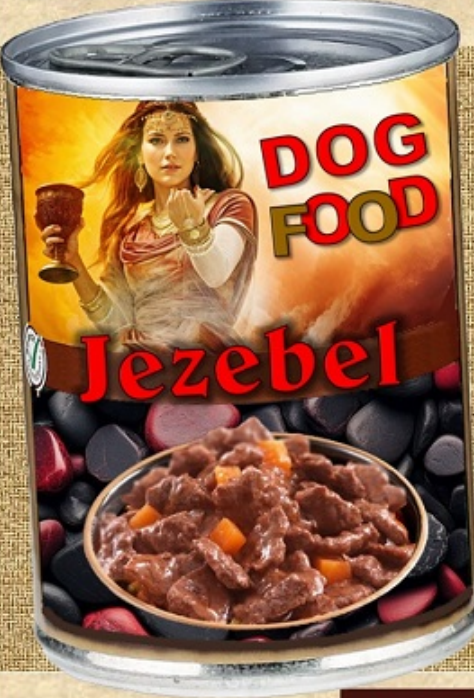


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From Elijahu

Does God love everyone? A lot of people believe that He does.
Here are some examples:

- Mother Teresa: "God loves each of us as if there were only one of us."
- Martin Luther King Jr.: "God's love is too great to be confined to any one side of a conflict or to any one religion."
- Desmond Tutu: "God's love is too great to be confined to any one religion or creed."

- C.S. Lewis: "Though our feelings come and go, God's love for us does not."

- Henri Nouwen: "God loves us without conditions, as we are, not as we should be."

These quotes reflect the common belief of many that God's love is unconditional. God's love is unconditional, if what we mean by that is that God's love is offered to all people without prejudice. This perspective emphasizes that God's love is constantly available to all people. It is Scriptural to believe that God wishes none to perish, wanting the best for everyone. Peter put it like this:

"The Lord is not slow concerning his promise, as some count slowness; but is patient with us, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." (2 Peter 3:9)

As we look a bit closer at this verse, though, it is not saying that God has no conditions, since the corollary to not perishing is to "come to repentance."

In other words, there are conditions to entering into the full love of God to be saved from perishing, and that includes repentance. Repentance means turning away from behaviors that offend God. Acts shows clearly that repentance is a condition required to be saved. The verse says:

"Peter said to them, Repent, and be immersed, every one of you, in the name of Yeshua the Messiah for the forgiveness of sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:38)

In that verse Peter pointed out another condition. Namely, taking up a new life in Yeshua Messiah as demonstrated through immersion. Thereby receiving forgiveness of sins. This is according to the principle stated by Messiah Himself:

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

When any person meets these two conditions, namely, to repent, and to accept new life in Messiah as their Lord, they are forgiven of their sins, receive the Holy Spirit, and are saved out of this world into the family of the Father and His self-sacrificing Son. There is no other way to enter into the full love of God and the favor of God that comes with

that. Forever after that it is the duty of each one to walk out the will of God in their life. The Scripture puts it like this:

"Therefore I urge you, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service. Don't be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what is the good, well-pleasing, and perfect will of God." (Romans 12:1-2)

Growing in our life in Messiah must be the life-long goal of each of us, as we grow ever-closer in our walk with Him. To help us do that He freely gives us grace in His Son to take us from where we start out to full maturity in the faith. By His grace we have forgiveness for our sins as we keep moving forward in His ways.

Truly, His love is precious. If you truly appreciate that gift you will follow Yeshua and will do as He has done. He put it like this:

"In this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit; and so you will be my disciples. Even as the Father has loved me, I also have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and remain in his love. I have spoken these things to you, that my joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be made full." (John 15:8-11)



That's all good. But does that mean God loves everyone unconditionally, even if they choose an evil life and will not repent and surrender themselves over to the Messiah, or even choose to turn against Him?

Here is a completely different side of the Almighty – a side you and I will never want to experience upon us. We are talking here about the wrath of God.

