

*Greetings, today our manna is 1Sam. 12 Romans 10; Jeremiah 49; Psalms 26 & 27*

## *August 20 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective*

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### **1Sam. 12 Excerpt on the ‘setting’ of Samuel’s address – Expositor’s Bible: 12:1**

... The present audience represented the army, undoubtedly a great multitude, that had gone forth with Saul to relieve **Jabesh-Gilead**, and that now came with Samuel to Gilgai to renew the kingdom. As the audience now seems to have been larger, so it very probably represented more fully the whole of the twelve tribes of Israel. This may explain to us why Samuel not only returned to the subject on which he had spoken so earnestly before, but enlarged on it at greater length, and appealed with more fullness to his own past life as giving weight to the counsels which he pressed upon them. Besides this, the recognition of Saul as king at Gilgal was more formal, more hearty, and more unanimous than at Mizpeh, and the institution of royalty was now more an established and settled affair. No doubt, too, Samuel felt that, after the victory at Jabesh-Gilead, he had the people in a much more impressible condition than they had been in before; and while their minds were thus so open to impression, it was his duty to urge on them to the very uttermost the truths that bore on their most vital well-being...

#### **Samuel's Farewell Address**

**1Sa 12:1** And Shemu’el said to all Yisra’el, **“Look, I have listened to your voice in all that you said to me, and have set a sovereign over you.”**

**1Sa 12:2** “And now, look, the sovereign is walking before you. And I am old and grey, and look, my sons are with you. **And I have walked before you from my youth to this day.**”

**1Sa 12:3** “Look, here I am. Witness against me before יהוה and before His anointed: Whose ox have I taken, or whose donkey have I taken, or whom have I oppressed? Whom have I abused, or from whose hand have I received any bribe with which to blind my eyes? – then I restore it to you.”

**1Sa 12:4** And they said, “You have not oppressed us or abused us, nor have you taken any *bribe* from anyone’s hand.”

**1Sa 12:5** So he said to them, **“יהוה is witness against you, and His anointed is witness today, that you have found naught in my hand.”** And they answered, **“He is witness.”**

Samuel retells Israel’s history and the faithfulness of YHWH in the midst of a long history of unfaithfulness and rebellion.

**1Sa 12:6** And Shemu’el said to the people,

- **“It is יהוה who appointed Mosheh and Aharon, and who brought your fathers up**

from the land of Mitsrayim.

1Sa 12:7 “And now, stand still, so that I judge you before יהוה concerning all the righteous acts of יהוה which He did to you and your fathers:

- 1Sa 12:8 “When Ya’aqob had come to Mitsrayim, and your fathers cried out to יהוה, then יהוה sent Mosheh and Aharon, who brought your fathers out of Mitsrayim and made them dwell in this place.
- 1Sa 12:9 “But they forgot יהוה their Elohim, so He sold them into the hand of Sisera, commander of the army of Hatsor, and into the hand of the Philistines, and into the hand of the sovereign of Mo’ab. And they fought against them.
- 1Sa 12:10 “And they cried out to יהוה, and said, ‘We have sinned, because we have forsaken יהוה and served the Ba’als and the Ashtaroth. And now, deliver us from the hand of our enemies, and we serve You.’
- 1Sa 12:11 “And יהוה sent Yerubba’al, and Bedan, and Yiphtah, and Shemu’el, and delivered you out of the hand of your enemies round about, and you dwelt in safety.
- 1Sa 12:12 “And when you saw that Nahash sovereign of the children of Ammon came against you, you said to me, ‘No, but let a sovereign reign over us,’ when יהוה your Elohim was your sovereign.

YHWH let them have a king over them but that did not negate their obedience to YHWH.

1Sa 12:13 “And now,

- here is the sovereign whom you have chosen and whom you have asked. And see, יהוה has set a sovereign over you.
- 1Sa 12:14 “If you fear יהוה, and shall serve Him and obey His voice, and not rebel against the command of יהוה, then both you and the sovereign who reigns over you shall follow יהוה your Elohim.
- 1Sa 12:15 “But if you do not obey the voice of יהוה, and shall rebel against the mouth of יהוה, then the hand of יהוה shall be against you, as it was against your fathers.

1Sa 12:16 “And now, stand and see this great matter which יהוה does before your eyes:

Samuel had to TELL the people what evil they had done in requesting an ‘earthly king’ to reign over them. They didn’t get it. Therefore, Samuel calls to YHWH to send thunder and rain that day which YHWH does. In this way they can SEE a physical manifestation sent by their Living Elohim and they greatly feared.

