

אַחֲרֵי

Acharei

(after)

Vayyiqra [Leviticus] 16:1-18:30

הפטרה אחרי

Haftarah Acharei

Yechezqel [Ezekiel] 22:1-16

Sephardim

Amos 9:7 15

Ashkenazim

A Warning to the Wise

Yechezqel (Ezekiel) 22:4

“You have become guilty in your blood that you have shed, and you are defiled in your idols which you have made; and you have caused your days to draw near, and you have come to your years; therefore have I made you a reproach to the nations, and a mocking to all the countries.”

YHWH speaking through the prophet Yechezqel tells Israel that they have become guilty because they have shed innocent blood. Since YHWH is the same yesterday, today and forever, and since He holds all people to the same standard, this warning and this indictment stands in our face today. Why?

Recently in the USA a new president was elected. Shortly after he was sworn into office he signed an executive order funding abortions worldwide. This president and the country that he represents are now guilty of shedding innocent blood all the way around the world. Make no mistake about it, YHWH has taken note of this war against the innocent and He has passed judgment against the USA. And unless the leader of that country repents and changes his course, then when the judgment comes, it will be swift and complete.

What we need to understand at this point is that we do not want to partake in the sin of Babylon and thus partake in the plagues that YHWH will pour out on her.

Gilyana (Revelation) 18:4

And I heard another voice out of the heaven, saying, "Come forth out of her, My people, that you may not partake of her sins, and that you may not receive of her plagues."

What His people need to understand is that it is time to stop participating in the Babylonian system! One of the ways in which many people participate in the Babylonian system is to participate in the election process. Even if the candidate of choice was not the one elected, the very fact that one participates in this system is being a part of a system that is against YHWH and His kingdom. It is time that we stop being a part of that system!

May YHWH cause each one of us to clearly hear this warning and to obey His Voice in this matter.

Yechezqel (Ezekiel) 22:14

"Can your heart endure, or can your hands be strong, in the days that I shall deal with you? I, YHWH, have spoken it, and will do it."

Can we endure the chastening of YHWH? He will discipline those He loves and He will correct those who are His sons.

Ivrim (Hebrews) 12:6

For whom YHWH loves He chastens, And scourges every son whom He receives.

YHWH loves you! YHWH desires for you to be in a relationship with Him as one of His sons. The question is: are you able to be His son and receive the correction that He needs to give to you?

Yechezqel (Ezekiel) 22:15

"And I will scatter you among the nations, and disperse you through the countries; and I will consume your filthiness out of you."

YHWH has already scattered us and dispersed us throughout all the nations of the world. He has not yet purified us and removed from us all our filthiness. This filthiness that YHWH refers to is not filthiness as we would define it. Rather it is filthiness by His definition. And because we must agree with His definition in order to be cleansed, then the question becomes, are we willing to submit to Him in this manner and allow Him to remove all those things that He has said are filthy?

If He cannot separate the filthiness that is within us from us, then He will not give us eternal life!

Do you desire to be a part of His kingdom? I believe that you do. Are you willing to stop being a part of the kingdoms of this world? The clock is ticking and time is running out for you to make a decision. If

you wait too long, then you will find yourself on the wrong side and in the wrong group on the day of separation.

Qorintyah Bet (2nd Corinthians) 6:2

For He says,

***“At an acceptable time I listened to you,
And in a day of salvation did I help you;”***

Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

Right now today is the day of salvation. It does not matter what has happened in the past. It does not matter what will happen in the future. Right now this very instant is what matters. Are you in a right relationship with YHWH through Adonenu Yeshua our Mashiach?

Ivrim (Hebrews) 3:15

While it is said,

***Today if you shall hear His voice,
Do not harden your hearts, as in the provocation.***

ABBA YHWH, open our ears that we may hear Your Voice and that we may heed the warning; in the name of Yeshua our Mashiach. Amein.

Shabbat shalom

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