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¹ In the seventh year, in the fifth month, on the tenth day of the month, certain of the elders of Israel came to inquire of the LORD, and sat before me. / they wanted to do what? Why now? These people should have read: Ezekiel 18. If God has spoken once; pay attention. Why repeat Himself?

² Then **the word of the LORD** came to me,

³ Son of man, speak to the elders of **Israel**, and ask them, Thus says the LORD God; **did you come to question Me?** As I live, says the LORD God, I will not be questioned by you / He had nothing more to say to the Sanhedrin.

⁴ Will you judge them, son of man, will you judge them? Let them know the disgusting deeds of their fathers:

⁵ say to them, Thus says the LORD God; In the day I chose **Israel**, and lifted My hand pledging... the offspring of the house of **Jacob** / the scoundrel, and made Myself known to them in the land of Egypt, when I lifted My hand to them, I the LORD your God said;

⁶ On that day I pledged to them that I would bring them from the land of Egypt... to a land I spied out for them, flowing with milk and honey, which is the glory of all lands:

⁷ then I said to them, everyone throw away the revolting things you see / your vain imaginations, and do not defile yourselves with the idols of Egypt: **I am the Lord your God.**



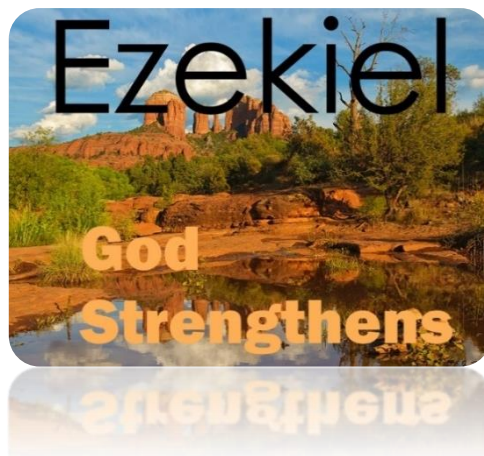
⁸ But they rebelled against Me, and would not listen to Me; no one threw away the revolting things they imagined, nor did they forsake the idols of Egypt.

Then I said, I will pour out My wrath on them, to spend My anger against them among the land of Egypt;

⁹ but I acted for the sake of My Name, that it is **not** disrespected in the sight of the nations, among whom they lived, in whose sight I made Myself known to them, bringing them from the land of Egypt.

¹⁰ So I led them from the land of Egypt, and brought them into the wilderness.

¹¹ I gave them My statutes, and showed them My judgments, that if a person does them, he **will live** / Moses repeatedly told them: write the 10 instructions on their hands and minds; on their doors and gates as they come and go; and talk about them with your children morning and evening; as you walk along the way; 10 instructions and no more, to do them -- Deut. 5.





¹² Also I gave them My sabbaths, **as a sign / as a mark**... between Me and them / many people want to know what is... **the mark of the beast**; for decades, we have heard every strange thing from tattoos, credit cards, and digital chips implanted in the hand or forehead to be read like a can of tomatoes.

No! Nothing could be further from the truth. **The mark of the beast is: the beast's mark**. If you really want to know what it is, then **ask the beast**. They are not shy to tell us. It has been in their writing for centuries. It was the roman church council (336AD) ... at Laodicea, the last and worst expression of the church that makes the Lord want to vomit. They got the absurd idea to change worship from the Sabbath to the roman pagan day stolen from Egypt... **worshipping the Sun**... establishing Sun-day. For 300 years after the Resurrection, followers of Jesus the Messiah kept the Sabbath day. Rome acknowledges **Sunday worship as their mark of authority** over the Scriptures. When Messiah returns in glory He will set them straight.

I gave them My sabbaths, **as a mark**, between Me and them, that they know

I am the LORD who sanctifies them / the Sabbath is the Creators mark, He sanctifies us.

¹³ But **the house of Israel** rebelled against Me in the wilderness: they did **not** walk in My statutes, but rejected My judgments, that if a person does them, he will live; and they greatly disrespected My sabbaths / the roman church now taking the lead has irreverently and entirely rewritten all 10 instructions; making the houses of Israel and Judah look like juvenile delinquents.

