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SCRIPTURES

- Deuteronomy 21:10-25:19
- II Samuel 11, 12
- Numbers 1:1-18
- I Timothy 1:3-7
- Matthew 1:1-21

PROPHETIC IMPLICATIONS

- Duty Bound
- The Uriah Story
- Royal Bloodlines
- Endless Genealogies
- And the Answer is...

What does it mean to be “duty bound?” And what does Yahweh do when one is not willing or aware of the need to fulfill that duty? I pray you realize there are no idle words in the Bible and every historical event has implications, well beyond the narrative itself. In other words, the history of what actually took place is important, but what it means prophetically is far more significant.

The best way to investigate what is the deeper message hidden in biblical narratives is to consider the Scriptures as a type of divine web of interconnections and revelations. For instance, in one area of Scripture Yahweh gives a command; in another we read a seemingly unrelated historical account. Then, in yet a third area, He reveals the prophetic nature in which that command was fulfilled in

that story. To appreciate it, you must become a student of the Scriptures.

And what is most fascinating is that when man is not willing to fulfill his commanded duty, or not even aware of it, Yahweh steps in and makes it happen. He simply will not be denied. Good thing for us, as you will certainly see shortly!

And could we agree on one final point? If we can weave together a few fibers of this divine tapestry, might we then become more useful in bringing the Kingdom to earth? We can do so by recognizing the prophetic significance of God's Laws. Let me defer to the words of Y'shua to describe what I'm saying; "Every scribe instructed concerning the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure things new and old."

THEME: MAIN SCRIPTURE(S) THAT HAS INSPIRED MESSAGE

"If brothers dwell together, and one of them dies and has no son, the widow of the dead man shall not be married to a stranger outside the family; **her husband's brother shall go in to her, take her as his wife**, and **perform the duty** of a husband's brother to her. And it shall be that the firstborn son which she bears will succeed to the name of his dead brother, **that his name may not be blotted out of Israel.**" Deuteronomy 25:5-6 NKJV

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

“Why have you despised the commandment of the Lord, to do evil in His sight? **You have killed Uriah the Hittite** with the sword; you have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the people of Ammon.” II Samuel 12:9 NKJV

“The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham: Abraham begot Isaac, Isaac begot Jacob, and Jacob begot Judah and his brothers. Judah begot Perez and Zerah by Tamar, Perez begot Hezron, and Hezron begot Ram. Ram begot Amminadab, Amminadab begot Nahshon, and Nahshon begot Salmon. Salmon begot Boaz by Rahab, Boaz begot Obed by Ruth, Obed begot Jesse, and Jesse begot David the king. **David the king begot Solomon by her who had been the wife of Uriah.**” Matthew 1:1-6 NKJV

“Jesus said to them, **“Have you understood all these things?”** They said to Him, “Yes, Lord.” Then He said to them, “Therefore **every scribe instructed concerning the kingdom** of heaven is like a householder who **brings out of his treasure things new and old.**”” Matthew 13:51-52 NKJV

Let's Set the Scene: Portion in a blurb

1. In this portion of Scripture, we read Yahweh's instructions about how to behave as a Nation governed by a Higher Authority. These laws were given so they would flourish to the Covenant people. Many of these laws are meant to distinguish the culture of the Children of Israel from their neighboring nations.

Deuteronomy 21

2. **Female Captives:** If you capture a woman in battle, who you find beautiful, you may take her as your wife after she shaves her head, changes her clothes, and mourns her family for a month. If you find no delight in her you can release her after that, but you are not permitted to sell her.
3. **Firstborn Inheritance Rights:** A man with two wives must honor the firstborn son with a double portion inheritance, even if that firstborn son was born to the wife he prefers less.
4. **The Rebellious Son:** After repeated chastening, if a son still refuses to obey his parents, he shall be taken before the elders of the city and declared stubborn and rebellious, a glutton and a drunkard. He may be stoned to put away evil.
5. **Death on a Tree:** A body shall not remain overnight on the tree. Bury him that day, so that you do not defile the land ; for he

who is hanged is accursed of God. (Deuteronomy 21:22-23)

What imagery for the crucifixion of Messiah!

- (a) **It all pointed toward Messiah:** “Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree”),”
Galatians 3:13 NKJV
- (b) **Y’shua taken down from the cross before sundown:** “Now when evening had come, because it was the Preparation Day, that is, **the day before the Sabbath**, Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent council member, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, coming and taking courage, went in to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.” Mark 15:42-43 NKJV
- (c) **Note John’s clarity about what Sabbath is being referred to here! It is not the weekly sabbath (Saturday), but the high Sabbath of the Feast of Unleavened Bread:** “Therefore, because it was the Preparation Day, that the bodies should not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (**for that Sabbath was a high day**), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.” John 19:31
NKJV

Deuteronomy 22

6. **Your Brother's Things:** If you see your brother's lost or injured animal, you shall help restore them to your brother. You shall do the same with any lost thing of your brother's.

7. **Cross Dressing:** "A woman shall not wear anything that pertains to a man, nor shall a man put on a woman's garment, for all who do so are an abomination to the Lord your God."

Deuteronomy 22:5

8. **Birds, Eggs and Young Ones:** You shall not take the mother with the young; you shall surely let the mother go.

