear, you heavens, and I will speak. Let the earth hear the words of my mouth. 2 My doctrine will drop as the rain. My speech will condense as the dew, as

the misty rain on the tender gräss, as the showers on the hêrb.3 For I will proclaim YAHWEH'S name. Ascribe greatness to our Elohim! 4 The Rock: his work is pêrfect, for åll his ways are just. An Elohim of faithfulness who does no wrong, just and right is he. 5 They have dealt corruptly with him. They are not his children, because of their defect. They are a perverse and crooked generation. 6 Is this the way you repay YAHWEH, feelish and unwise people? Isn't he your father whe has bought you? He has made you and established you. 7 Remember the days of old. Consider the years of many generations. Ask your father, and he will show you; your elders, and they will tell you.8 When the Most High gave to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the children of men, he set the bounds of the peoples according to the number of the children of Israel. 9 For YAHWEH'S portion is his people. Jacob is the lot of his inheritance. 10 He found him in a desert land, in the waste howling wilderness. He surrounded him. He cared for him. He kept him as the apple of his eye. 11 Aş an eagle that stîrş up her nest, that flutters over her young, he spread abroad his wings, he took them, he bore them on his feathers. 12 YAHWEH alone led him. There was no foreign god with him. 13 He made him ride on the high places of the êarth. He ate the increase of the field. He caused him to suck honey out of the rock, oil out of the flinty rock; 14 butter from the herd, and milk from the flock, wish fat of lambs, rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, with the finest of the wheat. From the blood of the grape, you drank wine. 15 But Jeshurun grew fat, and kicked. You have grown fat. You have grown thick. You have become sleek. Then he abandoned Elohim who made him, and rejected the Rock of his salvation.16 They meved him to jealousy with strange gods. They provoked him to anger with abominations.17 They sacrificed to demons, not Elohim, to gods that they didn't know, to new gods that came up recently, which your fathers didn't dread.18 Of the Rock who became your father, you are unmindful, and have forgotten Elohim who gave you bîrth. 19 YAHWEH saw and abhorred, because of the provocation of his sons and his dåughters. 20 He said, "I will hide my face from them. I will see what their end will be; for they are a very pervêrse generation, children in whom is no faithfulness. 21 They have meved me to jealousy with that which is not Elohim. They have provoked me to anger with their vanities. I will move them to jealousy with those who are not a people. I will provoke them to anger with a foolish nation. 22 For a fire is kindled in my anger, that bûrns to the lowest Sheol, devours the êarth with its increase, and sets the foundations of the mountains on fire.

23 "I will heap evils on them. I will spend my arrows on them. 24 They shall be wasted with hunger, and devoured with bûrning heat and bitter destruction. I will send the teeth of animals on them, with the venom of vipers that glide in the dust. 25 outside the sword will bereave, and in the reems, terror on both young man and vîrgin, the nûrsing infant with the gray-haired man. 26 I said that I would scatter them afar. I would make their memory to cease from among men; 27 were it not that I feared the provocation of the enemy, lest their adversaries should judge wrongly, lest they should say, 'our hand is exalted, YAHWEH has not done all this."

28 For they are a nation void of counsel. There is no understanding in them. 29 Oh that they were wise, that they understood this, that they would Consider their latter end! 30 How could one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, unless their Rock had sold them, and YAHWEH had delivered them up? 31 For their rock is not as our Rock, even our enemies themselves concede. 32 For their vine is of the vine of Sodom, of the fields of Gomorrah. Their grapes are poison grapes. Their clusters are bitter.33 Their wine is the poison of serpents, the cruel venom of asps.

34 "Işn't this laid up in store with me, sealed up among my treaşureş? 35 Vengeançe is mine, and recompense, at the time when their foot slideş; for the day of their calamity is at hand. Their does nushes at them."

36 For YAHWEH will judge his people, and have compassion on his servants, when he sees that their power is gone; that there is no one remaining, shut up or left at lärge. 37 He will say, "Where are their gods, the rock in which they took refuge; 38 which ate the fat of their sacrifices, and drank the wine of their drink offering? Let them rise up and help you! Let them be your protection.

39 "See new that I myself am he. There is no god with me. I kill and I make alive. I wound and I heal. There is no one whe can deliver out of my hand. 40 For I lift up my hand to heaven and declare, as I live forever, 41 if I shärpen my glittering sword, my hand grasps it in judgment; I will take vengeance on my adversaries, and will repay those whe hate me. 42 I will make my arrows drunk with blood. My sword shall devour flesh with the blood of the slain and the captives, from the head of the leaders of the enemy."

43 Rejoiçe, you nations, with his people, for he will avenge the blood of his servants. He will take vengeançe on his adversaries, and will make atonement for his land and for his people.

44 Moşeş came and spoke all the wordş of this song in the earş of the people, he and Joshua the son of Nun. 45 Moşeş finished reçiting all these wordş to all Işrael. 46 He said to them, "Set your heart to all the wordş which I testify to you today, which you shall command your children to observe to de, all the wordş of this law. 47 For it is no vain thing for you, becauşe it is your life, and through this thing you shall prolong your days in the land, where you go over the Jordan to possess it."

48 YAHWEH spoke to Moşeş that same day, saying, 49 "Go up into this mountain of Abarim, to Mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab, that is across from Jericho; and see the land of Canaan, which I give to the children of Işrael for a poşşession. 50 Die on the mountain where you go up, and be gathered to your people, as Aaron your brother died on Mount Hor, and was gathered to his people; 51 becauşe you trespassed against me among the children of Işrael at the waters of Meribah of Kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin; becauşe you didn't uphold my holiness among the children of Işrael. 52 For you shall see the land from a distance; but you shall not go there into the land which I give the children of Işrael."

Deuteronomy 33

This is the blessing with which Moşeş the man of Elohim blessed the children of Işrael before his death. 2 He said,

"YAHWEH came from Sinai, and rose from Seir to them. He shone from Mount Paran. He came from the ten thousands of holy ones. At his right hand was a fiery law for them. 3 Yes, he loves the people. All his saints are in your hand. They sat down at your feet. Each receives your words. 4 Moses commanded us a law, an inheritance for the assembly of Jacob. 5 He was king in Jeshurun, when the heads of the people were gathered, all the tribes of Israel together.

6 "Let Reuben live, and not die; Nor let his men be few."

7 **Th**is is for Judah. He said,

"Hear, YAHWEH, the voice of Judah. Bring him in to his people. With his hands he contended for himself. You shall be a help against his adversaries."

8 About Levi he said,

"Your Thummim and your Urim are with your godly one, whom you proved at Massah, with whom you contended at the waters of Meribah.9 He said of his father, and of his mother, I have not seen him. He didn't acknowledge his brothers, nor did he know his own children; for they have observed your word, and keep your covenant.10 They shall teach Jacob your ordinances, and Israel your law. They shall put incense before you, and whole burnt offering on your altar.11 YAHWEH, bless his skills. Accept the work of his hands. Strike through the hips of those who rise up against him, of those who hate him, that they not rise again."

12 About Benjamin he said,

"The beloved of YAHWEH will dwell in safety by him. He coverş him åll day long. He dwellş between his shoulderş."

13 About Joseph he said,

"His land is blessed by YAHWEH, for the precious things of the heavens, for the dew, for the deep that couches beneath, 14 for the precious things of the fruits of the sun, for the precious things that the meen can yield, 15 for the best things of the ancient mountains, for the precious things of the everlästing hills, 16 for the precious things of the earth and its fullness, the good will of him who lived in the bush. Let this come on the head of Joseph, on the crown of the head of him who was separated from his brothers. 17 Majesty belongs to the firstborn of his herd. His horns are the horns of the wild ox. With them he will push all the peoples to the ends of the earth. They are the ten thousands of Ephraim. They are the thousands of Manasseh."

18 About Zebulun he said.

"Rejoiçe, Zebulun, in your going out; and Issachar, in your tents.19 **Th**ey will call the peoples to the mountain. **Th**ere **th**ey will offer sacrifices of righteousness, for **th**ey will draw out the abundance of the seas, the hidden treasures of the sand."

20 About Gad he said,

"He who enlärges Gad is blessed. He dwells as a lioness, and tears the ärm and the crown of the head. 21 He provided the first part for himself, for the låwgiver's portion reserved was reserved for him. He came with the heads of the people. He executed the righteousness of YAHWEH, His ordinances with Israel."

