# Portion:

### **SCRIPTURES (Double Portion)**

- Leviticus 12-15
- Luke 2:22-35; 8:40-56
- Hebrews 4:11-13
- Psalms 139:23-24
- Acts 4:13-20
- Joshua 24:14-15
- John 8:31-32; 16:12-33
- Luke 5:12-16; 17:11-19
- Luke 7:19-23
- Matthew 23:1-3; 27-28
- I Corinthians 6:12-20
- Romans 6:12-23

# Title:

#### **ISSUES OF BLOOD**

- Exposed Hearts
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Y'shua healed a woman who had an 'issue of blood' for 12 years, as she boldly grabbed His outer garment. But, just before that He is begged to come save a 12 year old girl. He appears unconcerned as He walks on. Soon after, the girl's father is told to no longer bother the Master as she has already died. At the news, again, Y'shua

appears unalarmed and calmly says, "Do not be afraid; only believe, and she will be made well." As He comes into her home full of weeping loved ones, He is ridiculed for words that reflect His apparent ignorance, "Do not weep; she is not dead, but sleeping." The miracle follows; "Little girl, arise." What has often intrigued me is the intersection of these two miracles, especially the common thread of 12 years. Explore with us the deep insights into these two miracles.

#### THEME: MAIN SCRIPTURE(S) THAT HAS INSPIRED MESSAGE

"Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'If a woman has conceived, and borne a male child, then she shall be unclean seven days; as in the days of her customary impurity she shall be unclean. And on the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised. She shall then continue in the blood of her purification thirty-three days. She shall not touch any hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary until the days of her purification are fulfilled. 'But if she bears a female child, then she shall be unclean two weeks, as in her customary impurity, and she shall continue in the blood of her purification sixty-six days." Leviticus 12:1-5 NKJV

"When the days of her purification are fulfilled, whether for a son or a daughter, she shall **bring to the priest a lamb of the first year** as a burnt offering, and a young pigeon or a turtledove as a sin offering, to the door of the tabernacle of meeting. Then he shall offer it before the LORD, and make atonement for her. And she **shall be clean from the flow of her blood**. This is the law for her who has borne a male or a female." Leviticus 12:6-7 NKJV.

#### **OUTCOME: MAIN TAKEAWAY(S) I AM HOPING FOR PEOPLE**

"Now when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought Him to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the LORD"), and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the law of the Lord, "A pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the Consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. So he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law, he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said: "Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace,

According to Your word; For my eyes have seen Your salvation Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples, A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel." And Joseph and His mother marveled at those things which were spoken of Him. Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, "Behold, this Child is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against (yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."" Luke 2:22-35 NKJV

"Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience. For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account." Hebrews 4:11-13 NKJV

# Let's Set the Scene: Portion in a blurb

The Torah is divided into 54 weekly readings meant to be explored throughout each biblical calendar year called the annual Torah

cycle. Yet, the normal length of biblical year is counted by lunar (moon) cycles, not a solar (sun) cycle, and has only as 354 days, which yields only 50 or 51 sabbaths on which to do those readings. The biblical "leap year" adds an extra month every 3 years which then adds 4 sabbaths for reading. In addition, a few of the readings each year are meant to be read on biblical feast days and not on the weekly sabbath. So to insure that each year all of the portions are read, some weeks have double portion readings. This can happen up to 7 times in any Biblical calendar year, differing dependent on when the feasts days fall and if we are in a leap year. This week calls for one of those double portion readings.

