

Torah Portíon Kí Tavo September 2, 2023 - Elul 16, 5783 Deuteronomy 26:1-29:8; Isaíah 60:1-2; Matthew 4:13-24

*Deuteronomy 28:47-48 Because <u>you did not serve the LORD your God with joy</u> <u>and a glad heart</u>, for the abundance of all things; therefore you shall serve your enemies whom the LORD will send against you, in hunger, in thirst, in nakedness, and in the lack of all things; and He will put an iron yoke on your neck until He has destroyed you.

*Philippians 4:4 <u>Rejoice in the Lord always</u>; again I will say, rejoice.

*Romans 15:13 May the <u>God of hope fill you with all joy</u> and <u>peace in believing</u>, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

*Jeremiah 15:16 Your words were found, and I ate them, and <u>your words became</u> to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts.

*John 16:24 Until now you have asked nothing in my name. <u>Ask, and you will</u> receive, that your joy may be full.

*Nehemiah 8:10b And do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.

*Proverbs 14:34 Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.

*Acts 16:16-26 Once when we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a female slave who had a spirit of divination which she predicted the future. She earned a great deal of money for her owners by fortune-telling. She followed Paul and the rest of us, shouting, <u>These men are servants of the Most High God, who are telling you the way to be saved.</u> She kept this up for many days. Finally, Paul became so annoyed that he turned around and said to the spirit, In the name of

Yeshua the Messiah I command you to come out of her! At that moment the spirit left her.

When her owners realized that <u>their hope of making money was gone</u>, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace <u>to face the</u> <u>authorities</u>. They brought them before the magistrates and said, <u>These men are</u> <u>Jews</u>, and are throwing our city into an uproar by advocating customs unlawful for <u>us Romans to accept or practice</u>.

The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods. <u>After they had been severely flogged</u>, <u>they were thrown into prison</u>, and the jailer was commanded to guard them <u>carefully</u>. When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight <u>Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God</u>, and the other prisoners were listening to them. <u>Suddenly there was such a violent</u> <u>earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose</u>.

*Deuteronomy 26:1-2 And it shall be, when you come into the land which the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance, and you possess it and dwell in it, that you shall take some of the first of all the produce of the ground, which you shall bring from your land that <u>the Lord your God is giving you</u>, and put it in a basket and <u>go</u> to the place where the LORD your God chooses to make His name abide.

*Deuteronomy 26:11 <u>So you shall rejoice in every good thing which the LORD</u> your God has given to you and your house, you and the Levite and the stranger who is among you.

*Jeremiah 31:5 Let us arise and go up to Zion, into the house of the Lord our God.

*Deuteronomy 26:4-10 Then the priest shall take the basket out of <u>your</u> hand and set it down before the altar of the LORD <u>your</u> God. And <u>you shall answer and</u> <u>say before the LORD your God</u>: 'My father was a Syrian, about to perish, and he went down to Egypt and dwelt there, few in number; and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. But the Egyptians mistreated <u>us</u>, afflicted <u>us</u>, and laid hard bondage on <u>us</u>. Then <u>we</u> cried out to the LORD God of <u>our</u> fathers, and the LORD heard <u>our</u> voice and looked on <u>our</u> affliction and <u>our</u> labor and <u>our</u> oppression. So the LORD brought <u>us</u> out of Egypt with a mighty hand and with an outstretched arm, with great terror and with signs and wonders. He has brought <u>us</u> to this place and has given <u>us</u> this land, a land flowing with milk and honey; and now, behold, <u>I</u> <u>have brought the first fruits of the land which you, O LORD, have given me</u>. Then <u>you</u> shall set it before the LORD <u>your</u> God, and <u>worship before the LORD</u> <u>your God</u>.

*Psalm 33:8 Let all the earth <u>fear the LORD</u>; Let all the inhabitants of the world <u>stand in awe of Him</u>.

*Psalm 2:11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

*Genesis 28:17 So he was afraid and said, "How <u>fearful and awesome</u> is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gateway to heaven.

