## Leviticus 24:10-23 Blaspheme – Sacred Name of Yehowah – Death Penalty

10 Now the son of an Israelite woman, whose father was an Egyptian, went out among the children of Israel; and this Israelite woman's son and a man of Israel fought each other in the camp. 11 And the Israelite woman's son blasphemed the name of the Lord and cursed; and so they brought him to Moses. (His mother's name was Shelomith the daughter of Dibri, of the tribe of Dan.) 12 Then they put him in custody, that the mind of the LORD might be shown to them.

- 13 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, 14 "Take outside the camp him who has cursed; then let all who heard him lay their hands on his head, and let all the congregation stone him. 15 Then you shall speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'Whoever curses his God shall bear his sin. 16 And whoever blasphemes the name of the LORD shall surely be put to death. All the congregation shall certainly stone him, the stranger as well as him who is born in the land. When he blasphemes the name of the Lord, he shall be put to death.
- 17 'Whoever kills any man shall surely be put to death. 18 Whoever kills an animal shall make it good, animal for animal. 19 If a man causes disfigurement of his neighbor, as he has done, so shall it be done to him-- 20 fracture for fracture, eye for eye, tooth for tooth; as he has caused disfigurement of a man, so shall it be done to him. 21 And whoever kills an animal shall restore it; but whoever kills a man shall be put to death. 22 You shall have the same law for the stranger and for one from your own country; for I am the LORD your God.' "
- 23 Then Moses spoke to the children of Israel; and they took outside the camp him who had cursed, and stoned him with stones. So the children of Israel did as the LORD commanded Moses. NKJV

## Facts Revealed:

- **☼** This is a Law of Yehowah set as a legal precedent.
- **☼** Example of a Historical event in the lives of the Children of Israel.
  - ♦ It occurred in the heat of battle as he was fighting with another of the Children of Israel.
  - ♦ As he cursed, he blasphemed (spoke evil of, maligned, slandered) the Name of Yehowah.
- ❖ They brought him to Moses, who put him in custody until he heard from Yehowah.
- ❖ Yehowah's, answer was to take him outside the camp, all witnesses lay their hands on his head, and stone him to death.
- **☼** The instruction that accompanied the stoning was that:
  - ♦ Whoever curses his God shall bear his sin.
  - ♦ Whoever blasphemes the Name of Yehowah shall be put to death.
- **☼** The whole congregation is responsible to put him to death.
- **⋄** Focusing on **killing**, Yehowah clarified His intent by expanding the instruction:
  - ♦ Whoever kills a man, shall be put to death. [Genesis 9:6, Exodus 20:13, 21:12-14, 22-27, Leviticus 24:17-21]
  - ♦ Whoever kills an animal, he shall make it good to the owner, an animal for an animal.
  - ♦ Whoever causes disfigurement to another, the law is: A fracture for a fracture, eye for eye, tooth for tooth. As he has done to another, so shall it be done to him. [Exodus 21:22-27, Leviticus 24:17-22, Deuteronomy 19:15-21, Matthew 25:38]
  - ♦ Whoever kills an animal, shall restore it.
  - ♦ Whoever kills a man, shall be put to death.
- **☼** The same law applies to both native born of the Children of Israel as well as for anyone living among them.

- ❖ I am Yehowah Elohey (the Lord your God). The judgment is directly from the mouth of Yehowah Himself and bears all His authority.
- ❖ Moses gave the instructions to the Children of Israel, and they did as Yehowah had commanded. They took the man outside the camp and stoned him with stones.