



The Spirits That Take Away Understanding and Prudence: “Anger and Hatred”

Testament of Dan 2:2-3

For anger is blindness, and does not suffer one to see the face of any man with truth. 3 For though it be a father or a mother, he behaveth towards them as enemies; though it be a brother, he knoweth him not; though it be a prophet of the Lord, he disobeyeth him; though a righteous man, he regardeth him not; though a friend, he doth not acknowledge him.

Testament of Dan 3:1-3

For anger is an evil thing, my children, for it troubleth even the soul itself. 2 And the body of the angry man it maketh its own, and over his soul it getteth the mastery, and it bestoweth upon the body power that it may work all iniquity. 3 And when the body does all these things, the soul justifieth what is done, since it seeth not aright.



Testament of Dan 4:1, 4, 2

Understand ye, therefore, the power of wrath, that it is vain.. 4 For first it pleaseth the hearing, and so maketh the mind keen to perceive the grounds for provocation; and then being enraged, he thinketh that he is justly angry

Testament of Dan 4:2

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Testament of Dan 4:2, 4

For it first of all giveth provocation by word; then by deeds it strengtheneth him who is angry, 4 For first it pleaseth the hearing, and so maketh the mind keen to perceive the grounds for provocation; and then being enraged, he thinketh that he is justly angry

Testament of Dan 1:5-8

And I rejoiced that he was sold, because his father loved him more than us. 6 For the spirit of jealousy and vainglory said to me: Thou thyself also art his son. 7 And one of the spirits of Beliar stirred me up, saying: Take this sword, and with it slay Joseph: so shall thy father love thee when he is dead. 8 Now this is the spirit of anger that persuaded me to crush Joseph as a leopard crusheth a kid.



Testament of Dan 2:4

For the spirit of anger encompasseth him with the net of deceit, and blindeth his eyes, and through lying darkeneth his mind, and giveth him its own peculiar vision. 5 And wherewith encompasseth it his eyes? With hatred of heart, so as to be envious of his brother

Ecclesiasticus 32:18

A man of counsel will be considerate; but a strange and proud man is not daunted with fear, even when of himself he hath done without counsel.

Proverbs 28:14

Happy is the man that feareth alway: but he that hardeneth his heart shall fall into mischief.

4Ma 2:16-18

16 For the temperate mind repels all these debased passions, even as it does anger, for it conquers even this. 17 Yea, Moses when he was angered against Dathan and Abiram did not give free course to his wrath, but governed his anger by his Reason. 18 For the temperate mind is able, as I said, to win the victory over the passions, modifying some, while crushing others absolutely.



4Ma 2:20-22

20. For in the day when Alahayim created man, he implanted in him his passions and inclinations, and also, at the very same time, set the mind on a throne amidst the senses to be his sacred guide in all things; 21. and to the mind he gave the Law, by the which if a man order himself, he shall reign over a kingdom that is temperate, and just, and virtuous, and brave. 22. Well then, someone may ask, if Reason is master of the passions why is it not master of forgetfulness and ignorance

Testament of Gad 5:3-7

3 Righteousness casteth out hatred, humility destroyeth envy. For he that is just and humble is ashamed to do what is unjust, being reprov'd not of another, but of his own heart, because the Lord looketh on his inclination. 4 He speaketh not against a holy man, because the fear of Alahayim overcometh hatred. 5 For fearing lest he should offend the Lord, he will not do wrong to any man, even in thought. 6 These things I learnt at last, after I had repented concerning Joseph. 7 For true repentance after a holy sort destroyeth ignorance, and driveth away the darkness, and enlighteneth the eyes, and giveth knowledge to the soul, and leadeth the mind to salvation



The Spirit of Hatred

Testament of Gad 3:1, 3

And now, my children, hearken to the words of truth to work righteousness, and all the law of the Most High, and go not astray through the spirit of hatred, for it is evil in all the doings of men. 3 ..for hatred blindeth his soul..

Testament of Gad 4:2

For it will not hear the words of His commandments concerning the loving of one's neighbour, and it sinneth against Alahayim.

Testament of Gad 4:1

Beware, therefore, my children of hatred; for it worketh lawlessness even against the Lord Himself.

Testament of Gad 3:2-3

Whatsoever a man doeth the hater abominateth him: and though a man worketh the law of the Lord, he praiseth him not; though a man feareth the Lord, and taketh pleasure in that which is righteous, he loveth him not. 3 He dispraiseth the truth, he envieth him that prospereth, he welcometh evil-speaking, he loveth arrogance, for hatred blindeth his soul..



