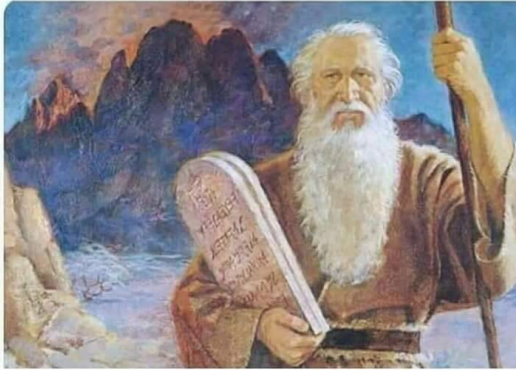


Jewish Technological Advances

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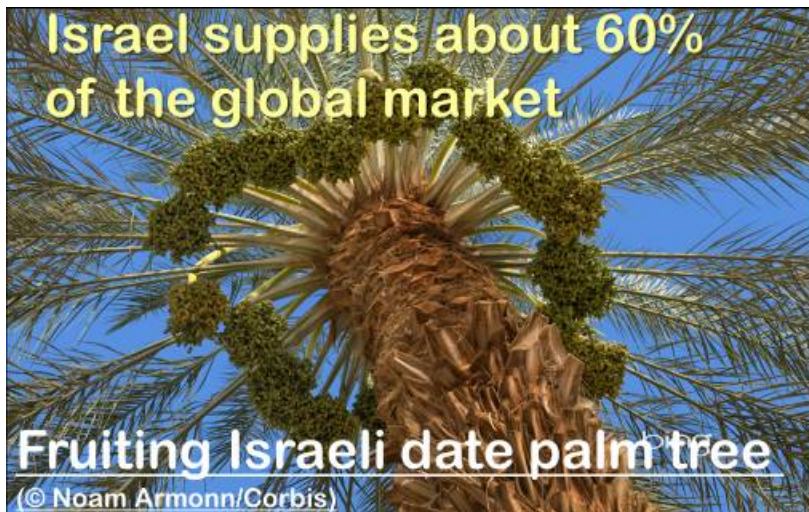


From Brian Kaufman



“with the finger of G-d”

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Medjool dates

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Even Turkey and Arab Countries Buy Israel’s Medjool Dates: If you want a great Israeli dessert try a few Medjool dates. Healthy and delicious, they are low in fat and packed with nutrients like potassium, copper, magnesium, vitamin B6, niacin, calcium, iron, and vitamin K. Israelis eat on the average of a kilo of dates each year while their Arab neighbors eat around ten kilos annually. *[You would think that Turkey and the Arab countries could grow their own! Not so much.]*

However, Israelis who have a corner on the sale on the giant nutritious and flavorful Medjool dates. Today Israel supplies about 60% of the global market for Medjool dates exporting this caramel-flavored fruit to some 30 different countries. (JNN)

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Last week three topics in the verses read:

1. Human energized vs Yeshua / Ruakh energized righteousness
2. Remorse vs repentance
3. Despair → suicide

[I'm an expository guy. What does the Word say? How does it apply?

I only spoke on the first one of the three.

Quick summary: Sometimes very subtle seeming difference, but huge implication and fruit over time. Applies to Jewish people and the Nations, if you love G-d and Torah, a right way and a wrong way.

Right way will instill joy and outreach, fruitfulness. Torah in the Spirit course I took a few years ago with Michael Brown.

Wrong way will build clannishness and walls, judgementalism → murder.

So, it works to present the other two points from last week, today.]



Mattityahu (Matthew) 27:3

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he was seized with remorse and returned the thirty silver coins to the head *cohanim* and elders,

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saying, “I sinned in betraying an innocent man to death.” “What is that to us?” they answered.

“That’s your problem.”

[דָם נָקִי blood of an innocent]

Mattityahu (Matthew) 27:5

הִשְׁלִיךְ אֶת הַכֶּסֶף לְתוֹךְ בַּיִת אוֹצֵר הַמִּקְדָּשׁ, הִלְךְ מִשָּׁם וְתַלָּה אֶת עֲצָמוֹ.

Hurling the pieces of silver into the sanctuary, he left; then he went off and hanged himself.

[אוצר: the house of the treasury]

Mattityahu (Matthew) 27:6
לְקַחוּ רָאשֵׁי הַכֹּהֲנִים אֶת הַכֶּסֶף וְאָמְרוּ: "אֲסוּר לְהַכְנִיס אֶת הַכֶּסֶף לְאוֹצַר הַמִּקְדָּשׁ, כִּי מִחִיר דָּמִים הוּא."
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עַל כֵּן נִקְרָא הַשְּׂדֵה הַהוּא "שְׂדֵה הַדָּם" עַד הַיּוֹם הַזֶּה.
This is how it came to be called the Field of Blood, a name it still bears.