9. **Miscellaneous Laws:**

(a) When you build a house, you shall make a railing for your roof so no one gets hurt.

(b) You shall not sow your vineyard with different kinds of seed.

(c) You shall not plow with an ox and a donkey together.

(d) You shall not wear a garment of different sorts.

(e) You shall make tassels on the four corners of your clothing.

10. **Laws of Sexual Morality**

(a) **Virgins:** If any man takes a wife who is presented as a virgin and he discovers she is not a virgin, then the parents of the young woman have the opportunity to bring the evidence of the young woman's virginity to the elders of the city. If she is proven to have been a virgin, the man shall be fined one hundred shekels of silver, which is given to her parents. The

woman shall remain his wife all of his days. However, if the accusation is true, she shall be stoned because she has done a disgraceful thing and played the harlot in her father's house.

- (b) **Adultery:** If a man is found lying with a married woman, then both of them shall die. (Think about the woman accused of adultery in John 8:1-11 and how ONLY the woman was present for the accusation.)
- (c) **Rape:** If a betrothed woman is raped and she does not cry for help when others are around to hear, then both the man and woman shall die. If no one is around to hear, then just the man is put to death. If the woman is not betrothed, then the man shall marry her and pay her father fifty shekels of silver; he shall not be permitted to divorce her all his days.
- (d) **A Father's Bed:** A man shall not take his father's wife, nor uncover his father's nakedness.

Deuteronomy 23

11. Those Excluded from the Congregation

- (a) He who is emasculated by crushing or mutilation.
- (b) One of illegitimate birth, even to the tenth generation of his descendants.
- (c) An Ammonite or Moabite, even to the tenth generation, because they did not offer Israel bread and water on the road

when they came out of Egypt, and because they hired Balaam.

- (d) You shall not abhor an Edomite, for he is your brother, or an Egyptian, because you were an alien in his land. Their children of the third generation may enter the assembly of the Lord.

12. Cleanliness of the Campsite

- (a) Keep yourself from every wicked thing. If a man among you becomes unclean, then he shall go outside the camp. When evening comes, he shall wash with water; and when the sun sets, he may come into the camp.
- (b) Also, dig a hole outside the camp for your personal elimination. After you finish your business, cover your refuse.
- (c) Your camp shall be holy. Yahweh shall see no unclean thing among you.

13. Miscellaneous Laws

- (a) **Slaves:** Escaped slaves may stay where they land and may not be oppressed.
- (b) **Harlotry:** No harlotry allowed nor will any part of the wages of a harlot be acceptable in the house of the Lord. It is an abomination.
- (c) **Interest:** You shall not charge interest to your brother—to a foreigner you may charge interest.

- (d) **Vows:** When you make a vow to the Lord your God, you shall not delay to pay it. But if you abstain from vowing, it shall not be sin to you. That which has gone from your lips you shall keep and perform, for you voluntarily vowed to the Lord.
- (e) **Sharing:** When you come into your neighbor's vineyard, you may eat your fill, but you shall not put any in your container. When you come into your neighbor's standing grain, you may pluck the heads with your hand, but you shall not use a sickle.

Deuteronomy 24

14. Miscellaneous Laws Cont.

- (a) **Divorce:** If a man divorces a woman and she remarries, and her second husband dies or divorces her, her first husband may not take her back.
- (b) **Year One of Marriage:** A man is exempt from war or any new business in the first year of marriage. He shall be free at home one year, and bring happiness to his wife.
- (c) **A Man's Living:** No man shall take the lower or the upper millstone in pledge, for it would be taking one's living in pledge.
- (d) **Kidnapping:** Kidnappers shall die.

- (e) **Leprosy:** Carefully observe and do according to all that the priests, the Levites, shall teach you.
- (f) **Pledges:** When you lend to your brother, you shall not go into his house to get his pledge. The man shall bring the pledge out to you. If the man is poor, you shall not keep his pledge overnight.
- (g) **Wages:** You shall not oppress a hired servant who is poor and needy. Each day you shall give him his wages.
- (h) **The Wages of Sin:** Each person shall be put to death for his own sin, parents cannot cover their children, nor children their parents
- (i) **You shall not pervert justice:** due the stranger, the fatherless, or widow.
- (j) **Providing for those in Need:** When you reap your harvest; or beat your olive trees, or gather the grapes, leave some for the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow. Remember that you were slaves in the land of Egypt.

Deuteronomy 25

15. **Settling Disputes:** The courts will settle a dispute between men. The judges may justify the righteous and condemn the wicked. If the wicked man deserves to be beaten, he will be beaten according to his guilt, with a certain number of blows, never more than forty.

16. **Worthy of Wages:** “You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain.” Deuteronomy 25:4

17. Marriage Duty of the Surviving Brother:

(a) *“If brothers dwell together, and one of them dies and has no son, the widow of the dead man shall not be married to a stranger outside the family; her husband’s brother shall go in to her, take her as his wife, and perform the duty of a husband’s brother to her. And it shall be that the firstborn son which she bears will succeed to the name of his dead brother, that his name may not be blotted out of Israel.”*

Deuteronomy 25:5-6 NKJV

(b) If the man does not want to perform his duty, he is taken before the elders and called, “The house of him who had his sandal removed.”

