

VERSES ON DIVINE DISCIPLINE

***Leviticus 26:14-39** 14 But if you will not listen to me and will not do all these commandments, 15 if you spurn my statutes, and if your soul abhors my rules, so that you will not do all my commandments, but break my covenant, 16 then I will do this to you: I will visit you with panic, with wasting disease and fever that consume the eyes and make the heart ache. And you shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it. 17 I will set my face against you, and you shall be struck down before your enemies. Those who hate you shall rule over you, and you shall flee when none pursues you [first discipline cycle]. 18 And if in spite of this you will not listen to me, then I will *discipline* you again sevenfold for your sins, 19 and I will break the pride of your power, and I will make your heavens like iron and your earth like bronze. 20 And your strength shall be spent in vain, for your land shall not yield its increase, and the trees of the land shall not yield their fruit [second discipline cycle]. 21 Then if you walk contrary to me and will not listen to me, I will continue striking you, sevenfold for your sins. 22 And I will let loose the wild beasts against you, which shall bereave you of your children, destroy your livestock, and make you few in number, so that your roads shall be deserted [third discipline cycle]. 23 And if by this discipline you are not turned to me but walk contrary to me, 24 then I also will walk contrary to you, and I myself will strike you sevenfold for your sins. 25 And I will bring a sword upon you, that shall execute vengeance for the covenant. And if you gather within your cities, I will send pestilence among you, and you shall be delivered into the hand of the enemy. 26 When I break your supply of bread, ten women shall bake your bread in a single oven and shall dole out your bread again by weight, and you shall eat and not be satisfied [fourth discipline cycle]. 27 But if in spite of this you will not listen to me, but walk contrary to me, 28 then I will walk contrary to you in fury, and I myself will discipline you sevenfold for your sins. 29 You shall eat the flesh of your sons, and you shall eat the flesh of your daughters. 30 And I will destroy your high places and cut down your incense altars and cast your dead bodies upon the dead bodies of your idols, and my soul will abhor you. 31 And I will lay your cities waste and will make your sanctuaries desolate, and I will not smell your pleasing aromas. 32 And I myself will devastate the land, so that your enemies who settle in it shall be appalled at it. 33 And I will scatter you among the nations, and I will unsheathe the sword after you, and your land shall be a desolation, and your cities shall be a waste [fifth discipline cycle]. 34 Then the land shall enjoy its Sabbaths as long as it lies desolate, while you are in your enemies' land. Then the land shall rest, and enjoy its Sabbaths. 35 As long as it lies desolate it shall have rest, the rest that it did not have on your Sabbaths when you were dwelling in it. 36 And as for those of you who are left, I will send faintness into their hearts in the lands of their enemies. The sound of a driven leaf shall put them to flight, and they shall flee as one flees from the sword, and they shall fall when none pursues. 37 They shall stumble over one another, as if to escape a sword, though none pursues. And you shall have no power to stand before your enemies. 38 And you shall perish among the nations, and the land of your enemies shall eat you up. 39 And those of you who are left shall rot away in your enemies' lands because of their iniquity, and also because of the iniquities of their fathers they shall rot away like them.

Numbers 14:21-24 21 But truly, as I live, and as all the earth shall be filled with the glory of Yahweh, 22 none of the men who have seen my glory and my signs that I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and yet have put me to the test these ten times and have not obeyed my voice,

23 shall see the land that I swore to give to their fathers. And none of those who despised me shall see it. 24 But my servant Caleb, because he has a different spirit and has followed me fully, I will bring into the land into which he went, and his descendants shall possess it.

Numbers 20:11-12 11 And Moses lifted up his hand and struck the rock with his staff twice, and water came out abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their livestock. 12 And Yahweh said to Moses and Aaron, Because you did not believe in me, to uphold me as holy in the eyes of the people of Israel, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land that I have given them.

Numbers 26:63-65 63 These were those listed by Moses and Eleazar the priest, who listed the people of Israel in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho. 64 But among these there was not one of those listed by Moses and Aaron the priest, who had listed the people of Israel in the wilderness of Sinai. 65 For Yahweh had said of them, They shall die in the wilderness [sin unto death]. Not one of them was left, except Caleb the son of Jephunneh and Joshua the son of Nun.

Deuteronomy 1:34-37 34 And Yahweh heard your words and was angered, and he swore, 35 Not one of these men of this evil generation shall see the good land that I swore to give to your fathers, 36 except Caleb the son of Jephunneh. He shall see it, and to him and to his children I will give the land on which he has trodden, because he has wholly followed Yahweh! 37 Even with me [Moses] Yahweh was angry on your account and said, You also shall not go in there.

Deuteronomy 4:25-28 25 When you father children and children's children, and have grown old in the land, if you act corruptly by making a carved image in the form of anything, and by doing what is evil in the sight of Yahweh your God, so as to provoke him to anger, 26 I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that you will soon utterly perish from the land that you are going over the Jordan to possess. You will not live long in it, but will be utterly destroyed. 27 And Yahweh will scatter you among the peoples, and you will be left few in number among the nations where Yahweh will drive you. 28 And there you will serve gods of wood and stone, the work of human hands, that neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell.

