

PAUL'S THORN IN HIS SIDE

2Cor. 12:7 *And because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, for this reason, to keep me from exalting myself, **there was given me a thorn in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to buffet me** — to keep me from exalting myself!*

Many people have been led to believe that the thorn in the side referred to in this verse was a demon sent by Satan. This is incorrect. This is referring to the Canaanites that Manasseh did not destroy as directed by Yah. The Canaanites included many pagan people (including what was to become the Edomites), that they were told to destroy but did not. For this reason these people would become a thorn in their flesh forever. The Rabbis say that the Romans (pagans) were Edomites, they were also thorns in Paul's side back then. The descendants of the Edomites today are still Rome (which includes all Islam), and the Palestinians. The two nations (twins) in Rebekah's womb; Esau and Jacob; Perez (the son of Judah..Tamar) and his brother Zerah in the womb (1Chr. 2:4/



Matt. 1:3), were representative of the never ending spiritual battle between Yeshua and the anti-Messiah. They were a shadow of what we still have today. The Palestinians (Edomites) want to destroy Israel. The spiritual battle that started back then in Rebekah's womb, is now coming to its peek. The battle of Good and Evil. The Pagans (Palestinians, Roman Catholics, [Muslims and her other daughters, the Christians]) are thorns in the side of Yah's remnant today.

Jgs. 2:1-3 *Now the angel of the LORD came up from Gilgal to Bochim. And he said, "I brought you up out of Egypt and led you into the land which I have sworn to your fathers;*

and I said, I will never break My covenant with you, 2 and as for you, you shall make no covenant with the inhabitants of this land; you shall tear down their altars. But you have not obeyed Me; what is this you have done? 3 “Therefore I also said, ‘I will not drive them out before you; but **they shall become as thorns in your sides**, and their gods shall be a snare to you.’”

Num. 33:55 ‘But if you do not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you, then it shall come about that those whom you let remain of them will become as pricks in your eyes and **as thorns in your sides**, and they shall trouble you in the land in which you live. It’s no coincidence that Yeshua received a crown of thorns on His head. They were mocking Him and they knew what the thorns represented. The Amelikites were descendants of Esau. Haman, as you may recall, was an Amelikite.

Josh. 23:13 *know with certainty that the LORD your God will not continue to drive these nations out from before you; but they will be a snare and a trap to you, and a whip on your sides and **thorns in your eyes**, until you perish from off this good land which the LORD your God has given you.’*

In Num. 20:14-21 we saw the Edomites (Romans/Muslims/Palestinians) try to kill the Israelites. As it was in the beginning will be in the end. The Roman Catholic church and her daughters, the so-called christians, will try to kill the Israelites, the remnant who pursue the truth of the torah. They will be our worst enemy. The thorn in Paul's side back then was a shadow of what will and is happening in the last days. Satan and his people (the Roman Catholic church and christians, Muslims, etc.) are the heathen thorns in the side of Yah's people.

We also see that Joshua had the same problem as Paul. **Josh. 23:13** *know with certainty that the LORD your God will not continue to drive these nations out from before you; but they shall be a snare and a trap to you, and a whip on your sides and **thorns in your eyes**, until you perish from off this good land which the LORD your God has given you.* Pagans were a serious problems in the life of Joshua and Sha'ul, and they are still a problem to this day. The world is pagan in every way. As long as Yah's set apart holy people exist, the pagans will exist to cause problems.

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