18. Miscellaneous Laws

(a) **Caution:** Women must be extra cautious when attempting to rescue their husband from an attacker, to not touch the attacker’s genitals.

(b) **An Abomination:** Differing weights and measures

(c) **Destroy the Amalekites:** Remember what Amalek did; blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven.

19. You can study the companion teaching to this one here: [My Redeemer Lives](#)

DUTY BOUND

1. **The Levirate Marriage:** A radical idea with major prophetic implications

A. **Do not let your brothers name be blotted out (forgotten in history!)**

(1) A brother's duty...

(a) ""If brothers dwell together, and one of them dies and has no son, the widow of the dead man shall not be married to a stranger outside the family; her husband's brother shall go in to her, take her as his wife, and perform the duty of a husband's brother to her. **And it shall be that the firstborn son which she bears will succeed to the name of his dead brother, that his name may not be blotted out of Israel.** But if the man does not want to take his brother's wife, then let his brother's wife **go up to the gate to the elders**, and say, 'My husband's brother refuses to raise up a name to his brother in Israel; he will not perform the duty of my husband's brother.' Then the elders of his city shall call him and speak to him. But if he stands firm and says, 'I do not want to take her,' then his brother's wife shall come to him in the presence of the elders, **remove his sandal from his foot, spit in his face**, and answer and

say, **'So shall it be done to the man who will not build up his brother's house.'** And his name shall be called in Israel, **'The house of him who had his sandal removed.'**" Deuteronomy 25:5-10 NKJV

(b) Quick Summary

1. If your brother dies without a son, marry his wife, and give her a son.
2. Her firstborn son will not carry your name, but instead that of your dead brother.
3. This is done so your brother's legacy does not die, but will be perpetuated for all time.
4. If you refuse to do this, your own legacy will be scarred!
5. **Food for thought:** *"He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels."*

Revelation 3:5 NKJV

THE URIAH STORY

2. David's Unrighteousness (Flesh vs. Spirit)

A. I want that, so I'll have that!

- (1) Wrong Place; Wrong Time; Poor Choice; Poor Outcome

- (a) **“It happened in the spring of the year, at the time when kings go out to battle, that David sent Joab and his servants with him, and all Israel; and they destroyed the people of Ammon and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. [David should be out to battle, but instead he stays home—wrong place, wrong time!]** Then it happened one evening that David arose from his bed and walked on the roof of the king’s house. And from the roof **he saw a woman bathing, and the woman was very beautiful to behold.** So David **sent and inquired [wrong choice]** about the woman. And someone said, **“Is this not Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?”** Then David sent messengers, and **took her; and she came to him, and he lay with her [wrong choice]**, for she was cleansed from her impurity; and she returned to her house. **And the woman conceived; so she sent and told David, and said, “I am with child.”” [poor outcome]** II Samuel 11:1-5 NKJV

B. The Cover-Up

- (1) To what length will you go to cover-up your sin?
- (a) “Then David sent to Joab, saying, **“Send me Uriah the Hittite.” [I must do something to hide what I have**

done!] And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah had come to him, David asked how Joab was doing, and how the people were doing, and how the war prospered. And David said to Uriah, **“Go down to your house and wash your feet.”** **[Plan A: So when you see your beautiful wife you will sleep with her.]** So Uriah departed from the king’s house, and a gift of food from the king followed him. **But Uriah slept at the door of the king’s house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. [This messes up David’s plan.]** So when they told David, saying, “Uriah did not go down to his house,” David said to Uriah, **“Did you not come from a journey? Why did you not go down to your house?”** **[You’ve been away from your wife for so long; why did you not go have sex with her? Don’t you understand that I need it to look like her pregnancy is from you?!]** And Uriah said to David, **“The ark and Israel and Judah are dwelling in tents [Just 4 chapters earlier, David’s dissatisfaction for the ark being in a tent inspired his desire to build a Temple and brought generational blessings on his family. How quickly we forget. See II Samuel 7],** and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are encamped in the open fields.

Shall I then go to my house to eat and drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do this thing.” **[Why won’t this converted Gentile go enjoy the pleasures of his wife? Because as a “nobody Hittite”, he has more integrity and honor in his little pinky than the King of Israel has from his crown to his toes!]** Then David said to Uriah, “Wait here today also, and tomorrow I will let you depart.” **[Don’t leave—let’s try this again, give me a day to come up with another plan.]** So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day and the next. Now when David called him, **he ate and drank before him; and he made him drunk. [Plan B: Maybe if I get Uriah drunk his integrity and honor will go out the window.]** And at evening he went out to lie on his bed with the servants of his lord, **but he did not go down to his house. [Dang! Didn’t work! Now what?]** In the morning it happened that **David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it by the hand of Uriah. [Plan C: Since I am certain Uriah has too much integrity and honor, and it seems I cannot trap him, I’ll have him deliver his own death sentence. And because he’s so honorable, I am certain he will not even sneak a peek at the important message he is**

carrying!] And he wrote in the letter, saying, **“Set Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle, and retreat from him, that he may be struck down and die.”** **[Let’s not mince words; this is murder!]** So it was, while Joab besieged the city, that **he assigned Uriah to a place where he knew there were valiant men. [Uriah’s was placed with the best of the best—and as we will soon see, that has eternal ramifications!]** Then the men of the city came out and fought with Joab. And some of the people of the servants of David fell; **and Uriah the Hittite died also. [Now that he’s dead, no one can challenge whose child it is, or can they?]**” II Samuel 11:6-17 NKJV