1Sa 12:17 “Is today not the wheat harvest? Let me call to יהוה, so that He sends

thunder and rain – know then and see that your evil is great, which you have done in the eyes of יהוה, in asking for yourselves a sovereign.”

1Sa 12:18 And Shemu'el called to יהוה, and יהוה sent thunder and rain that day. And all the people greatly feared יהוה and Shemu'el.

1Sa 12:19 And all the people said to Shemu'el, “Pray for your servants to יהוה your Elohim, that we do not die, for we have added to all our sins *this* evil of asking for ourselves a sovereign.”

1Sa 12:20 And Shemu'el said to the people, “Do not fear. You have done all this evil.

The evil that had been done was done. Now, if they were sincerely repenting; they would walk according to the ways of YHWH.

**Only, do not turn aside from following יהוה. And you shall serve יהוה with all your heart.**

1Sa 12:21 and **do not turn aside after worthless matters** which do not profit or deliver, for they are worthless.

YHWH had shown His lovingly committed ways to His people; but they constantly whored among the nations. To this day, many of His people do not diligently seek Him nor do they guard His ways. To this day, many serve the Ba'als and the Ashtaroth of our day through following the pagan festivals and man-made traditions. Ba'als can be represented by many 'lords' but there is only ONE true living Elohim, and that is YHWH. Today Ashtaroth, the fertility goddess, is disguised as 'Ishtar' eggs and 'Ishtar' bunnies.

People today still need to be TOLD of the great evil that they are committing toward YHWH. Once a person is told the truth; as Samuel is doing, then the people are responsible for that truth! All of us should be willing to repent and turn away from anything we may be doing that is not pleasing to YHWH; whether we had done things 'knowingly' or 'unknowingly.'

1Sa 12:22 “For יהוה would not cast away His people, for His great Name's sake, seeing it has pleased יהוה to make you His people.

1Sa 12:23 “Also, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against יהוה in ceasing to pray for you, **but I shall teach you the good and straight way.**

1Sa 12:24 “Only fear יהוה, and you shall **serve Him in truth with all your heart,** for consider what marvels He has done for you.

1Sa 12:25 **“But if you persist in doing evil, both you and your sovereign are consumed.”**

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Match the question with the answer on the right.

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- \_\_\_ Why did Samuel never cut his hair?
- \_\_\_ Who did Samuel anoint as the first King of Israel?
- \_\_\_ Samuel was of which tribe of Israel?
- \_\_\_ What did the Israelites demand from Samuel?
- \_\_\_ What were the names of Samuel's two sons?
- \_\_\_ What were Samuel's jobs?
- \_\_\_ Which prophet anointed David as king?
- \_\_\_ What did Samuel tell King Saul when he rose from the grave?
- \_\_\_ Where did Samuel go when he died?

### Answers

1. Saul
2. Sheol, where he sleeps (1 Sam 28)
3. Levi
4. A king
5. Joel and Abijah
6. Prophet, judge, and army commander
7. Samuel
8. Saul and his sons will die in battle
9. Eli, the priest
10. His mother dedicated him to Yah (God) (1 Sam 1:11)

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## Romans 10

### Teaching Commentary [in brown] on Romans 10 by Matthew Nolan

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Does your zealotry for the Father and His Torah cause you to lose discernment when it comes to the Son? On its own, Torah will not lead us to total righteousness. Only covenant relationship through Yahusha will allow us to enter into forensic righteousness before Yahuwah.

The first century wide scale Jewish rejection of Yahusha causes Paul to write:

**Rom 10:1** Truly brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to Elohim for Yisra'el is for deliverance

**Rom 10:2** For I bear them witness that they have an ardor for Elohim, but not according to knowledge.

**Rom 10:3** For not knowing the righteousness of Elohim, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, **they did not subject themselves to<sup>a</sup>** the righteousness of Elohim.

Footnote: <sup>a</sup>Or *did not obey*.

Their zeal is for Elohim, it's not some empty pagan fanaticism, but zeal for the One True Living Elohim (therein lies the deception and what sucks so many Messianics in).

Their lack of knowledge is twofold:

1. they lack the knowledge of how יהוה declares a person forensically righteous.
2. they hold to a means of a righteous status as a people group that יהוה will reject.

The Jews refused to humble themselves and accept YHWH's righteousness as the undeserved gift it is.