- 1. Leviticus 12 discusses the laws of purification after childbirth. Leviticus 13 introduces the laws for diagnosing and quarantining lepers. Leviticus 14 spells out the complex purification rituals for the cleansing of a leper and a leprous home. Leviticus 15 briefly covers the laws regarding ritual unfitness stemming from bodily emissions.
- 2. **The Ritual After Childbirth:** Males are circumcised on the eighth day (12:3) and a woman's purification lasts 40 days. For girls, her purification lasts 80 days. After purification is over she will present the child before the priest. (Remember how Y'shua's parents obeyed this in Luke 2:22-24)

- 3. **The Law Concerning Leprosy:** any sign of such skin disease and the person is presented before the priest who will examine him. The priest makes the determination if a person is leprous and the severity of such using various methods of analysis and periods of isolation.
- 4. The priest also examines boils, burns sores, bright white and red spots, and if they have turned leprous using determined parameters.
- 5. The leper's clothes shall be torn and his head bare; and he shall cover his mustache, and cry, 'Unclean! Unclean!'
- 6. The Law Concerning Leprous Garments: The priest also examines infected garments and isolates them for seven days, if it spreads, the garment is burned, if not, they are washed clean. If after it is washed there is still a stain it shall be burned. If the stain has faded it can be cut out of the garment and if it appear again it shall be burned.
- 7. The Ritual for Cleansing Healed Lepers: the leper shall be brought before the priest for examination. If he is clean, two clean birds are brought before the priest, one is sacrificed and one is freed in an open field. The healed leper washes his clothes and shaves his head. He can now come into the camp but must remain outside the tent for seven days at which time he again shaves and washes his clothes. On the eighth day he

takes two perfect lambs of the first year, and a grain offering to the priest. One lamb is offered as a trespass offering with the grain. He then anoints the healed leper with the blood on the right ear, right thumb and right big toe, just like when a priest is consecrated! Then he offers the other lamb as a burnt offering also with grain. They are all burned up. If the leper is poor there are various accommodations in what he must bring before the priest. (See Y'shua's healing of the Lepers in Luke 5:12-16 and Luke 17:11-19)

- 8. The Law Concerning Leprous Houses: a house suspected of leprous plague is emptied and examined by the priest. Any stone affected is taken outside the city. The rest are scraped and the house is re-plastered. If the plague comes back the house is dismantled completely and carried outside the city. Anyone from that house must wash their garments. Anyone who visited is unclean for a day. If the priest comes in and examines *it*, and indeed the plague has not spread, then the priest shall pronounce the house clean, because the plague is healed. A sacrifice is then offered, one of the birds is set free.
- 9. **The Law Concerning Bodily Discharges:** the various rules for cleansing after any discharge are elaborated. Especially noteworthy is the law of separation when a woman has her monthly cycle, what was know as "customary" impurity. "And if

- any man lies with her at all, so that her impurity is on him, he shall be unclean seven days; and every bed on which he lies shall be unclean." (15:24)
- 10. Thus you shall separate the children of Israel from their uncleanness.

#### THE TIME HAS COME FOR HEARTS TO BE EXPOSED

#### 1. The Patterns are Undeniable!

#### A. A Lamb of the First Year

- (1) Presenting a newborn child before Yahweh
  - (a) "Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'If a woman has conceived, and borne a male child, then she shall be unclean seven days; as in the days of her customary impurity she shall be unclean. And on the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised. She shall then continue in the blood of her purification thirty-three days. She shall not touch any hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary until the days of her purification are fulfilled. 'But if she bears a female child, then she shall be unclean two weeks, as in her customary impurity, and she shall continue in the blood of her purification sixty-six days." Leviticus 12:1-5 NKJV

- Purification of the mother for male children is 40 days. First a 7 day separation followed by circumcision on the 8th day. And then she continues 33 more days before she can come to the Temple.
- 2. For Female births it is 80 days, a period of 14 days of separation and then 66 more days until she can enter the temple.
- (2) When the days of purification end, she shall bring a sacrifice to the temple, preferably a lamb of the first year!
  - (a) "When the days of her purification are fulfilled, whether for a son or a daughter, she shall **bring to the**priest a lamb of the first year as a burnt offering, and a young pigeon or a turtledove as a sin offering, to the door of the tabernacle of meeting. Then he shall offer it before the LORD, and make atonement for her. And she shall be clean from the flow of her blood. This is the law for her who has borne a male or a female."