22 About Dan he said,

"Dan is a lion's cub that leaps out of Bashan."

23 About Naphtali he said,

"Naphali, satisfied with favor, full of YAHWEH'S blessing, Possess the west and the south."

24 About Asher he said,

"Asher is blessed with children. Let him be acceptable to his brothers. Let him dip his foot in oil. 25 Your bars will be iron and bronze. As your days, so your strength will be.

26 "There is no one like Elohim, Jethurun, who rides on the heavens for your help, in his excellency on the skies. 27 The eternal Elohim is your dwelling place. Underneath are the everlästing ärms. He thrust out the enemy from before you, and said, Destroy! 28 Israel dwells in safety, the fountain of Jacob alone, In a land of grain and new wine. Yes, his heavens drop down dew. 29 You are happy, Israel! Who is like you, a people saved by YAHWEH, the shield of your help, the sword of your excellency? Your enemies will submit themselves to you. You will tread on their high places."

Deuteronomy 34

Moşeş went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, that is opposite Jericho. YAHWEH showed him all the land of Gilead to Dan, 2 and all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah, to the Western Sea, 3 and the south, and the Plain of the valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, to Zoar. 4 YAHWEH said to him, "This is the land which I swore to Abraham, to Işaac, and to Jacob, saying, I will give it to your offspring. I have caused you to see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there."

5 So Moşeş the sêrvant of YAHWEH died there in the land of Moab, according to YAHWEH'S word. 6 He buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth Peor, but no man knows where his tomb is to this day. 7 Moşeş was one hundred twenty years old when he died. His eye was not dim, nor his strength gone. 8 The children of Işrael wept for Moşeş in the plains of Moab thirty days, until the days of

weeping in the mourning for Moşeş were ended. 9 Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wişdom, for Moşeş had laid his handş on him. The children of Işrael listened to him, and did as YAHWEH commanded Moşeş. 10 Sinçe then, there has not arişen a prophet in Işrael like Moşeş, whom YAHWEH knew façe to façe, 11 in all the signs and the wonders which YAHWEH sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land, 12 and in all the mighty hand, and in all the awesome deeds, which Moşeş did in the sight of all Işrael.

ADDENDUM: THE PHONETIC ENGLISH BIBLE

YOUR VERY OWN PERSONAL GOD

IS THE SPIRIT WHO IS

BEHIND THE EYES THAT YOU SEE

WHEN YOU LOOK IN THE MIRROR

Naturalists and creationists around the world have waged wars since especially the writings of Charles Darwin around the middle of the 19th century. For my own part ... I am a totally committed **creationist** in the direction of the **SPIRIT** who built the brain that I am thinking with.

My simple creationist thinking about the '*SPIRIT* or 'GOD' in my head is easy to follow and is based mainly on a small number of verifiable facts:

- 1. The human brain: The human brain has long been recognised as the most complex organisation of matter in the universe. It contains around one hundred billion cells ... and it would take around 3000 years to count them all ... without time off for either sleeping or eating. But this is only where the brain's complexity begins ... because each cell is made of the biological substance referred to as DNA (dioxyribonucleicacid) and DNA is known as the most compact organisation of information in the universe.
- 2. My age and nine months ago: My age and nine months ago I was only a fertilised human egg in my mum's belly. I was so small that I was only just visible to the naked eye ... and around 50 of me could have been fitted onto the space occupied by an Australian 5 cent coin. The sperm from my dad ... which provided the other half of the entire biological blueprint for my body was so small that as many as 5 of them could have been fitted into the width of a single human hair. Since that time ... and after 82 years ... this fertilised egg has grown into a human male weighing 80 kilograms.
- 3. The facetiously postulated 'Mother Nature' of Darwin's naturalist school of thinking has never even existed ... that "she" might possess any brain at all ... let alone enough brains to "evolve" a human brain or a fertilised human egg. The human brain alone is more complex than the entire system of computers at NASA headquarters in the USA!
- 4. I often "pre-see" bits of my personal future: The intellectual disciplines of biology and psychology are totally unable to explain "spiritual" phenomena like this. But similar "spiritual" events have happened with me on a number of occasions. Three examples will do for now. (1) on one occasion I personally saw Satan (2) on another occasion I saw a demon spirit at the same time as my companion saw it and (3) I have also seen miraculous healing in response to simple prayers before the SPIRIT who is behind the eyes that I see whenever I look in a mirror.
- 5. Finally: This Divine Creation SPIRIT who has been the exclusive source of the life in my body, has maintained no less than five continuous miracles on a full time basis for me since I was born! (1) the miracle of locomotion (movement) in otherwise dead meat (2) the miracle of food processing for body energy and weight (3) the miracle of vision through the ever so tiny lenses in my eyes. (4) the miracle of air vibrations that are detected as huge array of different sounds by my ears and (5) the miracle of the thought hierarchies and words that operate in my brain.

BUT IS OUR BIBLE MORALLY QUALIFIED?

Just what ARE the things that we DO that amount to "SINS" and how qualified are our ENGLISH BIBLES especially to declare SIN?

Following is a commentary on a number of Bible based *behavioural statutes* that Bibles everywhere refer to as "*SINS*". Many of us allow such statutes to quite *destructively* rule our lives.

In the writing of the next few pages I am indebted to a number of internet publications by the **Secular WEB** group. Whilst my own views on the **existence versus non existence of God** represent the clear antithesis of this group's central position, this group does emphasize many items of **Biblical information** that many modern Christians would do well to know more about.

Our planet contains some 45,000 different Christian denominations whose teachings claim to have derived originally from a divinely authorised Bible. But are any Bible based doctrines indeed divinely authoried? This is truly a legitimate question. The problem of divinely determined SIN is promoted especially by a large number of fundamentalist Christian interpretations of scripture. And adamant interpretations of this type often lead to perfectly innocent people believing (quite self destructively) that they are actually SINNING before the God called YAHWEH in the Old Testament or before the Savior called JESUS in the New Testament.

The validity of such Bible based *SIN* doctrines have been a matter of the individual opinions that have been promoted for 2 millennia by over a million teachers of *scripture*. You may disagree that the *conflicting scriptures* in the following pages do in fact, cause or contribute to exclusively *Bible created* problems ... but these conflicting scriptures will still remain ... regardless of your own *perceived correctness* within your choices of 'right' or 'wrong' scriptures.

AND IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS

EVERY 'DEPARTED' PERSON WHO HAS EVER LIVED
HAS ANSWERED EXCLUSIVELY TO THE SPIRIT
WHO WAS BEHIND THE EYES THAT THEY SAW
WHENEVER THEY HAD
LOOKED IN THE MIRROR

SO LET'S NOW EXAMINE SOME CONFLICTING SCRIPTURES

1. Introduction: Problems with Bible Translation

NOTE The scriptural <u>LINKS</u> within this article have been selected from material provided by the 'Secular Web' group.

The modern English Bible ...with its massive problems ... will forever remain as a translation from a collection of sixty-six separate books that were originally chosen by a Catholic Church Council in 397 A.D. This was over three hundred years after the time of *JESUS*. The collection was broken into two main sections: the 39 books of the Old Testament and the 27 books of the New Testament. The current Catholic Bible also has an extra 4 books that is referred to as the Apocrypha.

The Old Testament promotes **YAHWEH** as the God of Gods who created the entire universe and it presents a history of the early Hebrew people. The New Testament was written by early Christians and it presents their beliefs about what **JESUS** did and taught.

The writing of the various books is estimated to have begun around 1000 B.C and to have continued for about 1,100 years. The traditional *word of mouth* stories of those years were put into writing. These stories had been repeated from father to son over centuries, revised over and over again, and then put into written form by various writers. These writers wrote in *different localities over a period of centuries*, and were often not aware of each other.

The prominent 'Secular Web' group reports (1) that no original manuscripts exist and that (2) there is not likely even one of the 70 books which survives in anything like its original form. The group also accurately reports that there are hundreds of differences between the oldest manuscripts of any one book! These differences show that over time, numerous additions and alterations were made to the originals by the various authors, editors, and copyists.

