

~DREGS (60)

[Hebrew, *shema-rim*']

- **Suspended particles that precipitate and settle to the bottom when wine is allowed to stand undisturbed. In the Scriptures the term occurs five times, always in the plural Hebrew, *shema-rim*'. It is generally rendered lees by Bible translators. Keeping a good wine on the dregs for a long time to age fully gives it clarity, strength, and mellowness.**
- **And Yehowah of armies will certainly make for all the peoples, in this mountain, a banquet of well-oiled dishes, a banquet of wine kept on the **dregs**, of well-oiled dishes filled with marrow, of wine kept on the **dregs**, filtered. (Isaiah 25:6)**
- **On the other hand, when a wine that is bad to start with because of a poor quality of grape is left to congeal on the **dregs**, it does not improve in taste or smell, facts to which the prophets refer in illustrations.**
- **The Moabites have been at ease since their youth, and they are keeping undisturbed on their **dregs**. And they have not been emptied from one vessel into another vessel, and into exile they have not gone. That is why their taste has stood still within them, and their very scent has not been changed. (Jeremiah 48:11)**
- **And it must occur at that time that I shall carefully search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will give attention to the men who are congealing upon their **dregs** and who are saying in their heart, Yehowah will not do good, and he will not do bad. (Zephaniah 1:12)**
- **Also, in a figure of speech the psalmist says that all the wicked ones of the earth will be compelled to drain the cup of Yehowah's anger, drinking the **dregs** and all, down to the last bitter drop.**
- **For there is a cup in the hand of Yehowah, and the wine is foaming, it is full of mixture. And he will surely pour out its **dregs** from it, all the wicked ones of the earth will drain them out, drink them. (Psalms 75:8)**

- **This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; The cup of your sister you will drink, the deep and wide one. You will become an object of laughter and derision, the cup containing much. ([Ezekiel 23:32](#))**
- **With drunkenness and grief you will be filled, with the cup of astonishment and of desolation, the cup of your sister Samaria. ([Ezekiel 23:33](#))**
- **And you will have to drink it and drain it out, and its earthenware fragments you will gnaw, and your breasts you will tear out. For I myself have spoken, is the utterance of the Sovereign Lord Yehowah. ([Ezekiel 23:34](#))**

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