

LEVITICUS 24: THE SANCTUARY OF Y-H-W-H

- 99% of the uses of the word “Lord” or “God” in our Bibles are in Hebrew “Y-H-W-H”, Yehoveh, the NAME of God
- Important that we RESTORE God’s name to our Holy Scriptures
- God’s name (Y-H-W-H) is written 6000 times in the OT





PURE OLIVE OIL FOR THE MENORAH

- Menorah sits in the Holy Place
- **NAS John 5:46** *"For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me; for he wrote of Me. But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe My words?"*
- Menorah is associated with the Messiah

YESHUA= MENORAH= LIGHT

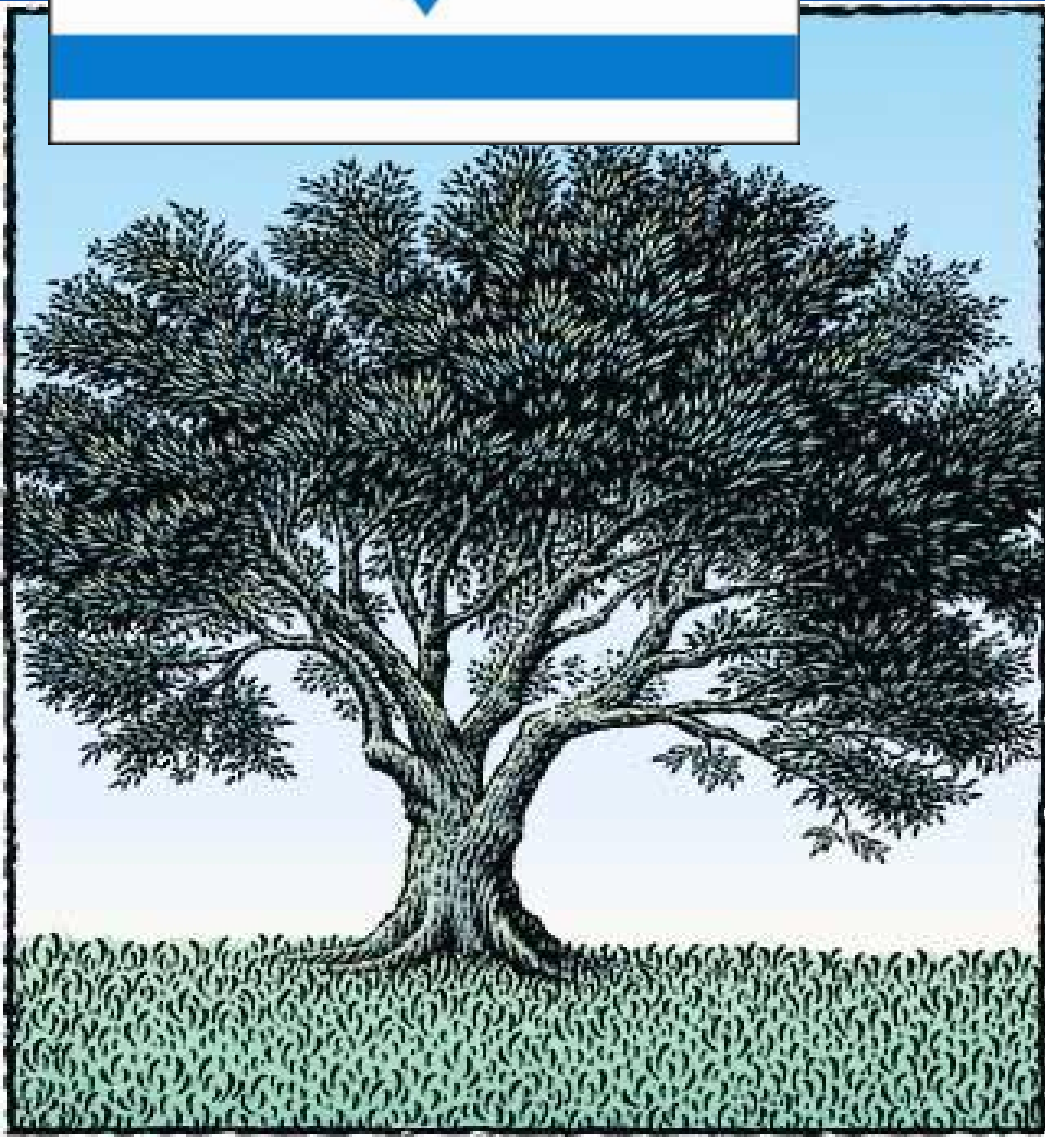
- Olive Tree and Israel are connected in the Bible
- Required process for Menorah Oil is that the Olives must be *kathith*
- *Kathith* means *beaten*
- Olives canNOT be crushed (Yeshua's bones cannot be broken)



The Light of the World



Purest Oil symbolizes Yeshua



- True Israel = spiritual counterpart of earthly Israel
- Yeshua is the purest fuel for the purest light
- **WE ARE TO BE CLEAN FUEL FOR THE LIGHT!**

VS. 2 “....LAMPS TO BURN CONTINUALLY”??