*Hebrews 12:28 Therefore, since <u>we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be</u> <u>shaken</u>, let us <u>be thankful and worship God</u> in <u>reverence and fear in a way that</u> <u>pleases him</u>.

*Psalm 119:161 Shin.

Powerful people harass me without cause, but my heart fears only Your word.

*Isaiah 66:5 Hear the word of the Lord, <u>you who tremble [with awe-filled</u> <u>reverence] at His word</u>: Your brothers who hate you, who exclude you for My Name's sake, Have said, <u>Let the Lord be glorified, that we may see your joy</u>. But they will be put to shame.

***Isaiah 66:2** For all these things My hand has made, So all these things came into being [by and for Me], declares the LORD. But to this one I will look [graciously], To him who is humble and contrite in spirit, and who [reverently] trembles at My word *and* honors My commands.

*Deuteronomy 27:11a, 12-14 And the LORD will grant you plenty of goods....The Lord will open to you His good treasure, the heavens, to give the rain to your land in its season, and to bless all the work of your hand. You shall lend to many nations, but you shall not borrow. And the Lord will make you the head and

<u>not the tail</u>; <u>you shall be above only, and not be beneath</u>, if you heed the commandments of the Lord your God, which I command you today, and are <u>careful</u> <u>to observe them</u>....

*Deuteronomy 28:45,47,59a,64a, Moreover all these curses shall come upon you and pursue and overtake you, until you are destroyed, because you did not obey the voice of the LORD your God, to keep His commandments...<u>because you did not</u> <u>serve the LORD your God with joy and gladness of heart, for the abundance</u> <u>of everything</u>, therefore, you shall serve your enemies....the LORD will bring upon you and your descendants extraordinary plagues.....the LORD will scatter you among all peoples, from one end of the earth to the other....and you shall serve other gods.....

*Amos 3:7 Surely the Lord GOD does nothing without revealing His secret plan [of the judgment to come] To His servants the prophets.

*II Kings 17:7 They built for themselves high places in all their cities

***II Kings 17:17** The Israelites caused their sons and daughters to pass through the fire, practiced <u>witchcraft and soothsaying</u>, and <u>sold themselves to do evil</u> in the sight of the LORD, to provoke Him to anger

*Amos 2:6-7because they sell the righteous for silver, and the poor for a pair of sandals. They pant after the dust of the earth which is on the head of the poor, and pervert the way of the humble. They did not love their fellow man.

*Isaiah 60:1-3 Arise , קומי, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen עובר upon you. For <u>darkness shall cover the earth, and thick</u> <u>darkness השך the peoples</u>; <u>but the LORD will arise upon you</u>, and <u>his glory</u> <u>will appear over you</u>. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

*Genesis 1:2a The earth was formless and void, and <u>darkness was over the</u> <u>surface of the deep</u>,...

*Matthew 24:4-5 And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that <u>no</u> <u>man deceive you</u>. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and <u>shall deceive many</u>. *II Thessalonians 2:11 For this reason <u>God will send them a powerful delusion so</u> that they believe the lie,....

***Isaiah 5:20** Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who turn darkness to light and light to darkness,....

HOW WILL THIS HAPPEN?

***II Thessalonians 2:7** For the <u>secret power of lawlessness</u> is already at work; but the one who now holds it back will continue to do so till he is taken out of the way.

*II Thessalonians 2:8-10a And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming. The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish,

*I Timothy 4:1 Now the Spirit <u>speaks expressly</u> that in <u>latter times</u> <u>some will</u> <u>depart</u> from the faith, <u>giving heed to</u> <u>deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons,...</u>

***Isaiah 59:7** Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; desolation and destruction are in their paths.

*Isaiah 60:1-3 Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. <u>For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the</u> <u>peoples</u>; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light and kings to the <u>brightness of your dawn</u>.

***Isaiah 60:18-19** No longer will violence be heard in your land, nor ruin or destruction within your borders. But you will name your walls Salvation and your gates Praise. No longer will the sun be your light by day, nor the brightness of the moon shine on your night for the LORD. Will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your splendor.