

The Garden Part 3 The Bitter Waters

Job 14:7-9 (NKJV) ""For **there is hope for a tree**, If it is cut down, that it will sprout again, And that its tender shoots will not cease. [8] Though its root may **grow old in the earth**, And its stump **may die in the ground**, [9] Yet **at the scent of water** it will bud And bring forth branches like a plant."

John 11:25-26 (NKJV) Jesus said to her, "**I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.**"^[26] And **whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"**

Lev 26:4 (NKJV) then **I will give you rain in its season**, the **land shall yield its produce**, and the **trees of the field shall yield their fruit**.

Isa 45:8 (NKJV) "**Rain down, you heavens**, from above, And let the skies **pour down righteousness**; **Let the earth open**, let them bring forth **salvation [Yeshua]**, And let righteousness spring up together. I, the LORD, have created it.

Isaiah 55:10-11 (NKJV)^[10] "**For as the rain comes down**, and **the snow from heaven**, And do not return there, **But water the earth, And make it bring forth and bud**, That it may give seed to the sower And **bread** to the eater,^[11] **So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth**; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper *in the thing* for which I sent it.

Deu 32:1-2 (KJV) **Give ear**, O ye **heavens**, and I will speak; and hear, O **earth**, **the words of my mouth**.^[2] **My doctrine shall drop as the rain**, **my speech shall distil [cleanse, disinfect, sanitize, clean, filter] as the dew**, as the small rain upon the **tender herb**, and as the **showers upon the grass**:

Psa 46:4-5 (NKJV) *There is* a **river** whose streams **shall make glad the city of God**, **The holy place of the tabernacle of the Most High**.^[5] *God is* in the midst of her, she shall not be moved; God shall help her, **just at the break of dawn**.

Psa 36:7-11 (NKJV) "How precious *is* Your lovingkindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Your wings. [8] They are abundantly satisfied with the fullness of Your house, And **You give them drink from the river of Your pleasures [eden:H5730]**. [9] For with You *is* the fountain of life; **In Your light we see light**. [10] Oh, **continue Your lovingkindness to those who know You**, And Your righteousness to the upright in heart. [11] **Let not the foot of pride come against me**, And let not the hand of the wicked drive me away."

Psa 16:11 (NKJV) **You will show me the path of life**; In Your presence *is* fullness of joy; At **Your right hand are pleasures** forevermore.

Rev 8:10-11 (KJV) And the **third angel sounded**, and there **fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp**, [lampas G2985] and it fell upon **the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters**;^[11] And **the name of the star is called Wormwood**; and **the third part of the waters became wormwood**; and many men died of the waters, because they were made **bitter [G4087 pikrainu]**.

Rev 12:9,12 (NKJV) So **the great dragon was cast out**, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, **who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth**, and his angels were cast out with him...^[12] Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! **Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea!** For **the devil has come down to you**, having great wrath, because **he knows that he has a short time**."

Rom 7:23 (KJV) But I see another law **in my members**, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to **the law of sin which is in my members**.

Col 3:5-7 (NKJV) Therefore **put to death your members which are on the earth**: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.^[6] **Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience**,^[7] in which **you yourselves once walked** when you lived in them.

Psa 119:105 (KJV) **Thy word is a lamp** unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

1John 4:1 (NKJV) Beloved, **do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits**, whether they are of God; because many **false prophets** have gone out into the world.

Deu 29:18-20 (KJV) Lest there should **be among you** man, or woman, or family, or tribe, **whose heart turneth away** this day from the LORD our God, to go *and* serve the gods of these nations; lest there should be **among you a root that beareth gall and wormwood**; ^[19] And it come to pass, when he heareth the words of this curse, that he bless himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, **though I walk in the imagination of mine heart**, to add drunkenness to thirst:

Prov 14:12 (NKJV) There is **a way that seems right to a man**, **But its end is the way of death**.

Prov 3:13, 18 (KJV) Happy *is* the man *that* findeth **wisdom**, and the man *that* getteth **understanding**...^[18] **She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her**: and happy *is every one* that retaineth her.

Psalms 119:103 (KJV) How **sweet are thy words unto my taste!** *yea, sweeter* than honey to my mouth!