Many biblical authors are simply unknown. Even the *four Gospels* of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, are books that do not carry the names of their original authors. These four names were assigned long after the books were first written ... and most biblical scholars now agree that *none* of the Gospel authors was either (1) an actual disciple of *JESUS* or (2) an eyewitness to His ministry

The Secular Web group also reports that many of the Bible books have the indelible tatoo of fiction. Many stories—stories which in their original context are considered even by devout Christians to be fictional—were 'borrowed' by the biblical authors, adapted for their own purposes, given a historical setting, and then declared to be historical fact. The *flood story* is an example of this kind of adaptation. Its migration from the earliest known occurrence in Sumeria, around 1600 B.C., from place to place and eventually to the Bible, can be traced historically. Each time the story was 'borrowed' again, it was altered to testify of local gods and heroes.

The *Wycliffe Bible Translators* reported that by 2022 the Bible had been translated into 717 languages which is almost 10% of the number of different languages in the world. All of these translations *originated* from the ancient *Hebrew* and *Greek* manuscripts but many were translations of a "second generation" type: e.g from one of the English translations to another language such as Samoan.

In particular: the 70 books which are now the foundation books for almost all English Bible translations were written in either *Hebrew* for the Old Testament or in *Ancient Greek* for the New Testament. And this translational choice from the *Ancient Greek* happened in 397 A.D. But the very *original* manuscripts for the New Testament had been written in the *Peshitta dialect* of the *Aramaic language*. This Peshitta dialect had been the language that was both spoken and written by Jesus and His disciples.

THE MOST TRULY INCOMPREHENSIBLE FACT WITH OUR ENGLISH TRANSLATIONS

There were a total of 14,298 different Hebrew and Ancient Greek words from which our modern English Bibles derive most of their various (current) published translations ... and over three billion English Bibles have been printed since the early 19th century. Most atonishingly however, the two most mistranslated words among these 14,298 different words have been the two Hebrew/Aramaic words YAHWEH for GOD and JESHUA for JESUS. Simply no feature of Christian publication will ever be more incomprehensible than this.

2. Some Seriously Flawed Views and Contradictions

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from the "Secular Web" group.

<u>DT 6:5, MT 22:37, MK 12:30, LK 10:27</u> *Love God.* <u>DT 6:13, PS 33:8, 34:9, 111:10, 115:13, 128:1, 147:11, PR 8:13, 16:6, 19:23, 22:4, IS 8:13, LK 12:5, 1PE 2:17 *Fear God.*</u>

<u>1KI 22:23</u>, <u>2CH 18:22</u>, <u>JE 4:10</u>, <u>EZ 14:9</u> God deceives some of the prophets. <u>JE 8:8</u> The scribes (copyists, editors, teachers) falsify the word.

<u>2TH 2:11-12</u> God deceives the wicked (to be able to condemn them).

MT 16:28, MK 9:1, LK 9:27 Jesus says that some of his listeners will **not taste death** before he comes again in his kingdom. This was said almost 2000 years ago.

3. A few Apparent Absurdities

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from the "Secular Web" group.

GE 6:5 God is unhappy with the wickedness of man and decides to flood the earth to *eliminate* mankind. All living things including plants, animals, women and children are also exterminated. GE 7:17-19 The flood covered the entire earth at the same time

NU 22:21-30 A donkey sees an angel, recognizes it as such, and then *speaks* in human language (presumably Hebrew) to his master.

1KI 4:29 God gave the sexually depraved King Solomon (with 700 wives and 300 concubines) wisdom as measureless as the sand on the seashore.

IS 30:26 The moon will someday be as bright as the sun now is.

MT 18:19 If *two* [believers] agree about anything they ask, God will do it for them.

JN 16:23 Jesus says: "Whatever you ask in my name, my Father will give you."

RE 14:1-4 Heaven is to be inhabited in part by 144,000 virgin men who have not been "defiled" by women.

4. A Selection from Many Atrocities

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from the "Secular Web" group.

LE 26:29, DT 28:53, JE 19:9, EZ 5:8-10 As a punishment, the Lord will cause people to *eat the flesh* of their own sons and daughters and fathers and friends.

NU 15:32-36 A Sabbath breaker (who had gathered sticks for a fire) is *stoned to death* at the Lord's command.

NU 25:4 (KJV) "And the Lord said unto Moses, take all the heads of the people, and hang them up before the Lord against the sun"

DT 20:13-17 But thou shalt utterly destroy them; namely, the Hittites, and the Amorites, the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee: (6 Genocides) DT 20:16 "In the cities of the nations the Lord is giving you as an inheritance, do not leave alive anything that breathes." and this when our modern histories condemn comparable genocides by Hitler, Stalin and Putin.

JG 11:29-39 Jepthah *sacrifices his beloved daughter*, his only child, according to a vow he has made with the Lord. 2SA 10:18 David slew 47,000+ Syrians. 2KI 10:7 Jehu has Ahab's seventy sons beheaded, then *sends the heads* to their father.

MT 3:12, 8:12, 10:21, 13:30, 42, 22:13, 24:51, 25:30, LK 13:28, JN 5:24 Some will spend *eternity burning in Hell*. There will be weeping, wailing and gnashing of teeth.

MT 10:35-36 "For I have come to turn a man *against* his father, a daughter *against* her mother, a daughter-in-law *against* her mother-in-law a man's enemies will be the members of his own family."

5. Questionable Guidelines

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from the "Secular Web" group.

GE 3:16, CO 11:3-9, EP 5:22-24, CN 3:18, TS 2:5, 1PE 3:1-6 The husband is to rule over his wife. Wives are to be subject to their husbands even when the husband is disobedient to God. Man is the image and glory of God, while woman is the glory of man. Man was not created for woman but woman for man. GE 31:17, GE 36:6, DT 21:15, JG 8:30, SA 5:13, KI 11:3, CH 14:3, CH 11:21, 13:21 *Polygamy* is condoned

EX 20:5 We are not to worship a likeness. The children to the *third and fourth generation* will be punished for infractions.

EX 20:8-11, 31:15-17, 34:21, 35:1-3 No work of any kind is to be done on the Sabbath, not even lighting of a fire. This commandment is permanent. *Death* is required for infractions

EX 21:7-11 A father can *sell a daughter* into slavery to pay a debt. A daughter sold into slavery is not released at the end of six years as is an ordinary male slave.

EX 21:17, LE 20:9, DT 21:18-21 A child who curses his parent(s) is to be put to death. A stubborn and/or rebellious child *is to be put to death*. NU 31:18, 35, JG 21:12 Young *virgins* are considered a spoil of war and can be taken for the use of the victors.

DT 24:1-4 A man may <u>divorce his wife</u> simply because she displeases him.

MT 5:22 Do not get angry. Anger is a sin. MT 23:9 Do not call any man on earth "father."

MT 5:18-19 The *Old Testament law* is to *remain in effect* until heaven and earth pass away.

MT 5:29-30, 18:8-9, MK 9:43-47 If your eye causes you to *sin*, pluck it out. If your hand causes you to *sin*, cut it off. MK 10:2-12, LK 16:18 Divorce is wrong, and to remarry is to commit adultery.

MK 10:29, LK 18:29 A man who leaves his *house, wife, brothers, parents, or children* for the sake of the kingdom of God will receive special rewards.

LK 14:26 One cannot be a disciple of Jesus *unless he hates* his mother, father, wife, children, brothers, sisters, and even his own life.

RO 13:1-4, PE 2:13-14 Be subject to *every human institution*. All authorities (laws and governments) are from God.

1CO 11:3-10 A <u>woman</u> is to keep *her head covered* while praying or prophesying.

1CO 14:34-35 <u>Women</u> are to be *silent* in church. If they have any questions, they are to ask their husbands at home. It is a *shame* for women to speak in church. 1TI 2:9, 1PE 3:3 <u>Women</u> should not braid their hair, or wear gold or pearls or costly attire. 1TI 2:11-12 <u>Women</u> are to learn in silence (from men) in all submissiveness. 1TI 2:12 <u>Women</u> are not permitted to teach or have authority over

6. Bible Vulgarities

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from "Secular Web" group.

<u>1SA 18:27</u> So that David might be allowed to marry the king's daughter, the king asks David to bring him 100 Philistine foreskins. David does the job right and brings the king not 100, but 200, foreskins of murdered Philistines.

