

TORAH, GOD'S INSTRUCTIONS  
LEVITICUS 26 - GOD'S LAWS AND CURSES

Say - Welcome to Sabbath School class. Let's bow our head and ask God for understanding as we study chapter 26 of Leviticus.

**Leviticus 26 – GOD’S LAWS AND CURSES IF WE DISOBEY HIM**

<sup>1</sup>Ye shall make you no idols nor graven image (which is a false god), neither rear you up a standing image (a statue as in an idol), neither shall ye set up any image of stone in your land (The “Stone of Israel” is Jesus Christ, our Shepherd “<sup>24</sup>But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty God of Jacob; (from thence is the shepherd (Jesus Christ), the stone of Israel:” Genesis 49:24.) for I am the LORD your God (People make idols when we take things into our own hands or when we reason our way instead of God’s way. Anything which comes between us and God is an idol; we can make an idol out of people, drinking, movies or electronic devices and we need to get our mind off of these items. The one we should listen to is God and God’s people should love Him and follow Him wherever He leads us.).

<sup>2</sup>Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary (If we remember this, all goes well, for it is the choice of God’s people; there are weekly Sabbaths and Annual Sabbaths.); I am the LORD (There is not one rule for some people and other rules for others; there is only one religion.).

<sup>3</sup>If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them (We live in a world of Babylon; “**Come out of her, my people,** that ye be not partakers of **her** sins,...” Revelation 18:4.)

Say – Below are the promises from God for obeying and loving Him; see verses 4-13 below. Other blessings are found in Deuteronomy 28:1-14.

<sup>4</sup>Then I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit (“<sup>14</sup>That I will give you the rain of your land in his due season, the first rain and the latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil. <sup>15</sup>And I will send grass in thy fields for thy cattle, that thou mayest eat and be full” Deuteronomy 11:14-15. “<sup>13</sup>Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt (abundant harvests)” Amos 9:13).

<sup>5</sup>And your threshing shall reach unto the vintage (grape harvest), and the vintage shall reach unto the sowing time (planting time, there would be no time off except for Sabbaths for God would bless His people this much); and ye shall eat your bread to the full (abundant harvests), and dwell in your land safely

<sup>6</sup>And I will give peace in the land, and ye shall lie down, and none shall make you afraid (“<sup>5</sup>I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the LORD sustained me” Psalm 3:5).: and I will rid evil beasts out of the land (“<sup>25</sup>... and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods. <sup>28</sup>... neither shall the beast of the land devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make them afraid” Ezekiel 34:25, 28), neither shall the sword go through your land (Read Psalm 91:1-16. Now many families do not get along and there is strife in the work place and the reason is because many do not know the “Ways of God”).

<sup>7</sup>And ye shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword.

<sup>8</sup>And five of you shall chase an hundred, and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight: and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword (God will put fear in them.).

<sup>9</sup>For I will have respect unto you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, and establish my covenant with you (If God’s people keep their part of the covenant; God will surely keep His. The covenant God made with His people was a covenant of PEACE and eventually will be to all His creation. God will “<sup>11</sup>Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore” Psalm 16:11.).

<sup>10</sup>And ye shall eat old store, and bring forth the old because (before the new) of the new.

<sup>11</sup>And I set my tabernacle among you (Not only among us but in us “For we know that if our earthly house of this **tabernacle** were dissolved, we have a building of **God (by the spirit of God)**, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.” 2 Corinthians 5:1 also Revelation 21:3); and my soul shall not abhor you. (Read verse 12 for what He will do among His people.)

<sup>12</sup>And I will walk among you, and will be your God, and ye shall be my people.

<sup>13</sup>I am the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that ye should not be their bondmen (slave or servant); and I have broken the bands of your yoke (Christ broke their bonds as a servant in Egypt.), and made you go upright (Now through Christ’s deliverance out of Egypt His people could be prosperous or “upright” through Him; the “yoke” makes the wearer stoop. God’s people are to be a “bondman of God” and when we walk straight with God we are not afraid because He is our Shepherd and I shall not fear, Deuteronomy 20:3, Jeremiah 30:10.).

Say – Christ speaking to the people of God and we have learned that they hated Him more than they loved Him; how about God’s people today?

<sup>14</sup>But if ye will not hearken unto me, and will not do all these commandments;

<sup>15</sup>And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your soul (you) abhor my judgments (ordinances), so that ye will not do all my commandments, but that ye break my covenant: (If God's people begin to abhor His commandments and break the covenant between God and man; we must take the blame.)

<sup>16</sup>I also will do this unto you; I will even appoint over you terror (we have this in our country and at school), consumption (allergies, emphysema, and asthma), and the burning ague (fever), that shall consume the eyes (will cause the sight to fail), and cause sorrow of heart: and ye shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it.

<sup>17</sup>And I will set my face against you (God's people do not want Him to turn away from us.), and ye shall be slain before your enemies: they that hate you shall reign (rule) over you; and ye shall flee when none pursueth you.

