## Serat Serot - The Leprosy in You



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We read in the letter to the Ephesian where Paul tells them not to be angry or to steal or to slander each other.

Eph 4:22For you ought to put off the old man (according to your way of living before) who is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, 23and be renewed in the spirit of your mind. 24And you should put on the new man, who according to God *was* created in righteousness and true holiness. 25Therefore putting away lying, let each man speak truth with his neighbor, for we are members of one another. 26Be angry, and do not sin. Do not let the sun go down upon your wrath, 27neither give place to the Devil. 28Let him who stole steal no more, but rather let him labor, working with *his* hands the thing which *is* good, so that he may have *something* to give to him who needs. 29Let not any filthy word go out of your mouth, but if any *is* good to building up *in respect of* need, that it may give grace to the ones hearing. 30And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you are sealed until *the* day of redemption.

Why does he focus on these three only in his letter? And how do these three trouble the Holy Spirit?

We also read of a similar teaching from Isaiah.

Isa 63:7I will mention the loving-kindnesses of Jehovah, the praises of Jehovah, according to all that Jehovah has benefited for us, and the great good to the house of Israel by which He benefited them according to His mercies, and according to the multitude of His loving-kindnesses. 8For He said, Surely they are My people, sons that will not lie; so He was their Savior. 9In all their affliction He was afflicted, and the Angel of His Presence saved them; in His love and in His pity He redeemed them; and He bore them, and carried them all the days of old. 10But they rebelled, and troubled His Holy Spirit; therefore He was turned to be their enemy, and He fought against them.

The pedaling of information that has nothing in it is a form of Lashon Harah.

One who accepts Lashon Hara violates the prohibition "Lo tisa shema shav (Ex. 23:1) – Do not raise a false report." [While the verse is generally understood against the speaker] the Sages explain (Mechilta) that is also an exhortation to the one who [might] accept the Lashon Hara. Additionally there are other positive and negative commandments [transgressed by accepting Lashon Hara] discussed previously in the introduction.

The Sages teach us, "Anyone who accepts Lashon Hara should be thrown to the dogs, for it is written (Ex. 23:1), 'Do not raise a false report' immediately following 'throw it to the dogs (22:30)." The Sages also teach us that one who accepts Lashon Hara is worse than the speaker.

Exo 23:1Thou shalt not utter a false report; put not thy hand with the wicked to be an unrighteous witness. 2Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shalt thou bear witness in a cause to turn aside after a multitude to pervert justice;

I continue to read many things from many of you on how you have mixed in with your bible verses things about various conspiracy teachings. When you quote Infowars and other blogs such as this, you are spreading false reports and flat out lies.

## Have you not read Isaiah?

Isa 8:11For so Jehovah spoke to me with a strong hand, and warned me against walking in the way of this people, saying,12Do not say, A conspiracy! to everything of which this people says, A conspiracy! And do not fear their fear, nor be afraid.13Sanctify Jehovah of Hosts Himself, and *let* Him *be* your fear, and let Him be your dread.14And He shall be a sanctuary *for you*, but for a stone of stumbling, and for a rock of falling to both the houses of Israel, for a trap and for a snare to the people of Jerusalem. 15And many among them shall stumble and fall and be broken, and be snared, and be taken.

Stop mixing FEMA camps and chemtrails and whether or not George Bush, Bill Clinton or Barack Obama are the antichrist with your Torah Studies. You are mixing the truth with fiction and are, in fact, eating from the tree of good and evil. Just stop reading it and stop sharing it and stop dabbling in it. Otherwise you will not be a part of the Kingdom.

Paul says to put away lying. So do that. Stop the spreading of lies. Stop being part of Lashon Harah.

Pro 21:23Whoever keeps his mouth and his tongue keeps his soul from troubles.24Proud, haughty scorner *is* his name, he who deals in proud wrath.

Consider also what you are told in Psalms. This is the fear of Yehovah. By keeping yourself from spreading gossip or lies, lashon Harah, you are developing righteousness. But those of you spreading it are setting yourselves up to be cut off and all memory of you erased from the earth.

Psa 34:11Come, listen to me, *my* sons; I will teach you the fear of Jehovah. 12Who *is* the man that desires life, and loves days, that he may see good? 13Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking guile. 14Depart from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it. 15The eyes of Jehovah *are* on the righteous, and His ears *are open* to their cry. 16The face of Jehovah *is* against those who do evil, to cut off the memory of them from the earth.

