## Murder

We may be able to use the issue of murder to explain how the United States is being defiled by not executing criminals and will one day have to be destroyed. (Catholics would allow an innocent man to be executed rather than reveal the confession of the guilty.)

Gen 9:6; Num 35:33 — Anyone who doesn't support capital punishment has to go to the second death. They will be consistent in other ways.

Massachusetts is the most horrible place in the nation. It is usually the liberals who break all the provisions of the second covenant and oppose the application of Gen 9:6. Justice and prejudice can't go together or you will make bad judgements as you pre-judge.

(We read Bahirah's letter on homosexuality, which is being distributed to all the communities.) *Murder* means personal killing; it is intentional. *Kill* means taking life, not murder. Murder is the personal and intentional killing of another human being. It is contrasted with capital punishment, war, and defense of one's property.

We have to distinguish between the Hebrew words for killing:

rasah — personal killing;

harag — other killing.

The commandment to not kill is rasah. It prohibits only personal killing.

Mt 23:31 — When you hate your brother it is murder; anger is murder. The Old Covenant had the commandment, "You shall not murder." To let a murderer live defiled the land. In the New Covenant anger that is not judged will pollute the land. Every case of anger against a brother should be brought to court. (*Court*, not the whole community. There the one who had anger and what caused it are both judged.) If we don't judge anger there will be murder in the community. 2 Tim 3:5 is a result of non-judgement.

Murder is deliberate, personal, and intentional.

Jn 8:44 — Satan is a murderer. Every day he premeditates, plans, schemes our destruction. He's full of anger. The land is corrupted until he is executed. The first earth was destroyed because Satan was on the loose. Rev 11:15 is the beginning of the murderer being judged.

(Our bodies will put off what is corruptible and put on what is incorruptible. We will be changed to immortality, renovated, changed like the new earth. Our body will put off the ability to wear out; it will become immortal. He won't put immortal man on mortal planets. He can do it. His body was changed into an immortal one. It was the same atoms.)

Num 35:30-34 — Verse 33 — Bloodshed pollutes the land. There is no atonement for such a land. (Massachusetts is totally polluted. It is corrupt through and through by people like the Kennedys.) Not until Satan is bound and thrown into the abyss will Gen 15:18 be fulfilled. Then it will no longer be in abeyance. In Rev 20:2, Satan is locked up. In Rev 20:10 he is put into the second death. Gen 1:28 will be fulfilled when Rev 20:10 comes about. It is in abeyance until then.

Whenever the word *murder* is written (in Greek it is *phoneuo*; in Hebrew, *rasah*) it means a premeditated or personal, intentional act of killing, even as Satan schemes, deceives with premeditated murder. Mt 5:21,22 are in the preamble of the New Covenant. If you're angry you're liable to judgment. What is murder in the New Covenant? It is premeditated or personal murder. Angry words against a brother are brought to judgement. Anger that hurts a brother is murder. Intending to hurt or kill, speaking evil words, you are liable to hit them if something was handy. Whoever is angry with his brother it is equated with murder. You would have to have a meeting to judge if the person was provoked. Mt 15:19 — Out of the heart comes murders. It was already seething inside you; you already had a grudge. Murder comes out of the mouth, which proceeds from the heart.

Mt 19:17,18 — No murderer has eternal life. What about a person who is angry with his brother? (1 Jn 3:15). Mt 19:17,18 — This is what you should do if you wish to enter life (not murder). What comes out of your mouth is hate. Jms 2:11 means if you do one you'll be consistent in other areas as well. If you're a murderer you'll

commit adultery as well.

The law of God in the Old Testament makes a careful distinction between accidental and premeditated killing. When we bring someone into judgement we will judge whether it was superficial or deep-seated anger, how long the anger has been harbored and so on. We will judge whether it was premeditated.

Israel was established to be a light to the nations. They actually recorded cases for the nations to glean from. To carry out a death sentence in Israel, the judges had to establish motive, hostility, means used, weapons, the method that led directly to the victim's death. Num 35 is so enlightening. It would greatly enlighten the most avid liberal. All judges and lawyers should know it; they would be better judges.

The cities of refuge were only for those who killed someone unintentionally. He had a refuge because the next of kin could kill him. Num 35:15-21 establishes intentional killing, which is murder. Num 35:22-25 establishes unintentional killing. A whole nation can be defiled if murder is not punished. One convicted of intentional *rasah* must be put to death. One accused must be protected (verse 25). Verse 16 — The murderer must be put to death.

In New Testament days, in the New Covenant, the nations must render judgement. The Edah must judge first. We establish guilt first if we can, then turn it over to the nations. But for any type of killing, even accidental, no matter who he is, he must be turned over to the nations. Only the nations have authority to physically execute. We have authority to spiritually execute by excommunication.

Gen 9:6 was adapted by Israel. Murder is defined as coming out of the heart, as anger — a work of the flesh by Gal 5:20. Mt 15:19 — Murder comes out of the heart. 1 Jn 3:15 excludes one from eternal life. Num 35:30 — Guilt is established by witnesses. It is not redeemable, even by a flight to the altar (Ex 21:14). Gen 9:6 is ordained by God. It was executed by the avenger of blood (Dt 19:6).

In homicide there has to be a distinction of guilt between the innocent and guilty. Guilt is determined by Num 35:16-24,30 and Ex 21:12-14. The land is defiled by slack judgment. It is consistent if the land tolerates murder; they will tolerate all other manner of evil, on and on. When Gen 9:6 is violated, all authority wanes (equals lawlessness, 2 Ths 2). Gen 9:6 is violated, even to spitting on the sidewalk, for it and murder are the same because you don't respect another person who is created in God's image, then all havoc will be reaped. The nations will reap what they sow. Gen 9:6 is murder as well as any contempt for man, any violation of man made in the image of God.

In the New Covenant our Master brought it down to: anger is murder. Murder demonstrates the greatest disrespect and contempt for the Creator. Gen 1:26 — Man is made in the image of God. If we live in a land where we can't respect authority, on what basis do we respect it? (1 Pet 2:13,14). We respect it for His sake so that His name, His people won't be maligned.

Rom 13:3,4 — We get rid of our cowardice in Messiah by shouting from the rooftops what you heard today. Someday we'll have teachers who teach almost everyday, all day long. Island Pond needs to be a teaching center. You'll be on a crew and be sent to a teaching when you get a chance during the day. We must increase so that the oil can reach to the edge of the robe. Prophets must speak or perish. So must teachers, evangelists and shepherds. We must increase our teaching always.

Satan almost destroyed our first seed like he will try to destroy the last. It is important not to continue to alienate our children.

Pr 20:5 — It is so important not to tell your child things but you must show them in the word. When you show them things they never knew, it creates a bonding. It is necessary.

Hadashah Ehud: We're got to have justice in us. We need to investigate matters with our children and bring them justice or else they will get bitter and it will go underground and circulate. They go underground because they have things they can't communicate or because of injustices suffered. The truth will set them free. It is so easy to treat just the outward things in our dealing with them. We are lacking as a people in seeking justice with our people. Justice will make a lasting impression on them. They view repentance lightly, as not really cleansing them. They will be set free if we bring justice. That is how they will see the word.

Yoneg: Yahshua needs to be our hero. He is the best of all heroes.

**Ruth**: We sing the song, *Once you called us slaves; now you call us friends ...* He is the King of kings; He is the Friend of friends; He is the best, most wonderful friend a person could ever have.