B'har/B'chukotai— On Mount/By My Regulations Torah-Leviticus 25:1-26:2 & Lev. 26:3-27:23 B'rit Hadashah — Luke 4:16-21 & Matt. 22:1-14 Rabbin/Dr. Deborah Brandt

The Year of Jubilee and The Blessings of Obedience

Introduction

On the mountain of Sinai, The Almighty YHVH communicates to Moses the laws of the Sabbatical year: every seventh year, all work on the land should cease, and its produce becomes free for the taking for all, man and beast.

Seven Sabbatical cycles are followed by a fiftieth year—the Jubilee year, on which work on the land ceases, all indentured servants are set free, and all ancestral estates in the Holy Land that have been sold revert to their original owners.

Additional laws governing the sale of lands, and the prohibitions against fraud and usury, are also given. The Almighty YHVH promises that if the people of Israel will keep His commandments, they will enjoy material prosperity and dwell secure in their homeland. But He also delivers a harsh "rebuke," warning of the exile, persecution and other evils that will befall them if they abandon their covenant with Him. Nevertheless, "Even when they are in the land of their enemies, I will not cast them away; nor will I ever abhor them, to destroy them and to break My covenant with them; for I am the YHVH their Elohim."

The Parshah concludes with the rules on how to calculate the values of different types of pledges made to G-d.

The Year of Jubilee

(Lev 25:8 TLV) "You are to count off seven Shabbatot of years—seven times seven years, so that the time is seven Shabbatot of years—49 years.

(Lev 25:9 TLV) Then on the tenth day of the seventh month, on Yom Kippur, you are to sound a shofar blast—you are to sound the shofar all throughout your land.

(Lev 25:10 TLV) You are to make the fiftieth year holy, and proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It is to be a Jubilee to you, when each of you is to return to his own property and each of you is to return to his family.

(Lev 25:11 TLV) That fiftieth year will be your Jubilee. You are not to sow, or reap that which grows by itself, or gather from the untended vines.

(Lev 25:12 TLV) Since it is a Jubilee, it is to be holy to you. You will eat from its increase out of the field.

(Lev 25:13 TLV) In this Year of Jubilee each of you will return to his property.

(Lev 25:14 TLV) "If you sell anything to your neighbor or buy from your neighbor, you are not to wrong one another.

(Lev 25:15 TLV) Corresponding to the number of years after the Jubilee you are to purchase land from your neighbor's hand. He is to sell it to you based on the number of years of crops.

(Lev 25:16 TLV) In proportion to the extent of years you may increase its price, or decrease its price in proportion to the fewness of years, because he is selling a number of harvests to you.

(Lev 25:17 TLV) You are not to cheat one another, but fear your God, for I am Adonai your God.

(Lev 25:18 TLV) "Therefore you are to keep My statutes and observe My ordinances, and carry them out, so that you may live securely in the land.

(Lev 25:19 TLV) Then the land will yield its fruit, and you may eat your fill and live there in safety.

(Lev 25:20 TLV) Now if you ask: What are we to eat during the seventh year if, see, we are not to sow, nor gather in our increase?

(Lev 25:21 TLV) Now I will command My blessing to you in the sixth year, so that it will yield a harvest sufficient for three years.

(Lev 25:22 TLV) When you sow during the eighth year, you will still be eating the old, stored harvest until the harvest of the ninth year comes in.

There are five passages that deal with the Year of Jubilee.

1. Leviticus 25:8–55

2. Leviticus 27:16–25

3. Numbers 36:4 – Marriage of Female Heirs in the Year of Jubilee

(Num 36:2 TLV) They said, "My lord, Adonai commanded to give the land by lot as an inheritance to Bnei-Yisrael. My lord was also commanded by Adonai to give the inheritance of our brother Zelophehad to his daughters.

(Num 36:3 TLV) "If they become wives of men from other tribes of Israel, their inheritance will be taken from our ancestral inheritance and added to the inheritance of the tribe into which they marry. So it will be deducted from the allotment of our inheritance.

(Num 36:4 TLV) **When the Jubilee year comes**, their inheritance will be added to the inheritance of the tribe into which they marry and deducted from the inheritance of our ancestral tribe."

(Num 36:5 TLV) Then Moses commanded Bnei-Yisrael at the mouth of Adonai, "What the tribe of the descendants of Joseph is saying is correct.

(Num 36:6 TLV) This is the word that Adonai commands for the daughters of Zelophehad saying: They may become wives to whomever they please, as long as they marry within the family of the tribe of their father.

(Num 36:7 TLV) So no inheritance may be passed from tribe to tribe among Bnei-Yisrael—each one of Bnei-Yisrael will each keep the inheritance of the tribe of his ancestors.

(Num 36:8 TLV) Every daughter receiving an inheritance in one of the tribes of Bnei-Yisrael should marry within the family of her father's tribe, so that Bnei-Yisrael will each possess the inheritance of his fathers.

