

LEVITICUS 26

Lev. 26:3 If you seek out My divine statutes [input] and carefully examine My mandates [inculcation] and obediently execute them [application],

Lev. 26:4 Then I will give rain to you at its proper time [seasonal], and the land will yield its produce [steady income], and the trees of the open country [orchards] will bear their fruit [economic prosperity].

Lev. 26:5 Furthermore, your threshing season will approach and overtake harvest season and your harvest season will approach and overtake seeding time [full employment] and you will eat your bread with satisfaction [high wages and a surplus of goods] and you will live upon your land with security [crime free].

Lev. 26:6 In addition, war will not pass through your land [due to a strong military]. Instead, I will bring peace into your land [no enemies] and you will be able to sleep and no one will exist who can frighten you [security]. Furthermore, I will rid your land of vicious, predatory animals [safe streets] and a dagger will not pass through the land [no violent crime, rebellions or insurrections],

Lev. 26:7 And you will pursue your enemies and they will collapse before your face as prisoners of war [unbeatable military force].

Lev. 26:8 In fact, five of you will pursue one hundred and one hundred of you will pursue ten thousand [ability to overcome vastly superior numbers], and your enemies will be captured or destroyed before your face by the sword [astounding military victories].

Lev. 26:9 Moreover, I will look upon you with high regard [respect], and I will cause you to become fruitful [prosperity], and I will multiply you [increase population], and I will confirm My covenant with you [before other nations].

Lev. 26:10 Furthermore, you will have to eat last year's reserve, old stored-up grain (FIFO eating policy); indeed, you will have to break-out last year's reserve because of the appearance of the new [ridiculously prosperous].

Lev. 26:11 And I will set My tabernacle [abiding presence] in your midst and My soul will not grow tired of you [patience and longsuffering],

Lev. 26:12 And I will walk with you [daily fellowship] and will be your God and you will be My people [reciprocal relationship].

Lev. 26:13 I am the Lord your God, Who brought you out of the land of Egypt when you were their slaves [divine deliverance]. Then I broke the prison chains of your yoke of bondage [freedom], and brought you out with boldness and fearlessness, your head held high [emancipation from severe oppression].

Lev. 26:14 But if you will not listen to and obey Me, and will not execute these commandments of Mine [rejecting the input, inculcation and application of Bible doctrine],

Lev. 26:15 In other words, if you reject My divine statutes [doctrinal input], and if your mind gets tired of My doctrinal conclusions [despises inculcation], so that you cease trying to execute My mandates [no longer applies doctrine], with the result that you have broken My covenant [the rejection of His 3-point program amounts to one thing],

Lev. 26:16 Then I am obliged to inflict even such as this upon you: I will conspire to bring against you sudden terror [anxiety/panic attack], a cancerous disease [tuberculosis, AIDS], and a high fever [inflammation] which will waste away your appearance [physique] and melt your soul [mental illness]. Furthermore, you will sow your seed [work effort, investment capital] for nothing, since your enemies [internal: socialist types] will consume it [your produce, wages, profits].

Lev. 26:17 And I will set My face against you [divine opposition], and you will be ruined [financially] in the presence of your enemies [socialists], and those who hate you [evil politicians] will govern you, and you will try to escape [exit the system], although nobody will need to pursue you [caught in their trap, you are now inconsequential].

Lev. 26:18 Now, if you will not listen and obey Me after these things [preceding curses], then I will increase the discipline upon you seven-fold on account of your sins.

Lev. 26:19 Accordingly, I will crush the pride of your arrogance [personal independence and prosperity without God], and will make your sky like iron [too much or too little rain] and your land like copper [unproductive: employment tyranny],

Lev. 26:20 And your strength will be spent in vain [senseless, without reaching its goal], and your land will not yield her produce [crop failure, inflation will destroy your savings], and your trees in the open country [orchards] will not bear their fruit [crop failure, your expenses will exceed your income],

Lev. 26:21 Now, if you proceed with these things obliquely [pretend to embrace the requirements of the covenant but sidestep them] and are not willing to obey Me, I will increase the misery upon you seven-fold on account of your sins.