**Rom 10:4** For **Messiah is the goal<sup>b</sup>** of the 'Torah unto righteousness' to everyone who believes. Footnote: <sup>b</sup>Or end purpose; not termination.

'Telos' = 'goal' to which a movement is being directed – the outcome, not the extinction of, the termination of.

**Romans 6:22** But now being made free from sin, having become avadim to vuvh, you have your fruit to set-apartness, with the end result (telos) being everlasting chayim.

Rom 6:22 But now, having been set free from sin, and having become servants

of Elohim, you have your fruit resulting in set-apartness, and the end [telos], everlasting life. [TS2009]

Teleology – a sector of philosophy that deals with goals and outcomes.

**For Moshiach is the actual goal of the Torah for an eternal tzadik standing to everyone that believes.**

### The Message of Salvation to All

**Rom 10:5** For Mosheh writes about the righteousness which is of the Torah, **“The man who does these shall live by them.”** [Lev 18:5](#). – [Note cross reference to Lev. 18 Book of the Law]

The Jews were and still are ignorant of YHWH’s covenant faithfulness through Yahusha because they were so busy, still to this day trying to establish their own righteousness, their own covenant status – they refuse to submit to YHWH’s faithfulness!

In summary: a First Century Jewish misplaced status of covenant membership.

They chose to quietly set aside the call to covenant (Romans 9:7 onward) instead fabricating their own covenant status for Jews and only Jews, no remnant, no Gentile admission except through proselyte conversion – a covenant status fabricated and established by their own righteousness!

**Rom 10:6** But the righteousness of belief speaks in this way, **“Do not say in your heart, ‘Who shall ascend into the heavens?’ ”** [Deu 30:12](#) – that is, to bring Messiah down; or,

**Rom 10:7** “ ‘Who shall descend into the abyss?’ ” – that is, to bring Messiah up from the dead.

A drash [meaning or concept] on Deuteronomy 30:12 LXX ‘neither is it beyond the sea’ Paul uses ‘who shall defend into the deep.’ He’s harmonizing Psalms 107.26 with Deuteronomy 30:12.

**Psalms 107:26** They go up to the shamayim [heavens], they go down again to the depths.

Psalms 107 speaks of the redeemed of יהוה being gathered up from the east, west, north and south after their dispersions in the nations. He sends His Word and heals them, and His Word delivers them from captivity. It’s about recognizing the works of יהוה and rejecting the works of man which are futility and bondage, the very point Paul is making!

**Rom 10:8** But what does it say? **“The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart”** [Deu 30:14](#) – that is, the word of belief which we are proclaiming:

**Rom 10:9** That if you confess with your mouth the Master יהושע and believe in your

heart that Elohim has raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved.

**Rom 10:10** For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and one confesses with the mouth, and so is saved.

Three things: 1) Confess 2) Believe 3) Saved

**Confess**/Homologeō/nadar נודר/to take a vow. Word and deed; not repeat after me these words. Homo = one action of word and deed. Jeremiah 44:15 a vow. To confess beyond all question; not only acoustic, or mental accent. Confession; a vow.

**Believe**/pisteuō/shama – to puts one’s faith in with the implication that actions will follow.

**Rom 10:11** Because the Scripture says, “**Whoever puts his trust in Him shall not be put to shame.**” [Isa 28:16](#).

**Rom 10:12** Because there is no distinction between Yehudi and Greek, for the same Master of all is rich to all those calling upon Him.

**Rom 10:13** For “**everyone who calls on the Name of יהוה shall be saved.**”<sup>C</sup> [Joe 2:32](#). Footnote: <sup>C</sup>[Act 2:21](#).

**Rom 10:14** How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without one proclaiming?

**Rom 10:15** And how shall they proclaim if they are not sent? As it has been written, “**How pleasant are the feet of those who bring the Good News of peace, who bring the Good News of the good!**” [Isa 52:7](#).

*5 ingredients to declaring & thereby receiving the gospel:*

1. Shod your apostolic feet – go out!
2. Proclaim – be bold
3. So, they hear
4. So, they can believe
5. So, they may call on Him.

As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that proclaim the Besorah of shalom, and bring besorot of tov things!

[Isa 52:7](#) How pleasant upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who proclaims peace, who brings good news, who proclaims deliverance, who says to Tsiyon, “Your Elohim reigns!”

**Rom 10:16** However, not all obeyed the Good News. For Yeshayahu says, “**יהוה, who has believed our report?**” [Isa 53:1](#).

