

# “A Cleansed Heart”

“See, you have desired truth in the inward parts, and in the hidden part you make me to know wisdom.” (Psalm / Tehillim 51:6)

## A. The Sin of Bloodguiltiness

- I. The First Murder (Genesis 4:1-16)
- II. Bloodguilt according to the law.

### Leviticus / Wayyiqra 17:1-7

And Yahweh spoke to Mosheh, saying, “Speak to Aharon, to his sons, and to all the children of Yisra’el, and say to them, “This is the word which Yahweh has commanded, saying, “Any man from the house of Yisra’el who slaughters a **bull or a lamb or a goat** in the camp, or who slaughters it outside the camp, and does not bring it to the door of the Tent of Meeting, to bring an offering to Yahweh before the Dwelling Place of Yahweh, blood-guilt is reckoned to that man. **He has shed blood, and that man shall be cut off from among his people**, in order that the children of Yisra’el bring their slaughterings which they slaughter in the open field. And they shall bring them to Yahweh at the door of the Tent of meeting, to the priest, and slaughter them as peace offerings to Yahweh. And the priest shall sprinkle the blood on the altar of Yahweh at the door of the Tent of Meeting, and shall burn the fat for a sweet fragrance to Yahweh. And let them no longer slaughter their slaughterings to demons, after whom they whored. This is a law forever for them throughout their generations.

a) Punishment for killing an animal consecrated for worship in sport is that the person will be cut off from his people. Notice that this is an eternal law.

### Leviticus / Wayyiqra 20:9

“For everyone who curses his father or mother shall certainly be put to death - he has cursed his father or his mother, his blood is on him.”

a) Keep in mind that the power of death and life is in the tongue (Proverbs 18:21), we can speak blessings or curses in a variety of ways. A spoken curse over your parents makes you guilty of shedding your own blood. It is equivalent to suicide.

“When a man has a wayward and rebellious son who is not listening to the voice of his father or the voice of his mother, and who, when they have disciplined him, does not listen to them, then his father and his mother shall take hold of him and bring him out to the elders of his city, to the gate of his city, and shall say to the elders of his city, ‘This son of our is wayward and rebellious. He is not listening to our voice, he is a glutton and a drunkard.’ Then all the men of the city shall stone him to death with stones. Thus you shall purge the evil from your midst. And let all Israel hear and fear.” (Deuteronomy / Debarim 21:18-21)

\*\* Notice the promise attached to the 5<sup>th</sup> commandment: “Respect your father and your mother, **so that your days are prolonged** upon the soil which Yahweh your Elohim is giving you.” (Exodus 20:12) \*\*

#### **Leviticus / Wayyiqra 20:11**

“And a man who lies with the wife of his father has uncovered the nakedness of his father, both of them shall certainly be put to death, their blood is upon him.”

#### **Leviticus / Wayyiqra 20:12**

“And a man who lies with his daughter-in-law both of them shall certainly be put to death, they have made confusion, their blood is upon them.”

#### **Leviticus / Wayyiqra 20:13**

“And a man who lies with a male as he lies with a woman; both of them have done an abomination, they shall certainly be put to death, their blood is upon them.”

#### **Leviticus / Wayyiqra 20:16**

“And a woman who approaches any beast and mates with it: you shall kill the woman and the beast, they shall certainly be put to death, their blood is upon them.”

#### **Leviticus / Wayyiqra 20:27**

“And a man or a woman in whom there is a medium, or who are spiritist shall certainly be put to death, they are to stone them with stones. Their blood is upon them.”

**Summary of bloodguilt according to the law:**

(There are more throughout Scripture)

1. Killing an animal consecrated for worship just for the fun of it.
2. Blaspheming the Spirit of Yahweh. (Eternal guilt is the result).
3. Disobedience to parents / speaking against parents.
4. Incest
5. Bestiality
6. Homosexuality
7. Witchcraft
8. Murder

\*\* Notice in these verses that as the punishment is executed *the ones doing the stoning are free and clear of blood guiltiness*. Scripture repeatedly states that “their blood is upon them”, meaning the one who transgressed the law is also guilty of causing their own blood to be shed even though someone else threw the stones. To make yourself bloodguilty is equivalent to committing suicide.

- III. **Back to the first murder.** It is obvious that Cain committed the sin of bloodguilt and was rightfully punished for it. Yahweh is greatly offended by this sin and even in the New Covenant nearly 3,000 years later **He is still harping on it.**

**Matthew 23:33-39:** “Serpents, brood of adders! How would you escape the judgement of Gehenna? Because of this, see I send you prophets and wise men, and scholars of Scripture. Some of them you shall kill and impale, and some of them you shall flog in your congregations and persecute from city to city, so that on you should come all the **righteous blood** shed on the earth, from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zekryah, son of Berkyah, whom you murdered between the Dwelling Place and the altar.

