



Daily Devotion

April 22 - Jonah 4:3,4 - No Right

Hello and thanks for joining in on to today's daily devotion. Today is Friday. April 22nd. The 6th day of the Hebraic week.

Our verses today is Jonah 4:3,4.

Jonah 4:3 Now, O YHWH, take away my life, for it is better for me to die than to live." 4 But YHWH replied, "Have you any right to be angry?"

Well, here we go again. We started off with seeing Jonah willing to die in being thrown overboard instead of obeying YHWH. And what do we see here? The exact same thing. Jonah wanted to die because the judgement didn't fall. Verse 4 tells us that Jonah was angry.

Yet, YHWH was telling him that he had no right to be angry. No right. Scripturally speaking, to my understanding anyway, there is nothing given to us as to why Jonah wanted the judgement to fall so bad. I've heard some say that the situation with Nineveh and Israel in the days of Jonah could be compared to the days of Germany and the Jews at the time of Hitler. I have no idea if that claim is correct at all.

However, what if it was true? Let's say for the moment that it was. That being said, consider verse 4 again in that light.

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IF... IF, that was the case, we could see and understand, at least a little bit more, the reasoning to Jonah's actions. However, YHWH was still saying that Jonah had no right to be angry that judgement didn't fall. No right. What kind of "rights" are you trying to justify in your life today?

Let this be a focus in your time of meditation throughout the day. Until tomorrow, shalom!