- *Tamid* = regularly, NOT continually or always
- “....lamps to burn daily”
- Menorah ONLY burned during the hours of darkness
- More symbolism with Messiah
- Yeshua’s light produced for the dark world
- He is fuel that is consumed
- In our Universe light requires fuel of some kind
- Our consumption, as was His, is required for us to produce light to the world!



THE TEMPLE
MENORAH



- 12 loaves of LEAVENED Showbread, changed each Shabbat
- Loaves were stacked up.... each loaf about 4 pounds!
- The Showbread was NOT for Yehoveh, was for priests
- 2 rows symbolizes the 2 Houses of Israel
- Vs. 7 Frankincense NOT placed UPON the Showbread, it was burned as incense NEAR the Showbread
- Matthew 12:1 “....at the consecrated bread....for the priests..”



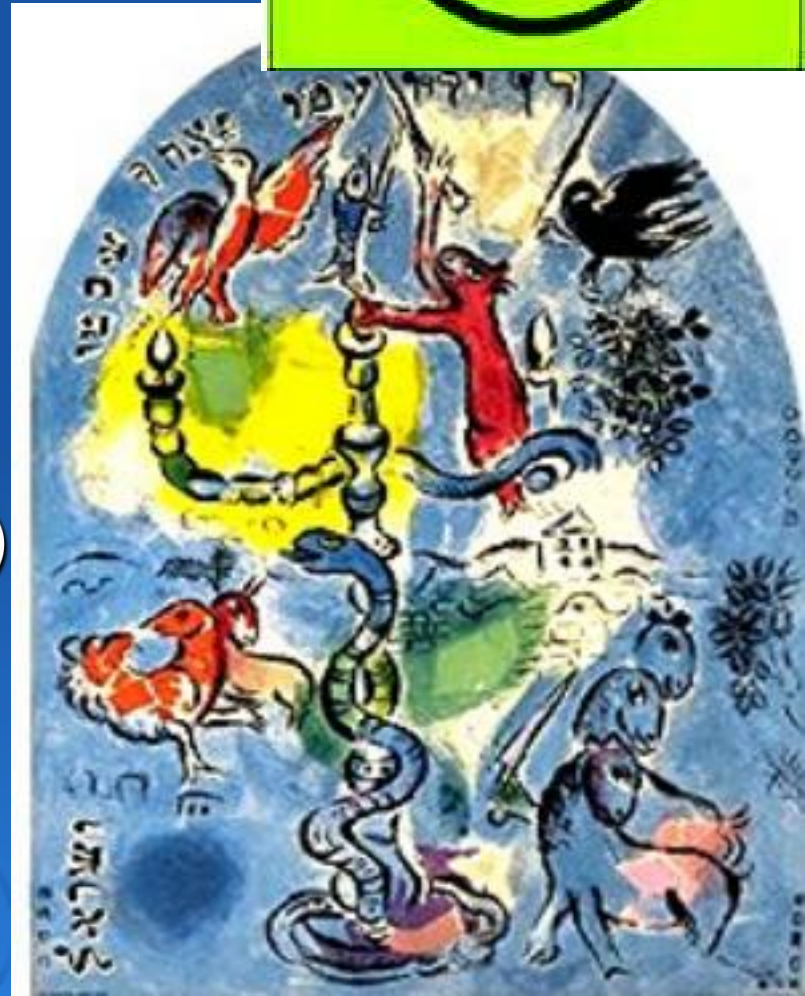
BLASPHEMY AND THE MIXED MULTITUDE

- Vs. 10 son of an Israelite mother, Egyptian father
- Fights with full-blooded Israelite, and “pronounces” God’s name in vain (swears, curses)
- **Ex.20:7 “You shall not use the *NAME* of the Lord God in vain..”**
- Blasphemy: punishment is death

