## What is Written in the Heart

<sup>30</sup> "Behold, days are coming" – it is a declaration of Adonai – "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah – <sup>31</sup> not like the covenant I made with their fathers in the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. For they broke My covenant, though I was a husband to them." it is a declaration of Adonai. <sup>32</sup> "But this is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days" – it is a declaration of Adonai – "I will put My Torah within them. Yes, I will write it on their heart. I will be their God and they will be My people. <sup>33</sup> No longer will each teach his neighbor or each his brother, saying: 'Know Adonai,' for they will all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest." it is a declaration of Adonai. "For I will forgive their iniquity, their sin I will remember no more." (Jer. 31:30-33)

The crux of the prophesied New Covenant as given in Jer. 33:32 is this: Adonai has written His Torah in every man's heart and conscience (within them): "They show that the work of the Torah is written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness and their thoughts switching between accusing or defending them" (Romans 2:15). In exposing the conscience to Adonai's commands, genuine conviction results. Conviction leads to repentance (t'shuvah), which brings Adonai's forgiveness and true freedom. This which has been written in our hearts and put within us has some awesome adjectives in the Psalms.

The Torah of Adonai is Perfect: The first step in gaining wisdom for daily life is to see problems as they relate to the *Torah of Adonai*. The more we meditate upon *Torah*, the more skillful we will be in identifying the *ground* (the wrong ideas and actions) we have surrendered to Satan. We will also become aware of the consequences (*torturers or tormentors*), which are prescribed by *Adonai's Torah. Yeshua* gives the same principle: "34 Enraged, the master handed him over to the torturers until he paid back all he owed. 35 "So also My heavenly Father will do to you, unless each of you, from your hearts, forgives his brother" (Matt. 18:34-35). Because the *Torah of Adonai*, it is also just. It is able to turn around our mind (change our minds), it is able to shape the will (*Torah* is like the fingers of the potter shaping the vessel in *Jeremiah 18*) and is also able to tame the emotions. We have no excuses: "His invisible attributes—His eternal power and His divine nature—have been clearly seen ever since the creation of the world, being understood through the things that have been made. So people are without excuse" (Romans 1:20).

The testimony of Adonai is sure: *Adonai* has given to us a cloud of witnesses and the testimonies of many godly men and women in Scripture. These people have experienced every conceivable problem we have faced in our lives and have taken the right steps to be victorious. *Wisdom is viewing life from Adonai's perspective* – it is seeing our situations from a completely different point of view. "For as the heavens are higher than earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts" (Isaiah 55:9). His ways are always opposite to our ways. Understanding His ways makes us wise.

The statutes of Adonai are right: When apply *Torah* to a particular situation and understand the Biblical concepts that are involved in the application we begin to discern the *Ways of Adonai*. Since these concepts are accurate and they have a ring of truth, our consciences are happy to receive His instructions and our hearts are made glad.

The commandment of Adonai is pure: Once we understand the holy requirements of the *Torah of Adonai*, the wise perspective of Biblical testimonies and the insights of Scriptural concepts, we are then ready to make precise decisions in our own lives. These decisions become Biblical commitments that help us identify with the *Ways of Adonai* in thinking and bring maturity to grow in Messiah. The more Biblical commitments a person makes, the more spiritually mature he becomes and the brighter their eyes shine with the purity of their soul. Thus, our eyes show outwardly what is inwardly – whether for the good in us or for the evil we associate with (people that delve in the occult show it in their eyes). Others can see the brightness in our eyes and will inquire as to the hope that lies within us. Thus, *Yeshua* said: "15 There is nothing outside the man that can make him unholy by going into him. Rather, it is what comes out of the man that makes the man unholy" (Mark 7:15).

The fear of Adonai is clean: Daily disciplines help us maintain our decisions and help us solidify our walk. The beginning of wisdom is the *Fear of the Lord*, and it is also the way we obtain honor, riches and ultimately, abundant life. The *Fear of the Lord* is the continual awareness that I am in the presence of a holy, just, and almighty *Elohim*, and that every thought, word, action, and deed is open before Him and is being judged by Him. If you lived in the daily reality that *Adonai* is watching and evaluating EVERYTHING you do, and that He is going to publicly expose and judge EVERY secret sin...

What thoughts would you change? What words would not be spoken? What actions would cease? What attitudes would be corrected? What motives would be purified?

**The judgments of Adonai are true and righteous**: The ultimate experience any of us can have is for *Adonai* Himself to judge us, and if we are judged by Him to be righteous, what an accomplishment! This is our life message, these are the letters the apostle Paul talks about that are read by all men: "You are our letter, written on our hearts, known and read by everyone" (2 Cor. 3:2). As we apply Torah, we will see the work of the Spirit in changing our lives, and we will have a powerful life message to share with others.

What shall we say in view of such magnificent things written in our heart?  $\Gamma$  "Let the words of my mouth & the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy sight O Lord, my strength and my redeemer"  $\Gamma$  (Psalm 19:15, KJV).