~ABHORRENT THING (216)

- The Hebrew word *nid-dah'* occurs 30 times in the Hebrew Scriptures.
- And is possibly derived from the root word *na-dhah'*, which means, exclude, put out of mind, refuse to think of.
- Hear the word of Yehowah, you men who are trembling at his word; Your brothers that are hating you, that are excluding you by reason of my name, said, May Yehowah be glorified! He must also appear with rejoicing on your part, and they are the ones that will be put to shame. (Isaiah 66:5)
- Are you putting out of your mind the calamitous day, and do you bring near the dwelling of violence? (Amos 6:3)
- Nid-dah' indicates impurity, something abhorrent, whether physically, as for example, from menstruation
- Speak to the sons of Israel, saying; In case a woman conceives seed and does bear a male, she must be unclean seven days, as in the days of the impurity when she is menstruating she will be unclean. (Leviticus 12:2)
- Now if she should bear a female, she must then be unclean fourteen days, as during her menstruation. For sixty-six days more she will stay with the blood of purification. (Leviticus 12:5)
- And anything upon which she may lie down in her menstrual impurity will be unclean, and everything upon which she may sit will be unclean. (Leviticus 15:20)
- And if a man lies down with her at all and her menstrual impurity comes to be upon him, he must then be unclean seven days, and any bed upon which he might lie down will be unclean. (Leviticus 15:24)
- As for a woman, in case the running discharge of her blood should be flowing many days when it is not the regular time of her menstrual impurity, or in case she should have a flow longer than her menstrual impurity, all the days of her unclean running

discharge will prove as in the days of her menstrual impurity. She is unclean. (Leviticus 15:25)

- And the menstruating woman in her uncleanness, and anyone who has a flow of his running discharge, whether a male or a female, and whether a man who lies down with an unclean woman. (Leviticus 15:33)
- Or morally, as from idolatry.
- Which you commanded by means of your servants the prophets, saying; The land that you people are going in to take possession of is an impure land because of the impurity of the peoples of the lands, because of their detestable things with which they have filled it from end to end by their uncleanness. (Ezra 9:11)
- And he proceeded to say to them; Listen to me, you Levites.

 Now sanctify yourselves and sanctify the house of Yehowah the
 God of your forefathers, and bring the impure thing out from the
 holy place. (2 Chronicles 29:5)
- The same Hebrew word is used with regard to the water for cleansing.
- And a clean man must gather up the ashes of the cow and deposit them outside the camp in a clean place, and they must serve the assembly of the sons of Israel as something to be kept for the water for cleansing. It is a sin offering. (Numbers 19:9)
- And the one gathering the ashes of the cow must wash his garments and be unclean until the evening. And it must serve the sons of Israel and the alien resident who is residing as an alien in their midst as a statute to time indefinite. (Numbers 19:10)
- Anyone touching the corpse of any human soul must also be unclean seven days. (Numbers 19:11)
- Such one should purify himself with it on the third day, and on the seventh day he will be clean. But if he will not purify himself on the third day, then on the seventh day he will not be clean. (Numbers 19:12)
- Everyone touching a corpse, the soul of whatever man may die,

and who will not purify himself, has defiled Yehowah's tabernacle, and that soul must be cut off from Israel. Because the water for cleansing has not been sprinkled upon him, he continues unclean. His uncleanness is still upon him. (Numbers 19:13)

- This is the Law in case a man should die in a tent. Everyone coming into the tent, and everyone who is in the tent, will be unclean seven days. (Numbers 19:14)
- And every opened vessel upon which there is no lid tied down is unclean. (Numbers 19:15)
- And everyone who on the open field may touch someone slain with the sword or a corpse or a bone of a man or a burial place will be unclean seven days. (Numbers 19:16)
- And they must take for the unclean one some of the dust of the burning of the sin offering and put running water upon it in a vessel. (Numbers 19:17)
- Then a clean man must take hyssop and dip it into the water and spatter it upon the tent and all the vessels and the souls that happened to be there and upon the one who touched the bone or the slain one or the corpse or the burial place. (Numbers 19:18)
- And the clean person must spatter it upon the unclean one on the third day and on the seventh day and must purify him from sin on the seventh day, and he must wash his garments and bathe in water, and he must be clean in the evening. (Numbers 19:19)
- But the man who may be unclean and who will not purify himself, well, that soul must be cut off from the midst of the congregation, because it is Yehowah's sanctuary that he has defiled. The water for cleansing was not sprinkled upon him. He is unclean. (Numbers 19:20)
- And it must serve as a statute to time indefinite for them, that the one spattering the water for cleansing should wash his garments, also the one touching the water for cleansing. He will be unclean until the evening. (Numbers 19:21)
- Everything that is processed with fire, you should pass through the fire, and it must be clean. Only it should be purified by the

water for cleansing. And everything that is not processed with fire you should pass through the water. (Numbers 31:23) NW

- Water used in case of menstruation,
- And a clean man must gather up the ashes of the cow and deposit them outside the camp in a clean place, and they must serve the assembly of the sons of Israel as something to be kept for the water for cleansing. It is a sin offering. (Numbers 19:9)
- NW Footnote, water of separation, KJ, water for impurity, RS, AT, lustral water, JB, indicating water used to remove that which is impure or unclean. Thus at;
- Zion has spread out her hands. No comforter does she have. Yehowah has given a command concerning Jacob to all who are around him as his adversaries. Jerusalem has become an abhorrent thing in among them. (Lamentations 1:17)
- Jeremiah says that Jerusalem in her desolation has become an abhorrent thing as a menstruous woman.
- Prior to Jerusalem's destruction by Babylon, Yehowah said of the people of Israel through his prophet Ezekiel; The house of Israel were dwelling upon their soil, and they kept making it unclean with their way and with their dealings. Like the uncleanness of menstruation *niddah'* their way has become before me.
- Son of man, the house of Israel were dwelling upon their soil, and they kept making it unclean with their way and with their dealings. Like the uncleanness of menstruation their way has become before me. (Ezekiel 36:17)
- Due to idolatrous practices, Israel was spiritually impure and would thus be avoided by her husbandly owner, Yehowah God, and would be reunited with him spiritually only after cleansing. Thus, at
- And I will sprinkle upon you clean water, and you will become clean, from all your impurities and from all your dungy idols I shall cleanse you. (Ezekiel 36:25)
- Yehowah says; And I will sprinkle upon you clean water, and you will become clean, from all your impurities and from all your dungy idols I shall cleanse you. (Ezekiel 36:26)

- On the mountains he did not eat and his eyes he did not raise to the dungy idols of the house of Israel, and his companion's wife he did not defile and to a woman in her impurity he would not go near. (Ezekiel 18:6)
- Into the streets they will throw their very silver, and an abhorrent thing their own gold will become. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to deliver them in the day of Yehowah's fury. Their souls they will not satisfy, and their intestines they will not fill, for it has become a stumbling block causing their error. (Ezekiel 7:19)
- And the decoration of one's ornament, one has set it as reason for pride, and their detestable images, their disgusting things, they have made with it. That is why I will make it to them an abhorrent thing. (Ezekiel 7:20)
- God expresses his anger against Israel for having made religious images with their silver and their gold and says that he will, therefore, cause them to throw their silver and their gold into the streets as an abhorrent thing, Hebrew *nid-dah'*.
- And you people must defile the overlaying of your graven images of silver and the close-fitting covering of your molten statue of gold. You will scatter them. Like a menstruating woman, you will say to it; Mere dirt! (Isaiah 30:22)

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