**Numbers 5:11-31 - Ritual of Abortion & Why NO Ritual for Man?**

Understand why the book of Numbers 5:11-31 ritual for examining a wife, whether she had an affair with her husband or not, had nothing to do with the abortion ideal, and there is a reason why there is no ritual for examination of a man.

The ritual drink is called “**bitter water**” or “**water of bitterness**” and consists of pure water mixed with dust from the tabernacle (temple) sanctuary floor and placed in a clay bowl or jar. It does not lead to whether her womb starts to form a pregnancy. Because women do not have a 100% chance of getting pregnant every time she has intercourse with a man. On average, the probability of pregnancy from a single act of intercourse is about 3.1% to 5% across the entire menstrual cycle. The highest chance of conception occurs during the fertile window, which is about 25% of the time. Even on the most fertile day (typically day 13 of the menstrual cycle), the peak probability of pregnancy is only about 9.7%. Various factors affect the likelihood of pregnancy, including:

• Age of both partners

• Timing within the menstrual cycle

• Frequency of intercourse

• Overall health and lifestyle factors

• Pre-existing medical conditions

For young couples, the chance of pregnancy from a single random act of intercourse is estimated at 1 in 20 or 5%. These statistics demonstrate that while pregnancy is possible from any single act of unprotected intercourse, it is far from guaranteed. The relatively low probability per individual encounter is why couples often need to try for several months before successfully conceiving.

So, if a wife had an affair with her husband because she had sex with another man does not mean she is going to be pregnant. Oftentimes, women who have sex with a man do not end up getting pregnant, and drinking this bitter water does not deal with the pregnancy thing but brings the curse. If a wife is innocent, that curse will not harm her. But, if not innocent, therefore she will suffer physical pain from this curse drink and her womb as well. This will also end of forming the pregnancy if that ever happens in a wife’s womb.

Now, if anyone says, why not a bitter water drink for a husband to examine if he had an affair with his wife? The answer is that there is no law (TORAH) that speaks against having a multiple wife. If the husband had lied to another woman who isn’t married to a man, that woman is now married to him, do not consider having an affair with his first wife. That is why the ritual is only for the wife.

Back in the ancient days, individuals like Abraham, Jacob, David, and Solomon in the Tanakh (the Hebrew Bible) had multiple wives, not just one wife. However, our Creator Father,  (YAH) did warn HIS people that it’s better to have one wife instead of two because there will be one that is loved and unloved that bear the husband’s sons, etc… - Deuteronomy 21:15-17:

***“Suppose a man has two wives—the one loved and the other unloved—and both the loved and the unloved bear him sons. But it happens that the firstborn son belongs to the unloved wife. Now on the day he lets his sons inherit what he has, he must not treat the loved one’s son as firstborn, in place of the unloved one’s son, who is the firstborn. Rather, he must acknowledge the firstborn, the son of the hated one, by giving him a double portion of all that he has. For he is the first of his vigor—the right of the firstborn is his.”***

According to Numbers 5:11-31, we have a different punishment method that starts with “**adultery evidence**,” which is why no one can stone the wife to death; that is different from the punishment method in Leviticus 20:10-14. If the result is that the wife’s abdomen swells and her thigh rotten away after drinking the bitter water, this is the method of how to uncover the hidden evidence of her adultery, and the husband is free from her (divorce). The adultery wife is under the curse and among her people. She and her people, along with the mystery man she had laid with, will suffer under the curse - Deuteronomy 28:15-68 warns us if we disobey ’s law and continue to sin, the curse will be upon us, and it can grow and spread badly.

I, Bro. Pouliot hopes this document helps us understand why the book of Numbers Ch. 5, verses 11-31, the ritual method has nothing to do with the abortion ideal and the ritual is not for the husband. After understanding this topic, we must understand that since we no longer have a sanctuary Temple and a priest to performed the bitter water ordeal for the wife suspected of adultery. We cannot do this bitter water method to exam our wives.

The reason why we no longer have the sanctuary Temple along with the priest to performed is because of the warning we have been ignoring - Deuteronomy 28:15-68 – we have been rebelled against  and unable to resolve this method ever since. Because we have been apart from ’s law, therefore, no , no Temple. That is why the world we’re seeing every day are suffering more and more. The only way is to turn back to HIM, . HIS government law is way is better than the worldly man’s governing law. Trust only the TANAKH (Old Testament) books that follow the TORAH teachings way.