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Introduction

To what degree are children responsible for their parents' actions, and just how often must parents assume responsibility for the behavior of their children?

Deuteronomy 24:16-22

16 "Fathers shall not be put to death because of their children, nor shall children be put to death because of their fathers. Each one shall be put to death for his own sin. ¹⁷ "You shall not pervert the justice due to the sojourner or to the fatherless, or take a widow's garment in pledge, ¹⁸ but you shall remember that you were a slave in Egypt and the LORD your God redeemed you from there; therefore, I command you to do this. ¹⁹ "When you reap your harvest in your field and forget a sheaf in the field, you shall not go back to get it. It shall be for the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow, that the LORD your God may bless you in all the work of your hands. ²⁰ When you beat your olive trees, you shall not go over them again. It shall be for the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow. ²¹ When you gather the grapes of your vineyard, you shall not strip it afterward. It shall be for the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow. ²² You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt; therefore, I command you to do this. (ESV)

This passage is clear about the fact that parents are not responsible for the sins of their children or vice-versa. Parents, at times, feel they are responsible for how their children turn out in life and it may be true in some situations because of how the children are raised. Some children tend to blame their parents for everything that goes wrong in their lives, even when they have chosen to travel down the wrong path. In the societies we live in, many homes have both parents working to provide for their families, and in many homes, child care is either delegated outside the family unit or grandparents help. Grandparents can bring a sense of stability to the family unit whereas someone outside the family unit, no matter how great they are with children, just do not have the ability to help raise the children with certain values that can be passed on down from one generation to another.

Moving on in this passage, we see that the sojourner, orphans, and widows are to be treated justly. This is not just something that should be done within Israel, but in any nation that considers itself to be God-fearing. The problem is most nations are no longer God-fearing as described in the Bible. Common courtesy and decency have been tossed out

the window and replaced with behavior that does not conform to what Torah expects from us. The Torah lifts us up to another level, one that we have lost over time and to where we need to return. We have allowed so much of the world to enter our lives, we have lost touch with our Creator and what He expects from us. Civility has become outdated, and so many things that are in opposition to Torah have raised their heads to shout at us to gain our attention. Sometimes the Holy One of Israel shouts at us as well, but it seems His ways are getting lost in the ensuing noise around us. Instead of clinging to the ways of Torah, we have turned to the ways of this world. Conversations have been replaced with texting and emails. Cell phones are being used for texting and appointments. Real relationships have been replaced with on-line dating because our lives tend to be so busy that the busyness has gotten in the way of everything.

We are a people on the downside of what Yehovah has always desired for us, to live in covenant with Him, His Son Yeshua, and humanity. Where is our humanity? What has happened to Torah principles? We must right this ship and get it pointed in the right direction. We have been called out to bring light into the darkness – the light of Torah as taught by a humble Jewish man named Yeshua.

Isaiah 55:5

5 Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. (ESV)

Cry out to the nations Israel! All of you who are part of Israel, the native born and the grafted in, all of us believers in the Messiah Yeshua, the Son of the Most High God. Yes, God has a Son, and He is the Messiah. If we know Him, we will not be deceived, but if we follow after the Deceiver, we will fall by the roadside having chosen to follow the road well-travelled instead of the road less travelled. Be careful of those who are shouting the loudest. That does not mean they have it right. Look to the one who is humble and who, having the power of His Father, chose to walk a different path to show us the right way to live a Godly life.

Isaiah 60:1 Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. ² For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. ³ And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. ⁴ Lift up your eyes all around, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried on the hip. ⁵ Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and exult, because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. (ESV)

Heed the words of the Prophet Isaiah who, in exile in Babylon, wrote about a future time when the light of the Almighty will shine through the darkness to draw all of humanity to the Son of God, Yeshua. His light, His *Shekinah*, will draw us to Him bringing with us our sons and our daughters to join us in the New Jerusalem. Lift up your eyes people and look through the darkness surrounding you before it is too late. He is coming, the One

who will bring down the great Deceiver, the Adversary who is waiting to lead us away from the light towards a false light that has no hope in it. Turn to the light, people, before it is too late.

Revelation 1:4-8

4 Yochanan to the seven congregations that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Yeshua the Messiah the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶ and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷ Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen. ⁸ "I am the Aleph and the Tav," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." (ESV)

The Apostle Yochanan or John writes to the seven congregations in Asia using them as the basis for the message he has been given. The youngest of the twelve, who was also a follower of Yochanan the Immerser, John, came from a priestly family and chose to follow the true High Priest of Israel, Yeshua! He embraces Yeshua as Messiah, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead and the King of kings of all the earth. No one who has lived and lives today will ever be greater than the King of kings. No Prime Ministers, no Presidents, and no dictators will ever be greater than the Son of God! I don't care what they say or tell you, test them against the Torah and the books of the Prophets. Test them against the teachings of the Apostles. They will all come up short, my friends. Only one will rise up and never fail because He has paid the price to redeem us all from the pit of hell!

Psalms 89:27 "I also shall make him *My* firstborn, the highest of the kings of the earth. ²⁸ "My lovingkindness I will keep for him forever, and My covenant shall be confirmed to him. ²⁹ "So I will establish his descendants forever and his throne as the days of heaven. ³⁰ "If his sons forsake *My Torah* and do not walk in My judgments, ³¹ If they violate My statutes and do not keep My commandments, ³² Then I will punish their transgression with the rod and their iniquity with stripes. ³³ "But I will not break off My lovingkindness from him, nor deal falsely in My faithfulness. ³⁴ "My covenant I will not violate, nor will I alter the utterance of My lips. ³⁵ "Once I have sworn by My holiness; I will not lie to David. ³⁶ "His descendants shall endure forever and his throne as the sun before Me. ³⁷ "It shall be established forever like the moon, and the witness in the sky is faithful." Selah. ³⁸ But you have cast off and rejected, you have been full of wrath against your anointed. ³⁹ You have spurned the covenant of your servant; you have profaned his crown in the dust. (NAU)

He will never break His covenant He made with David, but this Son of David will never break the covenant because He is more than the son of David. He came before David and paved the way for us to follow. He has established the descendants of David and his throne. Even when the sons of David turn away from the Torah and do not follow in the ways of the judgments, statutes, and commandments given by the Holy One of Israel in

the Torah, He will be faithful forever despite what the sons of David do and what we do because there came one, of the line of David, who was the Son of His Father, Yehovah. Hold fast to Him, people. He will not fail you even if you fail Him. He has made the journey, reached the end of the road, and He waits there for the remnant to come to Him, to be with Him forever in the eighth day known as eternity.

I will close with this: ***Torah Man says: “Don’t treat God as a lawyer, never calling Him until you are in trouble.”***

Blessings in Messiah Yeshua,

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