**Rom 10:17** So then belief comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of Elohim.

**Rom 10:18** But I ask, Did they not hear? Yes indeed, **“Their voice went out to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world.”** [Psa 19:4](#).

*6 verifying facts to the true gospel:*

1. The perfect revelation of יהוה is spoken
2. It proclaims knowledge
3. It's heard
4. It goes out in a line
5. It originates from his perfect law
6. It converts the soul

**Psalms 19:2** Day to day (1) utters speech, and night to night (2) proclaims knowledge 3 There are no speeches or words, in which their voices are not (3) heard. Their (4) line is gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world. 5 In the sun he has set his tabernacle; and he comes forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber: he will exult as a giant to run his course. 6 His going forth is from the extremity of heaven, and his circuit to the other end of heaven: and no one shall be hidden from his heat. (5) The law of יהוה is perfect, (6) converting souls:

**Rom 10:19** But I ask, Did Yisra'el not know? First Mosheh says, **“I shall provoke you to jealousy by those who are not a nation, I shall enrage you by an unwise nation.”** [Deu 32:21](#).

V.19 quotes the Song of Moses.

Deuteronomy 31 Moses declares that in the latter days Israel will provoke יהוה, יהוה will in turn use the Lo-Ami to provoke Israel as the Lo-Ami return as one new man into the New Covenant making Israel still jealous as they rebel under the weight of the BoL's condemnation as it witness against them not only in the breaking of the original BoC but now also in the national rejection of Yahusha.

Thread V.18 and V.19 – their quotations of Psalms 19.1 and Deuteronomy 31.28 – The heavens and the earth!

Deuteronomy 31.28 witness to Israel's rebellion and placement under the BoL.

And Psalms 19.1 witnesses to the true gospel by Yahusha's blood ratified covenant – which originates (point 5, within perfect covenant Torah).

**Rom 10:20** And Yeshayahu boldly says, **“I was found by those not seeking Me, I was made manifest to those not asking for Me.”** [Isa 65:1](#).

**Rom 10:21** And to Yisra'el He says, **“All day long I have stretched out My hands to a disobedient and back-talking people.”** [Isa 65:2](#).

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**Jeremiah 49** Judgments are pronounced on Ammon, Edom, Damascus, Kedar, Hazor, and Elam. We must realize that His judgments still come upon nations today; and will unto the end of days.

Eze 39:21 “And I shall set My esteem among the nations. And all nations shall see My judgment which I have executed, and My hand which I have laid on them.

Eze 39:22 “And the house of Yisra’el shall know that I am **יהוה** their Elohim from that day onward.

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Mat 25:31 “And when the Son of Adam comes in His esteem, and all the set-apart messengers with Him, then He shall sit on the throne of His esteem.

Mat 25:32 “And all the nations shall be gathered before Him, and He shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates his sheep from the goats.

Mat 25:33 “And He shall set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left.

### Judgment on Ammon

**Jer 49:1** **Concerning the Ammonites:** Thus said **יהוה**, “Has Yisra’el no sons? Has he no heir? **Why has Malkam taken possession of Gad, and his people dwell in its cities?**

**Jer 49:2** “Therefore see, the days are coming,” declares **יהוה**, “when I shall sound a **battle cry in Rabbah** of the Ammonites. And it shall be a heap, a wasteland, and her villages shall be burned with fire. Then Yisra’el shall dispossess those who dispossessed him,” declares **יהוה**.

Excerpt: <https://www.biblestudytools.com/commentaries/gills-exposition-of-the-bible/jeremiah-49-2.html>

Rabbah was the mother city, and the other cities of the Ammonites were her daughters, which are threatened to be destroyed with fire by the enemy; or it may mean the villages round about Rabbah, it being usual in Scripture for villages to be called the daughters of cities; see ( Ezekiel 16:46 ) ; so the Targum here paraphrases it, ‘the inhabitants of her villages shall be burnt with fire:”

**Jer 49:3** “Howl, O Heshbon, for Ai is ravaged! Cry, daughters of Rabbah, gird on sackcloth! Lament and diligently search by the walls, for Malkam shall go into exile, with his priests and his heads.

**Jer 49:4** “Why do you boast in the valleys, your flowing valley, O backsliding daughter

who is trusting in her treasures, saying, ‘Who would come against me?’

**Jer 49:5** “See, I am bringing fear upon you, from all those around you,” declares the Master **יהוה** of hosts. “And you shall be driven out, each one straight ahead, with no one to bring home the wanderer.