- (2) When the king questions you about why you would use such poor battle tactics...tell him “Mission accomplished!”
 - (a) “Then Joab sent and told David all the things concerning the war, and charged the messenger, saying, “When you have finished telling the matters of the war to the king, if it happens that the king’s wrath rises, and he says to you: **‘Why did you approach so near to the city when you fought?’** Did you not know that they would shoot from the wall? Who struck Abimelech the son of Jerubbesheth? Was it not a woman who cast a

piece of a millstone on him from the wall, so that he died in Thebez? **Why did you go near the wall? [Why did you use such a bonehead battle strategy?]**—then you shall say, **‘Your servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also. [Don’t worry about all that stuff...by the way Uriah was sadly killed in the battle!]**’ ”” II Samuel 11:18-21 NKJV

(3) The Report...we used bad tactics sir, but, by the way, Uriah was killed as a result!

(a) “So the messenger went, and came and told David all that Joab had sent by him. And the messenger said to David, “Surely the men prevailed against us and came out to us in the field; then we drove them back as far as the entrance of the gate. The archers shot from the wall at your servants; **and some of the king’s servants are dead, and your servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also. [Yeah, yeah, yeah, it was a lousy strategy, but did I tell you Uriah is dead?]**”” II Samuel 11:22-24 NKJV

(4) King to the general’s messenger: “Shake it off, don’t feel so bad. These things happen; men die, good ones and bad ones; it’s war for God’s sake!”

(a) “Then David said to the messenger, “Thus you shall say to Joab: **‘Do not let this thing displease you, for the**

sword devours one as well as another. Strengthen your attack against the city, and overthrow it.' So encourage him. **[Don't get all mopey about this; this kind of stuff happens in war. Now, pick your head up and get back in there! You got this!]**"" II Samuel 11:25 NKJV

- (5) On with the plan: hurry up and get over it! Have my baby.
- (a) "When the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, **she mourned for her husband**. And when her mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife **and bore him a son**. But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD." II Samuel 11:26-27 NKJV

C. Exposed! But David maintains self-righteous denial!

- (1) The Poor Man's Lamb
- (a) "Then the LORD sent **Nathan** to David. And he came to him, and said to him: "There were two men in one city, one rich and the other poor. **The rich man had exceedingly many flocks and herds**. But the poor man had nothing, except one little ewe lamb which he had bought and nourished; and it grew up together with him and with his children. It ate of his own food and drank from his own cup and lay in his bosom; and it was like a daughter to him. And a traveler came to the rich man,

who refused to take from his own flock and from his own herd to prepare one for the wayfaring man who had come to him; **but he took the poor man's lamb** and prepared it for the man who had come to him."” II Samuel 12:1-4 NKJV [**The rich guy who had it all took the poor guy's stuff instead of being satisfied with what he had.**]

- (2) That horrible rich man! Who has it all, and still takes from a poor man? That rich guy needs to die!
- (a) “So David’s anger was **greatly aroused against the man**, and he said to Nathan, “ As the LORD lives, **the man who has done this shall surely die!** And he shall restore fourfold for the lamb, because he did this thing and because he had no pity.”” II Samuel 12:5-6 NKJV [**How dare he? I’m appalled! Let me deal with this greedy pig!**]

D. FYI David...You are that man!

- (1) I gave you everything and it was not enough; and I was ready to give you more! But instead, you wanted what was not yours and you killed a man (and others as collateral damage!) and stole his wife.
- (a) “Then Nathan said to David, “**You are the man!** [**Stop with all the antics; you know very well I am talking**

about you!] Thus says the LORD God of Israel: ‘I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you from the hand of Saul. I gave you your master’s house and your master’s wives into your keeping, and gave you the house of Israel and Judah. And if that had been too little, I also would have given you much more! Why have you despised the commandment of the LORD, to do evil in His sight? You have killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword; you have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the people of Ammon.” **[I gave you everything and you still wanted more, and you would stop at no lengths to get whatever you wanted.]** II Samuel 12:7-9 NKJV

E. Sin has consequences!

- (1) What you did in secret, Yahweh will expose to the world!
 - (a) “Now 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.**’ Thus says the LORD: ‘Behold, I will raise up adversity against you from 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. **For you did it secretly, but I will do this thing before all Israel, [You**

will be exposed; hence this very story in the Scriptures]

before the sun.' "" II Samuel 12:10-12 NKJV

- (2) "I have sinned against the LORD." It's good that you repented, but because you made Yahweh look bad before His enemies... there is still a price to pay!
- (a) "So David said to Nathan, **"I have sinned against the LORD."** [Okay, you got me, I'm guilty.] And Nathan said to David, "The LORD also has put away your sin; you shall not die. **However, because by this deed you have given great occasion to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme, the child also who is born to you shall surely die.**" [Sin has consequences. This child born to a woman from adultery will die. But what about her next child?] Then Nathan departed to his house. And the LORD struck the child that Uriah's wife bore to David, and it became ill." II Samuel 12:13-15 NKJV
1. **Psalm 51–Inspired by this whole story:** "Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions. **Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions,** And my sin is always before me. Against You, You only, have I