What does this portion of the Word say to us?

1. Remorse vs. repentance

[Ever get into trouble? Traffic light, speeding ticket, faux pas in something?]

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he was **seized with remorse** and returned the thirty silver coins to the head *cohanim* and elders,
[Hebrew translation, not תשובה Tshuvah.]

was seized with remorse
change his mind, regret
Remorse is not repentance!
Metamelitheis vs metanoia

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[Meta = change

Μεληθεῖς = true Melitheís

So, a change of truth, changed his story.

Cp Metanoia = changed his mind, heart, commitment.]



A counselor writes:
He sat in my office and was remorseful.
He acknowledged struggling with a sexual addiction that cost him his marriage. He was sorry for the pain his problem caused everyone. But he wasn't repentant. What's the difference?

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2 Cor. 7.9-11 You were grieved according to God's will, so that you might in no way suffer loss from us. For the grief that God wills brings a repentance that leads to salvation, leaving no regret. But the world's grief brings death. For see what this very thing — this grieving that God wills — has brought you! What diligence, what defense, what indignation, what fear, what longing, what zeal, what rendering of justice!

[World's grief = remorse, fix this, cover this, get out of this.]

Remorse is the beginning step on the road to repentance. Remorse has to do with getting caught, with wrong doing, and the consequences of actions. The words of remorse deal with our guilt – a guilt we would like to have removed.

[If you get stopped for speeding?]

Words like, "I am sorry for hurting you" or "I let you down, please forgive me" are statements of remorse. But they don't acknowledge what the person has actually done. They aren't true repentance.

Paul says in Corinthians that when we have godly repentance, we go first to God and acknowledge our sin. We acknowledge **our wrong doing first** rather than only focusing on the consequences of our actions. My client was sorry for the pain he caused his family, but there was no acknowledgement for his sin and personal problem.

[I was wrong]

He was hoping his family would accept his remorse and take away his guilt. He had regret and wanted it removed. **His family noticed that he never took responsibility for his behavior.** He didn't confess his sin to them. Only God can take our regret and remove it completely.

Remorse is managing consequences, but repentance is a turning away from our behavior or sin and changing. Repentance involves grief towards God because of our sin. Once we take that grief to Him, we can leave it at the Execution Stake, and allow His grace and love to change us.

[Change the situation, or

Change me, my heart, my attitudes.

You can't bring remorse and situation change to the atonement of Messiah.

You can bring repentance there.]

Repentance leads to change. So, while remorse is important, it is true repentance that's needed.

[\[https://www1.cbn.com/familymatters/why-remorse-is-not-the-same-as-repentance\]](https://www1.cbn.com/familymatters/why-remorse-is-not-the-same-as-repentance)

[From G-d's thunder through Billy Graham:]

There are three elements in genuine repentance.

First, there is conviction. You must know what is right before you can know what is wrong.

[Before GPS, when you know you are on the blue line, we knew which Hwy we were supposed to be on. See a road sign I 90 whew!

Usually a revelation of His Holiness to really know what is right and wrong. The old hymn “Holy, Holy, Holy.”

Otherwise, compared to the rest of people, I'm OK.]

The second element of true repentance is contrition. “The Lord is near to those who have a broken heart, and saves such as have a contrite spirit.”

[Not angry, hostile, but easily intreated.]

Yeshayahu/Is 57.15 **For thus says the High and Exalted One who inhabits eternity, whose Name is Holy: “I dwell in a high and holy place, yet also with a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and revive the heart of the contrite.**

Third, repentance carries with it the idea of changing – changing your mind, changing your attitude, changing your ways.

The repentant heart is the one that God can use. Peter repented, and he became a mighty rock in the structure of the faith. David repented, and his joy broke forth in the music of the Psalms.

Jonah repented, and a great city heard the message in power and turned to God. Jacob repented, and God made him an ancestor of the Messiah. Paul repented, and God used him to take the light of the Good News to a pagan world.

[<https://billygraham.org/decision-magazine/january-2007/true-repentance-real-change/>]

The underlying principle:

“I was wrong”

[No excuses, no “you did ... he did ... she did... Capitalism did ...”]

Tonight is the beginning of the Hebrew calendar month of Elul, beginning the season of repentance, tshuvah, תשובה. Start to search where you can say, “I was wrong.”

But in the welcoming context of Messiah's love.