Then I said I would pour out My wrath on them in the wilderness, to destroy them.

¹⁴ But I acted for the sake of My Name, that it is **not** disrespected in the sight of the nations, before whose sight I brought them out.

¹⁵ Also I pledged to them in the wilderness, that I would **not** bring them to the land which I had given them which is the glory of all lands, flowing with milk and honey;

¹⁶ because they rejected My judgments, and did **not** walk in My statutes, but disrespected My sabbaths, for their hearts went after their idols / since 336AD most of churchianity has done that; fixating on the works of their hands, things of stone, metal, wood or clay.

¹⁷ Nevertheless, My eye spared them, I did **not** destroy them, I did **not** annihilate them in the wilderness / though all the complaining adults over 20 years... dropped dead there.

¹⁸ And I said to **their children** in the wilderness,

Do **not** walk in the statutes of your fathers, do **not** keep / guard to protect... **their judgments**, do **not** defile yourselves with their idols / our Father God in heaven says... some fake fathers on earth are NOT worth listening to; which does **not** mean dishonor them, but certainly ignore them:

¹⁹ **I am the LORD** your God;

walk in My statutes, be careful to **keep** My judgments, and **do** them;

²⁰ **Hallow** / keep sacred... **My sabbaths; they are a mark between Me and you** / these 10 words were to be written on our minds and hearts, taught to our children, and to their children, and bind them, tie them to you **as a mark on your hand and your forehead** – **Deuteronomy 6:6-8**, that you know

I am the LORD your God / who as our Creator first consecrated the 7th day as a day of rest in the Garden of Eden; and as our Liberator - Redeemer led His people out of slavery in Egypt. You know the Lord God has a calendar – **Moses tells us about it in Leviticus 23**, too bad the church thought they could create a better calendar, a liturgical calendar... that completely ignores His calendar.

²¹ But the children rebelled against Me: they did **not** walk in My statutes, they did **not keep** My judgments to **do** them, that if a person **does** them, he will live;

instead, they disrespected **My sabbaths**. Then I said, I would pour out My wrath on them, to accomplish My anger against them in the wilderness.

²² Nevertheless I withdrew My hand for the sake of My Name, that it be **not** disrespected in the sight of the nations, in whose sight I brought them forth / **yet another time** God kindly changed His mind, dealing with this rebellious House of Israel – He is longsuffering to his own hurt.

²³ Moreover, I pledged to them also in the wilderness, that I would scatter them among the nations, and disperse them through the countries;

²⁴ because they did **not** obey My judgments, but rejected My statutes, and disrespected **My sabbaths**, and their eyes were fixated on the idols of their fathers.



²⁵ ~~So, I permitted them statutes that were **not** good, and judgments whereby they should **not** live~~ / they didn't do the 10 commands, so they were piled on with more rules, regulations, procedures, guidelines and instructions – laws that were evil, and customs that would not bring them life. They rejected Him, so He rejected them... allowing them to sink in their disgusting pagan customs...



²⁶ ~~I judged them unclean in “their gifts” ... as they burned their firstborn children alive – that I might destroy them, to the end that they might know / so they have a lesson to learn~~

I am the LORD.

²⁷ So, son of man, speak **to the house of Israel** / **those governed by God**, and say to them, Thus says the LORD God; Yet in this your fathers blasphemed Me, as they trespassed against Me / always stepping over the line, doing things that never entered the mind of God.

²⁸ When I brought them to the land I pledged to give to them, wherever they saw a high hill or a leafy tree, there they offered “their sacrifices”... there they presented their annoying offerings: there they also made their soothing aromas / covering up the stinking burnt flesh,

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and there they poured out their libations / there after murdering their babies, they got drunk.

²⁹ (I asked them, What is this ‘high place’ where you go? So, its name is called Bamah to this day) / nearly sounds 21st century chic, doesn't it?

³⁰ So, say to **the house of Israel** : to those allegedly governed by God, Thus says the LORD God; will you defile yourself after the manner of your fathers? fornicating after detestable things?