DAN:

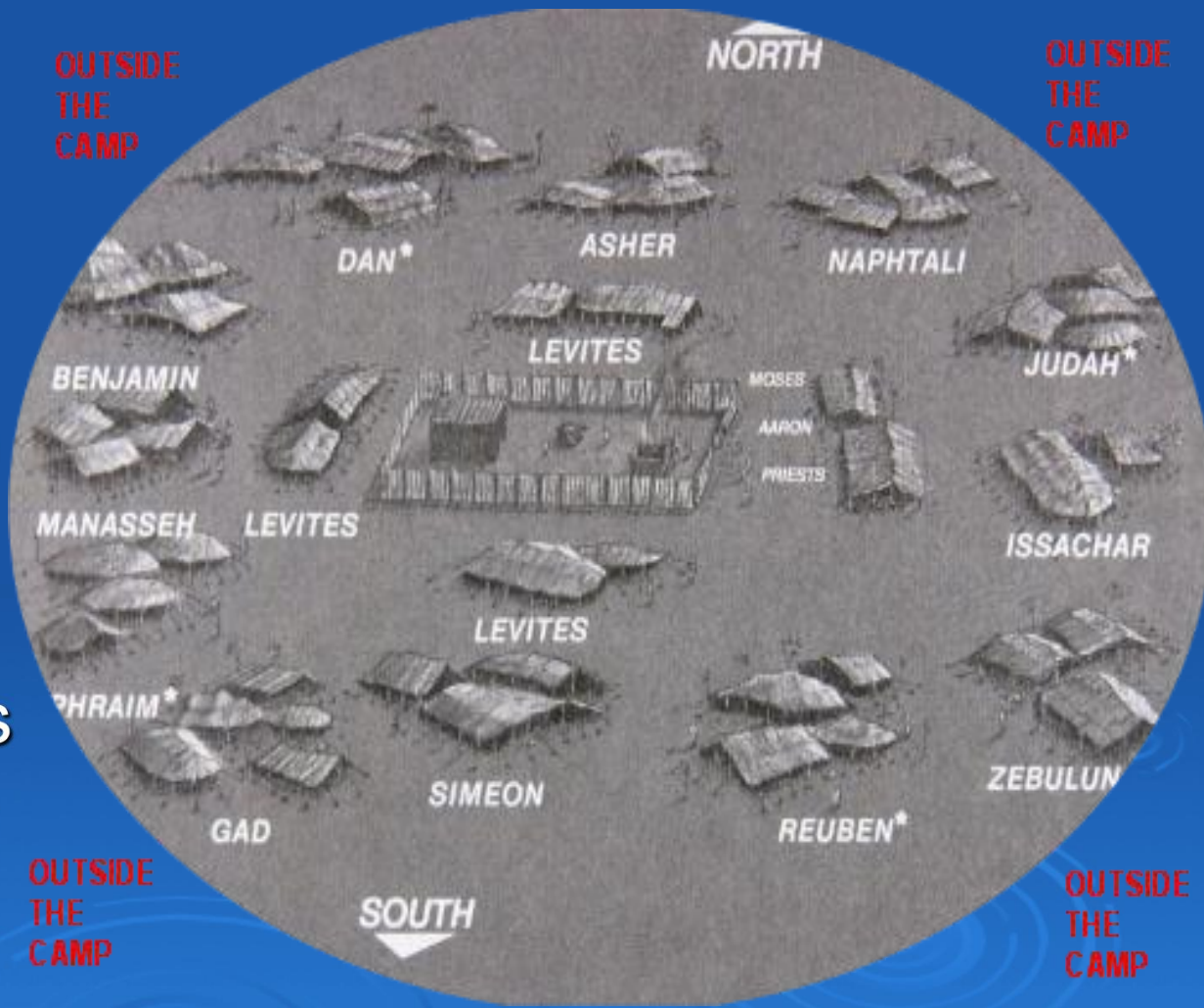
THE BAD BOYS OF ISRAEL

- Dan set up a cult-worship center in the North
- Dan pulled away from the worship of Yehoveh
- Used at times in Bible as an object lesson
- **Naqab** = to pierce (blasphemy)
- God's name is "pierced", and the fuel for the light "beaten"
- OBVIOUS references to Messiah

