

HOSEA 10

WHAT WILL IT TAKE TO AVERT JUDGMENT IN AMERICA



INTRODUCTION

HAVING FORETOLD THE GREAT TRAGEDIES THAT WERE TO BEFALL THE NATION OF ISRAEL, INCLUDING EVEN THE ANNIHILATION OF HER CHILDREN, THE PROPHET NOW GOES ON TO DESCRIBE THE INIQUITOUS ACTS WHICH CAUSED THIS TERRIBLE DECREES.

ABERBANAL – FOLLOWING HIS APPROACH TO THE PREVIOUS VERSES – THAT THEY REFER SPECIFICALLY TO THE **SIN OF PROMISCUITY**. ABARBANEL ADDS THAT IN THIS CHAPTER THE PROPHET CONTINUES ON TO THE OTHER CARDINAL SIN OF WHICH THEY WERE GUILTY – **IDOLATRY**.

HOSEA 1 – TREI ASAR

- **HOS 10:1 A LUXURIANT VINE IS ISRAEL, WHO PRODUCES FRUIT FOR HIMSELF. LIKE THE ABUNDANCE OF HIS FRUIT HE HAS MULTIPLIED HIS ALTARS. LIKE THE GOODNESS OF HIS LAND, THEY MADE BEAUTIFUL SACRED PILLARS.**
- **ISRAEL IS SIMILAR TO A VINE THAT ELIMINATES ITS OWN FRUIT, I.E. BY WITHHOLDING A YIELD OR ALTERNATELY BY CAUSING ITS FRUIT TO DROP. WHAT IS THE FRUIT WHICH THE VINE OF ISRAEL HAS ELIMINATED? THE FRUIT OF THE DIVINE SERVICE (RASHI); THE WAYS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS (MALBIM); WEALTH AND PROGENY (RADAK) ATULA PRODUCE OF THE FIELDS (MAHARI KARA)**

HOSEA 1 – TREI ASAR

- **INDEED, THE MORE I BESTOWED UPON THEM MY BLESSING OF PLENTY (ABARBANEL SUGGESTS THAT THE FRUIT REFERS TO THE OFFSPRING, WHOSE BEHAVIOR FOLLOW THAT OF THEIR FATHERS) THE MORE THEY PREPARED CALVES FOR THEIR IDOLATROUS ALTARS (RASHI). AND THE MORE I BLESSED THEIR LAND WITH AN ABUNDANCE OF PRODUCE, THE MORE THEY IMPROVED, STRENGTHENED (RADAK) AND INCREASE (MAHARI KARA) THE PILLARS THAT THEY ERECTED TO THEIR FALSE GODS.**

HOSEA 2 – TRE ASAR

- **HOS 10:2 THEIR HEART BECAME SMOOTH. NOW THEY WILL BEAR THEIR GUILT. HE WILL BREAK DOWN THEIR ALTARS. HE WILL DESTROY THEIR SACRED PILLARS.**
- **THEIR HEARTS HAVE PARTED FROM ME AND MY TORAH. THEIR TURNING AWAY FROM ME SHALL BRING ABOUT THE DESTRUCTION OF THEIR ALTARS AND THE PLUNDER OF THE VERY PILLARS INTO WHICH THEY HAVE INVESTED AS MUCH ENERGY AND WEALTH. (RASHI; IBN EZRA; RADAK) IBN EZRA EXPLAINS THE PARTING OF THEIR HEARTS TO MEAN THAT THEY HAVE SPLIT THEIR LOYALTY BETWEEN HASHEM AND OTHER DEITIES. (1 KINGS 18:21)**

HOSEA 4 – TREI ASAR

- **HOS 10:4 THEY SPOKE WORDS–EMPTY OATHS TO MAKE A COVENANT. BUT JUDGMENT SPRINGS UP AS HEMLOCK IN THE FURROWS OF THE FIELD.**
- **THEY UTTER WHICHEVER WORDS ENTER THEIR MINDS, WITH NO JUDGMENT OR DISCRIMINATION WHATSOEVER; THUS DO THEY SWEAR FALSELY AND CONCLUDE PACTS WITH THEIR IDOLS. THEREFORE A JUDGMENT OF PUNISHMENT AND AFFLICTION SHALL SPROUT UP AGAINST THEM AS THE POISONOUS HEMLOCK SPROUTS OVER THE FURROWS OF THE FIELD (RASHI; METZUDOS DAVID)**