Prov 5:1-6 (NKJV) **My son, pay attention to my wisdom**; Lend your ear **to my understanding**, ^[2] That you may preserve discretion, And **your lips may keep knowledge**. ^[3] For **the lips of an immoral woman drip honey**, And her mouth *is smoother than oil*; ^[4] **But in the end she is bitter as wormwood, Sharp as a two-edged sword**. ^[5] **Her feet go down to death**, **Her steps lay hold of hell**. ^[6] Lest you ponder *her* path of life-- **Her ways are unstable**; You do not know *them*.

Deu 18:20-22 (NKJV) But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in My name, which **I have not commanded** him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, **that prophet shall die**.^[21] And if you say in your heart, **'How shall we know the word which the LORD has not spoken?'**--^[22] when a prophet speaks in the name of the LORD, if the thing does not happen or come to pass, that *is* the thing which the LORD has not spoken; **the prophet has spoken it presumptuously; you shall not be afraid of him**.

Prov 5:7-23 (NKJV) Therefore hear me now, *my children*, And do **not depart from the words of my mouth**.^[8] Remove your way far from her, And do not go near the door of her house,^[9] **Lest you give your honor to others, And your years to the cruel one**; ^[10] Lest aliens be filled with your wealth, And your labors *go* to the house of a foreigner;^[11] And you mourn at last, When your flesh and your body are consumed,^[12] And say: **"How I have hated instruction, And my heart despised correction!**"^[13] **I have not obeyed the voice of my teachers, Nor inclined my ear to those who instructed me!**^[14] **I was on the verge of total ruin, In the midst of the assembly and congregation.**"^[15] **Drink water from your own cistern, And running water from your own well**.^[16] Should your fountains be dispersed abroad, Streams of water in the streets?^[17] Let them be only your own, And not for strangers with you.^[18] **Let your fountain be blessed, And rejoice with the wife of your youth**.^[19] *As a loving deer and a graceful doe*, Let her breasts satisfy you at all times; And always be enraptured with her love.^[20] **For why should you, my son, be enraptured by an immoral woman, And be embraced in the arms of a seductress?**^[21] For the ways of man *are* before the eyes of the LORD, And He ponders all his paths.^[22] **His own iniquities entrap the wicked man, And he is caught in the cords of his sin**.^[23] **He shall die for lack of instruction [discipline]**, And in the greatness of his folly he shall go astray.

Jer 9:13-16 (NKJV) And the LORD said, **"Because they have forsaken My law** which I set before them, **and have not obeyed My voice, nor walked according to it**,^[14] but **they have walked according to the dictates of their own hearts and after the Baals**, which their fathers taught them,"^[15] therefore thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: **"Behold, I will feed them, this people, with wormwood, and give them water of gall to drink**.^[16] **I will scatter them also among the Gentiles**, whom neither they nor their fathers have known. And **I will send a sword after them until I have consumed them**."

Jer 23:11, 17-17 (NKJV) "For **both prophet and priest are profane; Yes, in My house I have found their wickedness,**" **says the LORD**...^[15] "Therefore thus says the LORD of hosts concerning the prophets: **'Behold, I will feed them with wormwood, And make them drink the water of gall; For from the prophets of Jerusalem Profaneness has gone out into all the land**.'"^[16] Thus says the LORD of hosts: **"Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you. They make you worthless**; They speak a vision of their own heart, Not from the mouth of the LORD.^[17] They continually say to those who despise Me, 'The LORD has said, "You shall have peace" '; **And to everyone who walks according to the dictates of his own heart**, they say, 'No evil shall come upon you.' "

Exo 15:25-26 (NKJV) So he cried out to the LORD, and the LORD **showed him a tree.** **When he cast it into the waters, the waters were made sweet.** There **He made a statute and an ordinance for them.** And there He tested them, ^[26] and said, "**If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians.** For I *am* the LORD who heals you."