sinned, And done this evil in Your sight— **That You may be found just when You speak, And blameless when You judge.** Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me. Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Make me hear joy and gladness, That the bones You have broken may rejoice. Hide Your face from my sins, And blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, **And renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.** Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, And uphold me by Your generous Spirit. **Then I will teach transgressors Your ways, And sinners shall be converted to You. Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed,** O God, The God of my salvation, And my tongue shall sing aloud of Your righteousness. O Lord, open my lips, And my mouth shall show forth Your praise. For You do not desire sacrifice, or else I would give it; You do not delight in burnt offering. **The sacrifices of God are a broken**

spirit, A broken and a contrite heart— These, O God, You will not despise. Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion; Build the walls of Jerusalem. Then You shall be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, With burnt offering and whole burnt offering; Then they shall offer bulls on Your altar.”

Psalms 51:1-19 NKJV

2. **I am so utterly ashamed of what I did and I am truly sorry. Please cleanse me of this filth and I accept all the punishment due to me as you, Yahweh, must do the right thing. Renew me and I will dedicate my life to making sure people know who You are and how You rule!**

F. The consequence was unavoidable!

- (1) Fasting for a hoped-for outcome, but, why stop fasting?
 - (a) “Then Nathan departed to his house. **And the LORD struck the child that Uriah’s wife bore to David, and it became ill. David therefore pleaded with God for the child, and David fasted** and went in and lay all night on the ground. So the elders of his house arose and went to him, to raise him up from the ground. But he would not, nor did he eat food with them. **Then on the seventh day it came to pass that the child died.** And the servants of

David were afraid to tell him that the child was dead. For they said, "Indeed, while the child was alive, we spoke to him, and he would not heed our voice. How can we tell him that the child is dead? He may do some harm!" When David saw that his servants were whispering, **David perceived that the child was dead.** Therefore David said to his servants, "Is the child dead?" And they said, "He is dead." So David arose from the ground, washed and anointed himself, and changed his clothes; and he went into the house of the LORD and worshiped. Then he went to his own house; and when he requested, **they set food before him, and he ate.** Then his servants said to him, "**What is this that you have done? You fasted and wept for the child while he was alive, but when the child died, you arose and ate food.**" And he said, "**While the child was alive, I fasted and wept; for I said, 'Who can tell whether the LORD will be gracious to me, that the child may live?' But now he is dead; why should I fast?** Can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me.'" II Samuel 12:15-23 NKJV

(b) It seemed inevitable, but I am going to give it a shot anyway and hope for some other outcome. In the end I

accept the consequence and must move on with my life.

1. **Food for Thought: Look at this imagery!** *“You fasted and wept for the child while he was alive, but when the child died, you arose and ate food.”*
2. **Why do your disciples not fast?** “Then the disciples of John came to Him, saying, “Why do we and the Pharisees fast often, **but Your disciples do not fast?**” And Jesus said to them, “Can the friends of the bridegroom mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them? **But the days will come when the bridegroom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast.** No one puts a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment; for the patch pulls away from the garment, and the tear is made worse. Nor do they put new wine into old wineskins, or else the wineskins break, the wine is spilled, and the wineskins are ruined. **But they put new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved.**”” Matthew 9:14-17 NKJV

(2) A Restoration!

- (a) “Then **David comforted Bathsheba his wife**, and went in to her and lay with her. **So she bore a son [Keep this is mind; Bathsheba has now born a FIRST son AFTER**

Uriah is no longer her husband, as he is dead. So, this child, Solomon, should obviously be known as David's son!], and he called his name Solomon. Now the LORD loved him, and He sent word by the hand of Nathan the prophet: **So he called his name Jedidiah [beloved of Yahweh. Why a second name?]**, because of the LORD."

II Samuel 12:24-25 NKJV

1. One man (Solomon) with two names (Solomon and Jedidiah)—Why?
2. This is certainly the physical Royal Bloodline of David! But whose bloodline is it prophetically, and why?
3. Who else might be the Jedidiah—the beloved of Yahweh?

ROYAL BLOODLINES AND ENDLESS GENEALOGIES

3. To Genealogy or not to Genealogy

A. Bloodlines: according to the father's house, but what about the mothers?

(1) Named by a father's ancestry

(a) **Recited by ancestry— By their FATHER'S house:**

""Take a census of all the congregation of the children of Israel, by their families, **by their fathers' houses,**

according to the number of names, every male individually,” Numbers 1:2 NKJV

(b) “These were chosen from the congregation, **leaders of their fathers’ tribes**, heads of the divisions in Israel.”
Numbers 1:16 NKJV

(c) “Then Moses and Aaron took these men who had been mentioned by name, and they assembled all the congregation together on the first day of the second month; **and they recited their ancestry by families, by their fathers’ houses**, according to the number of names, from twenty years old and above, each one individually.” Numbers 1:17-18 NKJV

B. Genealogies used for the wrong purpose

(1) Causing Disputes

(a) **Lot’s of details with no fruit:** “As I urged you when I went into Macedonia—remain in Ephesus that you may charge some that they teach no other doctrine, **nor give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which cause disputes rather than godly edification which is in faith.** Now **the purpose** of the commandment is love from a pure heart, from a good conscience, and from sincere faith, from which some, having strayed, have turned aside to idle talk, desiring to be teachers of the law,

understanding neither what they say nor the things which they affirm.” I Timothy 1:3-7 NKJV

(2) Instead...