<u>2SA 5:13</u>, <u>20:3</u> David had many concubines. <u>2SA 6:14</u>, <u>16, 20-23</u> David dances and exposes himself to his maids. (His wife, Michal rebukes him for having done so, and as a consequence she is made barren.)

2SA 12:11-12 The Lord is going to punish David for his sin by taking his wives and causing his neighbor to have sexual relations with them in public. 2KI 6:29 "So we cooked my son and ate him. The next day I said to her, 'Give up your son so we may eat him,' but she had hidden him."

<u>1CH 11:21</u> Rehoboam had eighteen wives and sixty concubines. <u>IS 13:15</u> "Their infants will be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their ... wives will be ravished." <u>EZ 23:10</u> "They stripped her naked, took away her sons and daughters and killed her with the sword." <u>HO 13:16</u> "They shall fall by the sword: their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be ripped up."

BIBLE BASED JUDGEMENT OF OUR 'SIN' BEHAVIOUR?

With foundational background scriptures that expose MORAL EXCESSES AS EXTREME AS THE FOREGOING none of the 45,000 (democratically elected) Christian denominations on Planet Earth has EVER had divine entitlement to be SCRIPTURALLY ADAMANT or JUDGEMENTAL about our human "SIN" behaviour.

SO WHICH BITS OF YOUR BIBLE TRULY AMOUNT TO "THE WORD OF GOD" FOR YOU PERSONALLY?

According to the scripture, the Elohim (GOD) of Moses called himself **YAHWEH**. This is the name that He our Elohim (GOD) gave to Moses with this clear instruction "This is My Name forever ... the name you shall call me from generation to generation." (Ex 3:14) And even in 2022 some of our Bible translators continue to (mis)pronouce the Hebrew word for **YAHWEH** as **JEHOVAH**.

Astonishingly, the investigations of our 21st century archaeologist Titus Kennedy, serve to confirm the pronunciation of *YAHWEH*. He reports that the name of the Elohim (GOD) called *YAHWEH* is associated with the Egyptian pictogram for "the Land of the Nomads of the world" within the 3,400 year old stonework that was chiselled during the reign of Pharaoh Amenhotep III.

Religious traditions since that time have mostly espoused the view that Moses was actually the author of the first five books of the Bible. These books are called *The Torah* by Jews, *The Pentateuch* by Christians and *The Taurat* by Muslims. For a significant list of reasons, some of which we present in this introduction, this tradition is contentious.

Modern archaeology holds that the 3,400 year old version of the Hebrew Torah could not have been written by Moses. Rather, it teaches that the Torah was most probably compiled from the largely *oral language traditions* that prevailed around the time of the Babylonian enslavement of the Hebrew people. This enslavement occurred circa 600 BCE ... an estimated 8 centuries after the death of Moses. And the very earliest form of Hebrew writing ... called Paleo Hebrew ... begins to appear in the archaelogical records of around 1000 years before the birth of the Christ.

SO WE REALLY DO HAVE AN ANCIENT TRANSLATIONAL PROBLEMS WITH "THE WORD OF GOD"

Despite the 2000 year old translational problems, Andrew Gabriel Roth (2012) points out that the birth of JESUS was preceded by over 300 mentions within the scriptures. And the writing of these scriptures seems to have begun close enough to the time of King David circa 1000 BCE. No other event in human history has been preceded by so many miraculously recorded portents within the written record. Our scriptural translational problems however have persisted, with especially most of our *English* translations of the ancient Hebrew.

Our main first English translation of the scriptures was for King James the King of England. It occurred in 1611. And today ... some 82% of the people who regularly read the English Bible will reach for this still seriously mistranslated King James version before any other.

Yet nowadays there are heaps of other Bibles to choose from. Between 1815 and 1975 an estimated total of 5 billion Bibles were printed. The average citizen in America owns 9 Bibles and the annual global sales of Bibles routinely tops \$425million. Globally too, more than 66,000 people are using a Bible app at any given second.

But since 1611, most of the English speaking Christians of the world have been taught that the original New Testament scriptures were written in *Ancient Greek*. And this is categorically not the case. JESUS and his disciples both spoke and wrote *Aramaic* and they wrote the earliest scriptures in Aramaic.

Was it the WORD of GOD or was it the MILTHA of GOD?

The ancient Greek translators in fact, frequently *distorted* the meanings of the original *Aramaic* scriptures of our New Testament by using Greek words that did not have the same meanings as the Aramaic words. For example: the word *Miltha* in the original Aramaic meant both *Word* as well as *Power*. If this original and unique double meaning from some 2000 years ago had been carried over into the billions of Bibles that were subsequently printed, it could have radically altered the appreciation of our Elohim's (GOD's) basic truth by Christians all over the world.

A CASE IN POINT THE FIRST VERSE OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

In the beginning was the Miltha (... word or power ...) and the Miltha (... word or power ...) was with Elohim (God) and Elohim (God) was the Miltha (... word or power ...)*

* Reference: Aramaic English New Testament 2012 (by) Andrew Gabriel Roth

In effect ... the *Aramaic* word for what much of the English speaking world calls the *Word* ... refers both to a *string of letters* and to a *string of spoken sounds* as well as to the *presence and power* of our Elohim (GOD).

And when we read some of our modern scriptures in this 'new' but nearly 2000 year old light they can expand with additional meaning. Examples follow.

"The miltha (word or power?) of God is living and powerful and sharper than a two edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit and of joints and marrow and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart ..."

Heb: 4:12 NKJV

"Most assuredly I say to you, he who hears *My miltha* (word or power?) and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life and ..." *John: 5:24 NKJV*

THE FORGOTTEN POWER OF 'SCRIPTURE FREE' PRAYERS

Please note: This topic within this writing is not intended to belittle the extreme importance for all of us ... of searching the scriptures for directions from The Holy Spirit on our thinking, speaking and living. The most shared Bible Verse on the internet today is Isaiah 53:5 as follows: "But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him and by His stripes we are healed"

According to a global counting exercise in late 2021, more than 893 translations of the Bible currently existed in print and this in 246 different languages.* Give or take a few thousand words, there must be around 750,000 words in all of them. And as mentioned earlier these translations serve a truly amazing total of more than 45,000 Christian denominations that exist in the world. This amounts to a different Christian denomination ... together with its democratic rule book and ruling bureaucracy ... for roughly every 16 words within an average English Bible! * Source: Grzegorz Kaszynski

Moses however began praying with **no scripture at all** that we can know of: but the **spoken language** traditions of his time probably supplied him with much of the information which later appeared within at least the Book of Genesis.

Regardless of these problems, the Book of Exodus tells us that Moses was directly told by **YAHWEH** Himself that His name was **YAHWEH**. Today's majority view holds that this name means **I** AM THE I AM.

Scripture says that *YAHWEH* also gave Moses the first copy of *The Ten Commandments*. These commandments over the ensuing millennia became the foundational rules for shaping the behaviours and beliefs of almost the entire Western World as we know it.

In his day, Moses must have been the busiest man on the planet. Scripture tells us that initially he was the leader of some 600,000 warriors ... plus their families ... out of Egypt and that for the 40 years that followed he led these families during their nomadic wanderings in the desert. On these figures alone not less than 2.5 million nomadic people were under Moses' leadership in the desert.

Time for prayer and time for the actual writing of the very first 'scripture' must have been rare indeed for Moses. Yet the Moses type of scripture free prayer still stands out as possibly the most successful type of prayer in either human or 'Biblical' history. Let's consider some of the scriptural evidence.

Despite his lack of access to any 'scripture' that we can know of, the Moses reputation for miraculously answered prayers can be argued to rival that of even **JESUS** our Saviour. Among other things ... these prayers (1) brought ten plagues upon the entire nation of Egypt (2) parted the Red Sea for Moses and his people (3) destroyed the Pharoah's army and (4) miraculously healed thousands ... and all of these things without Moses having any access to a Holy Book or Scroll.

Moses simply loved the **YAHWEH** that he prayed to ... but we cannot believe with confidence that he wrote the first five books of the Bible. Historically speaking, much outside of the Ten Commandments the writing of significant tracts of scripture by Moses himself is dubious indeed.

THE 'SECRET' BEHIND THE PRAYER OF MOSES?