Truly I say to you, all this shall come upon this generation. Yerushalayim, Yerushalayim, killing the prophets and stoning those who are sent to her! How often I wished to gather your children together the way a hen gathers her chickens under her wings, but you would not!

See! Your house is left to you laid waste, for I say to you, from now on you shall by no means see Me, until you say, ‘**Blessed is He who is coming in the Name of Yahweh!**’”

**Luke 11:49-51**

“And because of this the Wisdom of Elohim said, ‘I shall send them prophets and emissaries, and some of them they shall kill and persecute,’ so that the blood of all the prophets which was shed from the foundation of the world shall be required of this generation, from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zekaryah who perished between the altar and the Dwelling Place. Yea, I say to you, it shall be required of this generation.”

**Hebrews / Ibrim 11:4**

“By belief, Hebel (Abel) offered to Elohim a greater slaughter offering than Qayin (Cain) through which he obtained witness that he was righteous, Elohim witnessing of his gifts. And through it, **having died, he still speaks.**”

**Hebrews / Ibrim 12:22-24**

“But you have drawn near to Mount Tsiyon and to the city of the living Elohim, to the heavenly Yerushalayim, to myriads of messengers, to the entire gathering of the assembly of the first born having been enrolled in heaven, and to Elohim the Judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous men made perfect, and to Yeshua the Mediator of a new covenant and to the blood of sprinkling which **speaks** better than the blood of Hebel (Abel).

a) Yahweh **MUST** receive recompense for our shed blood. Here is Yahweh’s admonishment to Noah after the ark settled on dry land.

“But only your blood for your lives I require, from the hand of every beast I require it, and from the hand of man. From the hand of every man’s brother I require the life of man. Whoever sheds man’s blood, by man his blood is shed, for in the image of Elohim has He made man. As for you, bear fruit and increase, bring forth teeming in the earth and increase in it.” (Genesis / Bereshith 9:5-7)

**B. David’s Sin - 2 Samuel 11**

- I. **It was the time when all the kings were to be at war.** By being where he wasn't supposed to be, David fell into the trap. (2 Samuel 11)
- II. David commits the sin of bloodguiltiness by arranging to have Bathsheba's husband killed in battle. (2 Samuel 11:15) This was seen as evil in the eyes of Yahweh.
- III. The prophetic messenger (**2 Samuel 12:1-13**)
  - a) Yahweh promises to punish David openly for his secret sin (2 Samuel 12:12)
  - b) David writes and sings **Psalm 51** which was not written for private meditation or prayer. It was written specifically for the public song service.
  - c) Yahweh has mercy and decides to “put away” David's sin. (**2 Samuel 12:14-24.**)
  - d) David was able to rejoice and eat after his son's death. Let's see why.
- IV. David fathered a child through an adulterous affair. That would make the child a bastard (illegitimate) according to the law.

a) Deuteronomy 23:1-2. “No one wounded, crushed or whose member is cut off does enter the assembly of Yahweh. No one of illegitimate birth does enter the assembly of Yahweh, even a tenth generation of his does not enter the assembly of Yahweh..”

b) If David's son had lived, he would have been a witness against his father. His illegitimate son would have been a testament that David and his descendants were to be cut off from the assembly of Yahweh up to the tenth generation. (Modern day terms - he was excommunicated from the assembly or Sabbath meeting for 10 generations).

c) The last illegitimate birth through this line was a result of Judah's transgression with Tamar which resulted in twins Pharez and Zerah. (**Genesis 38**)

d) According to the genealogy recorded in Matthew 1 David was the tenth generation, the generation that would *finally* be allowed to enter in the assembly of Yahweh.

**Matthew 1:3-6**

And Judas begat Phares and Zera of Thamar;  
 and Phares begat Esrom;  
 and Esrom begat Aram;  
 And Aram begat Aminadab;

Generation 1 (illegit. birth)  
 Generation 2  
 Generation 3  
 Generation 4

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and Aminadab begat Naasson;	Generation 5
and Naasson begat Salmon;	Generation 6
And Salmon begat Boaz of Rachab;	Generation 7
and Boaz begat Obed of Ruth;	Generation 8
and Obed begat Jesse;	Generation 9
And Jesse begat David the king;	Generation 10

- V. When Yahweh put away David’s sin by allowing the illegitimate child to die, this meant that he and his children after him did not have to be shunned from the assembly for the next 10 generations. The transgression was blotted out! And David wrote this Psalm...