[NOT “Change the situation.”

Rather: “Change me, my heart, my joy.”]

Elul אלול

אני לדודי ודודי לי

Ani l'dodi v'dodi lee

I am my beloved's,
and my beloved is mine.

What else does this portion of the Word say to us?

1. Repentance vs Remorse
2. Despair → suicide

Mattityahu (Matthew) 27:4

”חטאתי, כי דם נקי הסגרתני.“ אך הם אמרו: ”מה אכפת לנו? זה ענינך שלך!“

saying, “I sinned in betraying an innocent man to death.” “What is that to us?” they answered.

“That’s your problem.”

[דם נקי *blood of an innocent*]

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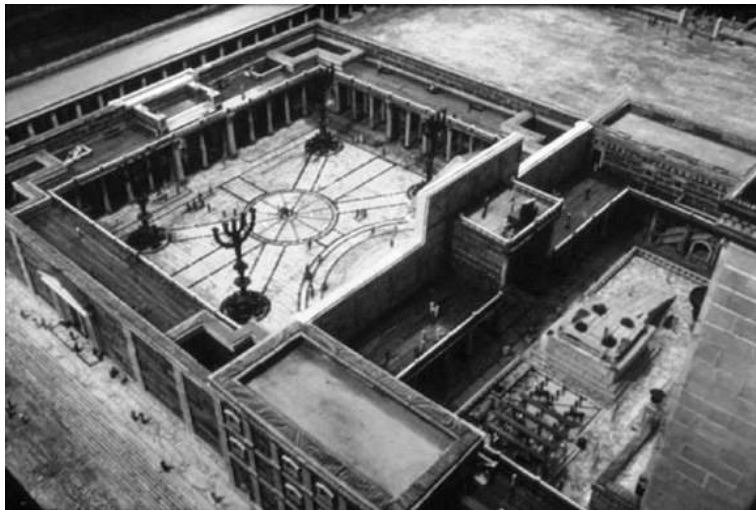
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[בית אוצר *the house of the treasury*]

Mattityahu (Matthew) 27:6

לקחו ראשי הכהנים את הכסף ואמרו: ”אסור להכניס את הכסף לאוצר המקדש, כי מחיר דמים הוא.“

The head *cohanim* took the silver coins and said, “It is prohibited to put this into the Temple treasury, because it is blood money.”



[<http://www.womeninthebible.net/women-bible-old-new-testaments/the-widows-mite/>

Court of women, 1.5x football field, with giant Sukkot menorahs]

Mattityahu (Matthew) 27:7

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Mattityahu (Matthew) 27:8

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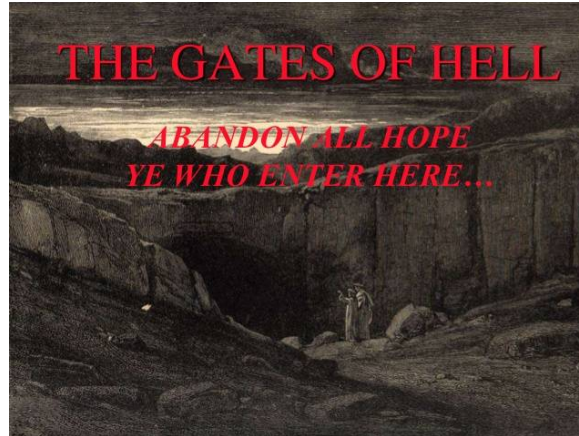
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Dante's *Inferno*:
sign over the gate of hell



Essence of hell: end of hope. There is a real hell, for those who refuse Messiah's salvation.

[\[https://www.google.com/url?sa=i&source=images&cd=&ved=2ahUKEwjAkauBjZrkAhURIKwKHQKICZwQjRx6BAgBEAQ&url=%2Furl%3Fsa%3Di%26source%3Dimages%26cd%3D%26ved%3D%26url%3Dhttp%253A%252F%252Fslaterpress.com%252F%26psig%3DAOvVaw3PhBkDB5bvCEL_6OkRd089%26ust%3D1566687715014260&psig=AOvVaw3PhBkDB5bvCEL_6OkRd089&ust=1566687715014260\]](https://www.google.com/url?sa=i&source=images&cd=&ved=2ahUKEwjAkauBjZrkAhURIKwKHQKICZwQjRx6BAgBEAQ&url=%2Furl%3Fsa%3Di%26source%3Dimages%26cd%3D%26ved%3D%26url%3Dhttp%253A%252F%252Fslaterpress.com%252F%26psig%3DAOvVaw3PhBkDB5bvCEL_6OkRd089%26ust%3D1566687715014260&psig=AOvVaw3PhBkDB5bvCEL_6OkRd089&ust=1566687715014260)



Viktor E. Frankl, an Austrian psychologist as well as a Holocaust survivor. Surviving Theresienstadt, Auschwitz, Kaufering and Türkheim.