HOSEA 5 – TRIE ASAR

- **HOS 10:5 THE INHABITANTS OF SAMARIA WILL QUARREL OVER THE CALVES OF BETH-AVEN. INDEED ITS PEOPLE WILL MOURN OVER IT, BUT ITS PRIESTS WILL TREMBLE OVER IT. FOR ITS GLORY WILL SURELY DEPART FROM IT.**
- **BETH-AVAN IS THE CITY OF BETH-EL (WHERE ONE OF THE TWO CALVES ERECTED BY JEROBOAM WAS PLACED). IT IS CALLED BETH-AVEN, AS IN THE BOOK OF JOSHUA 7:3 (RASHI). ALTERNATIVELY, THIS IS A PEJORATIVE NICKNAME – **CITY OF INIQUITY**- GIVEN TO IT BY THE PROPHETST BECAUSE OF THE ACTIVITIES THAT TOOK PLACE THERE (RADAK; ABARBANEL)**

HOSEA 8 – TRIE ASAR

- **HOS 10:8 THE HIGH PLACES OF AVEN, THE SIN OF ISRAEL WILL BE DESTROYED. THORNS AND THISTLES WILL COME UP ON THEIR ALTARS. AND THEY WILL SAY TO THE MOUNTAINS: “COVER US!” AND TO THE HILLS: “FALL ON US!”**
- **AND IN THEIR HOUR OF GREAT HUMILIATION, THE PEOPLE WILL CRY OUT TO THE MOUNTAINS, “COVER US” AND THEY WILL BEG OF THE HILLS “FALL UPON US (AND THEREBY CONCEAL US)**
- **REV 6:14 THE HEAVEN RIPPED APART LIKE A SCROLL BEING ROLLED UP, AND EVERY MOUNTAIN AND ISLAND WAS MOVED FROM THEIR PLACES.**
- **REV 6:15 THEN THE KINGS OF THE EARTH AND THE GREAT MEN AND THE MILITARY COMMANDERS AND THE RICH AND THE MIGHTY AND EVERYONE–SLAVE AND FREE–HID THEMSELVES IN THE CAVES AND AMONG THE ROCKS OF THE MOUNTAINS.**
- **REV 6:16 AND THEY TELL THE MOUNTAINS AND THE ROCKS, “FALL ON US, AND HIDE US FROM THE FACE OF THE ONE SEATED ON THE THRONE AND FROM THE WRATH OF THE LAMB.**
- **REV 6:17 FOR THE GREAT DAY OF THEIR WRATH HAS COME, AND WHO IS ABLE TO STAND?”**

HOSEA 12 – WHAT WILL IT TAKE TO AVERT JUDGMENT

- **HOS 10:12 SOW FOR YOURSELVES RIGHTEOUSNESS. REAP IN ACCORD WITH COVENANT LOVE. BREAK UP YOUR UNPLOWED GROUND. FOR IT IS TIME TO SEEK ADONAI, UNTIL HE COMES AND SHOWERS RIGHTEOUSNESS ON YOU.**

HOSEA 12 – WHAT WILL IT TAKE TO AVERT JUDGMENT

- CONTINUATION OF THE IMAGE IN HOS 10:11 (PRO 11:18). ACT RIGHTEOUSLY AND YE SHALL REAP THE REWARD; A REWARD NOT OF DEBT, BUT OF GRACE.
- **IN MERCY** – ACCORDING TO THE MEASURE OF THE DIVINE “MERCY,” WHICH OVER AND ABOVE REPAYS THE *GOODNESS* OR “MERCY” WHICH WE SHOW TO OUR FELLOW MAN (LUK 6:38).
- **BREAK ... FALLOW GROUND** – REMOVE YOUR SUPERSTITIONS AND VICES, AND BE RENEWED.
- **SEEK ... LORD, FILL HE COME** – THOUGH NOT ANSWERED IMMEDIATELY, PERSEVERE UNCEASINGLY “*TILL HE COME.*”
- **RAIN** – SEND DOWN AS A COPIOUS SHOWER.
- **RIGHTEOUSNESS** – THE REWARD OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, THAT IS, *SALVATION*, TEMPORAL AND SPIRITUAL (1SA 26:23; COMPARE JOEL 2:23). (JAMIESON-FAUSSET-BROWN COMMENTARY)

