## Scripture of the Quarter

<sup>16</sup>And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

Genesis 2:16-17 (NKJV)

## **Boundaries By God**

In Webster's Dictionary, defines a boundary as the following; any line or thing marking a limit; border. The first question we must answer is why would God set boundaries for His children? I believe the answer is very simple to all of us who have raised children, or who are in the process of doing so. We loved our children and set boundaries for their safety and welfare. In the world we live in today if you don't set limits or boundaries you will lose your child to the ruler of this world—the devil! The Bible plainly tells us what the last days will be like. 2 Timothy 3:1-5 (NKJV) <sup>1</sup>But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: <sup>2</sup>For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, <sup>3</sup>unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without selfcontrol, brutal, despisers of good, 4traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, 5 having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away! I believe this scripture should be a wake-up call to all parents who love their children. In my life time, I have never witnessed so much violence, drug abuse leading to addiction, alcoholism, and pornography which is destroying the lives of our children. The scripture of the quarter above says it all; God told Adam you can eat of any tree in

the garden except one! If you study your Bible you know the end of this story. Adam and Eve missed a chance to live eternally in the very presence of God, (Yahweh) in Hebrew. I hear many people including some ministers who say you should read your Bible. They may be sincere, but they are sincerely wrong! This is what the Bible tells us; 2 Timothy 2:15 KJV Study to shew (show) thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Now, I would like to go to the Word of God and show you boundaries He had set for His children. The first example we have already discovered was in the Garden of Eden. Let's go to the book of Genesis and talk about a man named Abraham. Genesis 13:14-15 (NKJV) 14 And the Lord said to Abram, after Lot had separated from him: "Lift your eyes now and look from the place where you are—northward, southward, eastward, and westward; 15 for all the land which you see I give to you and your descendants forever. Can you imagine the Lord talking to you and your family and making this statement to you? Notice Yahweh, God said this is your land forever.

Now, let's talk about a man named Moses (the deliverer). The story of Moses and Yahweh are inspiring to me as it proves

Yahweh is a God of the supernatural. This part of the story where Moses by the power of Yahweh has the plagues come upon the Egyptians until he releases God's children. The fourth plague; Exodus 8:20-23 (NKJV) <sup>20</sup>And the Lord said to Moses, "Rise early in the morning and stand before Pharaoh as he comes out to the water. Then say to him, 'Thus says the Lord: "Let My people go, that they may serve Me. 21 Or else, if you will not let My people go, behold, I will send swarms of FLIES on you and your servants, on your people and into your houses. The houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms of FLIES, and also the ground on which they STAND. 22 And in that day, I will set apart the land of Goshen, in which My people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there, in order that you may know that I am the Lord in the midst of the land. <sup>23</sup>I will make a difference between My people and your people. Tomorrow this sign shall be." WOW, what a God we serve! He actually separated His people in Goshen set a boundary that no flies would swarm on His children! The land of Goshen should be familiar to all of you as it is also mentioned in Exodus 9:1-6 (NKJV) Fifth Plague. <sup>1</sup>Then the Lord said to Moses, "Go in to Pharaoh and tell him, 'Thus says the Lord God of the Hebrews: "Let My people go, that they may serve Me. 2For if you refuse to let them go, and still hold them, 3behold, the hand of the Lord will be on your cattle in the field, on the horses, on the donkeys, on the camels, on the oxen, and on the sheep—a very severe pestilence. <sup>4</sup>And the Lord will make a difference between the livestock of Israel and the livestock of Egypt. So nothing shall die of all that belongs to the children of Israel."" <sup>5</sup>Then the Lord <u>appointed a set time</u>,

saying, "Tomorrow the Lord will do this

thing in the land." <sup>6</sup>So the Lord did this thing on the next day, and all the livestock of Egypt died; but of the livestock of the children of Israel, not one died. Here again we see a loving Father who loves His children setting a boundary a separation to protect their livestock which was a food source for them. For further boundaries Yahweh, created look up Exodus 9:22-26, Exodus 10:21-23.