Deuteronomy 4:36 36 Out of heaven [Yahweh] let you [Israel] hear his voice, that he might discipline you. And on earth he let you see his great fire, and you heard his words out of the midst of the fire.

Deuteronomy 8:5-6 5 Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, Yahweh your God disciplines you [Israel]. 6 So you shall keep the commandments of Yahweh your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him.

Deuteronomy 11:2-7 2 And consider today (since I [Moses] am not speaking to your children who have not known or seen it), consider the *discipline* of Yahweh your God, his greatness, his mighty hand and his outstretched arm, 3 his signs and his deeds that he did in Egypt to Pharaoh the king of Egypt and to all his land, 4 and what he did to the army of Egypt, to their horses and to their chariots, how he made the water of the Red Sea flow over

them as they pursued after you, and how Yahweh has destroyed them to this day, 5 and what he did to you in the wilderness, until you came to this place, 6 and what he did to Dathan and Abiram the sons of Eliab, son of Reuben, how the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up, with their households, their tents, and every living thing that followed them, in the midst of all Israel. 7 For your eyes have seen all the great work of Yahweh that he did.

Deuteronomy 31:16-18 16 And Yahweh said to Moses, Behold, you are about to lie down with your fathers. Then this people [Israel] will rise and whore after the foreign gods among them in the land that they are entering, and they will forsake me and break my covenant that I have made with them. 17 Then my anger will be kindled against them in that day, and I will forsake them and hide my face from them, and they will be devoured. And many evils and troubles will come upon them, so that they will say in that day, Have not these evils come upon us because our God is not among us? 18 And I will surely hide my face in that day because of all the evil that they have done, because they have turned to other gods.

Joshua 23:15-16 15 But just as all the good things that Yahweh your God promised concerning you [Israel] have been fulfilled for you, so Yahweh will bring upon you all the evil things, until he has destroyed you from off this good land that Yahweh your God has given you, 16 if you transgress/overstep/contravene (עבר) the covenant of Yahweh your God, which he commanded you, and go and serve other gods and bow down to them. Then the anger of Yahweh will be kindled against you, and you shall perish quickly from off the good land that he has given to you.

Judges 2:11-23 11 And the people of Israel did what was evil in the sight of the Lord and served the Baals. 12 And they abandoned Yahweh, the God of their fathers, who had brought them out of the land of Egypt. They went after other gods, from among the gods of the peoples who were around them, and bowed down to them. And they provoked Yahweh to anger. 13 They abandoned Yahweh and served the Baals and the Ashtaroth. 14 So the anger of Yahweh was kindled against Israel, and he gave them over to plunderers, who plundered them. And he sold them into the hand of their surrounding enemies, so that they could no longer withstand their enemies. 15 Whenever they marched out, the hand of Yahweh was against them for harm, as Yahweh had warned, and as Yahweh had sworn to them. And they were in terrible distress. 16 Then Yahweh raised up judges, who saved them out of the hand of those who plundered them. 17 Yet they did not listen to their judges, for they whored after other gods and bowed down to them. They soon turned aside from the way in which their fathers had walked, who had obeyed the commandments of Yahweh, and they did not do so. 18 Whenever Yahweh raised up judges for them, Yahweh was with the judge, and he saved them from the hand of their enemies all the days of the judge. For Yahweh was moved to pity by their groaning because of those who afflicted and oppressed them. 19 But whenever the judge died, they turned back and were more corrupt than their fathers, going after other gods, serving them and bowing down to them. They did not drop any of their practices or their stubborn ways. 20 So the anger of the Lord was kindled against Israel, and he said, Because this people have transgressed/overstepped/contravened (עבר) my covenant that I commanded their fathers and have not obeyed my voice, 21 I will no longer drive out before them any of the nations that Joshua left when he died, 22 in order to test Israel by them, whether they will

take care to walk in the way of Yahweh as their fathers did, or not. 23 So Yahweh left those nations, not driving them out quickly, and he did not give them into the hand of Joshua.

Judges 13:1 1 And the people of Israel again did what was evil in the sight of Yahweh, so Yahweh gave them into the hand of the Philistines for forty years.

1 Samuel 13:13-14 13 And Samuel said to Saul, You have done foolishly. You have not kept the command of Yahweh your God, with which he commanded you. For then Yahweh would have established your kingdom over Israel forever. 14 But now your kingdom shall not continue.

2 Kings 24:20 20 For because of the anger of Yahweh it came to the point in Jerusalem and Judah that he cast them out from his presence. And Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.

2 Chronicles 34:21 21 Go, inquire of Yahweh for me [Josiah] and for those who are left in Israel and in Judah, concerning the words of the book that has been found. For great is the wrath of Yahweh that is poured out on us, because our fathers have not kept the word of Yahweh, to do according to all that is written in this book.