PERSONAL AND NATIONAL REPENTANCE

- 1. **SOW** FOR YOURSELVES IN **RIGHTEOUSNESS**. THIS MEANS STOP SINING AND START DOING WHAT IS RIGHT IN ALL THINGS, TO CONSECRATE, TO DO WHAT IS GOOD AND RIGHT. SOWING AND REAPING ALWAYS STAND IN CONTRAST TO EACH OTHER, AS LABOR AND REWARD.
- H2232 זָרַע
- ZARA': A VERB MEANING TO SOW, TO BEAR SEED. IT INDICATES THE ACT OF SOWING THE GROUND OR FIELD OR OF PLANTING SEED (GEN 47:23; EXO 23:16; DEU 22:9; JER 12:13). THE VERB CAN TAKE TWO OBJECTS AND MEAN TO SOW A CITY WITH SALT (JDG 9:45). IT IS USED FIGURATIVELY OF SOWING THE WIND (HOS 8:7). IT IS THE PRODUCT OF A PLANT OR TREE THAT PRODUCES ITS OWN SEED IN ITSELF (GEN 1:11, GEN 1:29).

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- H6666 תְּדָאָה TSEDAQAH
- : A FEMININE NOUN MEANING RIGHTEOUSNESS, BLAMELESS CONDUCT, AND INTEGRITY. THE NOUN DESCRIBES JUSTICE, RIGHT ACTIONS, AND RIGHT ATTITUDES, AS EXPECTED FROM BOTH GOD AND PEOPLE WHEN THEY JUDGE. GOD CAME SPEAKING JUSTICE AND RIGHTEOUSNESS AS THE DIVINE JUDGE (ISA 63:1; JER 9:24 [23]; MIC 7:9); THE LORD'S HOLINESS WAS MADE KNOWN BY HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS IN JUDGMENTS (ISA 5:16; ISA 10:22). HUMAN JUDGES WERE TO IMITATE THE DIVINE JUDGE IN RIGHTEOUSNESS AND JUSTICE (GEN 18:19; 2SA 8:15; PSA 72:3; ISA 56:1).
- THE WORD DESCRIBES THE ATTITUDE AND ACTIONS GOD HAD AND EXPECTED HIS PEOPLE TO MAINTAIN. HE IS UNEQUIVOCALLY RIGHTEOUS; RIGHTEOUSNESS IS ENTIRELY HIS PREROGATIVE. HIS PEOPLE ARE TO SOW RIGHTEOUSNESS, AND THEY WILL RECEIVE THE SAME IN RETURN (HOS 10:12). 2 CORINTHIANS 9:6; GALATIANS 6:7-9

PERSONAL AND NATIONAL REPENTANCE

- REAP H7114B קצר
- QATSAR (894B); A PRIM. ROOT; *TO REAP, HARVEST*: - HARVEST (2), HARVESTS (1), REAP (18), REAPED (2), REAPER (3), REAPERS (7), REAPING (1).

PERSONAL AND NATIONAL REPENTANCE

- **2. REAP IN MERCY. THIS MEANS TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATELY THE MERCY OF GOD EXTENDED TO US. IF WE DO NOT ACCEPT MERCY FROM GOD, IT WILL NOT BE OURS, FOR BOTH SOWING IN RIGHTEOUSNESS AND REAPING IN MERCY IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY.**
- **RIGHTEOUSNESS IS HERE TO DO, AND MERCY IS HERE TO RECEIVE, BUT NEITHER WILL BE A MANS EXPERIENCE UNTIL HE DOES WHAT IS RIGHT AND ACCEPTS THE MERCY PROVIDED. MATTHEW 5:7; MARK 11: 25-26**

PERSONAL AND NATIONAL REPENTANCE

- 3. BREAK UP YOUR FALLOW GROUND
- 5215B נִר נִר NIR OR נִר
- NIR (644C); FROM H5214; TILLABLE, UNTILLED, OR FALLOW GROUND: - FALLOW GROUND (3).

