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2 Samuel 12, Jeremiah 16, Matthew 27



Yahweh will be gracious

David makes right judgement and condemns himself. Nathan says “thou the man!”. David said, “I have sinned against Yahweh”. Nathan said to David, “Yahweh also has put away thy sin; thou shalt not die” (2Sa 12:13). The child died. ‘While the child was yet alive, I fasted and wept: for I said, Who can tell whether Yahweh will be gracious to me, that the child may live?’ (2Sa 12:22). Yahweh was gracious, David comforted Bathsheba, she bare a son, and he called his name Solomon: “and Yahweh loved him” (2Sa 12:24).

Just as David lost peace in his house, so did Israel. Thus saith Yahweh, “Enter not into the house of mourning, neither go to lament nor bemoan them: for I have taken away my peace from this people, saith Yahweh, even lovingkindness and mercies. (Jer 16:5). Yet there is the promise “I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers” (Jer 16:15). “O Yahweh, my strength, and my fortress, and my refuge in the day of affliction, the Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit... Therefore, behold, I will this once cause them to know, I will cause them to know mine hand and my might; and they shall know that my name is Yahweh” (Jer 16:19-21).

Yeshua the king of the Jews is rejected, Israel cried, “His blood be on us, and on our children” (Mat 27:25). Which it was. But Yahweh was gracious and Yeshua cried from Psalm 22, which also says “But be not thou far from me, O Yahweh: O my strength, haste thee to help me” (Psa 22:19) And he died, “behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent; And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose” (Mat 27:51-52).