³¹ For when you offer “your gifts” when you make your children pass through the fire / it makes you wonder to whom they thought they were offering their gifts, doesn't it? and though only a depraved mind could invent such a demonic feat... it's astonishing what parents did; and continued to do; still happening in many countries... even in the west... while the Lord God is astonished and must wonder what to do next, other than destroy all the people. Surely their gifts weren't acceptable to the LORD;

you pollute yourselves with all your idols, **even to this day**: and will I be questioned by you, **O house of Israel**? / the perverted house no longer ruled by God had become the prototype of the depraved Herodians. Did they really think that God would answer them?

As I live, says the LORD God, I will **not** be questioned by you / Herod at the trial wanted Jesus to work a miracle; but Jesus had nothing to say; He had said enough. John the Baptist had gone before Him preparing hearts and he was murdered; when the Lord has nothing to say to you, you're good as dead.

³² And what comes to your mind will **not** happen; when you say, **We will be like the nations, like all the goofy families of the earth, who serve wood and stone.** / The Lord differed with those geniuses 2500 years ago. I bet He also differs with and will outlive some of those in our genius generation who have grandiose plans. He has an agenda, what He says will happen:

³³ As I live, says the LORD God, surely with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with wrath poured out, I will rule over you / I bet He also comes with a rod of iron:

³⁴ And I will bring you from the nations, and will gather you from the **earth** where you were scattered, with a mighty hand, with an outstretched arm, and with wrath poured out.

³⁵ And I will take you to **a great wilderness of the nations, there I will enter into judgment with you face to face** / where **Ephraim** and **Manasseh** are; His Day of Judgment will happen.

³⁶ as I entered into judgment with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so I will enter into judgment with you, says the LORD God / He said it twice, so pay attention.



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³⁷ I will make you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant / this is when Messiah comes with a rod of iron; into the grand, uncluttered Covenant of Sinai:

³⁸ And I will **purge** from you the rebels and those who transgress against Me: I will bring them from the place where they sojourn / a cleaning will take place; I bet many will be brought out in body bags, they will **not** enter into the land of **Israel**:

and you will know / so they are going to school to learn some lesson; and what is the lesson?

I am the LORD.

³⁹ As for the rest of you, **O house of Israel**, thus says the LORD God; Go, serve everyone his idols / God says, get gone; **later**, you will listen to Me: and you will **not** pollute My Holy Name with “your gifts” and with “your idols” / He has one idol already, His only Son made in His image.

⁴⁰ For on My holy mountain, on the mountain height of Israel, the Lord God says, there will be **the whole house of Israel**, every one of them in the land, worshipping Me / in the later days: there I will accept them, there I will require your offerings, and the first-fruits of your oblations, with all your holy things.

⁴¹ I will accept you with your fragrant aromas, after I bring you from the nations, and gather you from where you were scattered; as I am consecrated in you before the nations.

⁴² And you will know / so I guess some lessons are just hard to learn, and how about this one? Oh!

I am the LORD, when I bring you to the land of **Israel**, to the country which I pledged to give your fathers.

⁴³ There you will remember your ways, and all your doings where you were defiled; and you will loathe yourself in your own sight for all the evil that you committed.

⁴⁴ And you will know / so they are still going to school to learn some lesson

I am the LORD,

when for the sake of My Name, I dealt with you... **not** according to your evil ways, **not** according to your corrupt doings, **O house of Israel**, says the Lord God.

⁴⁵ Now the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

⁴⁶ Son of man, set your face toward the south, and speak out against the south, and prophesy against the forest of the Negev;

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⁴⁷ And say to the forest of the Negev, Hear the word of the LORD; Thus says the Lord God; Indeed I will kindle a fire in you and it will consume every green tree in you, and every dry tree: the blazing flame will **not** be quenched, and the whole surface from the south to the north will be burned by it / every generation must pay attention, the Lord knows someone is listening, it makes you wonder what's going on there in the south; in the Negev, doesn't it?

⁴⁸ And all flesh will see that I the LORD have kindled it: it will **not** be quenched.

⁴⁹ Then I said, Ah LORD God! They say of me, is he **not** just speaking parables? / Ezekiel says to the Lord, Is He not just a story-teller? **No**, He is not!

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