***Job 5:17-18** 17 Behold, blessed is the one whom God *reproves*. Therefore despise not the *discipline* of the Almighty. 18 For he wounds, but he binds up. He shatters, but his hands heal.

Psalms 50:16-17 16 But to the wicked God says: What right have you to recite my statutes or take my covenant on your lips? 17 For you hate *discipline*, and you cast my words behind you.

Psalms 118:17-18 17 I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of Yahweh. 18 Yahweh has *disciplined* me severely, but he has not given me over to death.

Psalms 119:67 67 Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I keep your word.

Psalms 141:5 5 Let a righteous man strike me—it is a kindness. Let him rebuke me—it is oil for my head. Let my head not refuse it.

***Proverbs 3:11-12** 11 My son, do not despise Yahweh's *discipline* or be weary of his reproof, 12 for Yahweh *reproves* him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights.

Proverbs 27:5-6 5 Better is open rebuke than hidden love. 6 Faithful are the wounds of a friend. Profuse are the kisses of an enemy.

Proverbs 29:1 1 He who is often *reproved*, yet stiffens his neck, will suddenly be broken beyond healing.

Isaiah 5:24-25 24 Therefore, as the tongue of fire devours the stubble, and as dry grass sinks down in the flame, so [Israel's] root will be as rottenness, and their blossom go up like dust. For they have rejected the Torah of Yahweh of hosts, and have despised the word of the Holy One of Israel. 25 Therefore the anger of Yahweh was kindled against his people, and he *stretched out his hand* against them and struck them, and the mountains quaked, and their corpses were as refuse in the midst of the streets. For all this his anger has not turned away, and his hand is *stretched out still*.

Isaiah 9:8-12 8 The Lord (יְהוָה) has sent a word against Jacob, and it will fall on Israel. 9 And all the people will know, Ephraim and the inhabitants of Samaria, who say in pride (גִּבּוֹרִים) and in arrogance (לְבָבִים) of heart: 10 The bricks have fallen, but we will build with dressed stones. The sycamores have been cut down, but we will put cedars in their place.¹ 11 But Yahweh raises the adversaries of Rezin against him and stirs up his enemies. 12 The Syrians on the east and the Philistines on the west devour Israel with open mouth. For all this his anger has not turned away, and his hand is *stretched out still*.

Isaiah 9:17 17 Therefore Yahweh does not rejoice over [Israel's] young men and has no compassion on their fatherless and widows. For everyone is godless and an evildoer, and every mouth speaks folly. For all this his anger has not turned away, and his hand is *stretched out still*.

Isaiah 9:21 21 Manasseh devours Ephraim, and Ephraim devours Manasseh. Together they are against Judah. For all this his anger has not turned away, and his hand is *stretched out still*.

Isaiah 10:4 4 Nothing remains but to crouch among the prisoners or fall among the slain. For all this his anger has not turned away, and his hand is *stretched out still*.

Isaiah 19:22 22 And Yahweh will *strike* Egypt, *striking* and healing, and they will return to Yahweh, and he will listen to their pleas for mercy and heal them.

Jeremiah 5:3 3 Yahweh, do not your eyes look for truth? You have struck them down, but they felt no anguish. You have consumed them, but they refused to take *correction*. They have made their faces harder than rock. They have refused to repent (שוב).

Jeremiah 10:24 24 *Correct* me, Yahweh, but in justice, not in your anger, lest you bring me to nothing.

Jeremiah 16:18 18 But first I will *doubly repay* their iniquity and their sin, because they have polluted my land with the carcasses of their detestable idols and have filled my inheritance with their abominations.

1 Corinthians 11:29-32 29 ...Anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. 30 That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have

¹ Our response to God's discipline is to be humility, not greater pride.

died. 31 But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged. 32 But when we are judged by the Lord, we are being *disciplined* (παιδεύω, pres. pass.) so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

Ephesians 6:4 4 Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline (παιδεία) and instruction of the Lord.

***2 Timothy 3:16-17** 16 All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for *reproof* (ἐλεγμός), for *correction/improvement* (ἐπανόρθωσις), and for *discipline* (παιδεία) in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

***Hebrews 12:5-11** 5 And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons? My son, do not regard lightly the *discipline* (παιδεία) of the Lord, nor be weary when *reproved* by him. 6 For the Lord *disciplines* the one he loves, and *chastises* every son whom he receives. 7 It is for *discipline* that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not *discipline*? 8 If you are left without *discipline*, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. 9 Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who *disciplined* us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? 10 For they *disciplined* us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he *disciplines* us for our good, that we may share (μεταλαμβάνω, aor.) his holiness. 11 For the moment all *discipline* seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

***Revelation 3:19** 19 Those whom I [Jesus] love (φιλέω, pres.), I *reprove* (ἐλέγχω, pres.) and *discipline* (παιδεύω, pres.). Therefore be zealous and change your mindset (μετανοέω).