(Num 36:9 TLV) No inheritance may pass from tribe to another tribe, for each tribe of Bnei-Yisrael is to keep its inheritance.

4. Isaiah 61:2

In the Mosaic Law, the Year of Jubilee was a year of favor, a year of special grace. Part of the Messiah's mission was to proclaim *the year of Jehovah's favor*. This was part of the message of the First Coming. This is stated to be such in Luke 4:17–19, which quotes this passage. What Yeshua declared was *the year of Jehovah's favor*, that the blessings of the Year of Jubilee were being fulfilled in His messianic mission.

(Luk 4:17 TLV) When the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to Him, He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written,

(Luk 4:18 TLV) "The Ruach Adonai is on me, because He has anointed me to proclaim Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free the oppressed,

(Luk 4:19 TLV) and to proclaim the year of Adonai's favor."

5. Ezekiel 46:17-19

(Eze 46:15 TLV) They will prepare the lamb, the grain offering and the oil, morning by morning, for a continual burnt offering."

(Eze 46:16 TLV) Thus says Adonai Elohim: "If the prince gives a gift to any of his sons as his inheritance, it will belong to his sons. It will be their possession by inheritance.

(Eze 46:17 TLV) But if he gives of his inheritance as a gift to one of his servants, it will be his until the year of liberty, when it will revert to the prince. His inheritance will belong to his sons.

(Eze 46:18 TLV) The prince must not take from the people's inheritance, evicting them wrongfully out of their property. He must give inheritance to his sons out of his own property, so that My people will not be displaced, anyone from his own property."

The fifth passage deals with the Year of Jubilee in the Messianic Kingdom. The verse states that if *the prince* gives a portion of his land to one of his servants as a gift, it is the servant's until the Year of Jubilee, then it is to be returned to *the prince*. Based upon this passage, the Year of Jubilee will be observed in the Kingdom. *The prince* is the resurrected King David. The resurrected King David will be given his own private territory in the Messianic Kingdom. He may choose to give portions of the land to his servants in the Kingdom. However, in the Year of Jubilee, they will be returned to him.

Observations and Conclusions

- 1. First, the Year of Jubilee is to be observed every fifty years, from the end of the fortyninth year until the beginning of the fifty-first year.
- 2. The second observation is that it was to be reckoned from *Yom Kippur* to *Yom Kippur*, from the Day of Atonement until the Day of Atonement. In Leviticus 23, the Day of Atonement fell in the seventh month, not in the first month. The Year of Jubilee was to be reckoned from the tenth day of the seventh month until the following tenth day of the seventh month.
- 3. The third observation is that it was to be announced by a trumpet. There was to be a blowing of a trumpet throughout the Land announcing the beginning of the Year of Jubilee.

- 4. The fourth observation is that it was to include a proclamation of liberty. It was a proclamation of liberty in two senses: first, it meant the release of all Jewish slaves with their families; and secondly, it meant liberty because it included a restoration of property.
- 5. The fifth observation is that the Year of Jubilee was a sabbatical rest for the Land. That meant a total of two years of sabbath rest for the Land. The forty ninth year was a Sabbatical Year, which meant it was a year of sabbath rest for the Land; but the fiftieth year was the Year of Jubilee, and that, too, was to be a sabbath rest for the Land. In those cases, there was a continuous two year period of sabbath rest for the Land.
- 6. **Sixth,** the Year of Jubilee was used to determine the value of property.
- 7. **Seventh**, a house that was within a walled city would not be returned in the Year of Jubilee because there was no property attached to the house itself.
- 8. **Eighth**, a house in an unwalled village would be returned in the Year of Jubilee since it was attached to land and property. It was to be reckoned the same way as the land.
- 9. **The ninth** observation is that, in any case, a house of a Levite is to be returned in the Year of Jubilee, whether the house was in a walled city or in an unwalled village.
- 10. **The tenth** observation is that, in the Year of Jubilee, land was not to go outside the tribe to which it originally belonged. It was to remain within the original tribal territory, regardless of whether or not an intermarriage might have taken place.
- 11. **The eleventh** observation is that the Year of Jubilee was symbolic of the ministry of the Messiah at His First Coming in that He proclaimed freedom from slavery to sin.
- 12. **The twelfth observation** is that the Year of Jubilee will be observed in the Messianic Kingdom. It will be one of those things that will be mandatory in the Messianic Kingdom.¹

PRACTICAL APPLICATION TORAH

A Verse by Verse look at The Blessings of Obedience in Messiah Yeshua

(Lev 26:1 TLV) "You are not to make idols for yourselves, nor raise up an engraved image or a standing-stone, or place any carved stone in your land to bow down to it. For I am Adonai your God.