"For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness" (Romans 1:18)

There is a day of God's wrath promised in Scripture in many places. Here is an example:

*"Behold, the day of YHWH comes, cruel, with wrath and fierce anger; to make the land a desolation, and to destroy its sinners out of it. For the stars of the sky and its constellations will not give their light. The sun will be darkened in its going forth, and the moon will not cause its light to shine. I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity. I will cause the arrogance of the proud to cease, and will humble the haughtiness of the terrible. I will make people more rare than fine gold, even a person than the pure gold of Ophir. Therefore I will make the heavens tremble, and **the earth will be shaken out of its place in the wrath of YHWH of Hosts**, and in the day of his fierce anger." (Isaiah 13:9-13)*

Most of us have heard quite a bit about the love of God – but love without justice falls far short of the full picture. I know many would rather think of God like the big teddy bear in the sky, but to ignore the justice of God and the wrath that sometimes follows upon it is to fail to know Him in His full dimensions. Fear of God is essential, and grasping something of the wrath of God truly helps with that.

Some might object, saying that since Jesus has come everything is all love and peace now. To that I would say: Have you considered the Return of Christ as presented in the New Testament book of Revelation? Here it is:

I saw the heaven opened, and behold, a white horse, and he who sat on it is called Faithful and True. In righteousness he judges and makes war. His eyes are a flame of fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has names written and a name written which no one knows but he himself. He is clothed in a garment sprinkled with blood. His name is called The Word of God. The armies which are in heaven followed him on white horses, clothed in white, pure, fine linen. Out of his mouth proceeds a sharp, double-edged sword, that with it he should strike the nations. He will rule them with an iron rod. He treads

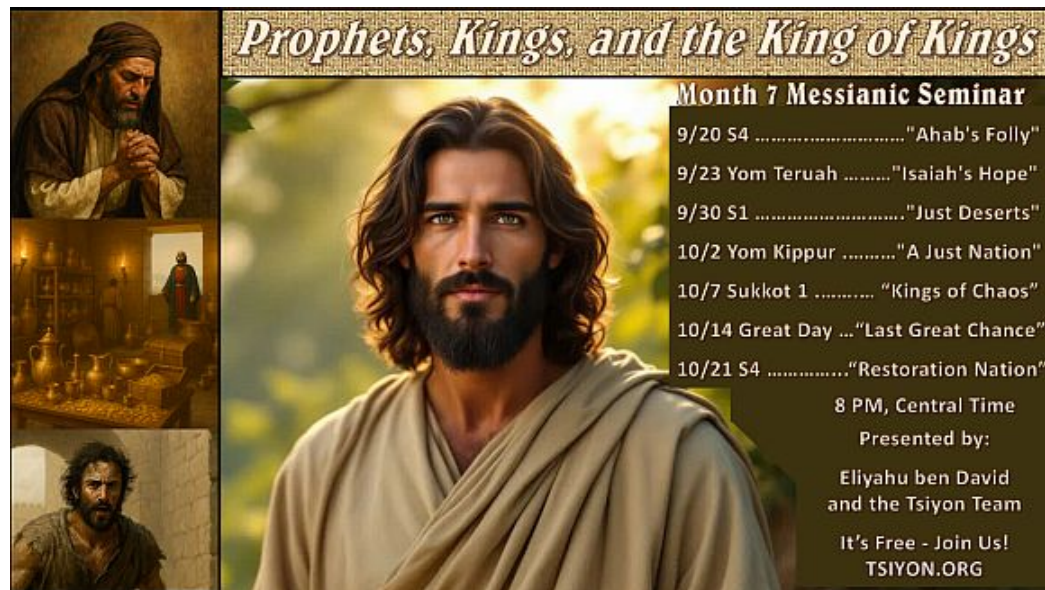
the winepress of the fierceness of the wrath of God, the Almighty. He has on his garment and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. (Revelation 19:11-16)

We have many examples in Scripture of both the love of God and the wrath of God. Tonight we are going to consider the wrath of God that was poured out on the witch, Jezebel. Some say that was unjust. Was it? Consider the facts with us tonight and decide for yourself, as we continue our seminar: '*Prophets, Kings, and the King of Kings.*' To be as fair as possible, we deliberately assigned this live-stream discussion about Jezebel to our panel of ladies. Their theme for this episode will be: *Just Deserts.*

Join us tonight at 8 Central, at Tsiyon.Net or other video platforms, to take in this thought-provoking topic. Will this discussion be controversial? Probably. But since when do we ignore parts of the Scripture that are considered controversial? Controversial or not, I know you will find this discussion stimulating and worth pondering.

In His Name, Eliyahu

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