God is love and faith works by love are the two most simple and absolute statements that reveal the derivation of the immense power that supported the prayer of Moses. An uncountable number of similar statements occur throughout scripture. Jointly, these two statements represent the most fundamental teaching about the spiritual state of mind within us that releases the Divine power of YAHWEH and of His Savior Son JESUS. This 'Divine love' teaching underpins countless pages of the Bible from Genesis through to Revelation. And the vital message of this teaching for the whole of humanity is equally simple. In the absence of love YAHWEH and His son JESUS work miracles very rarely indeed if ever.

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and angels, and have not love I am become as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal ... and though I have all the faith so that I can move (even) mountains but have not love I am nothing." 1 Cor: 1-2

Any Christian denomination that does not systematically set out to engender this level of divinely powered love within its congregations is simply not representing the Elohim (GOD) who designed and built the brain that each of us is thinking with. It was miraculous divine love that enabled Abraham's wife Sarah to bear a child at the age of ninety. It was miraculous divine love that worked all the miracles for Moses. It was miraculous divine love that created over 300 prophetic scriptures that were *fulfilled* by the birth, life, death and resurrection of *JESUS*. It also continues to be this divine love that is accessible to this very day to both you and me ... who believe in the following:

- 1. YAHWEH as the Spirit who built the brain that each of us thinks with and
- **2**. **JESUS** who, as his **human** son, voluntarily sacrificed his own human Spirit to his Elohim and Father **YAHWEH**, so that the unique **human holiness** and power of the son might be **returned** by **YAHWEH** to all who prayed with a total commitment before the unconditional love of **YAHWEH**.
- "Greater works than these shall you do because I go unto My Father" John 14:12

THE 21st CENTURY 'SECRET' BEHIND THE POWER OF THE CHRIST?

You've got it already ... but a few more things need to be added

The **JESUS** who sacrificed His life for **each** of us was a Jewish rabbi or 'teacher' of his time. He preached and consistently demonstrated (with many miracles) the power that could be generated by the love of **YAHWEH** like no-one else either before Him or since. His words from the gospel of Mark some 2000 years ago summarize His **still current instruction** to us all.

"Behold Israel, the Lord YAHWEH your Elohim (GOD) is one. You shall love the Lord YAHWEH your Elohim (GOD) with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength." then "This is the first commandment. The second is like this: You shall also love your neighbour as you love yourself" then "There is no other commandment greater than these"

So what on earth could have caused the divine *grace* behind this access to unlimited divine power to seemingly disappear from global Christianity in practice? Even the Book of Revelation points out that our first century Christians started to abandon the teachings of *YAHWEH* through His son *JESUS* before the end of that century.

And over the last 2000 years especially, very few Christians indeed have been taught that our Elohim (GOD) is *still* the very same *YAHWEH* who:

- (1) raised **JESUS** from the dead
- (2) powered all miracles that were worked for Moses and for *JESUS* and for all of the people who lived within the 1,400 years that separated their lives on earth.
 - (3) was the Elohim (GOD that *JESUS* worshipped and still *does* worship. (Rev:3)
 - (4) was the Elohim (GOD) that **JESUS** told the entire world to worship
- (5) still is the Elohim (GOD) whose *HOLY NAME* has been blasphemously obliterated from the greater part of 7 billion English Bibles that have been printed to date.

THE MOST MIRACULOUS TRUTH OF THE LOT

In all probability, the most miraculous truth of the lot to emerge from the current collection of especially English Bible translations is as follows:

"Sufficient basic truth about YAHWEH and His Son JESUS has actually survived to enable a huge number of Christians to establish both life long and eternal love relationships with our Divine Father and His only Begotten Son JESUS."

Even in 2023 our translations continue to provide hundreds of editorial and moral inconsistencies that persist in defying teachings by Jewish, Christian and even Muslim clerics everywhere.

THE NEW TESTAMENT

An editorial minefield of INCONSISTENCES and SYMBOLISM!

As mentioned earlier, originally the New Testament was a group of 27 separate documents (later called Books) that were written by either 8 or 9 writers some 1900 years ago. These documents claimed to have recorded the activities and teachings of the Christ and are estimated to have been written between 40 years and up to 80 years after His death on the Cross.

Some of our modern archaeology *guesses* that perhaps two of these writers might have been eyewitnesses to any of the events ... involving the Person of Jesus ... that they wrote about. But archaeology also guesses that there were none. Whilst *copying* between the writers of that time is evident today, it is indeed clear that *none* of them communicated with any of the others at the time(s) of their writings.

All of these original documents were written in the *Aramaic* language that was spoken and written by *JESUS* and His apostles. As explained more fully later, it is *vital* to be clear that the original language of our scriptures was *not* Greek ,,, and our modern experts who quote from the ancient Greek scriptures need to do more homework.

With editorial qualifications as clearly haphazard as this, a minefield of inconsistencies within the original New Testament Scriptures was inevitable. These inconsistencies are still everywhere within our New Testament. At that time especially ... without any authoritative community body in place to actually vet the writings of the then revolutionary 'JESUS movement'... the way was cleared for a minefield of writings that were less than strictly factual.

Some 170+ inconsistencies

The work on the internet by Donald Morgan (of the Secular Web group) on these Bible inconsistencies is thorough. In the New Testament alone he lists over 170 of them that have not been refuted ... and this regardless of the particular translation into English that you are reading. To me, the following *two* alone of Morgan's reported inconsistencies, are sufficiently *arresting* to convince others ... such as yourself ... to begin larger checks of your own.

1. The last words of JESUS on the Cross: The three different versions of JESUS' last words on the Cross are:

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"My God My God why hast Thou forsaken Me!" MT 27:46-50 MK 15: 34-37 "Father, into Thy hands I commit My spirit." LK 23: 46 "IN 10: 20
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- **2.** The unforgivable sin: blasphemy against the Holy Spirit: Three different scriptures tell us that ALL sins are forgivable: AC 13:39 CN 2:13 and 1 JN 1:9. These three scriptures conflict with the following words that are reported as quotes from the mouth of JESUS.
- "But whosoever speaketh against the Holy Spirit it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world nor the world to come." MT 12:32
- "But he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Spirit hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation." MK 3:29

[&]quot;It is finished." JN 19: 30

[&]quot;But unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Spirit it shall not be forgiven." LK 12:10

TWISTED TRUTH GLOBALLY BY CHRISTIAN PREACHERS

Christianity is simultaneously the most divided and divisive set of beliefs in the world. Christians are in a position to choose a different cult or branch of Christianity for roughly every 16 pages of a "Holy" English Bible that can only *claim* to be holy and in selected *parts* of it. The *45,000* Christian denominations on Planet Earth clearly scream of (1) division (2) untruth (3) confusion and (4) unreliability. It appears that we can trust *God* and only *God*.

Around the world preachers, priests, pastors and pretenders of all descriptions derive their often (truly) *lucrative* incomes by teaching the *Word of the Bible* but all too often *blasphemize* that they are (instead) teaching the "*Word of God*".

Andrew Farley in his recent book entitled *Twisted Scriptures* presents an able exposure of the main *45 lies* that have been preached (some of them for centuries) from Christian pulpits all over the world. Farley has made freely available both audible and PDF files of his book on the internet. The time has come for many Christians to find out about the *destructiveness* of these lies..

It is well too to be reminded that these preachers tend to preach from only an estimated 10% of the scriptures that the Bible makes available to everyone.

MILLENNIA OLD DISTORTIONS FROM SYMBOLIC BIBLICAL STORIES

1. The Adam and Eve Story: More symbolism is contained in this story than most Christians realise. And we need only to question the DNA of the male and female involved. If the story were true then (1) one of the pair had to be a giant and the other a pygmy and (2) one of them had to be white and the other either striped or polka dotted ... and this in different skin colours.

So many of our Bible stories and events need to be seen as simply *symbolic* illustrations that were originally meant by the Lord *YAHWEH* to convey features of an undefined but underpinning *spiritual* reality.

2. The "This is My Body" story: In the Scriptures, JESUS at one stage symbolically said "I am the vine ... and My Father is the Farmer." This statement was spoken as a simple and symbolic one that has never been misinterpreted. And no Christian in the 2000 years since then has believed that JESUS ever once resembled a mobile bunch of leaves.