Ye shall Not: Lev 19:4; Exo 20:4-5, Exo 20:23, Exo 23:24, Exo 34:17; Deu 4:16-19, Deu 5:8-9, Deu 16:21-22, Deu 27:15; Psa 97:7, Psa 115:4-8; Isa 2:20, Isa 44:9-20, Isa 48:5-8; Jer 10:3-8; Act 17:29; Rom 2:22-23; ICo 10:19-20; Rev 13:14-15, Rev 22:15

(Exo 20:1 TLV) Then God spoke all these words saying,

(Exo 20:2 TLV) "I am Adonai your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

(Exo 20:3 TLV) You shall have no other gods before Me.

(Exo 20:4 TLV) Do not make for yourself a graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in

¹ Fruchtenbaum, A. G. (1983). *The Messianic Bible Study Collection* (Vol. 176, pp. 84–89). Tustin, CA: Ariel Ministries.

heaven above or on the earth below or in the water under the earth.

(Exo 20:5 TLV) Do not bow down to them, do not let anyone make you serve them. For I, Adonai your God, am a jealous God, bringing the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me,

(Exo 20:6 TLV) but showing lovingkindness to the thousands of generations of those who love Me and keep My mitzvot.

(Deu 4:15 TLV) "So be very watchful over your souls since you saw no form on the day that Adonai spoke to you in Horeb out of the midst of the fire,

(Deu 4:16 TLV) so that you do not act corruptly and make for yourselves a graven image in the likeness of any figure—the form of a male or female,

(Deu 4:17 TLV) the form of any animal that is on the earth, the form of any winged bird that flies in the sky,

(Deu 4:18 TLV) the form of anything that creeps on the ground, the form of any fish that is in the water under the earth—

(Deu 4:19 TLV) and so that you do not lift up your eyes toward the heavens and see the sun and the moon and the stars—all the heavenly host—and are drawn away and bow down and worship them. Adonai your God has allotted them to all the peoples under all the heavens.

Beware lest you act corruptly The verb **act corruptly** means to sin, do wrong. This is a religious or moral offense, not a crime as such. The Hebrew carries the idea of going to ruin, rottenness, spoiling something that is good—in this case, the sacred relationship between Yahweh and his people. **Beware lest you act corruptly** may also be expressed as "Be careful that you do not disobey Yahweh by ...," or "... that you do not ruin your relationship with Yahweh by ...," or even "... that you do not defile yourselves by...."

A graven image: this is essentially an image or an idol, made of stone (10:1, 3) or wood (5:18) that was carved into the shape of an animal, human being, or some object. In languages where there is no term for graven image or "idol," it will be necessary to translate the underlying meaning and connect it to the rest of the verse. For example, "that you do not disobey Yahweh by carving out the likeness of any living thing, whether a person [or, people] or...." In this context "likeness" means "the image of" or "what looks like."

The form of any figure: as the rest of the verse shows, the prohibition is against making such images, figures, or statues resembling a human being or an animal as a representation of the God of Israel, to be used in worship.

The likeness of a male or female: "that looks like a man or a woman." An alternative translation model for verses 15–16 is:

• 15 Moses said to the people of Israel: "When Yahweh spoke to you from the fire on Mount Sinai, you didn't see him: 16 So make certain [or, be careful] that you do not disobey him by carving out the likeness of [or, what looks like] a man or a woman, ..."²

² Bratcher, R. G., & Hatton, H. A. (2000). <u>A handbook on Deuteronomy</u> (pp. 95–96). New York: United Bible Societies.

All living beings are here grouped under four headings (see Gen 1:26).

Any beast that is on the earth: "any land animal."

Any winged bird that flies in the air: "any [wild] bird."

Anything that creeps on the ground: "any reptile or insect," "any of the smaller animals or insects."

Any fish that is in the water under the earth: this corresponds to the Hebrew concept of the universe as consisting of three parts: the heavens, the earth, and the water under the earth (see 5:8). This water under the earth was the vast subterranean ocean under the surface of the earth, not the lakes and seas on the surface of the earth.

Deut 4:19

This verse prohibits the Israelites from worshiping any of the heavenly bodies; they were regarded by many peoples as representing various gods or being controlled by different gods.

And beware lest: "and be careful not to...."

You lift up your eyes to heaven, and when you see: this is not a prohibition against looking at the sun and the other heavenly bodies, but of worshiping them as gods.

All the host of heaven: a collective term including all heavenly bodies; that is, the sun, the moon, and the stars (Gen 1:16). It is possible to reorder the clauses at the beginning of this verse as follows: "when you look at the sun or moon or stars, don't be tempted to...."

You be drawn away: the verb means "to lead astray," "to entice," "to tempt." This is spiritual apostasy, and we may express this as "Don't let your heart lead you astray to...."

Worship and serve them: these are not two separate actions, but the one action of devoted worship

(Psa 97:6 TLV) The heavens declare His righteousness, and all the peoples have seen His glory. (Psa 97:7 TLV) Let all who serve graven images be ashamed—who boast in idols. Bow down before Him, all you gods!

(1Co 10:18 TLV) Consider physical Israel. Those who eat the sacrifices—aren't they partners in the altar?