The Apostle Paul was a brilliant teacher. He was so advanced that many had trouble understanding him, as Peter tells us.

2Pe 3:15And think of the long-suffering of our Lord *as* salvation (as our beloved brother Paul also has written to you according to the wisdom given to him 16as also in all his letters, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which the unlearned and unstable pervert, as also *they do* the rest of the Scriptures, to *their* own destruction).

Again back to Ephesians; why has Paul lumped Slander in with Anger and Stealing? We read of Anger and Stealing in the sermon on the Mount.

Mat 5:21You have heard that it was said to the ancients, "You shall not kill" –and, "Whoever shall kill shall be liable to the judgment." **22**But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be liable to the judgment. And whoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be liable to the sanhedrin; but whoever shall say, Fool! shall be liable *to be thrown* into the fire of hell.

Yehshua then goes on right after this to talk about adultery.

Mat 5:27You have heard that it was said to the ancients, "You shall not commit adultery." 28But I say to you that whoever looks on a woman to lust after her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

Then Yehshua, after these two explanations, goes on to talk about Lashon Harah, the same three things Paul is writing to the Ephesians about.

Mat 5:33Again, you have heard that it has been said to the ancients, "You shall not swear falsely, but you shall perform your oaths to the Lord." 34But I say to you, Do not swear at all! Not by Heaven, because it is God's throne; 35not by the earth, for it is the footstool of His feet; not by Jerusalem, because it is *the* city of the great King; 36nor shall you swear by your head, because you cannot make one hair white or black. 37But let your word be, Yes, yes; No, no. For whatever is more than these comes from evil.

Yehshua prefaced these three teachings by saying the following:

Mat 5:17Do not think that I have come to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I have not come to destroy but to fulfill. 18For truly I say to you, Till the heaven and the earth pass away, not one jot or one tittle shall in any way pass from the Law until all is fulfilled. 19Therefore whoever shall relax one of these commandments, the least, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of Heaven. But whoever shall do and teach *them*, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of Heaven. 20For I say to you that unless your righteousness shall exceed *that* of the scribes and Pharisees, you shall in no case enter into the kingdom of Heaven.

What Laws are both Yehshua and Paul speaking about? They were spoken to Israel dircetly from the mouth of Yehovah at Mount Sinai on Shavuot. It was part of the Marriage contract that our ancestors all said "I do" to. They agreed to obey these laws and so did we by being in their loins, as it were.

Here are those very same three laws on anger, stealing and slander. When you commit adultery you are in fact stealing from your Brother or your Sister, their spouse.

Exo 20:13You shall not kill.

Exo 20:14You shall not commit adultery.

Exo 20:15You shall not steal.

Exo 20:16You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

I want to point something out to you.

King David was not charged with adultery when he went into Bathsheba.

2Sa 12:1And Jehovah sent Nathan to David. And he came to him and said to him, There were two men in one city, one rich and one poor. 2The rich one had exceeding many flocks and herds, 3but the poor one had nothing except one little ewe lamb which he had bought and nourished up. And it grew up together with him and with his sons. It ate of his own food and drank from his own cup, and lay in his bosom, and was to him like a daughter. 4And there came a traveler to the rich man, and he spared to take of his own flock and of his own herd to dress for the traveler that had come to him. But he took the poor man's lamb and dressed it for the man who had come to him. 5And David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. And he said to Nathan, As the Lord lives, the man who has done this shall surely die. 6And he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity. 7And Nathan said to David, You are the man! So says Jehovah, the God of Israel, I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you out of the hand of Saul. 8And I gave you your master's house and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah. And if that was too little, I would have given to you such and such things besides. 9Why have you despised the Word of Jehovah, to do evil in His sight? You have stricken Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the sons of Ammon. 10And therefore, the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised Me and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. 11So says Jehovah, Behold, I will raise up evil against you out of your own house, and I will take your wives before your eyes and give them to your neighbor. And he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this sun. 12For you did it secretly, but I will do this thing before all Israel and before the sun. 13And David said to Nathan, I have sinned against Jehovah. And Nathan said to David, Jehovah also has put away your sin; you shall not die. 14Only, because by this deed you have given great occasion to the enemies of Jehovah to blaspheme, this child born to you shall surely die. 15And Nathan left to go to his house. And Jehovah struck the child that Uriah's wife bore to David, and it was very sick.