[\[https://quotefancy.com/quote/927256/Viktor-E-Frankl-Despair-is-suffering-without-meaning\]](https://quotefancy.com/quote/927256/Viktor-E-Frankl-Despair-is-suffering-without-meaning)

“The opposite of hope is despair, and when we despair, it is because we feel there are no choices.” Warren G. Bennis, *On Becoming a Leader*

Causes of suicide:

1. Guilt, real and toxic
2. Abandonment
3. Hopelessness

[Me as a teen. Fatherlessness. Motherlessness. Jewish mother criticism / performance. Likely would have been a suicide if Yeshua hadn't found me!]

In 2017, **47,173 Americans killed themselves**. In that single year, in other words, the suicide count was nearly seven times greater than the number of American soldiers killed in the Afghanistan and Iraq wars between 2001 and 2018.

A suicide occurs in the United States roughly once every 12 minutes. What's more, after decades of decline, the rate of self-inflicted deaths per 100,000 people annually—the suicide rate—has been increasing sharply since the late 1990s.

Suicides now claim two-and-a-half times as many lives in this country as do homicides, even though the murder rate gets so much more attention.

[\[https://www.thenation.com/article/suicide-rate-americas-latest-epidemic/\]](https://www.thenation.com/article/suicide-rate-americas-latest-epidemic/)

United States military veteran suicide is an ongoing phenomenon regarding a reportedly high rate of suicide among U.S. military veterans, in comparison to the general public. According to the most recent report published by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) in

2016, which analyzed 55 million veterans' records from 1979 to 2014, the current analysis indicates that an average of **20 veterans a day die from suicide**.

[\[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States_military_veteran_suicide\]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States_military_veteran_suicide)

From Psychology Today: They [suicides] are depressed. This is, without question, the most common reason people die by suicide. Severe depression is almost always accompanied by a pervasive sense of suffering as well as the belief that escape from it is **hopeless**.

...depression, as we all know, is almost always treatable, we should all seek to recognize its presence in our close friends and loved ones. Often, people suffer with it silently, planning suicide without anyone ever knowing.

Despite making both parties uncomfortable, **inquiring directly about suicidal thoughts, in my experience, almost always yields an honest response**. If you suspect someone might be depressed, don't allow your tendency to deny the possibility of suicidal ideation prevent you from asking about it.

["I didn't want to get involved!" BOGUS]

[\[https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/happiness-in-world/201004/the-six-reasons-people-attempt-suicide/\]](https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/happiness-in-world/201004/the-six-reasons-people-attempt-suicide/)

The warning signs of suicide are indicators that a person may be in acute danger and may urgently need help:

- Talking about wanting to die or to kill oneself;
- Looking for a way to kill oneself;
- Talking about feeling hopeless or having no purpose;
- Talking about feeling trapped or being in unbearable pain;
- Talking about being a burden to others;
- Increasing the use of alcohol or drugs;
- Acting anxious, agitated, or reckless;
- Sleeping too little or too much;
- Withdrawing or feeling isolated;
- Showing rage or talking about seeking revenge; and
- Displaying extreme mood swings.

[\[https://save.org/about-suicide/warning-signs-risk-factors-protective-factors/\]](https://save.org/about-suicide/warning-signs-risk-factors-protective-factors/)

1. Are we careful when feeling overwhelmed, hopeless, to run to Yeshua AND to friends?
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Fatherlessness

Charisma Magazine:

At this point, however, what is clear is the vast majority of shooters came from broken families without a consistent biological father throughout their rearing and development.

We found maybe four or five of the 27 shooters that we could definitively conclude (without doubt) had been raised in an intact family, or a family that included the biological dad at home, or a biological father who was consistently at home.

[\[https://www.charismanews.com/opinion/in-the-line-of-fire/77655-the-spirit-of-jezebel-fatherless-america-and-mass-shootings?utm_source=In%20the%20Line%20of%20Fire&utm_medium=email&utm_content=subscriber_id:5194514&utm_campaign=Blogger%20-%20Michael%20Brown%20-%202019-08-19\]](https://www.charismanews.com/opinion/in-the-line-of-fire/77655-the-spirit-of-jezebel-fatherless-america-and-mass-shootings?utm_source=In%20the%20Line%20of%20Fire&utm_medium=email&utm_content=subscriber_id:5194514&utm_campaign=Blogger%20-%20Michael%20Brown%20-%202019-08-19)

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When overwhelmed, see G-d's hand in the fire, the flood, the opposition.