- (a) “But we know that **the law is good if one uses it lawfully [Meaning with love, a pure heart, a good conscience, and sincere faith.]**,” I Timothy 1:8 NKJV

C. Genealogies used lawfully

(1) There is a son born to Naomi (really Ruth)

- (a) **David’s Ancestry:** “Also the neighbor women gave him a name, saying, “**There is a son born to Naomi.**” And they called his name Obed. **He is the father of Jesse, the father of David. Now this is the genealogy of Perez:** Perez begot Hezron;...” Ruth 4:17-18 NKJV

(2) Let’s go further back to Abraham’s seed—Heirs According to the Promise

- (a) **Abraham’s Ancestry:** “Brethren, I speak in the manner of men: Though it is only a man’s covenant, yet if it is confirmed, no one annuls or adds to it. **Now to Abraham and his Seed** were the promises made. He does not say, “And to seeds,” as of many, but as of one, “**And to your Seed,**” **who is Christ.** And this I say, that the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul the covenant that was confirmed before

by God in Christ, that it should make the promise of no effect. For if the inheritance is of the law, it is no longer of promise; but God gave it to Abraham by promise.”

Galatians 3:15-18 NKJV

(b) **Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise:**

“For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ

Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. **And if you**

are Christ’s, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.” Galatians 3:26-29 NKJV

(c) **Food for Thought:** How is Uriah (the Hittite!)—

Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise?

1. **Further Thought:** *“Jesus answered and said to them, “You are mistaken, **not knowing the Scriptures nor the power of God.**”* Matthew 22:29 NKJV

D. A Chosen Generation

(1) The Royal Bloodline

- (a) **Ancestry does matter:** “But you are a **chosen generation, a royal priesthood**, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous

light; **who once were not a people but are now the people of God**, who **had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.**" 1 Peter 2:9-10 NKJV

1. "Then I will sow her for Myself in the earth, And I will have **mercy on her who had not obtained mercy**; Then I will say to those who were not My people, 'You are My people!' And they shall say, 'You are my God!' "" Hosea 2:23 NKJV

(2) The Bloodline Swap—Getting into the family

(a) **Confess & Believe and you're in!** "that **if you confess with your mouth** the Lord Jesus **and believe in your heart** that God has raised Him from the dead, **you will be saved**. For **with the heart one believes** unto righteousness, and **with the mouth confession is made** unto salvation. For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame."" Romans 10:9-11 NKJV

(b) **Jew or Greek? It matters not!** "For **there is no distinction between Jew and Greek**, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. For "**whoever calls** on the name of the LORD shall be saved.""

Romans 10:12-13 NKJV

E. Bathsheba and Bloodlines

(1) Let's rewind for a moment as we turn toward the finish line: The Story of Bathsheba (in search of a kindred redeemer)

(a) Read II Samuel 11-12, but here's the lowdown:

1. The story of Bathsheba is rooted in lust, rape and infidelity.
2. Bathsheba was the wife of Uriah the Hittite, one of King David's trusted military officers.
3. David spotted Bathsheba bathing from the roof of his palace.
4. Why was he in his palace? Because he was in the wrong place at the wrong time; he should have been away at war!
5. Instead, David was where he shouldn't have been, allowing his eyes to linger and his heart to follow.
6. David gets Bathsheba pregnant and has her husband murdered to cover up the affair.
7. The firstborn baby born of their union dies as a consequence of God's judgment on their illicit relationship.
8. Bathsheba is certainly a victim here; given the times and the culture in which she lived, Bathsheba almost certainly had no power to refuse the advances of an

absolute monarch. But according to the law she is guilty as well: See Deuteronomy 22:23-24

9. Bathsheba becomes one of David's wives and later gives birth to Solomon, David's chosen heir and direct ancestor of Christ.

F. Pay very close attention to the genealogy of Christ...

- (1) Whose son is this anyway? Who is fulfilling the **Jedidiah [beloved of Yahweh]** alter ego of Solomon? Whose name is being remembered, NOT BLOTTED OUT!

(a) *"The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham: Abraham begot Isaac, Isaac begot Jacob, and Jacob begot Judah and his brothers. Judah begot Perez and Zerah by Tamar, Perez begot Hezron, and Hezron begot Ram. Ram begot Amminadab, Amminadab begot Nahshon, and Nahshon begot Salmon. Salmon begot Boaz by Rahab, Boaz begot Obed by Ruth, Obed begot Jesse,"* Matthew 1:1-5 NKJV

(b) *"and Jesse begot **David** the king. David the king begot **Solomon** by **[Bathsheba]** her who had been **the wife of Uriah.**"* Matthew 1:6 NKJV

1. While David is the most significant name in the genealogy of Jesus, the inclusion of Bathsheba

(referred to as the wife of Uriah's), gives us the allusion that David is fulfilling the law of the levirate marriage, redeeming Uriah and insuring that Uriah's name will not be blotted out of history!