    Leviticus 12:6-7 NKJV.
  - (b) "'And if she is **not able to bring a lamb**, then she may **bring two turtledoves or two young pigeons**—one as a burnt offering and the other as a sin offering. So the priest shall make atonement for her, **and she will be clean.'** "" Leviticus 12:8 NKJV

- 1. Two things to keep in mind here are how a woman is being *cleansed from her flow of blood* and its relationship to presenting a Lamb or sacrifice for the child's life at the proper time after birth. This will open your eyes later when you see a famous event involving Y'shua as an adult.
- (3) The birth of Y'shua—the lamb of the first year!
  - (a) "Now when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought Him to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the LORD ") [Exodus 13:2], and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the law of the Lord, "A pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." [presumably Mary could not afford the Lamb, plus Y'shua is the Lamb of the first year] And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the Consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. So he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for

Him according to the custom of the law, he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said: "Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, According to Your word; For my eyes have seen Your salvation Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples, A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel." And Joseph and His mother marveled at those things which were spoken of Him. Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, "Behold, this Child is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against (yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."" Luke 2:22-35 NKJV

- (4) It was prophesied that Y'shua would be a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart—THE WORD
  - (a) "Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience. For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. And there is no creature

- open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account." Hebrews 4:11-13 NKJV
- (b) Search the heart: "Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; And see if there is any wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting." Psalms 139:23-24 NKJV

#### B. An Issue of Blood

- (1) Who better to record these details than Luke the physician?
  - (a) "So it was, when Jesus returned, that the multitude welcomed Him, for they were all waiting for Him. And behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue. And he fell down at Jesus' feet and begged Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter about twelve years of age, and she was dying. But as He went, the multitudes thronged Him. Now a woman, having a flow of blood for twelve years, who had spent all her livelihood on physicians and could not be healed by any, came from behind and touched the border of His garment. And immediately her flow of blood stopped. And Jesus said, "Who touched Me?" When all denied it, Peter and those with

him said, "Master, the multitudes throng and press You, and You say, 'Who touched Me?' " But Jesus said, "Somebody touched Me, for I perceived power going out from Me." Now when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before Him, she declared to Him in the presence of all the people the reason she had touched Him and how she was healed immediately. And He said to her, "Daughter, be of good cheer; your faith has made you **well.** Go in peace." While He was still speaking, someone came from the ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, "Your daughter is dead. Do not trouble the Teacher." But when Jesus heard it, He answered him, saying, "Do not be afraid; only believe, and she will be made well." When He came into the house, He permitted no one to go in except Peter, James, and **John**, and the father and mother of the girl. Now all wept and mourned for her; but He said, "Do not weep; she is not dead, but sleeping." And they ridiculed Him, knowing that she was dead. But He put them all outside, took her by the hand and called, saying, "Little girl, arise." Then her spirit returned, and she arose immediately. And He commanded that she be given

something to eat. And her parents were astonished, but He charged them to tell no one what had happened."

Luke 8:40-56 NKJV

- 1. What amazing imagery here:
- 2. First the amazing parallel of the woman whose issue of blood has persisted for 12 years and the child who dies who is 12 years old. An amazing parallel alluding to the sacrifice not being brought to the temple for the "cleansing of a woman's flow of blood."
- 3. Leviticus 12:4 says she shall not touch any hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary until the days of her purification are fulfilled, and yet she reaches out and touches the garment of the most holy of all! And immediately she is CLEANSED BY THE LAMB FROM HER FLOW OF BLOOD after 12 years.
- 4. In a stunning moment, the Lamb of God substitutes for the Lamb not offered at time her purification.
- 5. In the end, after he has raised the 12 year old girl who has died, Y'shua says this curious thing. "Give her something to eat." If we go back to Leviticus 12, we see that the Lamb (or extra pigeon or turtledove) is offered as a burnt offering and the pigeon or