PERSONAL AND NATIONAL REPENTANCE

- **3. BREAK UP YOUR FALLOW GROUND**
- **THIS IS ALSO THE WORK OF MAN. EACH MUST BREAK UP THE GROUND OF HIS OWN LIFE. FALLOW GROUND IS THAT WHICH HAS BEEN PLOWED BUT NOT SOWN; GROUND NOT IN USE; ISLE GROUND IS CRUSTED OVER AND HARDENED UNTIL IT NEEDS TO BE BROKEN UP AGAIN TO RECEIVE SEED.**

PERSONAL AND NATIONAL REPENTANCE

- **3. BREAK UP YOUR FALLOW GROUND**
- **OUR HEARS AND WILL MUST BE BROKEN AND YIELDED TO GOD. WE MUST MAKE OURSELVES WILL TO RECEIVE THE WORD OF GOD AND OBEY IT OR SEEKING HIM WILL NOT AVAIL US ANYTHING.**
- **MATTHEW 13:3-12; 18-23; JAMES 1:18,21; 1 PETER 1:23**

7 WAYS TO SEEK ADONAI

- **WITH ALL THE HEART – DEUTERONOMY 4:29**
- **CONTINUALLY – 1 CHRON. 16:11**
- **BY HUMBLING SELF – 2 CHRON. 7:14**
- **BY PRAYER**

7 WAYS TO SEEK ADONAI

- **BY TURNING FROM SIN – TESHUVAH**
- **BY PREPARING THE HEART – 2 CHRON. 19:3**
- **DILIGENTLY – HEBER 11:6**

10 BLESSINGS OF SEEKING ADONAI

- **HE WILL BE FOUND – 1 CHRON. 28:9**
- **HE WILL HEAR AND ANSWER – 2 CHRON. 7:14**
- **THEY WILL NOT LACK ANY GOOD THING – PSALM 34:9-10**
- **LIFE – PSALM 69:22; AMOS 5:4-6**
- **RIGHTEOUSNESS – HOSEA 10:12**

10 BLESSINGS OF SEEKING ADONAI

- **GLORY –ROMANS 2:7**
- **HONOR**
- **SHALOM – PSALM 23**
- **ETERNAL LIFE**
- **REWARDS – HEBREW 11:6**

SHEMITAH AND JUDGEMENT

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- **IF THE SHEMITAH IS TO MANIFEST IN THE FORM OF JUDGMENT CONCERNING AMERICA AND THE AMERICAN LED WORLD ORDER, AND THE AMERICAN AGE, WE CAN EXPECT SEVERAL THINGS CONCERNING ITS MANIFESTATIONS.**

SHEMITAH AND JUDGMENT

- **THE JUDGMENT WILL AFFIRM THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD OVER ALL THINGS .**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL STRIKE THE REALM OF AMERICA'S BLESSINGS, PROSPERITY, AND SUSTENANCE, AND THAT OF NATIONS.**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL INVOLVE COLLAPSE**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL LAY BARE THE DEPENDENCE OF AMERICA AND MAN ON GOD**

SHEMITAH AND JUDGMENT

- **THE JUDGMENT WILL SEPARATE WEALTH FROM THE WEALTHY AND POSSESSIONS FROM THE OWNER.**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL WIPE AWAY THAT WHICH HAS BEEN BUILT UP THE JUDGMENT WILL LEVEL IMBALANCES AND ERASE ACCOUNTS WITHIN THE NATION AND AMONG NATIONS.**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL CAUSE A CESSATION OF FUNCTIONING AND AN ENDING WITHIN AMERICA AND THE WORLD.**

SHEMITAH AND JUDGMENT

- **THE JUDGMENT WILL BEAR WITNESS AGAINST MATERIALISM WITHIN AMERICAN CIVILIZATION AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL MAKE CLEAR THE LINK BETWEEN AMERICA'S PHYSICAL AND MATERIAL REALM AND THAT OF THE SPIRITUAL.**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL RELEASE ENTANGLEMENTS ATTACHMENTS, AND BONDAGES WITHIN THE NATION AND AMONG THE NATIONS**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL STRIKE AMERICA'S ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL REALMS, AND THAT OF THE NATIONS.**