2. No Jew No Greek—but whoever calls...
3. One man (Solomon) with two names (Solomon and Jedidiah)—Why?
4. Solomon, as the new firstborn of David's union with Bathsheba, is certainly the physical Royal Bloodline of David! But whose bloodline could this be referring to prophetically, and why?
5. Who will be the Jedidiah—the beloved of Yahweh?
 - a) Uriah dies with no sons
 - b) Uriah was a Hittite and presumably has no blood brothers who would even care about the law of the Levirate marriage.
 - c) So, Yahweh uses king David, the Royal Bloodline, and bloodline of the Messiah in which to insert Uriah's name FOREVER, that it may NOT be blotted out, but instead be remembered into eternity as part of the Royal Line of Judah, and the Messiah Himself! In a certain sense, Jedediah, the alter-ego of Solomon, is Uriah's son!

- d) ““If brothers dwell together, and **one of them dies** and **has no son**, the widow of the dead man shall not be married to a stranger outside the family; **her husband’s brother** shall go in to her, take her as his wife, and perform the duty of a husband’s brother to her. **And it shall be that the firstborn son which she bears will succeed to the name of his dead brother**, that his name **may not be blotted out** of Israel.” Deuteronomy 25:5-6 NKJV
- e) You see, the father’s house must be mentioned in the ancestry...*“and they recited their ancestry by families, by their fathers’ houses...”* Numbers 1:18
- f) Can you Imagine, a Hittite in the Royal Line of Y’shua?!

AND THE ANSWER IS...

4. You lying, adulterous murderer, or THANK YOU!

A. You tell me...

- (1) Consider the destiny of mankind (had Adam never sinned)
...Human vs. Glorified human
1. What type of body would Adam have had into “eternity” had he not sinned?

2. **Adam had a body that could die:** “And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, “Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it **you shall surely die.**””

Genesis 2:16-17 NKJV

3. **And Adam did die:** “So all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years; **and he died.**”

Genesis 5:5 NKJV

(b) What type of body will we have into eternity because Adam did sin?

1. **We are resurrected to a glorified body—raised in incorruption:** “But someone will say, “How are the dead raised up? And with what body do they come?” Foolish one, **what you sow is not made alive unless it dies.** And what you sow, you do not sow that body that shall be, but mere grain—perhaps wheat or some other grain. But God gives it a body as He pleases, and to each seed its own body. **All flesh is not the same** flesh, but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of animals, another of fish, and another of birds. There are also celestial bodies and terrestrial bodies; but the glory of the celestial is one, and the

glory of the terrestrial is another. There is one glory of the sun, another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differs from another star in glory. **So also is the resurrection of the dead. The body is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption.** It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. **It is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body.** There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. And so it is written, **“The first man Adam became a living being.” The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.** However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural, and afterward the spiritual. **The first man was of the earth, made of dust; the second Man is the Lord from heaven. As was the man of dust, so also are those who are made of dust; and as is the heavenly Man, so also are those who are heavenly.** And as we have borne the image of the man of dust, **we shall also bear the image of the heavenly Man.”** I Corinthians 15:35-49 NKJV

2. **The corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality:** “Now this I say, brethren, that **flesh and blood cannot inherit the**

kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, **I tell you a mystery**: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed— in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and **the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed**. For **this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality**. So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: “Death is swallowed up in victory.”” I Corinthians 15:50-54 NKJV

3. I Corinthians 15:35-54 describes our ultimate advantage that Adam sinned! Instead of permanently living in a mortal potentially corruptible body, because of a death, we will receive a glorified, eternal, incorruptible, and immortal body! That’s a good deal!

(2) It’s all worth it!

(a) **Not worthy to be compared**: “For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are **not worthy to be**

compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.”

Romans 8:18 NKJV

- (b) **Tested by fire:** “In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, that the **genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold** that perishes, though it is **tested by fire**, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, receiving **the end of your faith**—the salvation of your souls.” I Peter 1:6-9 NKJV
- (c) **Suffer for righteousness:** “And who is he who will harm you if you become followers of what is good? But even if you should **suffer for righteousness’ sake, you are blessed.** “And do not be afraid of their threats, nor be troubled.”” I Peter 3:13-14 NKJV
- (d) **You will be glad:** “Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ’s sufferings, that **when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy.**” I Peter 4:12-13 NKJV

- (e) **Count it all joy:** “My brethren, **count it all joy** when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. But let patience have **its perfect work**, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.” James 1:2-4 NKJV
- (3) Final Conclusion! Ancient Ancestry—Purposeful Genealogies
- (a) **First, put on your Kingdom thinking:** “Jesus said to them, “**Have you understood all these things?**” They said to Him, “Yes, Lord.” Then He said to them, “Therefore **every scribe instructed concerning the kingdom** of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure **things new and old**.”” Matthew 13:51-52 NKJV
1. Notice that even the scribes, the biblical legal experts, the scholars, need to be INSTRUCTED IN THE KINGDOM!
 2. Then, notice the all-important skill-set of weaving a beautiful tapestry by combining the new and old [testament] fibers. That’s what we did throughout this study!