**Jer 49:6** “And after this I turn back the captivity of the children of Ammon,” declares **יהוה**.

### Judgment on Edom

**Jer 49:7** **Concerning Edom:** Thus said **יהוה** of hosts, “Is there no more wisdom in Tēman? Has counsel been lost to those with understanding? Has their wisdom vanished?”

**Jer 49:8** “Flee, turn back, dwell in the depths, O inhabitants of Dedan! **For I shall bring the calamity of Ēsaw upon him, the time that I shall punish him.**

**Jer 49:9** “If grape-gatherers came to you, would they not leave some gleaning grapes? Even thieves by night would destroy *only* until they had enough!

**Jer 49:10** “**But as for Me, I shall make Ēsaw bare.**

- I shall uncover his hiding places, so that he is unable to conceal himself. His seed is ravaged, his brothers and his neighbors, and he is no more.

**Jer 49:11** “Leave your fatherless children, let Me keep them alive. And let your widows trust in Me.”

**Jer 49:12** **For thus said יהוה**, “See, those whose judgment was not to drink of the cup have certainly drunk. And are you the one to go unpunished? **You shall not go unpunished, but certainly drink of it.**

**Jer 49:13** “**For I have sworn by Myself,**” declares **יהוה**, “that Botsrah is to become a ruin, a reproach, a waste, and a curse, and all its cities become everlasting wastes.”

**Jer 49:14** I have heard a report from **יהוה**, and an envoy has been sent to the nations, “Gather together, come against her, and rise up to battle!

**Jer 49:15** “**For look, I shall make you small among nations, despised among men.**

**Jer 49:16** “**The dread for you, the pride of your heart, has deceived you,**

- you who dwell in the clefts of the rock, holding the height of the hill! Though you make your nest as high as the eagle, from there I bring you down,” declares the Master.
- **Jer 49:17** “And Edom shall be a ruin, everyone who passes by it is astonished and whistles at all its plagues.
- **Jer 49:18** “**As in the overthrow of Sedom and Amorah** and their neighboring cities,” declares **יהוה**, “No one shall dwell there, nor would a son of man sojourn in it.
- **Jer 49:19** “**See, he comes up like a lion from the Yardēn jungle against the home of the strong. But in an instant I shall make him run away from her.** And who is the Chosen One, to appoint over her? For who is like Me? And who summons

Me? And who is that Shepherd who stands before Me?”

Jer 49:20 Therefore hear the counsel of יהוה which He has counselled concerning Edom, and the purposes He has purposed concerning the inhabitants of Tēman: the least of the flock shall drag them away! He shall make their pasture a waste before them!

Jer 49:21 The earth shall be shaken at the noise of their fall. There is an outcry! Its noise is heard at the Sea of Reeds.

Jer 49:22 See, like an eagle he flies up, and spreads his wings over Botsrah. And the heart of the mighty men of Edom in that day shall be like the heart of a woman in her pain.

### Judgment on Damascus

Jer 49:23 Concerning Dammeseq: “Hamath and Arpad have been put to shame, for they have heard an evil report. They have been melted in anxiety, like the sea, unable to rest.

Jer 49:24 “Dammeseq has become feeble, she has turned to flee, and trembling has taken hold of her. Distress and pain have seized her like a woman in labor.

Jer 49:25 “How is the city of praise deserted, the city of My joy!

Jer 49:26 “Therefore her young men fall in her streets, and all the men of battle are cut off in that day,” declares יהוה of hosts.

Jer 49:27 “And I shall kindle a fire in the wall of Dammeseq, and it shall consume the palaces of Ben-Haḏad.”

### Judgment on Kedar and Hazor

Jer 49:28 To Qēḏar and to the reigns of Ḥatsor, which Nebūkadretstsar sovereign of Babel struck: Thus said יהוה, “Arise, go up to Qēḏar, and ravage the men of the East!

Jer 49:29 “Their tents and their flocks, their curtains and all their vessels shall be taken. And they shall take away their camels for themselves. And they shall cry out to them, ‘Fear is on every side!’

Jer 49:30 “Flee, go away! Dwell in the depths, O inhabitants of Ḥatsor!” declares יהוה. “For Nebūkadretstsar sovereign of Babel has taken counsel against you, and has devised a plan against you.

Jer 49:31 “Arise, go up to the nation at ease that dwells safely,” declares יהוה. “It has no gates or bars, they dwell alone.

Jer 49:32 “And their camels shall become plunder, and their large herds booty. And I shall scatter them to all winds, those who cut off the corner, and bring their calamity from all its sides,” declares יהוה.