As our journey continues, Yahweh stepped in and set a boundary so they could leave Egypt which got Pharaoh's attention. If you remember the story of the release from bondage, it starts in Exodus 11:4-7 (NKJV) <sup>4</sup>Then Moses said, "Thus says the Lord: 'About midnight I will go out into the midst of Egypt; 5 and all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sits on his throne, even to the firstborn of the female servant who is behind the handmill, and all the firstborn of the animals. <sup>6</sup>Then there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as was not like it before, nor shall be like it again. <sup>7</sup>But against none of the children of Israel shall a dog move its tongue, against man or beast, that you may know that the Lord does make a difference between the Egyptians and *Israel.*' Here again we see a merciful Father keeping His children from the death angel He was sending to kill all of Egypt's first born man and beast!

What was the boundary Yahweh set to protect His children? This is phenomenal as it took place on the First Passover, which is celebrated by Jews, and Messianic believers every year all over the world. What was the Boundary? The Blood of the Passover Lamb which represents Yeshua, Jesus in English being crucified on the cross for all of our sins! Ref. Exodus 12:1-22. Another boundary we see is found in Exodus 12:22 (NKJV) 22 And you shall take a bunch of hyssop, dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and strike the lintel and the two doorposts with the blood that is in the basin. And none of you shall go out of the door of his house until morning. So, food for thought-what if they would have had a rebellious first born go outside the boundary of the door? The answer is simple, but again some people who lack knowledge of God's Word, will say "oh a loving God wouldn't kill

them." Here again they would be sincere, but sincerely wrong!

In our world today people don't want to be told what to do by anyone including Almighty God! We can see this when we check statistics on ABORTION, the MURDER of our own children. What scripture applies here; Proverbs 6:17 (NKJV) To preface this verse, these are the things God HATES! 17A proud look, A lying tongue, and Hands that shed innocent blood. I hear women who cross God's boundary and kill their own child say "it's my body and I will do as I please."

Really, correct me if I'm wrong but didn't God create <u>your</u> body? So, you can hear the obstinance of any women making this statement. I won't rehash what I wrote on abortion before but we now live in a culture of MURDER! If you take someone's life you will go to prison and will probably get the death penalty think about it!

I want to make a very important statement, most people Christian or not don't realize we will be Judged by Yeshua, Jesus and what will He use to Judge us. I will give you a hint Exodus 12:49 (NKJV) 49 One law shall be for the native-born and for the stranger who dwells among you." Most people again, who lack knowledge hate the word LAW which in Hebrew is Torah, meaning writings and instruction Yahweh's boundaries that people HATE and don't want to follow.

This is what we will be judged by on Judgment day! Our forefather's who started this country used it in establishing the Constitution and the Bill of Rights and the Declaration of Independence! They based these documents on Judeo-Christian values. The preamble to the Declaration of Independence Para. 2 reads; WE HOLD THESE TRUTHS TO BE SELF-EVIDENT, THAT ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL, THAT THEY ARE ENDOWED BY THEIR CREATOR WITH CERTAIN UNALIENABLE RIGHTS, THAT AMONG THESE ARE LIFE, LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS.

I want to cover two more scriptures concerning boundaries and why Almighty God sets them; Deuteronomy 7:1-6

1"When the Lord your God brings you into

the land which you go to possess, and has cast out many nations before you, the Hittites and the Girgashites and the Amorites and the Canaanites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than you, 2 and when the Lord your God delivers them over to you, you shall conquer them and utterly destroy them. You shall make no covenant with them nor show mercy to them. <sup>3</sup>Nor shall you make marriages with them. You shall not give your daughter to their son, nor take their daughter for your son. 4For they will turn your sons away from following Me, to serve other gods; so, the anger of the Lord will be aroused against you and destroy you suddenly. 5But thus you shall deal with them: you shall destroy their altars, and break down their sacred pillars, and cut down their wooden images, and burn their carved images with fire. 6"For you are a holy people to the Lord your God; the Lord your God has chosen you to be a people for Himself, a special treasure above all the peoples on the face of the earth. Epitaph the Israelites didn't listen and crossed God's Boundaries and paid a terrible price, destruction and death!

Now, let's look at a scripture from Acts 17:26-31<sup>(NKJV)</sup> <sup>26</sup>And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings, <sup>27</sup>so that they should seek the Lord, in the hope that they might grope for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us; 28 for in Him we live and move and have our being, as also some of your own poets have said, 'For we are also His offspring.' <sup>29</sup>Therefore, since we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Divine Nature is like gold or silver or stone, something shaped by art and man's devising. 30 Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent, 31 because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead."

If you missed everything else in this newsletter, which I pray you didn't PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO VERSE 30!