

## Hebr. 4:12-13 TWO EDGED SWORD

*“For the word of Yahveh is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are open and laid bare to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do.”*



The book of Hebrews (Messianic's) was written to those Hebrews who knew all about the Temple, and Hebrew customs. The Temple still existed and sacrifices were still taking place. Unless one understands that thoroughly they will not understand it. It was written in about 64-68 AD, just before the Temple was destroyed. In these verses the Holy Spirit compares the Believer to a sacrifice on the altar like in the temple days of old. The priests would tie down the sacrifice, and with a special sword, cut the animal in half, to the division of the joints and marrow, exposing everything that was hidden by the outer flesh. Just as it was then, the Believer today has his soul and spirit split apart by the Word of Yah. As in the beginning when the Word separated light from darkness, so now it works within us as a sword piercing to the separation of the soul and spirit. We are to daily offer ourselves to Yah as a living sacrifice.

Another fascinating thing to know about joints and marrow is the fact that under a microscope it is not possible to distinguish between joints (bone) and marrow. Scientists cannot differentiate between the two. It is impossible to separate them, yet Yah's Word is sharp enough to separate them.

The Word (Torah) is “living”, for it has living power: “active”, because it knows how to work: “sharper than any two edged sword”, since it can pierce into the spirit. Yah’s Word penetrates much deeper than the soul; it reaches into the innermost spirit. We are to be a “living sacrifice” (Rom. 12:1) and offer ourselves up daily to the stake so that our old nature dies, daily. Another important part of this verse often missed was the “able to judge,” words. The scriptures are able to judge. Many saints get accused of judging others, when in fact, it is the book that judges, not the Believer. The saints are supposed to judge by the Torah. The Torah is the mark and we are to “hit the mark”.

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