- turtledove as a sin offering. This is significant as the **burnt offering so to be completely consumed** by fire (Lev. 1 and 6), but the sin offering, in part, is to be eaten by the priest.
- (I) "The priest who offers it for sin shall eat it. In a holy place it shall be eaten, in the court of the tabernacle of meeting." Leviticus 6:26
- (II) Look how irritated Moses is when Aaron's sons,
  Ithamar and Eleazar, are fail to eat their portion
  of the sin offering as commanded: "Then Moses
  made careful inquiry about the goat of the sin
  offering, and there it was—burned up. And he was
  angry with Eleazar and Ithamar, the sons of Aaron
  who were left, saying, "Why have you not eaten
  the sin offering in a holy place, since it is most
  holy, and God has given it to you to bear the guilt
  of the congregation, to make atonement for them
  before the LORD? See! Its blood was not brought
  inside the holy place; indeed you should have
  eaten it in a holy place, as I commanded.""

Leviticus 10:16-18 NKJV

6. The Lamb is completely consumed in a burnt offering, but the sin offering must be shared and

- eaten by the priests. What a beautiful picture of Y'shua conferring a priesthood on a born-again, resurrected from the dead, humanity!
- (2) How outrageous that she would touch a man, let alone a Rabbi! But she needed a lamb to cleanse her!
  - (a) "'If a woman has a discharge, and the discharge from her body is blood, she shall be set apart seven days; and whoever touches her shall be unclean until evening." Leviticus 15:19 NKJV

# C. There comes a moment in time in every man's life when he must choose

- (1) When breaking a law shows more obedience to Yahweh then keeping it!
  - (a) "Now when they saw the boldness of **Peter and John**, and perceived that they **were uneducated and untrained men**, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus. And seeing the man who had been healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it. But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves, saying, "What shall we do to these men? For, indeed, that a notable miracle has been done through them is evident to all who dwell in Jerusalem,

and we cannot deny it. But so that it spreads no further among the people, let us severely threaten them, that from now on they speak to no man in this name." So they called them and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John answered and said to them, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you more than to God, you judge. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard."" Acts 4:13-20 NKJV

- 1. And look who leads the way, the Apostle Peter and the Prophet John. (John is undoubtedly the Prophetic disciple as he is the one chosen to right the most prophetic Gospel and the book of Revelation.)
- 2. Then consider that they chose to "violate a command" for the greater purpose of honoring God.
- 3. Did not the woman with the issue of blood, by faith, do this exact thing. "She declared to Him in the presence of all the people the reason she had touched Him and how she was healed immediately." (Luke 8:47)

### (2) TRUTH MATTERS—KNOWING THE WORD MATTERS!

(a) ""Now therefore, fear the LORD, serve **Him in sincerity** and in truth, and put away the gods which your fathers

served on the other side of the River and in Egypt.

Serve the LORD! And if it seems evil to you to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."" Joshua 24:14-15 NKJV

- (3) Let us be genuine truth-seekers and it will set us free
  - (a) "Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."" John 8:31-32 NKJV
  - (b) ""I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you." John 16:12-14 NKJV
    - 1. Who are you serving and how are you serving Him
    - 2. Truth without knowledge is useless. Knowledge with virtue is dangerous! (SEE 2 Peter 1:1-11)

- 3. If you are sincere you will be guided into all truth.
- 4. Are you a student of His word?
- (4) The days are coming!
  - (a) "His disciples said to Him, "See, now You are speaking plainly, and using no figure of speech! Now we are sure that You know all things, and have no need that anyone should question You. By this we believe that You came forth from God." Jesus answered them, "Do you now believe? Indeed the hour is coming, yes, has now come, that you will be scattered, each to his own [home], and will leave Me alone. And yet I am not alone, because the Father is with Me. These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."" John 16:29-33 NKIV
    - 1. In the wake of this CoronaVirus 2020 panic, all fabricated by lies and false narratives (the opposite of truth), have you scattered to your home and left Him alone.
    - 2. Churches across the globe are empty in support of public safety, social distancing, and all based on lies, fear, and control. And the worst part is that the

church has been fully submissive and subservient if not complicit. Instead of being the bearers of all truth, it has propagated the lies by its behavior and silence!