Hermas Vision 3 (6:2)

6[13]:2 But the rest whom thou hast seen lying in great numbers, not going to the building, of these they that are mildewed are they that knew the truth, but did not abide in it, nor cleave to the saints. Therefore, they are useless.

Hermas Vision 3 (9:7-9)

9[17]:7 Now therefore I say unto you that are rulers of the Church, and that occupy the chief seats; be not ye like unto the sorcerers. The sorcerers indeed carry their drugs in boxes, but ye carry your drug and your poison in your heart.

9[17]:8 Ye are case-hardened, and ye will not cleanse your hearts and mix your wisdom together in a clean heart, that ye may obtain mercy from the Great King.

9[17]:9 Look ye therefore, children, lest these divisions of yours deprive you of your life.

Hermas Vision 3 (6:3)

6[13]:3 "But they that have the cracks, who are they?" "These are they that have discord in their hearts against one another, and are not at peace among themselves; who have an appearance of peace, but when they depart from one another, their wickedness abide in their hearts. These are the cracks which the stones have.

Parable 9 31:4

31[104a]:4 Moreover I bid all of you, whoever have received this seal, keep guilelessness, and bear no grudge, and continue



not in your wickedness nor in the memory of the offenses of bitterness; but become of one spirit, and heal these evil clefts and take them away from among you, that the owner of the flocks may rejoice concerning them.

Parable 9 32:1-2

32[109]:1 "Amend yourselves therefore, while the tower is still in course of building.

32[109]:2 the Lord dwelleth in men that love peace; for to Him peace is dear; but from the contentious and them that are given up to wickedness He keepeth afar off. Restore therefore to Him your spirit whole as ye received it.

Hermas Vision 3 (6:4)

6[13]:4 But they that are broken off short, these have believed, and have their greater part in righteousness, but have some parts of lawlessness; therefore, they are too short, and are not perfect."

6[13]:5 "But the white and round stones, which did not fit into the building, who are they, lady?" She answered and said to me, "How long art thou foolish and stupid, and enquirest everything, and understandest nothing? These are they that have faith, but have also riches of this world. When tribulation cometh, they deny their Lord by reason of their riches and their business affairs."



6[13]:6 And I answered and said unto her, "When then, lady, will they be useful for the building?" "When," she replied, "their wealth, which leadeth their souls astray, shall be cut away, then will they be useful for Alahayim. For just as the round stone, unless it be cut away, and lose some portion of itself, cannot become square, so also they that are rich in this world, unless their riches be cut away, cannot become useful to the Lord.

6[13]:7 Learn first from thyself When thou hadst riches, thou wast useless; but now thou art useful and profitable unto life. Be ye useful unto Alahayim, for thou thyself also art taken from the same stones.

7[15]:1 "But the other stones which thou sawest cast far away from the tower and falling into the way and rolling out of the way into the regions where there is no way, these are they that have believed, but by reason of their double heart they abandon their true way. Thus thinking that they can find a better way, they go astray and are sore distressed, as they walk about in the regions where there is no way.

7[15]:2 But they that fall into the fire and are burned, these are they that finally rebelled from the living Alahayim, and it no more entered into their hearts to repent by reason of the lusts of their wantonness and of the wickedness which they wrought.



7[15]:3 But the others, which are near the waters and yet cannot roll into the water, wouldest thou know who are they? These are they that heard the word, and would be baptized unto the name of the Lord. Then, when they call to their remembrance the purity of the truth, they change their minds, and go back again after their evil desires."

7[15]:4 So she finished the explanation of the tower.

5[13]:3 "But the other stones that are brought from the dry land, I would fain know who these are, lady." She said, "Those that go to the building, and yet are not hewn, these the Lord hath approved because they walked in the uprightness of the Lord, and rightly performed His commandments."

1 Corinthians 10:13

There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but Alahayim is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

Hermas Vision 3

7[15]:5 Still importunate, I asked her further, whether for all these stones that were rejected and would not fit into the building of the tower that was repentance, and they had a place in this tower. "They can repent," she said, "but they cannot be fitted into this tower.



7[15]:6 Yet they shall be fitted into another place much more humble, but not until they have undergone torments, and have fulfilled the days of their sins. And they shall be changed for this reason, because they participated in the Righteous Word; and then shall it befall them to be relieved from their torments, if the evil deeds, that they have done, come into their heart; but if these come not into their heart, they are not saved by reason of the hardness of their hearts."