(1Co 10:19 TLV) What am I saying then—that an idol sacrifice is anything, or that an idol is anything?

(1Co 10:20 TLV) No, I'm saying that what the pagans sacrifice is to demons and not to God, and I don't want you to become partners with demons.

(1Co 10:21 TLV) You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons. You cannot partake of the table of the Lord and the table of demons.

(1Co 10:22 TLV) Or do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? We are not stronger than He, are we?

(Rev 22:14 TLV) How fortunate are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the Tree of Life and may enter through the gates into the city.

(Rev 22:15 TLV) Outside are the dogs and the sorcerers and the sexually immoral and the

murderers and the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

(Lev 26:2 TLV) You are to keep My Shabbatot and have reverence for My Sanctuary. I am Adonai.

(Isa 56:3 TLV) Do not let a son of a foreigner who has joined himself to Adonai say, 'Adonai will surely exclude me from His people." Nor let the eunuch say, 'Behold, I am a dry tree."

(Isa 56:4 TLV) For thus says Adonai, "To the eunuchs who keep My Shabbatot, who choose what pleases Me, and hold fast My covenant:

(Isa 56:5 TLV) I will give to them in My House and within My walls a memorial and a name better than sons and daughters. I will give them an everlasting name that will not be cut off.

(Isa 56:6 TLV) Also the foreigners who join themselves to Adonai, to minister to Him, and to love the Name of Adonai, and to be His servants—all who keep from profaning Shabbat, and hold fast to My covenant—

(Isa 56:7 TLV) these I will bring to My holy mountain, and let them rejoice in My House of Prayer. Their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be acceptable on My altar. For My House will be called a House of Prayer for all nations."

(Isa 56:8 TLV) Adonai Elohim, who gathers the dispersed of Israel, declares, "I will gather still others to him, to those already gathered."

(Isa 58:12 TLV) Some of you will rebuild the ancient ruins, will raise up the age-old foundations, will be called Repairer of the Breach, Restorer of Streets for Dwelling.

(Isa 58:13 TLV) If you turn back your foot from Shabbat, from doing your pleasure on My holy day, and call Shabbat a delight, the holy day of Adonai honorable, If you honor it, not going your own ways, not seeking your own pleasure, nor speaking your usual speech,

(Isa 58:14 TLV) then You will delight yourself in Adonai, and I will let you ride over the heights of the earth, I will feed you with the heritage of your father Jacob." For the mouth of Adonai has spoken.

(Lev 26:3 TLV) "If you walk in My statutes, keep My mitzvot and carry them out,

The "If" Clauses of Obedience and Blessings. The "If" implies that you have to do something in order to receive. If you, then you will etc.

(Exo 15:26 TLV) He said, "If you diligently listen to the voice of Adonai your God, do what is right in His eyes, pay attention to His mitzvot, and keep all His decrees, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have put on the Egyptians. For I am Adonai who heals you."

(Exo 18:23 TLV) If you do this thing as God so commands you, then you will be able to endure, and all these people will go to their places in shalom."

(Exo 19:5 TLV) Now then, if you listen closely to My voice, and keep My covenant, then you will be My own treasure from among all people, for all the earth is Mine.

(Deu 28:1 TLV) "Now if you listen obediently to the voice of Adonai your God, taking care to do all His mitzvot that I am commanding you today, Adonai your God will set you on high—above all the nations of the earth.

(Deu 28:2 TLV) Then all these blessings will come upon you and overtake you, if you listen to the voice of Adonai your God:

(Deu 28:9 TLV) Adonai will establish you as a holy people for Himself, just as He swore to you—if you keep the mitzvot of Adonai your God and walk in His ways.

(Deu 28:13 TLV) Adonai will make you the head and not the tail, and you will be only above and not below—if you listen to the mitzvot of Adonai your God that I am commanding you today, careful to do them,

(Deu 28:15 TLV) "But if you will not listen to the voice of Adonai your God, to take care to do all His mitzvot and statutes that I am commanding you today, all these curses will come on you and overtake you:

(Deu 28:58 TLV) "If you do not take care to do all the words of this Torah, the things written in this scroll, to fear this glorious and awesome Name, Adonai your God,

(Mat 18:8 TLV) "And if your hand or your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away from you. It's better for you to enter into life crippled or lame than, having two hands or two feet, to be thrown into fiery Gehenna.

(Mat 18:9 TLV) If your eye causes you to stumble, pluck it out and throw it away from you. It's better for you to enter into life with one eye than, having two eyes, to be thrown into fiery Gehenna.

(Joh 14:15 TLV) "If you love Me, you will keep My commandments.

(Joh 15:7 TLV) "If you abide in Me and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it shall be done for you.

(Joh 15:10 TLV) If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

(Joh 15:14 TLV) You are My friends if you do what I command you.

(Rom 8:13 TLV) For if you live according to the flesh, you must die; but if by the Ruach you put to death the deeds of the body, you shall live.