<sup>18</sup>And if ye will not yet for all this hearken unto me, then I will punish you seven times more for your sins (If God's people do not learn from their mistakes and become obedient to God through what they suffer and repent it is a horrible situation.).

<sup>19</sup>And I will break the (your great) pride of your power; and I will make your heaven as iron, and your earth as brass (When God's people say I do not have to listen to God or trust in God and do their own thing then God will break the army, the economy which is "breaking the pride of your power". "<sup>11</sup>And he shall spread forth his hands in the midst of them, as he that swimmeth spreadeth forth his hands to swim: and he shall bring down their pride together with the spoils of their hands" Isaiah 25:11):

<sup>20</sup>And your strength shall be spent in vain: for your land shall not yield her increase (produce), neither shall the trees of the land yield their fruits (God is talking about people that no matter what He tells us they will not listen; we are very sick and need healing, "<sup>1</sup>Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it (useless): except the LORD keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain" Psalm 127:1).

<sup>21</sup>And if ye walk contrary unto me, and will not hearken unto me; I will bring seven times more plagues upon you according to your sins.

<sup>22</sup>I will also send wild beasts among you, which shall rob you of your children, and destroy your cattle, and make you few in number; and your high ways shall be desolate ("<sup>24</sup>They shall be burnt with hunger, and devoured with burning heat, and with bitter destruction: I will also send the teeth of beasts upon them, with the poison of serpents of the dust" Deuteronomy 32:24).

<sup>23</sup>And if ye will not be reformed by me by these things, but will walk contrary unto me;

<sup>24</sup>Then will I also walk contrary unto you, and will punish you yet seven times for your sins ("<sup>18</sup>Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as

scarlet (the color of Christ's robe bearing our sins), they shall be as white as snow (after repentance); though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool (restored). 19If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land: <sup>20</sup>But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it" Isaiah 1:18-20. The people of our nation do not know about God and do not go to Him with repentance.).

<sup>25</sup>And I will bring a sword upon you, that shall avenge the quarrel of my covenant: and when ye are gathered together within your cities, I will send the pestilence (plagues) among you; and ye shall be delivered into the hand of the enemy (<sup>21</sup>The LORD shall make the pestilence cleave unto thee, until he have consumed thee from off the land, whither thou goest to possess it. <sup>22</sup>The LORD shall smite thee with a consumption, and with a fever, and with an inflammation, and with an extreme burning, and with the sword, and with blasting, and with mildew; and they shall pursue thee until thou perish" Deuteronomy 28:21-22.).

<sup>26</sup>And when I have broken the staff of your bread ("broken the staff of your bread" means reducing the supply), ten women shall bake your bread in one oven (one oven will be enough for ten families), and they shall deliver you your bread again by weight: and ye shall eat, and not be satisfied (They will have very little to eat <sup>6</sup>And I also have given you cleanness (freedom from guilt or freedom from punishment) of teeth in all your cities, and want of bread (grain) in all your places: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD." Amos 4:6. <sup>13</sup>Son of man, when the land sinneth against me by trespassing grievously, then will I stretch out mine hand upon it, and will break the staff of the bread thereof, and will send famine upon it, and will cut off man and beast from it:" Ezekiel 14:13. Revelation 6:5-6).

<sup>27</sup>And if ye will not for all this hearken unto me, but walk contrary unto me (It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of God.);

<sup>28</sup>Then I will walk contrary unto you also in fury; and I, even I, will chastise you seven times for your sins (This is the "wrath of the Lamb of God").).

<sup>29</sup>And ye shall eat the flesh of your sons, and the flesh of your daughters shall ye eat.

<sup>30</sup>And I will destroy your high places ("High places" were where they offered sacrifices unto false gods and God would "destroy the high places" to show how helpless the gods were they worshipped.), and cut down your images (idolatrous worship), and cast your carcasses upon the carcasses of your idols (logs of wood), and my soul shall abhor you (for you are unclean to me and defiled).

<sup>31</sup>And I will make your cities waste, and bring your sanctuaries unto desolation, and I will not smell the savour of your sweet odours (<sup>13</sup>Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; the new moons and sabbaths, the calling of assemblies, I cannot away with; it is iniquity, even the solemn meeting (It is hypocritical worship to Me). <sup>14</sup>Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them" (They became their "appointed

feasts” because they did it their way not God’s way; your heart is far from Me.). <sup>15</sup>And when ye spread forth your hands (as in prayer), I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood. <sup>16</sup>Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil (not only externally but inwardly, be sincere);” Isaiah 1:13-16).

<sup>32</sup>And I will bring the land into desolation: and your enemies which dwell therein shall be astonished at it (“<sup>28</sup>For I will lay the land most desolate (devastation), and the pomp (pride) of her strength shall cease; and the mountains of Israel shall be desolate, that none shall pass through. <sup>29</sup>Then shall they know that I am the LORD, when I have laid the land most desolate because of all their abominations (idols and wickedness) which they have committed.” Ezekiel 33:28-29).