#### GO SHOW YOURSELF [TO THE PRIEST]

# 2. This was Yahweh's plan all along!

#### A. Pick a Priest

- (1) Get Thee to a Levitical Priest
  - (a) ""When a man has on the skin of his body a swelling, a scab, or a bright spot, and it becomes on the skin of his body like a leprous sore, then he shall be brought to Aaron the priest or to one of his sons the priests." Leviticus 13:2 NKJV
  - (b) ""This shall be the law of the leper for the day of his cleansing: **He shall be brought to the priest**. And the priest shall go out of the camp, and the priest shall examine him; and indeed, if the leprosy is healed in the leper," Leviticus 14:2-3 NKJV
  - (c) "And he shall sprinkle it seven times on him who is to be cleansed from the leprosy, and shall pronounce him clean, and shall let the living bird loose in the open field." Leviticus 14:7 NKJV

- (d) "The priest shall take some of the blood of the trespass offering, and the priest shall put it on the tip of the right ear of him who is to be cleansed, on the thumb of his right hand, and on the big toe of his right foot. And the priest shall take some of the log of oil, and pour it into the palm of his own left hand. Then the priest shall dip his right finger in the oil that is in his left hand, and shall sprinkle some of the oil with his finger seven times before the LORD." Leviticus 14:14-16 NKJV
- (e) Lepers' houses—Cleansed with Blood and Water "And he shall cleanse the house with the blood of the bird and the running water and the living bird, with the cedar wood, the hyssop, and the scarlet." Leviticus 14:52 NKJV
  - 1. A leper is to be brought to a priest for examination
  - 2. The priest will declare if he is clean or unclean
  - 3. The priest will consecrate the healed leper with blood, interestingly, **exactly the same way Moses** consecrated the Aaron and his sons when he commissioned them in Leviticus 8:22-24.
- (2) Y'shua, a higher priest actually heals the lepers— "Go show yourself to the priest." **HE KNOWS WHAT THE WORDS SAYS TO DO!**

- (a) "And it happened when He was in a certain city, that behold, a man who was full of leprosy saw Jesus; and he fell on his face and implored Him, saying, "Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean." Then He put out His hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." Immediately the leprosy left him. And He charged him to tell no one, "But go and show yourself to the priest, and make an offering for your cleansing, as a testimony to them, just as Moses commanded." However, the report went around concerning Him all the more; and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by Him of their infirmities. So He Himself often withdrew into the wilderness and prayed." Luke 5:12-16 NKJV (also Matthew 8:1-4 and Mark 1:41-45)
- (b) "Now it happened as He went to Jerusalem that He passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. Then as He entered a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. And they lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" So when He saw them, He said to them, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he

saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan. So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well."" Luke 17:11-19 NKJV

- 1. Is Y'shua willing? Are you willing to ask?
- 2. Go show yourself to the priest, why?
- 3. Notice how in the narrative of the 10 lepers, they are not healed until they move toward doing what Y'shua told them to do, "Go show yourself to the priests."?
- 4. In all three accounts (Matthew, Mark, Luke) of the single leper being healed, Y'shua tells them to, "make an offering for your cleansing, as a testimony to them, just as Moses commanded."

## B. Are You the One or do I look for another?

- (1) John's (the Baptist) Final Question
  - (a) "And John, calling two of his disciples to him, sent them to Jesus, saying, "Are You the Coming One, or do we look for another?" Luke 7:19

- (b) Jesus answered and said to them, "Go and tell John the things you have seen and heard: that the blind see, the lame walk, **the lepers are cleansed**, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor have the gospel preached to them. And blessed is he who is not offended because of Me."" Luke 7:22-23 NKJV
  - 1. Are you looking for another?
  - 2. Healing a Leper was a key indicator! And what was the stamp on these miracles?
  - 3. The Messiah you worship will say..."make an offering for your cleansing, as a testimony to them, just as Moses commanded."

