

## Words of Yahweh Today!

Title: *Scattered Sheep Wandering*

Date: Sunday, December 23, 2012

Focus Holy Bible Scriptures: Ezekiel 34

(All verses from Amplified Bible)

As the Most High and Exalted One blessed me this morning by protecting me through the night and waking me up to see His beautiful earth, I sat down to “eat” and “drink” His word by reading the Holy Bible. In Ezekiel 34, I continued with my devotional “feasting” with Yahweh in His Holy Word. As He blessed me to read Ezekiel 34, I began to notice, through the Holy Spirit, the similarities of shepherds of today of what Adonai Elohim told Ezekiel to tell the shepherds of the past. The entire chapter 34 of Ezekiel is lessons for our learning, education, enlightenment, and edifying in preparation for what is coming upon the earth. All things happening in the earth is part of the plan of Almighty Yahweh Adonai Elohim to show everyone that He is Master, Savior, Redeemer, Sovereign, Creator, and King of the universe.

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### Ezekiel 34

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*1 And the word of the Lord came to me, saying,*

*2 Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel; prophesy and say to them, even to the [spiritual] shepherds, Thus says the Lord God: Woe to the [spiritual] shepherds of Israel who feed themselves! Should not the shepherds feed the sheep?*

*3 You eat the fat, you clothe yourselves with the wool, you kill the fatlings, but you do not feed the sheep.*

*4 The diseased and weak you have not strengthened, the sick you have not healed, the hurt and crippled you have not bandaged, those gone astray you have not brought back, the lost you have not sought to find, but with force and hardhearted harshness you have ruled them.*

*5 And they were scattered because there was no shepherd, and when they were scattered they became food for all the wild beasts of the field.*

*6 My sheep wandered through all the mountains and upon every high hill; yes, My sheep were scattered upon all the face of the earth and no one searched or sought for them.*

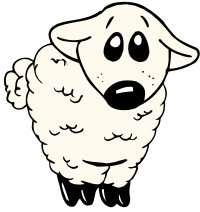
*7 Therefore, you [spiritual] shepherds, hear the word of the Lord:*

*8 As I live, says the Lord God, surely because My sheep became a prey, and My sheep became food for every beast of the field because there was no shepherd—neither did My shepherds search for My sheep, but the shepherds fed themselves and fed not My sheep—*

*9 Therefore, O you [spiritual] shepherds, hear the word of the Lord:*

*10 Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I am against the shepherds, and I will require My sheep at their hand and cause them to cease feeding the sheep, neither shall the shepherds feed themselves any more. I will rescue My sheep from their mouths, that they may not be food for them.*

*11 For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I Myself, will search for My sheep and will seek them out.*



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12 As a shepherd seeks out his sheep in the day that he is among his flock that are scattered, so will I seek out My sheep; and I will rescue them out of all places where they have been scattered in the day of clouds and thick darkness.

13 And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries and will bring them to their own land; and I will feed them upon the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited places of the country. Page |  
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14 I will feed them with good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel shall their fold be; there shall they lie down in a good fold, and in a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel.

15 I will feed My sheep and I will cause them to lie down, says the Lord God.

16 I will seek that which was lost and bring back that which has strayed, and I will bandage the hurt and the crippled and will strengthen the weak and the sick, but I will destroy the fat and the strong [who have become hardhearted and perverse]; I will feed them with judgment and punishment.

17 And as for you, O My flock, thus says the Lord God: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between the rams and the great he-goats [the malicious and the tyrants of the pasture].

18 Is it too little for you that you feed on the best pasture, but you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture? And to have drunk of the waters clarified by subsiding, but you must foul the rest of the water with your feet?

19 And My flock, must they feed on what your feet have trodden and drink what your feet have fouled?

20 Therefore thus says the Lord God to them: Behold, I, I Myself, will judge between fat sheep and impoverished sheep, or fat goats and lean goats.