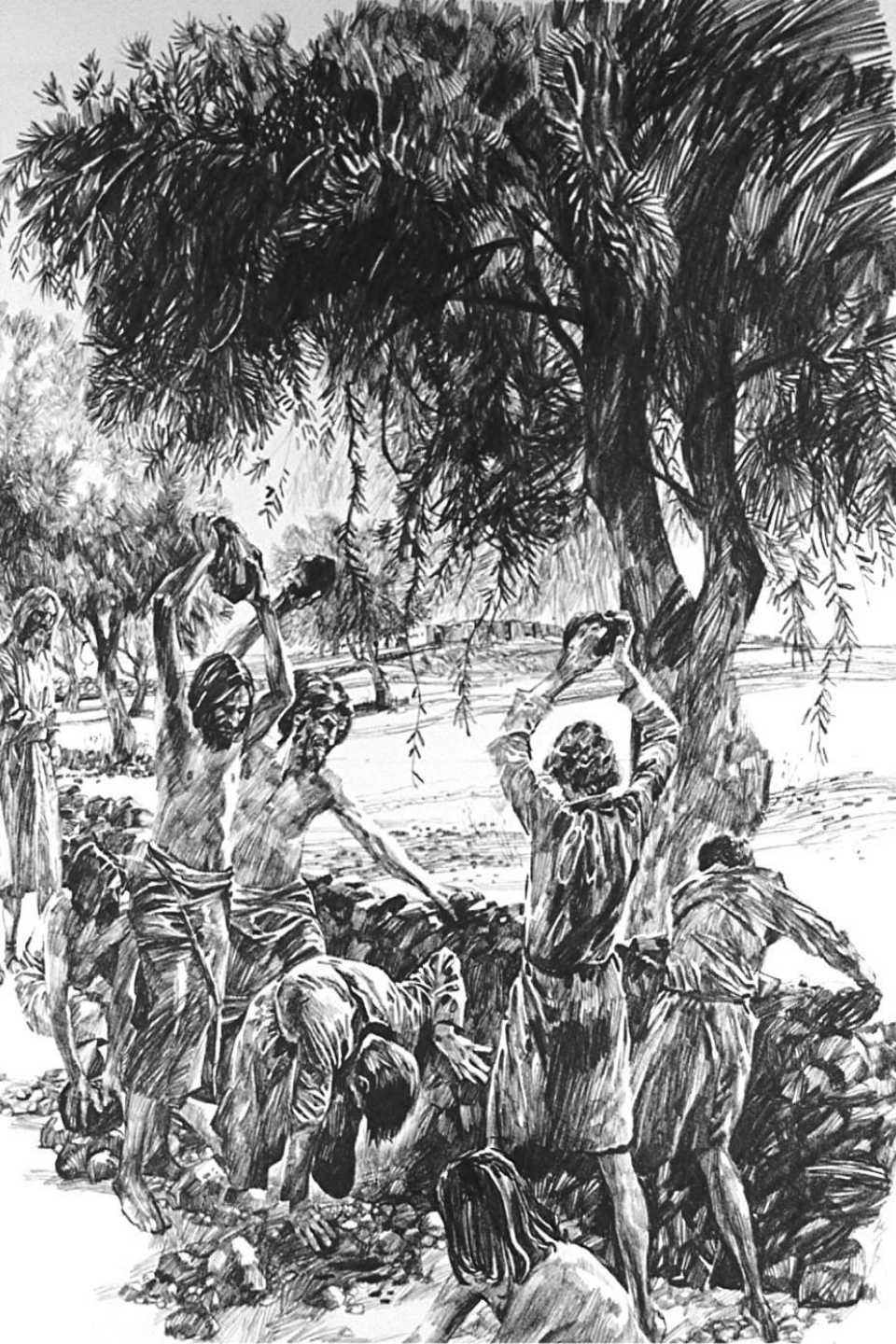


BLASPHEMER MUST BE EXECUTED “OUTSIDE-THE-CAMP”

- Yeshua was also executed outside the camp
- Away from where the people lived
- A corpse caused ritual uncleanness
- Began unbending Tradition