#### **BOTTOM LINE—PURIFICATION**

## 3. Does any of this even apply to you?

## A. Do as I they say, not as they do!

(1) "Then Jesus spoke to the multitudes and to His disciples, saying: "The scribes and the Pharisees sit in **Moses' seat.**Therefore **whatever they tell you to observe, that observe** and do, **but do not do according to their works**; for they say, and do not do." Matthew 23:1-3 NKJV

### **B.** Purity

- (2) The entirety of Leviticus 15 speaks of various bodily discharges, both normal and abnormal. And the cleansing of such to stay pure. Even a woman who is in her normal cycle "must be cleansed". And her husband is integral in that process by staying pure with her. In the end, the entirety of that chapter is summed up in this:
  - (a) "'Thus you shall separate the children of Israel from their uncleanness, **lest they die in their uncleanness** when they defile My **tabernacle** that is among them." Leviticus 15:31 NKJV
- (3) And look at this amazing prophetic picture!
  - (a) "'If a woman has a discharge, and the discharge from her body is blood, she shall be set apart seven days; and whoever touches her shall be unclean until evening." Leviticus 15:19 NKJV
    - 1. After Y'shua encounters the woman with the issue of blood and raises the young girl He does this:
    - 2. "Then He called His twelve disciples together and gave them power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases. He sent them to preach the kingdom of God and to heal the sick." Luke 9:1-2 NKJV
    - 3. It would seem as Y'shua was well aware and fully compliant with the Laws of Moses, that He was

unclean until evening having been touched by the woman with the issue of blood, so He'd have waited until evening to send them!

# C. So, as the living Tabernacle of Yahweh, cleanse yourself from all uncleanness!

- (1) Temple of the Holy Spirit
  - "All things are lawful for me, but all things are not helpful. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any. Foods for the stomach and the stomach for foods, but God will destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God both raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by His power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a harlot? Certainly not! Or do you not know that he who is joined to a harlot is one body with her? For "the two," He says, "shall become one flesh." But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him. Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit

- who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's." I Corinthians 6:12-20 NKJV
- (2) The price for your purity was high so—**DO NOT** let sin reign in your Temple
  - (a) "Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts. And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace." Romans 6:12-14 NKJV
- (3) Set free from sin!
  - (a) "But now having **been set free from sin**, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:22-23 NKJV
- (4) Even if you don't look like a leper on the outside you still may need a good cleansing!

(a) ""Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs which indeed appear beautiful outwardly, but inside are full of dead men's bones and all uncleanness. Even so you also outwardly appear righteous to men, but inside you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness." Matthew 23:27-28 NKJV

### **QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION**

# 1. Relate the birth of Y'shua with the days of purification of His mother as commended in the Leviticus.

A. A just and devout man, Simeon, prophesied over Y'shua upon His presentation to the Temple according to the law; contemplate and discuss what is meant by, "yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

# 2. Consider the narrative about the woman with the issue of blood in Luke 8:

- A. How might her 12 year issue relate to the ritual purification commanded of women after childbirth?
- B. How might it relate to the 12 year old resurrected by Y'shua?
- C. Why did Y'shua tell her parents to give her something to eat afterwards?

- 3. Consider the narrative about Peter and John being commanded to no longer talk about Y'shua in Acts 4:
  - A. What was their response and how does this relate to the idea that Christians must submit to their governing authorities?
  - B. How do you know when to submit and when to resist?
- 4. Related and discuss Truth, Knowledge and Virtue.
- 5. Why did Y'shua tell the healed Lepers to go show themselves to the priests?
- 6. After all he knew and experienced, why might have John the Baptist inquire if Y'shua was the one coming or should he look for another?
- 7. What do these words of Y'shua mean to you:
  - A. "The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat. Therefore whatever they tell you to observe, that observe and do, but do not do according to their works; for they say, and do not do."