Lev. 26:22 Indeed, I will escort savage, animal-like beings [beasts and escaped or released convicts] into the open country against you, and he will kidnap and murder your children and exhaust your cattle [ransom payments will destroy your finances], and reduce your population [murder], and your streets and highways will be deserted, depopulated and desolated by violence.

Lev. 26:23 Now, if you do not learn your lesson from these things [benefit from the severe spanking], but proceed around Me obliquely [pretend to embrace the requirements of the covenant but sidestep them],

Lev. 26:24 Then I will also proceed obliquely with you [silence before the next storm], and I will strike you yet again seven-fold on account of your sins.

Lev. 26:25 Accordingly, I will bring a two-edged sword against you [civil war] which will vindicate the punishment for the sake of the covenant. When you take refuge with one another in your cities [like huddled rats], then I will send a plague into your midst. Furthermore, you will be delivered into the hands of hostile people [violent criminals].

Lev. 26:26 After I have wiped-out your food storage [famine], ten women will cook your food [and cherish the opportunity] in one oven [severe shortage of men], and they will serve your ration of food by weight, and you will eat but never be satisfied [perpetual hunger].

Lev. 26:27 Now, if you do not obey Me after these things, but proceed around Me obliquely [pretend to embrace the requirements of the covenant but sidestep them],

Lev. 26:28 Then I will also proceed obliquely with you in wrath [silence before the final storm], and I will discipline you seven-fold on account of your sins.

Lev. 26:29 Accordingly, you will eat the flesh of your sons and you will eat the flesh of your daughters [cannibalism].

Lev. 26:30 Furthermore, I will lay waste and depopulate your temples of prostitution and pagan worship, and utterly destroy your hand-made incense altars, and will toss your corpses [dead bodies] upon the corpses [lifeless figurines] of your idols, and My soul will be angry and provoked [righteous indignation] at you.

Lev. 26:31 And I will turn your cities into deserted wastelands, and make your sanctuaries quite desolate, and I will never smell a fragrant odor from offerings [reject their prayers].

Lev. 26:32 And I will make your land quite desolate and your enemies [landgrabbing politicians and foreigners] who live in it [inside your national borders] will be stupefied at it [the thoroughness of the destruction].

Lev. 26:33 And I will scatter you among the nations [dispersion], and will draw a two-edged sword [warfare] after you although you attempt to travel [continued pursuit into foreign lands], and your land will become deserted and desolate and your cities will become uninhabited [anything and anybody of value will be transported to foreign nations as booty].

Lev. 26:34 Then the land will thoroughly enjoy her Sabbaths, that is, during all the days of her desolation and depopulation, while you are in the land of your enemies [Babylonian captivity]. During that time, the land will take a Sabbath holiday [seventy years] and will thoroughly enjoy her Sabbath rests.

Lev. 26:35 During the days of her desolation and depopulation, she will keep the Sabbath rest, because she was not permitted to keep the Sabbath rest [due to disobedient Jews] during your Sabbaths when you dwelled there.

Lev. 26:36 Furthermore, to those who remain behind [were neglected, abandoned, or escaped] among you, I will stir up cowardice [despondency and timidity] into the mentality of their soul in the presence of the land of their enemies [they are unwilling to make a rescue attempt for their captured family members]. In fact, the sound of a leaf falling will drive them back, and they shall retreat as though they were fleeing from an armed conflict, and they will fall to pieces although nobody is chasing [afraid of their own shadows],

Lev. 26:37 And brother will stumble upon brother [in retreat] as in an armed conflict, although nobody is pursuing [fear makes your imagination run wild], and you will not have the power to resist your enemies.

Lev. 26:38 Furthermore, you will perish among the nations [remain scattered] and the land of your enemies will consume you,

Lev. 26:39 And those who are left among you [few survivors] will be corrupted because of your sins, pining [wasting] away in the land of your enemies, even sharing the guilt and punishment of your fathers [children followed the evil ways of their parents], rotting away with them.