(Rom 10:9 TLV) For if you confess with your mouth that Yeshua is Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

(Lev 26:4 TLV) then I will give you rains in their season, the land will yield its crops, and the trees of the field will yield their fruit.

(Lev 26:5 TLV) Your threshing will last until grape gathering, the grape gathering will last until the sowing time, you will eat your bread to the full, and live securely in your land.

give you rain. +*<u>Deu 11:17</u>; <u>Deu 28:12</u>, <u>1Ki 17:1</u>, <u>Job 5:10</u>; <u>Job 37:11-13</u>; <u>Job 38:25-28</u>, <u>Psa_65:9-13</u>; <u>Psa_68:9</u>; <u>Psa_104:13</u>, <u>Isa_5:6</u>; <u>Isa_30:23</u>, <u>Jer_14:22</u>, <u>Eze_34:26-27</u>, <u>Joe_2:23-24</u>, <u>Amo 4:7-8</u>, +*<u>Mat_5:45</u>, <u>Act_14:17</u>, <u>Jas_5:7</u>; <u>Jas_5:17-18</u>, <u>Rev_11:6</u>.

the land. Lev_25:21, Psa_67:6; Psa_85:12, Eze_34:27; Eze_36:30, Hag_2:18-19, Zec_8:12.

(Psa 65:8 TLV) who stills the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, and the tumult of the peoples.

(Psa 65:9 TLV) Those dwelling in the uttermost parts stand in awe of Your signs. You make morning and evening shout for joy.

(Psa 65:10 TLV) You visit the land and make it abundant, greatly enriching it—the stream of God is full of water. You prepare their grain, for so You have prepared the earth.

(Psa 65:11 TLV) You drench her furrows, leveling the ridges. You soften her with showers, blessing her growth.

(Psa 65:12 TLV) You crown the year with Your goodness. Your wagon tracks drip with abundance.

(Psa 65:13 TLV) Pastures of the wilderness overflow and hills are robed with joy.

(Psa 65:14 TLV) Meadows are clothed with flocks and valleys are covered with grain—they shout for joy, yes, they sing!

(Psa 104:12 TLV) Beside them the birds of the sky dwell—they sing among the branches.

(Psa 104:13 TLV) He waters mountains from His upper rooms. The earth is full of the fruit of Your labors.

(Joh 7:37 TLV) On the last and greatest day of the Feast, Yeshua stood up and cried out loudly, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink.

(Joh 7:38 TLV) Whoever believes in Me, as the Scripture says, 'out of his innermost being will flow rivers of living water."

(Joh 7:39 TLV) Now He said this about the Ruach, whom those who trusted in Him were going to receive; for the Ruach was not yet given, since Yeshua was not yet glorified.

On the last day of the festival, *Hoshana Rabbah*, literally, "on the last day, the great, of the festival." Greek *megalê* ("great") corresponds to Hebrew *rabbah*. The seventh, last day of *Sukkot* was its climax. Throughout the seven days of the festival a special *cohen* had carried water in a gold pitcher from the Pool of Shiloach (Siloam) to be poured into a basin at the foot of the altar by the *cohen hagadol*. It symbolized prayer for rain, which begins the next day, on *Sh'mini Atzeret*; and it also pointed toward the outpouring of the

Ruach HaKodesh on the people of Israel. The rabbis associated the custom with <u>Isa 12:3</u>, "With joy shall you draw water from the wells of salvation." Jewish New Testament Commentary David Stern

(Rev 21:5 TLV) And the One seated upon the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new!" Then He said, "Write, for these words are trustworthy and true."

(Rev 21:6 TLV) Then He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will freely give from the spring of the water of life.

(Rev 21:7 TLV) The one who overcomes shall inherit these things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son.

(Joel 2:23 TLV) So be glad, children of Zion, and rejoice in Adonai, your God. For He gives you the early rain for prosperity, Yes, He will bring down rain for you, the early and latter rain as before.

(Joel 2:24 TLV) **The threshing floors will be full of grain** and the vats will overflow with new wine and fresh oil.

(Joel 2:25 TLV) "I shall restore to you the years that the locust, the swarming locust, the cankerworm and the caterpillar have eaten—My great army that I sent among you."

(Joel 2:26 TLV) "You will surely eat and be satisfied, and praise the Name of Adonai your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. Never again will My people be shamed

(Joel 2:27 TLV) You will know that I am within Israel. Yes, I am Adonai your God—there is no other—Never again will My people be shamed."

(Lev 26:6 TLV) "I will bring shalom in the land, and you will lie down, with no one making you afraid. I will remove dangerous beasts from the land and no sword will pass through your land.

shalom n. Hebrew (shah-LOME) Literally, "peace." An ancient word used as a greeting; it can mean both "hello" and "good-bye" as well as "peace." The word has complex meanings; it comes from the Hebrew root word meaning "complete." Thus, when the word refers to "peace," it represents an ideal state of complete peace.³

In English, the Hebrew word *shalom* is usually translated *peace*—the peace you have because you're whole.

