

Metzora מצרע

“infected one”

Leviticus 14:1~15:33
2Kings 7:3~20
Romans 6:19~23,
Matthew 23:16~24:2

to teach when it is unclean, and when it is clean. This is the Torah of *tza'arat*.
Leviticus 14:57



We clean out the cabinets of *hametz* and our hearts of leaven in the season of preparation before Passover. Our work is spiritual, but a good physical house cleaning can be a time of reflecting and seeking the Holy Spirit on what needs to be healed in us.

We are cleansed by the blood of Yeshua through His atoning sacrifice. May we do our part to be the beautiful and welcoming homes for His Holy Spirit to dwell! Not only our individual house, bodies, and souls, but also in our family and relationships. We read about those infected by the `plague` of *tza'arat*, translated as leprosy, that it affects not only skin, but also houses and even garments. It has a spiritual root said to come from the sin of *Lashon hara*, literally evil tongue (derogatory speech). Let us pay extra attention to use words that are pleasant and loving!

On a Hebrew note, we notice the words `Mayim Chayim`, “living water” appear several times in this parsha in the descriptions of the purification rituals. Rejoice, purified by our *Kohen Gadol*, Yeshua. He is the Living Water! In a new beginning in this wonderful season of Redemption and healing, may the Shalom of Messiah rule in our hearts and may we speak of His Glory!

Praise

For I am ADONAI. I do not change,
So you, children of Jacob, are not
consumed. Malachi 3:6

I wait for the LORD, my whole
being waits, and in His word I put
my hope. Psalm 130:5

Blessed be my LORD! Day by day
He bears our burdens — the God
of our Salvation! Selah.
Psalm 68:19 (20)

The singers go before, the
musicians last, between maidens
beating tambourines. “Bless God
in the congregations—ADONAI,
from the fountain of Israel.”
Psalm 68:26~27

Confession

Be gracious to me, O God,
according to Your mercy.
According to Your great
compassion blot out my
transgressions. Psalm 51:1~2

Thanksgiving

Let the shalom of Messiah rule in
your hearts—to this shalom you
were surely called in one body.
Also be thankful. Colossians 3:15

Intercession

May focus his/her mind on things above, not on things on the earth. Colossians 3:2

Now, why are you waiting? Get up and be immersed, and wash away your sins, calling on His Name. Acts 22:16

I will be a father to and shall be my son/daughter. 2Corinthians 6:18

May enter through Messiah Yeshua into the promises of God, may he/she cleanse his/her selves from all defilement of body and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. 2Corinthians 7:1

Pleasant words are honeycomb—sweet to the soul and healing to the bones. May use pleasant words! Proverbs 16:24

May know the truth, and the truth will set free! John 8:32



Teachers

Every word of God is purified. He is a shield to those who take refuge in Him. Proverbs 30:5

Schools

For the weapons of our warfare are not fleshly but powerful through God for the tearing down of strongholds. We are tearing down all false arguments and every high-minded thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God inschools. 2Corinthians 10:4~5a

Congregation

Loved ones, now we are God's children; and it has not yet been revealed what we will be. But we do know that when it's revealed, we shall be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is. Everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure. 1John 3:2~3

Israel

“But for you who revere My Name, the sun of righteousness will rise, with healing in its wings. Then you will go forth and skip about like calves from the stall. You will trample on the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I am making” says ADONAI-Tzva’ot. Malachi 3:20~21 (4:2~3)

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem— May those who love you be at peace! Psalm 122:6

Blessing to go

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD. Psalm 118:26