**“I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of Yahweh.” (Psalm 122:1)**

The word “glad” is translated from the word “samach” which means “to arrogantly rejoice” . David was arrogantly rejoicing over what the Father had done for Him! He refused to look at the single child who died because of his sin but rather he arrogantly rejoiced over TEN GENERATIONS of his seed that would LIVE as a result of Yahweh’s mercy. He was glad to go into the house of Yahweh because for the past 10 generations his lineage was shunned as a result of sin, then he fell over the same stumbling block and committed the SAME SIN and would have been further shunned for an additional 10 years. A 20 year sentence of **not being allowed** to worship was cut in half by the Father’s mercy.

C. Psalm 51 (Read David’s Public Statement)

D. A Cleansed Heart

- I. We have been revisiting the sin of idolatry in the past few weeks and have noticed a great increase in revelation since that time. There is a connection between putting away (destroying) all your idols and receiving great blessing from the Father. **Ezekiel 18**
- II. Father wants all of us to live! In order to do this he has a request, that we would repent and make for ourselves **a new heart and a new spirit** so that we might live.

III. **Ezekiel 11:17-21:**

a) Again we see the connection between repenting from idolatry and receiving a new heart and spirit. Notice that division often stems from idolatry. Holding on to that which isn't from the Father whether it be lust, idolatry, hurt, anger, unforgiveness, or any other act of the flesh will eventually give you a divided heart and spirit and separate you from Israel.

IV. **Ezekiel 36:16-28**

V. **Pathway to a cleansed heart. ~**

- Put away all idolatry (anything or any thought that is of greater importance to you than Yahweh).
- Reverencing His Name.
- Receiving the new heart and new spirit.

a) If we have forgotten the name of our Elohim, or stretched out our hands to a foreign mighty one, would Elohim not search this out? For He knows the secrets of the heart.” (Psalm/ Tehillim 44:20-21)

b) Hear O My people, and let Me warn you O Israel, if you would listen to Me! Let there be no strange mighty one among you (or in you), and do not bow down to a foreign mighty one. (Psalm/ Tehillim 81:8-9)

c) “Then Yehoshua (Joshua) said to the people, “You are not able to serve Yahweh for He is a set apart Elohim, a jealous El is He. He does not bear with your transgressions and with your sins, if you forsake Yahweh and shall serve mighty ones of a stranger. Then He shall turn back and do you evil and consume you, after He has been good to you.” And the people said to Yehoshua (Joshua) “No, but we do serve Yahweh!”

Then Yehoshua (Joshua) said to the people, “You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen Yahweh for yourselves to serve Him. And they said “Witnesses!”

And now, put away the mighty ones of the stranger which are in your midst and **incline your heart** to Yahweh Elohim of Yisrael.

And the people said to Yehoshua (Joshua), “Yahweh our Elohim we serve, His voice we will obey.” (Yehoshua / Joshua 24:19-23)

VI. **What Yahweh desires of us. Psalm 51:6 ~ See, you have desired truth in the inward**

parts, and in the hidden part you make me know wisdom

- **Inward parts** ~ The 4 chambers of the heart. (Consider His instruction to wear tzit tzit's on the 4 corners of our garments so that we might remember His Truth!)
- **Hidden part** ~ The spirit.

a) **Conclusion:** David came to the Father blood-guilty. He was the first generation to be free of the long - running curse of bloodguiltiness handed down from Judah and yet he fell into the same sin thereby invoking another 10 generation sentence upon him and his family. Yahweh in His mercy put away David's sin by causing his child to die. David chose to rejoice over the fact that he and the ten generations after him could now enter the assembly and worship. David writes and sings Psalm 51 publicly in the assembly. David repented from idolatry (lust), received the new spirit and heart and is now known and remembered by Yahweh as a man after his own heart who was obedient to everything Yahweh wanted him to do. (Acts 13:22)

We've all been bloodguilty at some point. Although the way we entered that sin might be different for each one of us, the guilt, punishment, and consequences associated with that sin is the same. Like David we grieve over what we have lost but like David we must also rejoice over what ourselves and others have gained through our testimony. **If David's child would have been saved, ten generations would have been lost.** Today as we reflect upon what it means to receive a new heart and spirit from the Father let us remember His promise to us in Revelation 21:5-6.

“And Elohim shall wipe away every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, nor mourning, nor crying. And there shall be no more pain, for the former matters have passed away. And He who was sitting on the throne said, “See I make all matters new.” And He said to me, “Write, for these words are true and trustworthy.”