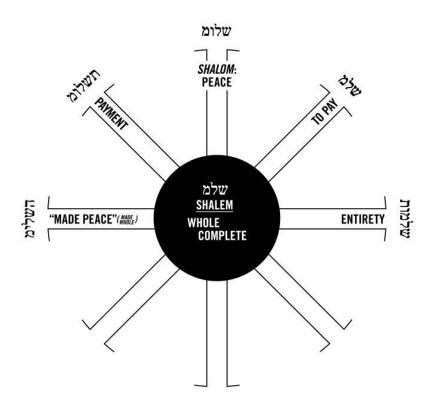
Shalom is part of a word family from the Hebrew root word *shalem*, which means "to be whole, be complete."

The common greeting in Israel is *shalom* which means "Are you whole? Are you complete?"

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³ Eisenberg, J., & Scolnic, E., Jewish Publication Society. (2001). In <u>The JPS dictionary of Jewish words</u> (p. 147). Philadelphia, PA: Jewish Publication Society.

The angels said God is going to bring peace on earth (Luke 2:13-14). They meant He's going to bring man the opportunity to have wholeness with God.



The Hebrew word shalom means "peace, whole, complete and sound."

- \Box The Tenack has many words that stem from the **root word** *shalem*. Solomon completed (*shalem*) the work on the Temple (1 Kings 7:51, *AMPC*).
- o We are a house for God's glory, and the Holy Spirit is making us complete (*shalem*) (1 Corinthians 3:16).
- o As God sees you in Yeshua, He made everything complete for you. Your faith activates this promise in your life.
- □ One word from the root for peace, *shalem*, is *payment*, or *to pay*.
- o If someone commits sin against another, he must repay what was taken plus one-fifth more (Leviticus 6:1-5, 5:16, *Artscroll, AMPC*).
- o The word *restitution* or *repay*, is from the root word, *shalem*—meaning "to bring peace to the injured party."

If someone digs a hole and an animal belonging to someone else falls in, the one who dug must give money to the one whose animal was killed (Exodus 21:33-34).

o *To pay* is from *shalem* meaning "to make whole." The one who owned the animal must be made whole.

When a person makes a vow to God, they shall not fail to pay it (Ecclesiastes 5:4).

- o Pay or make restitution, is also from shalem. The connotation in this scripture is that the one who owed never intended to pay.
- ☐ The same Shunammite woman whose son was raised from the dead, left the country for seven years because of a famine. When she returned, she petitioned the king to restore (*shalem*) her

property. As she entered, Elisha's servant was telling the king how this same woman received a son from the Lord, and he was raised from the dead. The king restored all of her land, and any produce that came from the land while she was gone (2 Kings 8:1-6).

o She had a covenant with God that demanded she be made whole (shalem).

have peace. Joh_14:27; Joh_20:19; Joh_20:21; Joh_20:26, Num_6:26, Psa_29:11, +*Isa_26:3; Isa_54:13, Dan_10:19, Luk_24:36, Rom_2:10; Rom_14:17, *Gal_6:16, *Col_3:15, 1Pe_5:14.

(Psa 23:1 TLV) A psalm of David. Adonai is my shepherd, I shall not want.

(Psa 23:2 TLV) He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.

(Psa 23:3 TLV) He restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for His Name's sake.

(Psa 23:4 TLV) Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me: Your rod and Your staff comfort me.

(Psa 23:5 TLV) You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You have anointed my head with oil, my cup overflows.

(Psa 23:6 TLV) Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the House of Adonai forever.

(Joh 14:27 TLV) "Shalom I leave you, My shalom I give to you; but not as the world gives! Do not let your heart be troubled or afraid.

(Joh 16:33 TLV) These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have shalom. In the world you will have trouble, but take heart! I have overcome the world!"

(Lev 26:7 TLV) You will chase your enemies and they will fall before you by the sword. (Lev 26:8 TLV) Five of you will chase 100 and 100 of you will chase 10,000, and your enemies will fall by the sword before you.

(Psa 91:1 TLV) He who dwells in the shelter of Elyon, will abide in the shadow of Shaddai.

(Psa 91:2 TLV) I will say of Adonai, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.

(Psa 91:3 TLV) For He will rescue you from the hunter's trap and from the deadly pestilence.

(Psa 91:4 TLV) He will cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you will find refuge. His faithfulness is body armor and shield.

(Psa 91:5 TLV) You will not fear the terror by night, nor the arrow that flies by day,

(Psa 91:6 TLV) nor the plague that stalks in darkness, nor the scourge that lays waste at noon.

(Psa 91:7 TLV) A thousand may fall at your side, and ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.

(Psa 91:8 TLV) You will only look on with your eyes and see the wicked paid back.

(Psa 91:9 TLV) For you have made Elyon your dwelling, even Adonai, who is my refuge,

(Psa 91:10 TLV) so no evil will befall you nor any plague come near your tent.