<sup>33</sup>And I will scatter you among the heathen (nations as they are today), and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste (Most don’t see God in this way but He is going to let them know who He is for He wants us to choose life but most have chosen death “<sup>64</sup>And the LORD shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, even wood and stone. <sup>65</sup>And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind: <sup>66</sup>And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life: <sup>67</sup>In the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say, Would God it were morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see” Deuteronomy 28:64-68). See why God is doing this in the next verse.

<sup>34</sup>Then shall the land enjoy her sabbaths, as long as it lieth desolate, and ye be in your enemies’ land; even then shall the land rest, and enjoy her sabbaths.

<sup>35</sup>As long as it lieth desolate it shall rest; because it did not rest in your sabbaths, when ye dwelt upon it. (They had not observed the Sabbath rests of the land as we discussed in last weeks lesson which God had appointed to them; they ended up in Babylon for 70 years in captivity and we will as well unless our Nation turns to God with a sincere mind and heart.)

<sup>36</sup>And upon them that are left alive of you I will send a faintness into their hearts in the lands of their enemies; and the sound of a shaken leaf shall chase them; and they shall flee, as fleeing from a sword; and they shall fall when none pursueth (Will be very scared and shaken because of what they have done to God.).

<sup>37</sup>And they shall fall one upon another, as it were before a sword, when none pursueth: and ye shall have no power to stand before your enemies.

<sup>38</sup>And ye shall perish among the heathen, and the land of your enemies shall eat you up.

<sup>39</sup>And they that are left of you shall pine away in their iniquity (lawlessness) in your enemies' lands; and also in the iniquities of their fathers shall they pine away with them.

<sup>40</sup>If they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against me, and that also they have walked contrary unto me: (We must repent and turn to God with a whole heart.)

<sup>41</sup>And that I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of their enemies; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity (“Uncircumcised hearts” means divine concepts cannot penetrate from God for they have turned away from Him “<sup>9</sup>Thus saith the Lord GOD; No stranger, uncircumcised in heart, nor uncircumcised in flesh, shall enter into my sanctuary, of any stranger that is among the children of Israel” Ezekiel 44:9):

<sup>42</sup>Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land.

<sup>43</sup>The land also shall be left of them, and shall enjoy her sabbaths, while she lieth desolate without them (they were in captivity and the land rested on the Sabbath days): and they shall accept of the punishment of their iniquity: because, even because they despised my judgments, and because their soul (they) abhorred my statutes (People hate the law of God and if we despise His law we despise His nature.).

<sup>44</sup>And yet for all that, when they be in the land of their enemies (Babylon), I will not cast them away, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break my covenant with them: for I am the LORD their God (In spite of all His people have done to Him, God is showing His love because I am your God.).

<sup>45</sup>But I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the heathen, that I might be their God: I am the LORD (God will never forsake His people.).

<sup>46</sup>These are the statutes and judgments and laws, which the LORD made between him and the children of Israel in mount Sinai by the hand of Moses (All of this was repeated when they came into the land.).

#### MEMORY VERSE

Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I am the LORD. Then I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit.

Leviticus 26:2, 4

BELOW IS THE SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON FOR TOTS

## GOD'S LAW - LEVITICUS 26

GOD SAID, "YOU SHALL MAKE NO IDOLS, NOR PUT UP A STANDING IMAGE TO WORSHIP FOR I AM THE LORD YOUR GOD;  
KEEP MY SABBATHS AND HONOR MY SANCTUARY OR HOLY PLACE FOR I AM THE LORD YOUR GOD.

IF YOU WALK IN MY LAWS AND KEEP MY COMMANDMENTS AND DO THEM;  
THEN I WILL GIVE YOU RAIN IN SEASON AND THE LAND AND THE TREES SHALL YIELD THEIR FRUIT.

YOUR HARVESTS SHALL REACH INTO THE VINTAGE OF THE GRAPE HARVEST;  
AND THE VINTAGE SHALL REACH UNTO THE SOWING OR PLANTING TIME.

YOU SHALL EAT YOUR BREAD OR FOOD TO THE FULL BECAUSE OF THE ABUNDANT HARVESTS;  
AND YOU WILL DWELL IN YOUR LAND SAFELY FOR I WILL GIVE PEACE IN THE LAND... AND NONE SHALL MAKE YOU AFRAID.

I WILL WALK AMONG YOU AND BE YOUR GOD AND YOU SHALL BE MY PEOPLE;  
BUT IF YOU WILL NOT LISTEN TO ME AND DO THESE COMMANDMENTS, I WILL APPOINT OVER YOU TERROR AND I WILL SET MY FACE AGAINST YOU. LEVITICUS 26

GOD WILL SHOW US THE PATH OF LIFE  
(through God's Holy Days/Sabbaths)  
FOR IN THY PRESENCE IS THE FULLNESS OF JOY;  
AT THY RIGHT HAND THERE  
ARE PLEASURES FOR EVERMORE.  
PSALM 16:11

*If you walk in my statutes, and keep my  
commandments and do them*



*then I will give you  
rain in due season and the land  
shall yield her increase,  
and the trees of the field shall yield  
their fruit.*

*Leviticus 26:3-4*