- (b) “Take a census of the children of Israel, by their families, by their **fathers’ houses**... (Numbers 1:2, 16-18)
- (c) **Preserving a name:** ““If brothers dwell together, and **one of them dies and has no son**, the widow of the dead man shall not be married to a stranger outside the family; **her husband’s brother shall go in** to her, take her as his wife, and perform the duty of a husband’s brother to her. **And it shall be that the firstborn son which she bears will succeed to the name of his dead brother, that his name may not be blotted out of Israel.**”

Deuteronomy 25:5-6 NKJV

- (d) **Inserted into History:** “So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife; and when he went in to her, the LORD gave her conception, **and she bore a son**. Then the women said to Naomi, “Blessed be the LORD, who has **not left you this day without a close relative; and may his name be famous in Israel!** And may he be to you **a restorer of life** and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law, who loves you, who is better to you than seven sons, has borne him.” **Then Naomi took the child and laid him on her bosom, and became a nurse to him.** Also the neighbor women gave him a

name, saying, **“There is a son born to Naomi.”** And they called his name **Obed**. He is **the father of Jesse**, the father of David. Now this is the genealogy of **Perez**: Perez begot Hezron;” Ruth 4:13-18 NKJV **[Notice: no Uriah in this bloodline!**

(e) **But then...** Uriah a **“Jedidiah”** is inserted into eternity —**so his name is not blotted out**): “and Jesse begot David the king. David the king begot Solomon by her who had been **the wife of Uriah.**” Matthew 1:6 NKJV

1. **Food for thought:** *“He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not **blot out his name from the Book of Life**; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.”*
Revelation 3:5 NKJV

*“You lying, adulterous murderer, or **THANK YOU?**”*

THANK YOU!

Summary: PROPHETIC IMPLICATIONS

1. DUTY BOUND

- a) The Levirate Marriage requires a surviving brother to father a child for his dead brother if he had no male heir before he dies, so his name would not be blotted out (forgotten).
- b) This is a radical idea with Major Prophetic Implications.
- c) There is no greater implication of its critical importance than in the genealogy of Christ.

2. THE URIAH STORY

- a) David found himself in wrong place, at wrong time, and made poor choices, and had a very bad outcome.
- b) Then he tried to cover it up. He lies and plots and goes as far as to have a man killed (and others) to hide his sin.
- c) At first when he is exposed, he maintains self-righteous denial!
- d) He ultimately repents, learns that sins have consequences and his firstborn son dies.
- e) God restores him and gives him Solomon, a new firstborn. But, a prophetically important nuance of this restoration will show up later.

3. ROYAL BLOODLINES AND ENDLESS GENEALOGIES

- a) We learned that genealogies are carried through the father's house.

- b) We are not to argue about silly genealogical details.
- c) Endless genealogies for argument's sake are no good, *"But we know that the law is good if one uses it lawfully..."*
- d) We looked back at David's and Solomon's line.
- e) And with that we see that Jesus Christ's genealogy matters.
- f) And we see that God has remembered Uriah in Y'shua's genealogy!

4. AND THE ANSWER IS...

- a) You lying, adulterous murderer, or THANK YOU!
- b) We explored the two potential destinies of humans: had Adam not sinned and because he did sin!
- c) We are able to see the true depth of Paul's words: *"the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us."*
- d) We learned that even the scribes, the biblical legal experts, the scholars, need to be INSTRUCTED IN THE KINGDOM!
- e) We recognized the all-important skill-set of weaving a beautiful tapestry by combining the new and old [testament] fibers. That's what we did throughout this study!
- f) The final answer: THANK YOU!
- g) Why? Because with a name preserved in the ancestral line of Christ, I am certain that instead of Uriah cursing David when they meet in eternity, he will instead say...THANK YOU!

QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION

1. Describe in detail the Law of the Levirate marriage.

A. What is done to a man who refuses to fulfill this biblical duty.

2. The first census of Israel:

B. Why is it significant that the ancestry of each family is recited according to the father's house?

3. Samuel dedicates two entire chapters to the narrative about David, Bathsheba and Uriah:

A. How do we know King David is at the wrong place at the wrong time?

B. Describe what David does in an attempt to cover up his sin?

C. What are the consequences of his and Bathsheba's actions?

D. How does Yahweh view the birth of Solomon?

4. Matthew intentionally begins his Gospel with the genealogy of Y'shua:

A. What best demonstrates God's insistence on fulfilling the Law of the Levirate Marriage?

5. Distinguish the warning against heeding talk of endless genealogies from the importance of recognizing bloodlines.

How does this relate to:

A. ...all believers being "sons of God and Abraham's seed?"

B. ...all believers being a "chosen generation?"

C. ...there being “no distinction between Jew and Greek?”

6. Describe why it was to our ultimate advantage that Adam sinned?

A. What type of body would Adam have had into “eternity” had he not sinned?

B. What type of body will we have into eternity because Adam did sin?

7. Contemplate what a heavenly encounter between David and Uriah would look like. Explain your choice!

A. Would Uriah...curse David and call him a lying, adulterous murderer?

B. Would Uriah...Thank David?