(Psa 91:11 TLV) For He will give His angels charge over you, to guard you in all your ways.

(Psa 91:12 TLV) Upon their hands they will lift you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.

(Psa 91:13 TLV) You will tread upon the lion and cobra, trample the young lion and serpent.

(Psa 91:14 TLV) "Because he has devoted his love to Me, I will deliver him. I will set him securely on high, because he knows My Name.

(Psa 91:15 TLV) When he calls on Me, I will answer him. I will be with him in trouble, rescue him, and honor him.

(Psa 91:16 TLV) With long life will I satisfy him and show him My salvation."

(Lev 26:9 TLV) "I will turn toward you, make you fruitful and multiply you, and I will confirm My covenant with you.

make you fruitful. <u>Gen_17:6-7</u>; <u>Gen_17:20</u>; <u>Gen_26:4</u>; <u>Gen_28:3</u>; <u>Gen_28:14</u>, <u>Exo_1:7</u>; <u>Exo_23:26</u>; <u>Exo_32:13</u>, <u>Deu_1:10</u>; <u>Deu_7:14</u>; <u>Deu_28:4</u>; <u>Deu_28:11</u>; <u>Deu_30:9</u>, <u>Neh_9:23</u>, Psa_107:38.

and multiply you. Gen 1:22; Gen 1:28; Gen 47:27, Exo 23:30; Exo 32:13, Num 22:3, Deu 1:10; Deu 6:3; Deu 7:13; *Deu 8:1; *Deu 13:17, Job 5:25, Heb 11:12 note.

(Lev 26:9 AMPC) For I will be leaning toward you with favor *and* regard for you, rendering you fruitful, multiplying you, and establishing *and* ratifying My covenant with you. [2Ki 13:23]

(Psa 5:13 TLV) For You bless the righteous, Adonai. You surround him with favor as a shield.

(Psa 90:16 TLV) Let Your work appear to Your servants, and Your splendor on their children.

(Psa 90:17 TLV) Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us. Establish the work of our hands for us—yes, establish the work of our hands.

(Jos 1:7 TLV) Only be very strong, and resolute to observe diligently the Torah which Moses, My servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right or to the left, so you may be successful wherever you go.

(Jos 1:8 TLV) This book of the Torah should not depart from your mouth—you are to meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. For then you will make your ways prosperous and then you will be successful.

(Jos 1:9 TLV) Have I not commanded you? Chazak! Be strong! Do not be terrified or dismayed, for Adonai your God is with you wherever you go."

(Lev 26:10 TLV) You will eat the old harvest and clear out the old because of the new. Speaks of blessings of abundance.

ye shall eat old store — Their stock of old corn would be still unexhausted and large when the next harvest brought a new supply.

He then reiterates that they will receive an abundance of food in verse 10. In fact, they will have

so much food that it will take a great deal of time just to eat it all.

They will *eat old store* and, in spite of the increase of the population promised in verse 9, there will be a great amount of food production to feed all of them.⁴

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(Mal 3:9 TLV) You have been cursed with the curse, yet you keep robbing Me—the whole nation!

(Mal 3:10 TLV) Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse. Then there will be food in My House. Now test Me in this"—says Adonai-Tzva'ot—"if I will not open for you the windows of heaven, and pour out blessing for you, until no one is without enough.

(Mal 3:11 TLV) I will rebuke the devouring pest for you, so it will not destroy the fruit of your land, nor will your vine be barren in the field," Adonai-Tzva'ot says.

(Mal 3:12 TLV) "All the nations will call you blessed. For you will be a land of delight," says Adonai-Tzva'ot.

(Lev 26:11 TLV) I will set My Tabernacle among you, and My soul will not abhor you.

I will: Exo_25:8, Exo_29:45; Jos_22:19; 1Ki_8:13, 1Ki_8:27; Psa_76:2, Psa_78:68-69; Psa_132:13-14; Eze_37:26-28; Eph_2:22; Rev_21:3

(Psa 76:2 TLV) In Judah God is known. In Israel His Name is great.

(Psa 76:3 TLV) In Salem is His sukkah and His dwelling place in Zion.

(Psa 78:68 TLV) Instead He chose the tribe of Judah, Mount Zion, which He loved.

(Psa 78:69 TLV) He built His Sanctuary like the heights, like the earth that He established forever.

(Psa 132:13 TLV) For Adonai has chosen Zion, He has desired it for His dwelling:

(Psa 132:14 TLV) "This is My resting place forever. Here I dwell, for I have desired it.

(Psa 132:15 TLV) I will abundantly bless her food. I will satisfy her needy ones with bread.

(Psa 132:16 TLV) I will clothe her kohanim with salvation, and her godly ones will sing aloud for joy.

(Psa 132:17 TLV) There will I make a horn spring up for David, I have set up a lamp for My anointed.

(Eph 2:18 TLV) for through Him we both have access to the Father by the same Ruach.