But a **second** (and similarly simple and **symbolic** statement uttered by **JESUS**) has consistently brought some truly incredible behaviors to especially Catholic church ceremonies over the past two millennia. This second statement was reportedly said by **JESUS** at what is known as the last supper when at a simple and final meal table ... **JESUS** broke a loaf of bread and said these words "**This is My body**." and then shortly after this he said these words "**Do this in remembrance of Me**."

And for most of the 2000 years since that time, the strictly regimented Catholic church theology on the 4 word symbolic statement of "This is is My Body" has required all Catholics to believe the following: that whenever Catholic priests say these four words over bits of bread, then these bits of bread are instantly converted into the actual "body, blood, soul and divinity" of the Lord JESUS Himself!

To me, it's impossible to concoct an officially stipulated theological teaching that could be more implausible than this. But this centuries old and *official* theological stipulation does help to explain to the global non-Catholic public ... why the world witnesses on the public media ... so many hugely expensive or seemingly crazy 'fancy dress' ceremonies by men and women in their religious uniforms.

To me ... the daily practice of the "This is my Body" ritual by Catholocism essentially tries to teach us that the 'once and for all' spiritual sacrifice of the life of the only begotten son of YAHWEH on the Cross wasn't enough for the spiritual salvation of humankind in its entirety.

MOST CHRISTIANS GLOBALLY DO NOT CALL ON THE NAME OF THE GOD CALLED YAHWEH TO WHOM JESUS PRAYED

As mentioned earlier, the original scriptures of the Bible have been translated into over 246 languages. In most of these languages the name of YAHWEH has been translated accurately from the original Aramaic or Hebrew ... especially in their Old Testaments and in a few of their New Testaments as well. But the very name of YAHWEH to whom JESUS actually prayed on a full time basis, is missing (and this almost absolutely) from most English Bibles.

Among my personal possessions for example, is a *Contemporary Comparative Parallel Bible*. This volume contains some 3,000,000 words about the lives and teachings of Moses through to *JESUS*. If the translations from the original languages had been fully accurate then this volume should have printed the name *YAHWEH* a total of *28,000* times. The blasphemous truth however is that the mention of the name *YAHWEH* occurs only *once*.

It is almost exclusively within our *English* language Bibles ... and translations into *other languages* from these ... that we find this blasphemous reluctance to translate the original Hebrew /Aramaic name for *YAHWEH* simply and accurately as *YAHWEH*.

LITERALLY TRILLIONS OF DENIALS GLOBALLY

- **1.** For 1900 years, the signature prayer for all of Christianity has been the *HALLOWED BE THY NAME* or the *OUR FATHER* prayer. For at least a hundred human generations this prayer has been sent heavenwards by millions of Christians almost every hour of every day. Yet the very name of *YAHWEH* our Elohim (GOD) that this prayer has clearly referred to has never been spoken or thought of.
- 2. In the 21st century the Jewish descendants of their ancient Hebrew teachings are still being instructed thousands of times by the modern copies of their Old Testament scriptures that *YAHWEH* is the name of the Elohim (GOD) who created both them and their universe. But around 2,500 years ago, the ruling 'holy' Hebrew clerics of that day told their forebears that the name of *YAHWEH* was too holy to be spoken out loud by anyone ... except of course by the ruling Hebrew clerics ... and this on only very rare occasions.

So to this day, when reading their scriptures *aloud*, the modern descendents of the Hebrew people read the word *YAHWEH* as "*Hashem*" (The Name) or as "*Adonai*" (Master). In this way, these present day followers of their own ancient clerical ruling class could well be disempowering the very name of the Elohim (GOD) that their holy scriptures still explicity *instruct* them to pray to.

Since around 1611 CE, there have been some five billion Protestant and Catholic Bibles printed in English alone. The Catholic Bible, comprising a guesstimated 20% of the total, is the main English Bible that makes any mention of the word *YAHWEH*... but only within its Old Testament section. With few exceptions, the remaining English Bibles make *no mention at all* of the word *YAHWEH*.

Yet all of these Bibles claim to have derived from the original Hebrew and this when the Hebrew scriptures alone contain the word *YAHWEH* not less than **6,823** times. And the original *Aramaic* scriptures of the New Testament add at least an extra **176** times to these.

In simple terms then, this means that BILLIONS of English Bibles around the world today collectively *deny* the translation of the very name of *YAHWEH* our Elohim (GOD) some TRILLIONS of times.

There's an interesting and relevant afterthought here too. Some 1900 years ago the original New Testament Scripture reported that St Peter *denied* that he personally knew *JESUS* only *three* times ... but because of the Scriptures he has been remembered for these three denials ever since.

I despair when I think of what the world's thousands of English speaking Bible Colleges have simply *not* done to correct English translation of the Bible. But with only few exceptions, the global omission of the word *YAHWEH* from *all* editions of English New Testaments is also total. And, depending upon which modern and archaeologically verified '*Hebraic Roots*' New Testament that we are using as a reference, these omissions add many more BILLIONS of denials to the name of *YAHWEH* within our English Bibles today.

AND WHAT WOULD JESUS HAVE SAID ABOUT THIS? ... as mentioned earlier: He would have said ...

"Behold Israel! YAHWEH our Elohim is one. You shall love YAHWEH your Elohim with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first commandment. The second is like this, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

1900 YEAR OLD RELIGIOUS BIGOTRY

Since before the time of **JESUS** more than 16 Aramaic dialects have now emerged on Planet Earth ... but the very original Aramaic dialect of our New Testament times was the language that was spoken and written by our Savior and His disciples. Archaeologically speaking, this dialect is called Peshitta Aramaic.

The evidence now has it that, sometime early within the century following the death of Our Savior, the Peshitta Aramaic New Testament scriptures were first translated by the Greeks, into Greek.

In 382 CE, the Ancient *Greek* translations of both Testaments were translated into *Latin* and this without any corrections to their fundamental errors. And these seriously still *uncorrected* translations currently mark the historical confirmation of a blasphemous translational religious bigotry that has continued into most of the world's 21st century English Bibles.

HOW THIS BIGOTRY ALSO TRANSFORMED THE NAME OF JESUS

The original Greek translators of the early centuries ... and the later translators of the 17th century King James Bible ... clearly had their own bigoted or antisemitic views that were brought to early and then later Christianity.

Four examples are sufficient for our present purposes: Both the ancient Greek translators of around the 1st or 2nd century and the King James translators of the 17th century:

- **1. Eradicated** all mention of the name *YAHWEH* as the name of GOD (**Elohim**) even though it occurred 6,823 times in the Old Testament and not less than 176 times in the Peshitta New Testament.
 - The name **YAHWEH** over all those centuries was and **still is** the divine name that powered all the miracles (1) for **Moses** and also (2) for **JESUS** in His ministry and also (3) for all the Hebrew people who lived within the 1,400 years that separated their lives on earth.
- 2. Eradicated an extremely important meaning within the Hebrew word Elohim (for 'GOD') with its truly vital ability to simultaneously to mean both ONE* as well as MANY*. (* Like the word SHEEP* in English)
 - The simultaneous grammatically **singular and plural** attribute of the Hebrew word **Elohim** is much more explanatory than either the English word **God** or the Greek word **Theos.**
- 3. Fully reinvented the name of JESUS from the original Aramaic YESHUA in line with the name of their own main pagan Greek god called ZEUS and with this decision they actually *renamed* and thereby paganised our Saviour's name from the Aramaic YESHUA to the nothing like it sound of IE-ZEUS.
 - This paganised **IE-ZEUS** was later to be pronounced variously as **IE-SUS**, **IE-SOU** and also **JE-SUS** by the different nations of the world.
- **4. De-emphasized** to near extinction, countless foundational teachings and traditions within the **TORAH** that was attributed to Moses ... as well as to **JESUS** ... by referring to the five books of the **TORAH** as merely the **LAW**.

SOME POSSIBLY HELPFUL THOUGHTS ON PRAYER

Every prayer at its spiritual basis is simply an attempt to communicate with the creator Spirit who designed and built the brain that each of us uses to *think* with. Both you and your *Creator Spirit* (or 'Elohim') *understand* the language that you personally think with. Otherwise basic and personal (two way) communication between you and your creator Elohim (GOD) would fail eternally. Even the simplest of effective praying must forever remain as this *two* way communication between you and your Elohim (GOD).