David said the man who did this thing was to repay four fold. Why did he say this? The answer is in the law.

Exo 22:1If a man shall steal an ox, or a sheep, and kill it or sell it, he shall restore five oxen for an ox, and four sheep for a sheep.

David was guilty of stealing.

It is a Jewish law that when a man goes to war, the wife is not married. She is given a "get" a divorce.

A peculiar problem arises, however, if a man disappears or deserts his wife or is presumed dead but there is insufficient proof of death. Under Jewish law, divorce can only be initiated by the man; thus, if the husband cannot be found, he cannot be compelled to divorce the wife and she cannot marry another man. A woman in this situation is referred to as agunah (literally, anchored). The rabbis agonized over this problem, balancing the need to allow the woman to remarry with the risk of an adulterous marriage (a grave transgression that would affect the status of offspring of the marriage) if the husband reappeared. No definitive solution to this problem exists.

To prevent this problem to some extent, it is customary in many places for a man to give his wife a conditional get (**Sefer K'ritut**) whenever he goes off to war, so that if he never comes home and his body is not found, his wife does not become agunah (Lit. anchored. A woman whose husband disappeared without divorcing her.).

David had a loophole and used it to go into Bathsheba. David was guilty of stealing and of lusting, in the same way that Saul was guilty of Jealousy towards David.

1Sa 18:6 And it happened as they came in, as David returned from striking the Philistine, the women came out of all cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet King Saul with tabrets, with joy, and with instruments of music.

1Sa 18:7And the women answered as they played, and said, Saul has slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands. 8And Saul was very angry, and this thing was evil in his eyes. And he said, They have given David ten thousands, and to me they have given *only* thousands. And what more can he have but the kingdom? 9And Saul eyed David from that day and forward.

To eye some one is to watch them with Jealousy.

In Hebrew the word Leprosy is hurx and is pronounced tsara'ath. This is Strongs #6883. The root of the word is rx tsar and is strongs #6862. The same spelling is used for tribulation and adversary and is pronounced tsar.

In Judaism, they consider the Messiah in two forms. One is Messiah ben David and the other is Messiah ben Joseph. Ben Joseph suffers for the sins of Israel and ends up getting killed.

In the Talmud it is written, "When will the Messiah come? And "By what sign may I recognize Him?" Elijah tells the Rabbi to go to the gate of the city where he will find the Messiah sitting among the poor lepers (Sanhedrin 98a). "The Messiah—what is his name?—The ages say, the Leper Scholar, as it is said, 'surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows: yet we esteem him a leper, smitten of God and afflicted" (Sanhedrin 98b).

**Mat 8:1** And when he came down from the mount, great multitudes did follow him, 2 and lo, a leper having come, was bowing to him, saying, 'Sir, if thou art willing, thou art able to cleanse me;' 3 and having stretched forth the hand, Jesus touched him, saying, 'I will, be thou cleansed,' and immediately his leprosy was cleansed. 4 And Jesus saith to him, 'See, thou mayest tell no one, but go, thyself shew to the priest, and bring the gift that Moses commanded for a testimony to them.'

Anger, stealing and Slander are all a result of breaking the 10th commandment.

**Exo 20:17**You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that *is* your neighbor's.

When you covet your neighbour's things you are in fact guilty of being angry for not having those things, you will slander those who have them and you will steal them the more you covet them.

All of this is tsar and is a plague and leprosy, to be put out of our lives and out of our camps like we did for unleavened bread. We do this in order to be ready for the 8th day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread which is Shavuot, when we are to be redeemed.

The 7 Days of Unleavened Bread represent the first 7 Millennium. When Israel went through the Red Sea on the 7th day of Unleavened Bread it is symbolic of the 7th Millennium when the Holy Spirit is going to be poured out on all flesh during the reign of King David.

And like the 8th day of Sukkot, the 8th Sabbath in the count to Shavuot are related in that this is when mankind is redeemed by our great redeemer Yehovah as we showed you in last week's teaching. We are to wash ourselves at the end of the 7th day of our uncleanliness and then we are to present ourselves to Yehovah for redemption.