(Eph 2:19 TLV) So then you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but you are fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household.

(Eph 2:20 TLV) You have been built on the foundation made up of the emissaries and prophets,

⁴ Fruchtenbaum, A. G. (1983). *The Messianic Bible Study Collection* (Vol. 132, p. 7). Tustin, CA: Ariel Ministries.

with Messiah Yeshua Himself being the cornerstone.

(Eph 2:21 TLV) In Him the whole building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple for the Lord.

(Eph 2:22 TLV) In Him, you also are being built together into God's dwelling place in the Ruach.

(Rev 21:2 TLV) I also saw the holy city—the New Jerusalem—coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

(Rev 21:3 TLV) I also heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, "Behold, the dwelling of God is among men, and He shall tabernacle among them. They shall be His people, and God Himself shall be among them and be their God.

(Lev 26:12 TLV) I will walk among you and will be your God, and you will be My people.

I will dwell: Exo_29:45; Lev_26:12; Psa_90:1; Eze_43:7, Eze_43:9; Zec_2:10-11; Joh_6:56; Rom_8:9, Rom_8:11; Eph_3:17; 2Ti_1:14; 1Jn_4:12, 1Jn_4:15; Rev_21:3

I will be: Gen_17:7-8; Jer_24:7, Jer_31:33, Jer_32:38; Eze_11:20, Eze_36:28, Eze_37:26-27; Hos_2:23; Zec_8:8, Zec_13:9; Rom_9:26; Heb_8:10; Rev_21:7

(Eph 3:17 TLV) so that Messiah may dwell in your hearts through faith. I pray that you, being rooted and grounded in love,

(Eph 3:18 TLV) may have strength to grasp with all the kedoshim what is the width and length and height and depth,

(Eph 3:19 TLV) and to know the love of Messiah which surpasses knowledge, so you may be filled up with all the fullness of God.

(2Co 6:15 TLV) What harmony does Messiah have with Belial? Or what part does a believer have in common with an unbeliever?

(2Co 6:16 TLV) What agreement does God's Temple have with idols? For we are the temple of the living God—just as God said, "I will dwell in them and walk among them; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

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(Lev 26:13 TLV) I am Adonai your God, who brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, so that you would not be their slaves, and I have broken the bars of your yoke and made you walk upright.

Torah is The Almighty's Covenant Decree from Genesis to Deuteronomy and into the Renewed Covenant in Messiah Yeshua. He is the one who delivered us, He is the one who broke our bars of bondage and made us free so we can walk in spiritual freedom as His people upright, a people who have hope for their future and in the world to come ruling and reigning with Messiah Yeshua.

I will make: Eze_37:26; Isa_55:3; Jer_31:31-33; Zec_6:13; Heb_13:20

(Isa 55:2 TLV) Why do you spend money for what is not bread? Your wages for what does not satisfy? Listen diligently to Me, and eat what is good, and delight yourself in abundance.

(Isa 55:3 TLV) Incline your ear and come to Me. Listen, so that your soul may live. **I will make** an everlasting covenant with you, the trustworthy loyalty to David.

(Jer 31:31 TLV) "Behold, days are coming"—it is a declaration of Adonai—"when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah—

(Jer 31:32 TLV) not like the covenant I made with their fathers in the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. For they broke My covenant, though I was a husband to them." it is a declaration of Adonai.

(Jer 31:33 TLV) "But this is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days"—it is a declaration of Adonai—"I will put My Torah within them. Yes, I will write it on their heart. I will be their God and they will be My people.

(Eze 34:25 TLV) "I will make a **covenant of shalom** with them. I will remove the evil beasts from the land, so they may dwell safely in the wilderness and sleep in the forest.

(Eze 34:26 TLV) I will make them and the places around My hill a blessing. I will cause the rain to come down in its season. There will be showers of blessing.

(Eze 34:27 TLV) The tree of the field will yield its fruit. The ground will yield its produce. They will be secure in their land. Then they will know that I am Adonai, when I have broken the bars of their yoke and have delivered them from the hand of those who enslaved them.

(Eze 34:28 TLV) They will no longer be prey to the nations. The beast of the earth will not devour them. They will live in security. No one will make them afraid.

(Eze 34:29 TLV) I will make their agriculture renowned. They will no longer be consumed with hunger in the land. They will no longer bear the scorn of the nations.

(Eze 34:30 TLV) They will know that I, Adonai their God, am with them. They, the house of Israel, are My people." It is a declaration of Adonai.

(Eze 34:31 TLV) "So you, My sheep, the sheep of My pasture, you are human, and I am your God." It is a declaration of Adonai Elohim.

(Heb 13:20 TLV) Now may the God of shalom, who brought up from the dead the great Shepherd of the sheep **by the blood of an everlasting covenant, our Lord Yeshua**, (Heb 13:21 TLV) make you complete in every good thing to do His will, accomplishing in us what is pleasing in His sight, through Messiah Yeshua. To Him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.