YOUR VERY OWN PERSONAL GOD IS FOREVER IN YOUR BRAIN WITH YOU

AND WITH ALL OF HIS MINISTERING SPIRITS AND THIS ALL OF THE TIME

Wherever our Elohim (GOD) is, *his ministering spirits too* are with Him and this *all* of the time. No other view or theory on the precise whereabouts of both Elohim (GOD) and *his ministering spirits* makes any sense at all. This is why the Hebrew word 'ELOHIM' (which is both singular and plural) is a much better word than the English word 'GOD' or the Greek word 'THEOS' as a reference to our creator who creates everone *individually*. A paraphrase from Psalm 82 adds some light here: *You are GODS (Elohim?) yet you shall each die like a MAN*.

However, none of humankind's three Abrahamic religions choose to sufficiently emphasize this *most fundamental spiritual reality* that underpins the design and construction of the brain that is in *every* (single) human head. The Christian scriptures too declare "In the

Beginning was the WORD and the WORD was with GOD and GOD was the WORD." They also declare that Elohim (GOD) is and always was the "Alpha and the Omega." or if we prefer the Aramaic here ... "the Aleph and the Tav."

And these two simple declarations also neatly summarise that Elohim (GOD) is actually the *first* word ever spoken by humankind and the *last* word too. There has never been a clearer way than these two Scriptures to summarise the *ultimate* truth that Elohim (GOD) alone has been the *ever present spirtual powerhouse* that has underpinned *every* word that your human brain ... with its 100 billion cells ... has ever thought of or spoken.

For around 170 human *generations* too (from roughly the time of Moses onwards) all *three* of the *Abrahamic religions* of the world have consistently failed to teach prayer routines that have been designed to communicate (with *shared* love) in the essential **two way** process between you and the Elohim (GOD) who built **you**. We need to remember constantly that **our own** love for the Elohim (GOD) in our heads and hearts is close enough to the only valuable thing on the planet that even He our ELOHIM is **unable** to create!

YOUR MOST POWERFUL PRAYERS ARE THE ONES THAT BOTH YOU AND YOUR GOD UNDERSTAND ... AND SO OFTEN ... THEY CANNOT BE FOUND IN THE BIBLE

Neither the *Abraham* of 4,000 years ago nor the *Moses* of 3,400 years ago had any scripture to read or refer to. They simply *loved* and *believed in* the Elohim (GOD) that they prayed to. And this Elohim *did* apparently answer to both of them with the heaps of miracles that were subsequently described in the Bible.

SO YOU SHOULD NEVER FORGET THAT

- (1) Both *YAHWEH* (our Elohim) and *JESUS* (our Savior) in your brain, are your very own personal and *eternal* spiritual realities and They are *One*.
- (2) The *HEAVEN* in your brain too, is your very own eternal *spiritual* reality.
- (3) The spiritual messengers (angels) in your brain obey God exclusively.
- (4) Both the 'HELL' and the 'SATAN' in your brain are also spiritual realities.

Simply no human being has ever been smart enough to get intellectually elaborate before the level of *divine and absolute intelligence* that designed and built the brains (of around 100 billion cells) that *each* of us thinks with:

So it's probably a good idea to keep our prayers to the Lord **YAHWEH** and to His only begotten son the Lord **JESUS** both very simple and constant. And it's a good idea too, to make sure that they constantly express total **love** and **admiration**.

My own most frequent *daily* prayers are always personally addressed to *YAHWEH* and to *JESUS*. And their *wording* each day remains similar to the following:

- 1. Lord YAHWEH and Lord JESUS
- 2. I love YOU ... I love YOU ... I love YOU
- 3. You love ME ... You love ME ... You love ME
 - 4. Thank YOU ... Thank YOU ... Thank YOU

5. YOU are in my HEAD and HEART and BLOODSTREAM every second of every day and this with all of YOUR MINISTERING ANGELS. 6. So please teach me to PRAY

Each prayer repeated many times

From the **SCIENTIFIC** standpoint alone we should never forget that the concepts of both distance and plurality are merely functions of the existence of the **TIME** that **YAHWEH** and **JESUS** jointly created and continue to **maintain** within each of our **bodies** every second of every day.

And They are (and always have been) *forever* on our side in our unceasing life long and persistent fight against the *ultimate spiritual stench* that the world's three Abrahamic religions *all* refer to as Satan...

Sincerely: Christopher Nugent: September 2023

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e egg empty entice

- e even evil secret
- **ê** h**ê**r v**ê**r**g**e **ê**arly
- ë clërk sër**g**eant

i ink iglee itchy

- y yet yonder yellow
- idle delight icon
- **y** myself pigsty deny
- Î îrk gîrder bîr**th**
- o oran**g**e oct**o**p**u**s odd
- omit over eskimo son mother onion
- o wolf hood woman
- **ô** w**ô**rd w**ô**rse w**ô**rk
- **o** order sort transport
- ut scewl leudly
- meve tee inte twe

u ugly umbrella cut

- **U** union unity rude
- **Ú** pút púll bútcher
- û ûrge nûrse pûrple

CONSONANTS

- c cat cut cot cabbage
- Ç çent çity çycle
- g get got gun give
- g gem gentle ginger
- d dig dug dog
- d liked licked kissed
- s sit sat set
- \$ dig\$ dog\$ pre\$ent

ch chat chin rich much sh shed shut rush rash the that then this those the thin thick think thing ph phone graph nephew gh tough läugh cough quickly queen quit

The **TOP** 'r' is spoken **before** vowels and

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- **o** order sort transpo

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 apron even icon oval unit

 straight though through ghost
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 Cell gem rubs jumped cruise
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 Was Watch quads quality yacht

come front among wonder mother

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 bird term burn worthy learn
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- omit over eskimo son mother onion
- o wolf hood woman
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- û ûrge nûrse pûrple

CONSONANTS

- c cat cut cot cabbage
- Ç çent çity çycle
- g get got gun give
- gem gentle ginger
- d dig dug dog
- d liked licked kissed
- s sit sat set
- \$ dig\$ dog\$ pre\$ent

ch chat chin rich much

sh shed shut rush rash

th that then this those

th thin thick think thing

ph phone graph nephew

gh tough läugh cough

QU quickly queen quit

The **TOP** 'r' is spoken **before** vowels and

the **BOTTOM** 'r' is not usually spoken **after** vowels.

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THE UNIQUE PHONETIC ENGLISH FONT

KEY TO PRONUNCIATIONS

- a apple ant rabbit
- e egg empty entiçe
- i ink iglee itchy
- y typical happy
- o orange octopus oggle
- a want swat quarrel yacht
- u ugly umbrella cut
- son mother onion
- wolf hood woman
- **Ú** pút púll bútcher
- a acorn greatly vacant
- e even evil secret
- i ivy iron icon
- **y** myself pigsty deny
- omit over eskimo
- **U** union unity rude
- meve tee inte twe
- out scowl loudly
- ä ärt pä/m cärnage
- ë clërk sër**g**eant
- **ê** h**ê**r v**ê**r**g**e **ê**arly
- Î îrk gîrder bîr**th**
- ô wôrd wôrse wôrth
- û ûr**g**e nûrse pûrple
- å åll råw håul
- **o**rder sort transport

SHORT VOWEL SOUNDS IN ENGLISH

In the teachers' manual, SHORT VOWEL word lists are found on pages 10 through to 21.

IN ENGLISH

In the teachers' manual, LONG VOWEL word lists are found on pages 22 through to 32.

ENGLISH VOWEL SOUNDS THAT ARE USUALLY INFLUENCED BY THE LETTER 'R'

In the teachers' manual, words whose VOWELS ARE INFLUENCED by the letter 'r' are found on pages 33 to 38.

The final word lists on pages 39 to 44 of the teachers' manual are taken up by words that can best be classified as polysyllabic and phonetically complex.

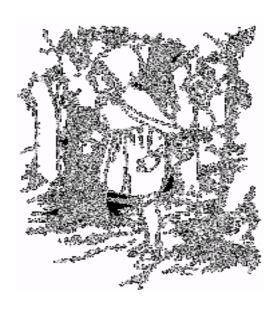
THREE SAMPLES FROM OLD TIME BED-TIME STORIES

NOTE: 20 HIGH FREQUENCY 'CONNECTOR' WORDS

A TOTAL of 20 very high frequency 'connector' wôrds occupy a disproportionate volume of the word count on any page. To avoid an unnecessary amount of visual clutter throughout ... the phonetic English font in THE FOLLOWING THREE TRADITIONAL BEDTIME STORIES has chosen NOT to encode the following 20 words:

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1. LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD



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There was once a sweet little maid who lived with her father and mother in a pretty little cottage at the edge of the village. At the Further end of the wood was another pretty cottage and in it lived her grandmother.