We who are lepers now, we who are slandering each other, with jealousy of one another and hatred towards each other and stealing the respect and dignity each one has as King or Priest in the Kingdom, need to be cleansed as we are told to do when we are cursed with leprosy.

Lev 14:1 And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, 2This shall be the law of the leper in the day of his cleansing. He shall be brought to the priest. 3And the priest shall go forth out of the camp. And the priest shall look, and behold, *if* the plague of leprosy is healed in the leper, 4then the priest shall command to take two clean live birds for him that is to be cleansed, and cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssop. 5And the priest shall command that one of the birds be killed in an earthen vessel over running water. 6He shall take the living bird, and the cedar wood and the scarlet and the hyssop, and shall dip them and the living bird in the blood of the slain bird, over the running water. 7And he shall sprinkle on him that is to be cleansed from the leprosy seven times, and shall pronounce him clean, and shall let the living bird loose into the open field. 8And he that is to be cleansed shall wash his clothes, and shave off all his hair, and wash himself in water so that he may be clean. And after that he shall come into the camp, and shall stay outside his tent seven days. 9But on the seventh day he shall shave all his hair off his head and his beard and his eyebrows; even all his hair shall he shave off. And he shall wash his clothes. He also shall wash his

flesh in water, and he shall be clean. 10And on the eighth day he shall take two male lambs without blemish, and one ewe lamb of the first year without blemish, and three-tenth parts of fine flour for a food offering, mixed with oil, and one log of oil. 11And the priest who is cleansing, and the man who is to be cleansed, shall stand with them before Jehovah at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. 12And the priest shall take one male lamb and offer him for a trespass offering, and the log of oil, and wave them for a wave offering before Jehovah. 13And he shall kill the lamb in the place where he shall kill the sin offering and the burnt offering, in the holy place. For as the sin offering is the priest's, so is the trespass offering. It is most holy. 14And the priest shall take of the blood of the trespass offering, and the priest shall put it on the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and on the thumb of his right hand, and on the big toe of his right foot. 15And the priest shall take from the log of oil and pour into the palm of his own left hand. 16And the priest shall dip his right finger in the oil in his left hand and shall sprinkle of the oil with his finger seven times before Jehovah. 17And of the rest of the oil in his hand, the priest shall put on the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and on the thumb of his right hand, and on the big toe of his right foot, on the blood of the trespass offering. 18And the rest of the oil in the priest's palm he shall pour on the head of him that is to be cleansed. And the priest shall make an atonement for him before Jehovah. 19And the priest shall offer the sin offering and make an atonement for him that is to be cleansed from his uncleanness. And afterward he shall kill the burnt offering. 20And the priest shall offer the burnt offering and the food offering on the altar. And the priest shall make an atonement for him, and he shall be clean. 21 And if he is poor and his hand cannot reach so much, then he shall take one lamb for a trespass offering to be waved, to make an atonement for him, and one-tenth part of fine flour mixed with oil for a food offering, and a log of oil, 22and two turtle-doves or two young pigeons, such as his hand can reach. And the one shall be a sin offering, and the other a burnt offering. 23And he shall bring them on the eighth day for his cleansing to the priest, to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before Jehovah. 24And the priest shall take the lamb of the trespass offering, and the log of oil, and the priest shall wave them for a wave offering before Jehovah. 25And he shall kill the lamb of the trespass offering. And the priest shall take from the blood of the trespass offering, and put it on the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and on the thumb of his right hand, and on the big toe of his right foot. 26And the priest shall pour of the oil into the palm of his own left hand. 27And the priest shall sprinkle with his right finger of the oil that is in his left hand seven times before Jehovah, 28And the priest shall put of the oil in his hand on the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and on the thumb of his right hand, and on the big toe of his right foot, on the place of the blood of the trespass offering. 29And the rest of the oil in the priest's hand he shall put on the head of him that is to be cleansed, to make an atonement for him before Jehovah, 30And he shall offer the one of the turtle-doves, or of the young pigeons, such as he is able to get, 31 even such as he is able to reach, the one for a sin offering and the other for a burnt offering, with the food offering. And the priest shall make an atonement for him that is to be cleansed before Jehovah. 32This is the law of him in whom is the plague of leprosy, whose hand is not able to reach in his cleansing.