Jer 49:33 “Ḥatsor shall be a habitation for jackals, a desert forever. No one dwells there, nor does son of man sojourn in it.”

### Judgment on Elam

Jer 49:34 The word of יהוה that came to Yirmeyahu the prophet concerning Ēylam, in

the beginning of the reign of Tsidqiyah, the sovereign of Yehudah, saying,

Jer 49:35 “Thus said יהוה of hosts, ‘See, I am breaking the bow of Ėylam, the chief of their might.

Jer 49:36 And I shall bring upon Ėylam the four winds from the four quarters of the heavens, and scatter them toward all those winds. And there shall be no nation where the outcasts of Ėylam do not go.

Jer 49:37 And I shall break Ėylam before their enemies and before those who seek their life. And I shall bring evil upon them, my burning displeasure,’ declares יהוה. ‘And I shall send the sword after them until I have consumed them.

Jer 49:38 And I shall set My throne in Ėylam, and destroy from there the sovereign and the heads,’ declares יהוה.

Jer 49:39 And **it shall be in the latter days that I turn back the captivity of Ėylam,**’ declares יהוה.”

### Psalm 26 & 27

YHWH is our protector. We stay in obedience to His voice and His Word and He does the rest. We refrain from slipping into our fleshly desires and submit to His ways. His ways are higher. His ways are perfect. He rightly judges all. Wait on Him. Be strong. Be of good courage.

#### I Will Bless the YHWH

**Psa 26:1** Rule me rightly, O יהוה, For I have walked in my integrity. And I have trusted in יהוה, without wavering.

**Psa 26:2** Examine me, O יהוה, and prove me; Try my kidneys and my heart.

**Psa 26:3** For Your loving-commitment is before my eyes, And I have walked in Your truth.

**Psa 26:4** I have not sat with men of falsehood, Nor do I enter with pretenders.

**Psa 26:5** I have hated the assembly of evil-doers, And I do not sit with the wrong.

**Psa 26:6** I wash my hands in innocence; And I walk around Your slaughter-place, O יהוה,

**Psa 26:7** To raise a voice of thanksgiving, And to declare all Your wonders.

**Psa 26:8** יהוה, I have loved the abode of Your house, And the place where Your esteem dwells.

**Psa 26:9** Do not gather my being together with sinners, Nor my life with bloodthirsty men,

**Psa 26:10** In whose hands is a plot, And their right hand is filled with bribes.

**Psa 26:11** But as for me, I walk in my integrity; Redeem me and show me favour.

**Psa 26:12** My foot shall stand on a level place; In the assemblies I bless יהוה.

## YHWH Is My Light and My Salvation

**Psa 27:1** יהוה is my light and my deliverance; Whom should I fear? יהוה is the refuge of my life; Whom should I dread?

**Psa 27:2** When evil-doers come against me To eat up my flesh, My adversaries and my enemies, They shall stumble and fall.

**Psa 27:3** Though an army encamps against me, My heart does not fear; Though battle comes up against me, Even then I would be trusting.

**Psa 27:4** One *matter* I asked of יהוה – this I seek: To dwell in the House of יהוה All the days of my life, To see the pleasantness of יהוה, And to inquire in His Hēḵal.

**Psa 27:5** For in the day of evil He hides me in His booth; In the covering of His Tent He hides me; On a rock He raises me up.

**Psa 27:6** And now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me; And I slaughter in His Tent with slaughters of sounding; I sing, yes, I sing praises to יהוה.

**Psa 27:7** Hear, O יהוה, when I cry with my voice! And show me favor, and answer me.

**Psa 27:8** To my heart You have said, “Seek My face.” Your face, יהוה, I seek.

**Psa 27:9** Do not hide Your face from me; Do not turn Your servant away in displeasure; You have been my help; Do not leave me nor forsake me, O Elohim of my deliverance.

**Psa 27:10** When my father and my mother have forsaken me, Then יהוה does take me in.

**Psa 27:11** Teach me Your way, O יהוה, And lead me in a smooth path, because of my enemies.

**Psa 27:12** Do not give me over To the desire of my adversaries; For false witnesses have risen against me, And they breathe out cruelty to me.

**Psa 27:13** What if I had not believed To see the goodness of יהוה In the land of the living!

**Psa 27:14** Wait on יהוה, be strong, And let Him strengthen your heart! Wait, I say, on יהוה!

~ *Shalom* ~ Libby

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