

Parashah 102

Numbers 5:11 - 31

Hosea 4:11 - 19

Ephesians 5:25 - 33

(Notes by Ken Proske)

Ex. 20:4-6 “You shall not make for yourself an idol, or any likeness of what is in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the water under the earth. ⁵ You shall not worship them or serve them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, on the third and the fourth generations of those who hate Me, ⁶ but showing lovingkindness to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.

Is. 48:11 For My own sake, for My own sake, I will act;
For how can My name be profaned?
And My glory I will not give to another.

Ex. 34:14 —for you shall not worship any other god, for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God—

Num. 5:11-13 Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ¹² “Speak to the sons of Israel and say to them, ‘If any man’s wife goes astray and is unfaithful to him, ¹³ and a man has intercourse with her and it is hidden from the eyes of her husband and she is undetected, although she has defiled herself, and there is no witness against her and she has not been caught in the act,

Num. 5:16 ‘Then the priest shall bring her near and have her stand before the LORD,

Lev. 19:12 You shall not swear falsely by My name, so as to profane the name of your God; I am the LORD.

Num. 5:23 ‘The priest shall then write these curses on a scroll, and he shall wash them off into the water of bitterness.

Num. 5:27-28 When he has made her drink the water, then it shall come about, if she has defiled herself and has been unfaithful to her husband, that the water which brings a curse will go into her and cause bitterness, and her abdomen will swell and her thigh will waste away, and the woman will become a curse among her people. ²⁸ But if the woman has not defiled herself and is clean, she will then be free and conceive children.

Hos. 4:12-14 My people consult their wooden idol, and their diviner’s wand informs them;

For a spirit of harlotry has led them astray,
And they have played the harlot, departing from their God.

- 13 They offer sacrifices on the tops of the mountains
And burn incense on the hills,
Under oak, poplar and terebinth,
Because their shade is pleasant.
Therefore your daughters play the harlot
And your brides commit adultery.
- 14 I will not punish your daughters when they play the harlot
Or your brides when they commit adultery,
For the men themselves go apart with harlots
And offer sacrifices with temple prostitutes;
So the people without understanding are ruined.

Eph. 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her,

Eph. 5:33 Nevertheless, each individual among you also is to love his own wife even as himself, and the wife must see to it that she respects her husband.