21 Because you push with side and with shoulder and thrust with your horns all those that have become weak and diseased, till you have scattered them abroad,

22 Therefore will I rescue My flock, and they shall no more be a prey; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

23 And I will raise up over them one Shepherd and He shall feed them, even My Servant David; He shall feed them and He shall be their Shepherd.

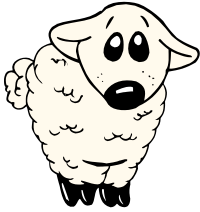
24 And I the Lord will be their God and My Servant David a Prince among them; I the Lord have spoken it.

25 And I will confirm with them a covenant of peace and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land, and [My people] shall dwell safely in the wilderness, desert, or pastureland and sleep [confidently] in the woods.

26 And I will make them and the places round about My hill a blessing, and I will cause the showers to come down in their season; there shall be showers of blessing [of good insured by God's favor].

27 And the tree of the field shall yield its fruit and the earth shall yield its increase; and [My people] shall be secure in their land, and they shall be confident and know (understand and realize) that I am the Lord, when I have broken the bars of their yoke and have delivered them out of the hand of those who made slaves of them.

28 And they shall no more be a prey to the nations, nor shall the beasts of the earth devour them, but they shall dwell safely and none shall make them afraid [in the day of the Messiah's reign].



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29 *And I will raise up for them a planting of crops for renown, and they shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land nor bear the reproach of the nations any longer.*

30 *Then shall they know [positively] that I, the Lord their God, am with them and that they, the house of Israel, are My people, says the Lord God,*

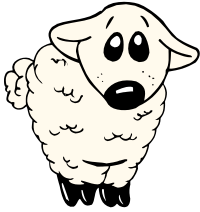
31 *And that you, My sheep, the sheep of My pasture, are [only] men and I am your God, says the Lord God.*

Today, one of the major problems of human beings is not showing love to one another, and the lack of qualified shepherds to lead the flock to clean and non-muddy waters. It is easy to show love to someone when there has been a horrific and devastating tragedy. Weather or a human caused disaster will bring loving acts of kindness from all around the world. However, why does it take a heinous crime or dreadful weather catastrophe for individuals to show the love of Yahweh? Why could not we show this unconditional love all year round? Do we need a holiday to show love to ones we know and do not know? Are reverends, pastors, rabbis or other religious leaders teaching and preaching about loving your enemy, even a stranger?

Have the leaders of churches, synagogues, or places of worship called upon the congregation to show unconditional love for someone you know or do not know? Does the person or people need to be a member of your place of worship before receiving any assistance?

Every year in December people are readying for the holiday season that celebrates the birth of Jesus (Jesus was not born in December <http://www.ucg.org/bible-faq/when-was-jesus-christ-born-was-jesus-born-december-25-christmas-day>). December is supposed to be the most love-showing month of all the year in gratitude to the birth, death, resurrection and sacrifice of the Messiah giving His love, mercy, and grace to us. However, a person who views the action of the people during the month of December may not feel this is a month of love and cheer.

Mary the mother of Jesus Christ of Nazareth was pregnant before she was promised to Joseph as her husband. Taking a closer look at this situation, means Mary was a single pregnant young woman before marrying Joseph. Would the people today accept a single woman who is pregnant into their congregation? Would there be gossip about her and her pre-born child? Just think about how it was for Mary and Joseph the earthly parents of Jesus, and how they spent the



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night in a barn with animals. Yes, there was not a place or not room for them in the inn (Luke 2:7), but maybe it was more than just not a room or place for Joseph and Mary. Maybe it was whispered of Mary's situation of being pregnant before marrying Joseph and gossip traveled to the inn and both were not allowed a room or place due to her delicate situation?

Again where is the love of Yahweh Elohim? Was the innkeeper more concerned about what others say about him showing hospitality to a poor and destitute couple obeying the will of the Most High and Almighty One? Was the innkeeper more interested in gaining money than helping a financially depressed couple that was about to birth a child?