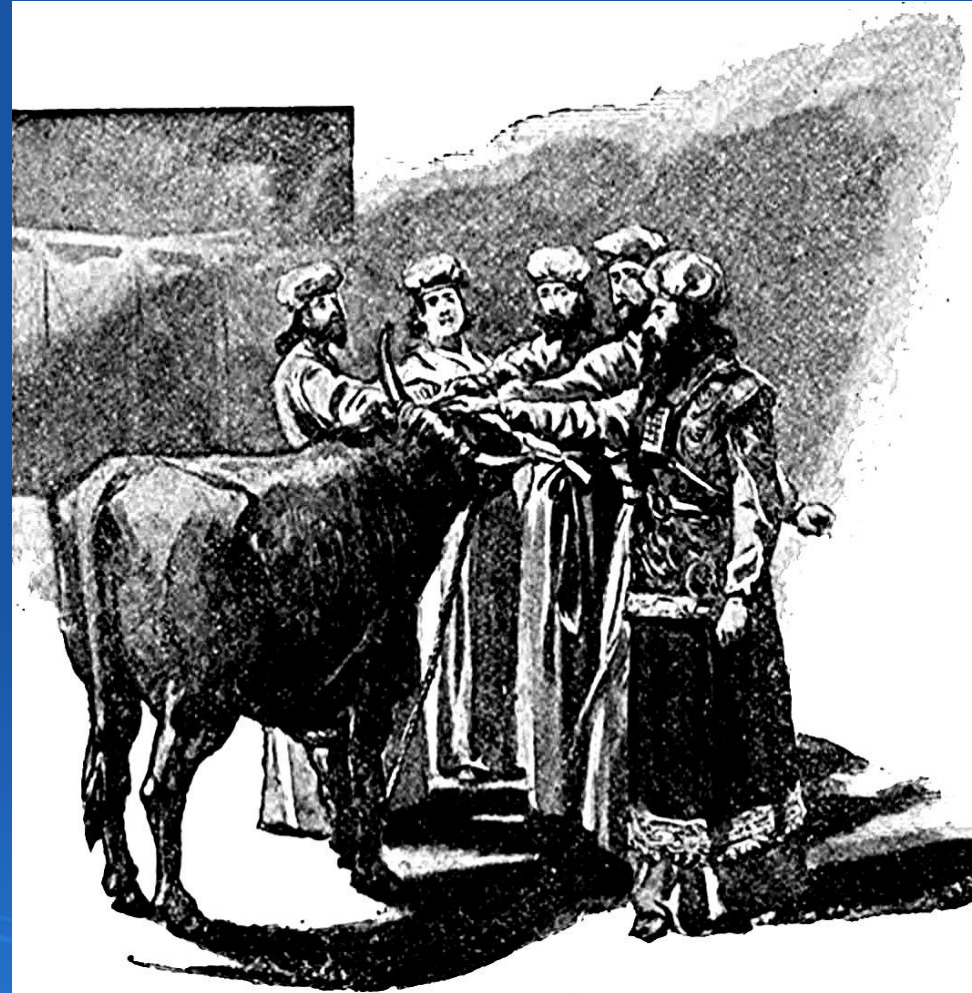
DEATH BY STONING



- Symbolized rejection by the whole community
- Laying on hands does NOT mean roughing-up the criminal
- Similar in meaning as laying hands on sacrificial animal
- Sins transferred from worshipper to animal

LAYING HANDS ON THE CONDEMNED

- A good witness is one who HEARS as much as one who SEES
- ***“His blood is on his own head”***..... did NOT mean getting what you deserved
- Sacrificial animal was a substitute for the worshipper
- Laying hands on criminal said “no substitute”, he will have to die for his own sin
- In some way, his own death (his own blood) atoned for his own sin..... not clear what this meant to the Hebrews



BLASPHEMEING Yehoveh IS TERRIBLY SERIOUS

- Spiritual counterpart to earthly act of blaspheming: NAS Luke 12:10 *"And everyone who will speak a word against the Son of Man, it shall be forgiven him; but he who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit, it shall not be forgiven him."*
- Leviticus: no EARTHLY forgiveness nor substitutionary atonement for blaspheming the Name of God
- Luke: no spiritual forgiveness nor substitutionary atonement for blaspheming Holy Spirit

VS. 17: BLASPHEMY AND MURDER ARE LINKED



- There is no more violent crime that a man can commit against God than to blaspheme His Holy Name
- There is no more violent crime that a man can commit against humanity than murder
- Blaspheming is the equivalent to attempted murder of God!

LEX TALONIS: LAW OF RETALIATION



- Rabbis,, Sages, Christian scholars have much disagreement over Lev. 24
- Eye-for-eye principle was more about proportional punishment
- Validated by Yeshua
- Hebrews did not regularly practice physical harm for physical harm
- Mutilation was abnormal in Hebrew justice system
- Equality was the issue: both as concerns the crime vs. punishment and the nationality of the criminal