Everybody loved this little gîrl, her grandmother pêrhaps loved her most of åll and gave her a great many pretty things. Once she

gave her a red cloak with a hood which she always wore, so people called her Little Red Riding Hood.

One morning Little Red Riding Hood's mother said, "Put on your things and go to see your grandmother. She has been ill; take along this basket for her. I have put in it eggs, butter and cake, and other dainties."

It was a bright and sunny morning. Red Riding Hood was so happy that at first she wanted to dance through the wood. All around her grew pretty wild flowers which she loved so well and she stopped to pick a bunch for her grandmother.



Little Red Riding Hööd wandered from her päth and was steeping to pick a flewer when from behind her a gruff voice said, "Gööd mörning, Little Red Riding Hööd." Little Red Riding Hööd türned areund and saw a great big wölf, but Little Red Riding Hööd did not know what a wicked beast the wölf was, so she was not afraid.

[&]quot;What have you in that basket, Little Red Riding Hood?"

[&]quot;Eggs and butter and cake, Mr. Wolf."

[&]quot;Where are you going with them, Little Red Riding Hood?"

"I am going to my grandmother, who is ill, Mr. Wolf."

"Where does your grandmother live, Little Red Riding Hood?"

"Along that päth, päst the wild rose bushes, then through the gate at the end of the wood, Mr. Wolf."

Then Mr. Wolf again said "Good morning" and set off, and Little Red Riding Hood again went in search of wild flowers.

At läst he reached the porch covered with flowers and knocked at the door of the cottage.

"Whe is there?" called the grandmother.

"Little Red Riding Hood," said the wicked wolf.

"Press the latch, open the door, and walk in," said the grandmother.

The wolf pressed the latch, and wakked in where the grandmother lay in bed. He made one jump at her, but she jumped out of bed into a closet. Then the wolf put on the cap which she had dropped and crept under the bedclothes.



In a **sho**rt while Little Red Riding Hood knocked at the door, and walked in, saying, "Good morning, Grandmother, I have brought you eggs, butter and cake, and here is a bunch of flowers I

ga**th**ered in the wood." As she came nearer the bed she said, "What big ears you have, Grandmother."

"åll the better to hear you with, my dear."

"What big eyes you have, Grandmother."

"åll the better to see you with, my dear."

"But, Grandm**oth**er, what a big nose you have."

"åll the better to smell with, my dear."

"But, Grandm**oth**er, what a big mouth you have."

"åll the better to **e**at you up wi**th**, m**y** d**e**ar," he said as he sprang at Little Red Riding Hood.



Just at **th**at moment Little Red Riding Hood's fäther was pässing the cottage and heard her scream. He rushed in and with his axe chopped off Mr. Wolf's head.

Everybody was happy **th**at Little Red Riding Hood had escaped the wolf. **Th**en Little Red Riding Hood's fäther carried her home and **th**ey lived happily ever äfter.

2.THE GOOSE-GIRL

There was once an old Queen, who had a very beautiful daughter. The time came when the maiden was to go into a distant country to be married. The old Queen, packaged up everything suitable to a royal outfit.

She also sent a Waiting-woman with her. When the hour of departure came they bade each other a sorrowful farewell and set out for the bridegroom's country.



When **th**ey had ridden for a **time** the Princess became very **th**irsty, and said to the Waiting-woman, "Go down and fetch me some water in my cup from the stream. I must have some thing to drink."

"If you are **th**îrsty," said the Waiting-woman, "dişmount yourself, lie down by the water and drink. I don't cheese to be your servant."

Being very **th**irsty, the Princess dismounted, and *k*nelt by the flowing water.

Now, when she was about to mount her horse again, the Waiting-woman said, "By rights your horse belongs to me; this jade will do for you!"

The poor little Princess was obliged to give way. Then the Waitingwoman, in a härsh voice, ordered her to take off her royal robes, and to put on her own mean gärments. Finally she forced her to swear that she would not tell a person at the Court what had taken place. Had she not taken the oath she would have been killed on the spot.

There was great rejoiçing when they arrived at the cästle. The Prince hurried towårds them, and lifted the Waiting-woman from her horse, thinking she was his bride. She was led upstairs, but the real Princess had to stay below.



The old King looked out of the window and saw the delicate, pretty little creature standing in the courtyard; so he asked the bride about her companion.

"I picked her up on the way, and brought her with me for company. Give the girl something to do to keep her from idling."

The old King said, "I have a little lad who looks after the geese; she may help him."

The boy was called little Conrad, and the real bride was sent with him to look after the geese. When they reached the meadow, the Princess sat down on the grass and let down her hair, and when

Conrad saw it he was so delighted **th**at he wanted to pluck some out; but she said—

"Blow, blow, little breeze, And Conrad's hat seize.

Let him join in the chase

While away it is whirled, Till my tresses are curled

And I rest in my place."

Then a strong wind sprang up, which blew away Conrad's hat right over the fields, and he had to run äfter it. When he came back her hair was åll put up again.



When **th**ey got home Conrad went to the King and said, "I won't tend the geese wi**th th**at maiden again."

"Why not?" äsked the King.

Then Conrad went on to tell the King åll that had happened in the field. The King ordered Conrad to go next day as uşual and he followed into the field and hid behind a bush. He saw it happen just as Conrad had told him. Thereupon he went away unnoticed; and in the evening, when the Goose-girl came home, he äsked her why she did all these things.

"**Th**at I may not tell you," she answered.

Then he said, "If you won't tell me, **th**en tell the **i**ron stove **th**ere;" and he went away.

She crept up to the stove and unbûrdened her heärt to it. The King stööd outside by the pipes of the stove and heard all she said. Then he came back, and cauşed royal robes to be put upon her, and her beauty was a märvel. Then he called his son and told him that he had a false bride, but that the true bride was here.

The Prince was **chä**rmed with her beauty and a great banquet was prepared. The bridegreem sat at the head of the table, with the Princess on one side and the Waiting-woman at the other; but she did not recognize the Princess.

When **th**ey had **e**aten, the King put a riddle to the Waiting-woman. "What does a person deserve **th**at deceives his master?" telling the whole story.

The fålse bride answered, "He must be put into a barrel and dragged along by two white horses till he is dead."

"That is your deem," said the King, "and the judgment shall be carried out."

When the sentence was fulfilled, the young Prince married his true bride, and they lived together in peace and happiness.

3..THE SLEEPING BEAUTY



Once upon a time there was a king and queen whe for a very long time had no children, and when at length a little daughter was born to them they were so pleased that they gave a christening feast to which they invited a number of fairies. But, unfortunately, they left out one rather cross old fairy, and she was so angry that she said the princess shoù/d die when she reached the age of sixteen, by pricking her hand with a spindle.

åll the **other** fåiries present, except one, had ålready given the princess their beautiful gifts, and this läst one said she could not prevent pärt of the wicked wish coming true; but her gift should be that the princess should not really die, but only fåll into a deep sleep, which should läst for a hundred years, and at the end of that time she should be awakened by a king's son

It **å**Il happened as the **få**iri**eş** had predicted. When the prin**ç**ess was sixt**ee**n y**e**ar**ş** old she s**å**w an old w**o**man spinning and t**oo**k the spindle from her to tr**y** this strange new w**o**rk. Instantly she

pricked her hand and fell into a deep sleep, as did everyone else in the palaçe.

There she lay in a bower of roses, year after year, and the hedge around the palace garden grew so tall and thick that at last you could not have told that there was a castle at all.



At the end of the hundred years a king's son heard of the cästle and the enchanted princess who lay asleep there and determined to rescue her. So he cut his way through the thick prickly hedge and at length he came to the princess. When he saw how lovely and how sweet she looked he fell in love with her and, stopping, kissed her lips.

At once she awoke and with her the king and queen and all the courtiers, who had fallen asleep at the same time.

As the princess was as much taken with the prince's appearance as he was with hers, they decided to be married. And so the wedding was celebrated the same day with great pomp and ceremony.