Here in Southern California we are very fire conscious. We have discovered that many varieties of plants don't reproduce unless there is a fire that generates enough heat to burn off the outer shells. So, fire is a part of the renewal process.

[I regularly praise G-d for the things going backward in my life, ministry! The fire is part of the renewal!]

“When you are in distress and all these things have come upon you, in the latter days You will return to the Lord your God and listen to His voice. For the Lord your God is a compassionate God; He will not fail you nor destroy you nor forget the covenant with your fathers which He swore to them.” (Deuteronomy 4:30-31)

Mattityahu (Matthew) 27:4

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“That’s your problem.”

[They may have been referring to a Torah technicality. That it was his problem. He accused Yeshua, now he was bearing the responsibility and consequences.]

Dvarim 19.16-19 “If a malicious witness comes forward and gives false testimony against someone, then both the men involved in the controversy are to stand before Adoni, before the cohanim and the judges in office at the time. The judges are to investigate carefully. If they find that the witness is lying and has given false testimony against his brother, you are to do to him what he intended to do to his brother.

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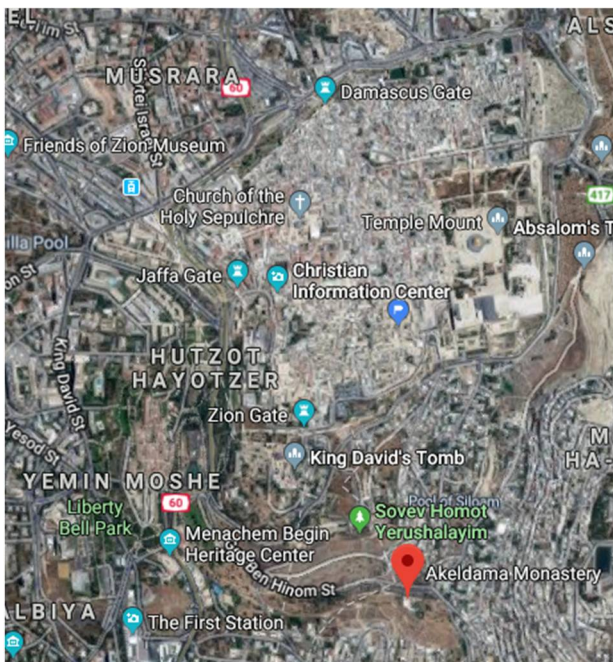
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What does this portion of the Word say to us?

1. Remorse vs repentance
2. Despair → suicide
 - a. Do you have hope? Yeshua is our hope!! Friends can help.
 - b. Are you watching for hopelessness in others?

Repentance and faith go hand in hand. You cannot have saving repentance unless it is accompanied by saving faith in Yeshua the Messiah the Lord. We must receive Messiah by faith. We must **continue** to run to Him in faith.

Has there been a moment in your life when you repented of sin and then by faith received the Lord HaAdon Mashiakh Yeshua?

Have you committed ALL, even the overwhelming issues, to the Lord HaAdon Mashiakh Yeshua? If not, you can today. Your life can be changed. Your sins can be forgiven. You can live a new life. Your overwhelming issues can begin to be addressed.

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Emunah אמונה = faith

In the following clip, Emunah needs to be understood as faith in Messiah, Who said to the despairing sister of Elazar/Lazarus

Yn 11.38-40 Yeshua said, “Roll away the stone!” Marta, the dead man’s sister, said to Him, “Master, by this time he stinks! He’s been dead for four days!” Yeshua said to her, “Didn’t I tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?”

Yn 11.25-26 Yeshua said to her, “I AM the Resurrection and the Life! Whoever puts his trust in me will live, even if he dies; and everyone living and trusting in me will never die.

Repent, then believe!

Emunah in the resurrected Messiah

Tonight starts the month of Elul, leading to High Holidays.

[Movie wording hard to hear: “If you are pregnant, and planning an abortion]



<https://youtu.be/uu0L6-wwCQY>

Repentance and faith go hand in hand. You cannot have saving repentance unless it is accompanied by saving faith in Yeshua the Messiah the Lord. We must receive Messiah by faith. We must **continue** to run to Him in faith.

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What does this portion of the Word say to us?

- 1. Remorse vs repentance**
- 2. Despair → suicide**
 - a. Do you have hope? Yeshua is our hope!! Friends can help.**
 - b. Are you watching for hopelessness in others?**