Amos 6:12 (NKJV) Do horses run on rocks? Does *one* plow *there* with oxen? Yet **you have turned justice into gall,** And **the fruit of righteousness into wormwood,**

Lam 3:15-21 (KJV) **He hath filled me with bitterness, he hath made me drunken with wormwood.** ^[16] He hath also broken my teeth with gravel stones, he hath covered me with ashes. ^[17] And thou hast removed my soul far off from peace: I forgot prosperity. ^[18] And I said, **My strength and my hope is perished from the LORD:** ^[19] **Remembering mine affliction and my misery, the wormwood and the gall.** ^[20] **My soul hath them still in remembrance, and is humbled in me.** ^[21] This I recall to my mind, **therefore have I hope.**

Luke 22:31-32 (NKJV) And the Lord said, "**Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat.**" ^[32] But I have prayed for you, that your faith should not fail; **and when you have returned to Me, strengthen your brethren."**

Mat 4:1 (KJV) Then was **Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil.**

2Thess 2:9-12 (NKJV) The coming of the *lawless one* is according to the working of Satan, with all power, **signs, and lying wonders,** ^[10] and with all **unrighteous deception** among those who perish, **because they did not receive the love of the truth,** that they might be saved. ^[11] And **for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie,** ^[12] that they all may be condemned who **did not believe the truth** but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

Rom 3:10 (NKJV) As it is written: "***There is none righteous, no, not one;***

Rom 3:19,23 (NKJV) Now we know that **whatever the law says,** it says to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped, and **all the world may become guilty before God...** ^[23] **For all have sinned,** and come short of the glory of God;

Luke 13:32 (NKJV) And He said to them, "**Go, tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I shall be perfected.'**"

Exo 23:30 (NKJV) **Little by little I will drive them out from before you,** until you have increased, and you inherit the land.

Deu 7:22 (NKJV) And the LORD your God will **drive out those nations before you little by little; you will be unable to destroy them at once,** lest the beasts of the field become *too* numerous for you.

Heb 3:13 (NKJV) but **exhort one another daily,** while it is called "**Today,**" lest any of you [us] be hardened through **the deceitfulness of sin.**

Eze 31:4-5 (KJV) **The waters made him great,** the deep [tehom] set him up on high **with her rivers running round about his plants,** and **sent out her little rivers unto all the trees of the field.** ^[5] Therefore **his height was exalted above all the trees of the field,** and his boughs were multiplied, and his branches became long because of **the multitude of waters,** when he shot forth.

Ezek 31:14-18 (NKJV) "So that **no trees by the waters may ever again exalt themselves for their height**, nor set their tops among the thick boughs, **that no tree which drinks water may ever be high enough** to reach up to them. For **they have all been delivered to death**, To the depths of the earth, Among the children of men who go down to the Pit.' [15] "Thus says the Lord GOD: **'In the day when it went down to hell**, I caused mourning. I covered the deep because of it. **I restrained its rivers, and the great waters were held back**. I caused Lebanon to mourn for it, and **all the trees of the field wilted because of it**. [16] 'I made the nations shake at the sound of its fall, when **I cast it down to hell together with those who descend into the Pit; and all the trees of Eden**, the choice and best of Lebanon, **all that drink water**, were comforted in the depths of the earth [Prov 14:32]. [17] **'They also went down to hell with it, with those slain by the sword**; and *those who were its strong arm* dwelt in its shadows among the nations. [18] 'To which of the **trees in Eden** will you then be likened in glory and greatness? Yet **you shall be brought down with the trees of Eden to the depths of the earth; you shall lie in the midst of the uncircumcised, with those slain by the sword**. This *is Pharaoh and all his multitude*,' says the Lord GOD.'"

Psa 1:1-4 (NKJV) "Blessed *is* the man Who walks **not** in the **counsel of the ungodly**, Nor stands in the **path of sinners**, Nor **sits in the seat of the scornful**; [2] **But his delight is in the law of the LORD**, And **in His law he meditates day and night**. [3] **He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water**, That **brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither**; And whatever he does shall prosper. [4] **The ungodly are not so, But are like the chaff which the wind drives away.**"

1Cor 15:33 (NKJV) **Do not be deceived**: "Evil company corrupts good habits."

Gen 2:10-15 (KJV) "And **a river** went out of **Eden** to water the garden; **and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads** [ro'sh:H7218].

We will continue this conversation next Shabbat!

Shabbat Shalom!