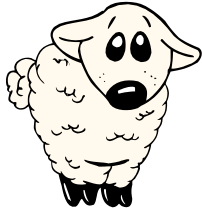
**Luke 2:7** - *And she gave birth to her Son, her Firstborn; and she wrapped Him in swaddling clothes and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room or place for them in the inn.*

Although she was already pregnant, thank Yahweh for Joseph being a true man of GOD who obeys the angel of the LORD to marry Mary. Look at David, who was an adulterer and murderer, and yet became King of Israel. The Most High and Exalted One knew beforehand that David was going to commit all those ungodly actions, but He selected David as the second king of Israel. Knowingly, would we allow a murderer and adulterous person become part of the congregation that claims to teach the truth of the Holy Bible? Where is the love of Almighty GOD and LORD in the churches and places of worship?

In places of worship, people are spiritually scattered and wandering without a spiritual shepherd to guide their walk in a Biblical life pleasing to Yahweh. Left to fend for themselves, the spiritually scattered and wandering sheep represent people who are alone for the wild animals to prey upon them. This spiritual loneliness will cause a congregant to have feelings from depression, despondent to discouragement. Because either it is not advocated by the religious leaders in the place of worship for the congregation to read the Holy Bible or the person chooses to decline reading and doing the Holy Bible, the sheep will not have their spiritual necessities to survive the tricks and deceptions of the devil.

The wild animals represent unrepentant ungodly people and demonic evil spirits roaming around the earth looking to devour spiritually weaken scattered and wandering sheep. Wild animals also represent the wicked shepherds (religious) leaders with idols set up in their hearts of selfishness and greed by satisfying and feeding themselves instead of feeding the flock (sheep) the

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true unmodified word of Elohim. When the shepherds feed themselves they are not concern about the cares of the congregation; shepherds will take the best by clothing and feeding themselves, but leave nothing for the sheep. Hungry and thirsty for something to eat, the sheep will eat anything that may look good and smell good but is not good for them spiritually.

Spiritually lonely with hunger and thirst will cause the spiritually scattered and wandering sheep to “eat” and “drink” spiritual poison. Thereby taking advantage of the spiritually hungry and thirsty sheep, the wild animals (wicked shepherds, unrepentant ungodly individuals, and demonic evil spirits possessing false teacher) teach tainted words from the Holy Bible causing Spiritual poison, which is spiritually toxic “food” and “water” causing spiritual death of a person or group of people. As the spiritual scattered and wandering sheep looks for spiritual nutrition to live by the true Holy Word of the Most High and Exalted One, the wicked shepherds walks and creates dirty and muddy water (Spiritual poison) thus preventing the sheep to drink clean Water of the Word of Elohim. When we were living in darkness of our sins, not knowing the Heavenly Father did not care about loving and obeying and seeking Him in our lives, yet He still love us even though we did not know of Him.

In my opinion, the one thing that human beings need more than ever is to show unconditional love of Yahweh to all.

▮ [Leviticus 19:34](#)

But the stranger who dwells with you shall be to you as one born among you; and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. I am the Lord your God.

▮ [Deuteronomy 10:19](#)

Therefore love the stranger and sojourner, for you were strangers and sojourners in the land of Egypt.

▮ [1 Timothy 3:2](#)

Now a bishop (superintendent, overseer) must give no grounds for accusation but must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, circumspect and temperate and self-controlled; [he must be] sensible and well behaved and dignified and lead an orderly (disciplined) life; [he must be] hospitable [showing love for and being a friend to the believers, especially strangers or foreigners, and be] a capable and qualified teacher,

▮ [Titus 1:8](#)

But he must be hospitable (loving and a friend to believers, especially to strangers and foreigners); [he must be] a lover of goodness [of good people and good things], sober-minded (sensible, discreet), upright and fair-minded, a devout man and religiously correct, temperate and keeping himself in hand.

▮ [1 Peter 4:9](#)

Practice hospitality to one another (those of the household of faith). [Be hospitable, be a lover of strangers, with brotherly affection for the unknown guests, the foreigners, the poor, and all others who come your way who are of Christ's body.] And [in each instance] do it ungrudgingly (cordially and graciously, without complaining but as representing Him).