SHEMITAH AND JUDGMENT

- **THE JUDGMENT WILL IMPACT THE REALMS OF LABOR, PRODUCTION, EMPLOYMENT, CONSUMPTION, REVENUE, AND TRADE.**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL CAUSE PRODUCTION, COMMERCE, TRADE, LABOR, INVESTMENT, PROFIT, AND TRADE TO CEASE OR SEVERELY DECREASE.**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL ANNUL, TRANSFORM, AND WIPE CLEAN THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS OF AMERICA AND THE NATIONS.**

SHEMITAH AND JUDGMENT

- **THE JUDGMENT WILL CAUSE CREDIT TO GO UNPAID AND DEBT TO BE RELEASED WITHIN AMERICA AND THE WORLD.**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL WIPE AWAY THAT WHICH HAS ACCUMULATED IN AMERICA'S FINANCIAL REALM AND THAT OF THE WORLD.**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL MANIFEST AS A SIGN AGAINST A NATION THAT HAS DRIVE GOD OUT OF ITS LIFE, REJECTED HIS WAYS AND PURSUED MATERIAL BLESSINGS AND IDOLS IN HIS PLACE.**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL CAST DOWN THE OBJECTS OF AMERICA'S PRIDE AND GLORY.**

SHEMITAH AND JUDGMENT

- **THE JUDGMENT WILL TOUCH NOT ONLY THE FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC REALMS BUT EVERY REALM OF SOCIETY AND LIFE.**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL WIPE AWAY STRUCTURE OF CULTURE, OF SYSTEMS AND OF CIVILIZATIONS.**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL WIPE AWAY PHYSICAL REALITIES.**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL ALTER THE LANDSCAPE OF NATIONS AND POWERS.**

SHEMITAH AND JUDGMENT

- **THE JUDGMENT WILL INVOLVE AND AFFECT THE RISE AND FALL OF GREAT POWERS.**
- **THE JUDGMENT WILL CALL AMERICA BACK TO GOD.**

SHEMITAH IS A REMINDER...

- **THE SHEMITAH IS THE REMINDER TO ANY NATION OR CIVILIZATION THAT ITS BLESSINGS COME FROM GOD. AND WITHOUT GOD THOSE BLESSINGS CANNOT ENDURE. IT IS A WARNING TO A NATION FOUNDED ON THE PURPOSES OF GOD AND BLESSED BY GOD'S HAND, BUT NOW INCREASINGLY WARRING AGAINST THE GOD OF ITS BLESSINGS. THE SHEMITAH IS A WARNING TO THAT NATION THAT ITS BLESSINGS CANNOT ENDURE WITHOUT GOD.**

IF MY PEOPLE...

- **2CH 7:12 THEN ADONAI APPEARED TO SOLOMON AT NIGHT AND SAID TO HIM: “I HAVE HEARD YOUR PRAYER AND HAVE CHOSEN THIS PLACE FOR MYSELF FOR A HOUSE OF SACRIFICE.**
- **2CH 7:13 IF I SHUT UP HEAVEN THAT THERE IS NO RAIN, OR IF I COMMAND THE LOCUST TO DEVOUR THE LAND, OR IF I SEND PESTILENCE AMONG MY PEOPLE,**
- **2CH 7:14 WHEN MY PEOPLE, OVER WHOM MY NAME IS CALLED, HUMBLE THEMSELVES AND PRAY AND SEEK MY FACE AND TURN FROM THEIR EVIL WAYS, THEN I WILL HEAR FROM HEAVEN AND WILL FORGIVE THEIR SIN AND WILL HEAL THEIR LAND. TLV**

IF MY PEOPLE

- WHICH ARE CALLED BY MY NAME: HEB. UPON WHOM MY NAME IS CALLED
- HUMBLE: 2CH 6:37-39, 2CH 33:12-13, 2CH 33:18-19; LEV 26:40-41; DEU 4:29-30, DEU 30:1-6; EZE 33:11; JAS 4:9-10
- AND PRAY: MATHEW 6:9-15
- SEEK MY FACE: ISA 45:19; LAM 3:40-41
- TURN FROM: PRO 28:13; ISA 55:6-7, ISA 59:20; EZE 18:27-30
- WILL I HEAR: 2CH 6:27, 2CH 6:30, 2CH 6:39