

Torah Studies – “Thou Shalt not Kill” – Dangerous Natural Remedies

Torah teaches that we are not to “kill ourselves, one bite at a time” ... We see this in the clean-unclean food Laws... It is also a factor regarding witchcraft...

Witchcraft manifests all over the place in the category of natural healing:

- **Natural Remedies are not all wrong!**
 - The Bible tells us that the Tree of Life has “leaves” that are for the “healing of the Nations”.
 - We will have become immortal at the Second Coming, so what “healing” remains?
 - “We will grow up like calves of the stall”... rapid growth... This is the healing that comes from eating of the leaves.
 - Obviously, Yahweh uses natural remedies at times.

The Fruit of the Natural Remedies needs to be considered:

- Our vested interest should not be the remedy, but rather the blessing of Yahweh.
- **If we seek healing from Hell** – Hell can heal an affliction (at least it looks convincing) – You can’t judge if something is good or evil by whether or not it works – **we are cursed!** It is a path of death, even if it works!
- **If we seek healing from Heaven –we are blessed! We must not seek healing at any cost, but must rather remain submitted under Yahweh.**

There are three (in the Bible) areas of sickness:

- Sickness due to sin.
- Sickness unto death.
- Sickness for the glory of God.

There are New Age (demonic) doorways into our lives through ungodly Natural Remedies

- ***Prepare for War***, p 123 (Rebecca Brown) – “...Many of the health food stores are actually fronts for Hindu gurus. Much of the New Age Hindu teachings are presented as ‘scientific’.”

Keys to recognize the things of Hell in “natural remedies”:

- Terminology: chakras, chi (qi, prana, orgone, energy...) – 100% of the time, these terms are DEMONIC ENERGY

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All life-energies are supernatural—and energies that you can “control” are really demonic! (*Escaping from the Dragon’s Jaws*, Shauna Manfredine, p 195)

“In my subsequent research on energies for the writing of this book, I discovered that many others have the same misconception about energies as I did. Being as influenced by New Age principles as our society has become, “controlling” energies is now commonplace. We have been indoctrinated to view energies as impersonal “forces,” through movies, churches, natural healing practices, meditation, martial arts, and witchcraft. Increasingly, controlling and manipulating energies is found in every walk of life, ranging from the “Light” of Christianity to the dark of witchcraft and Satanism. As John Ankerberg and John Weldon point out in their co-authored volume titled, *The Encyclopedia of New Age Beliefs*, “one of the principle features of New Age practice is the belief in a universal or cosmic energy circulating throughout the body (e.g. prana, chi, mana, orgone, or ki...) This energy can be manipulated for various spiritual or psychological purposes, and it is even palpable,” (*Encyclopedia of New Age Beliefs*, “Spiritistic Energy Manifestations,” p 387.)

The realization that manipulating energies is demonic, begins with only a brief amount of research. This energy, and the control of it, is well known in the occult world. It is called the Odic Force, because of its association with the pagan god, Odin. The control of this mystic energy is a vital part of occult worship and practice all around the world.

“The word for ki in different cultures usually carries implications of both “breath” and “spirit” linking the material and the immaterial... In Sanskrit (it is) prana, in Chinese, chi; in Polynesian, mana... In bushmen (tribes) n/um ...Anton Mesmer’s “Magnetic Fluid,” Von Reichenbach’s Odic Force,” and Wilhelm Reich’s “Orgone Energy” all deal with ki.

Ki is an energy which is inherently linked with life and consciousness, and which can produce direct effects on physical energies and matter... Ki can be directed by conscious intention... The ki is developed through conscious linking of physical movement, breathing and focused attention.

*The ki thus developed, may be stored, usually in the hara (psychic center), or lower abdomen and pelvis, and may be directed at will to whatever task is undertaken. Many healing methods use the direction of ki to the effected part (of the body)... Ki comes in different “currents” and “voltages...” So as well as the task of accumulating the ki there is also the process of “refining” it, raising its “voltage” and establishing connections to more expanded penetrative levels of consciousness,” (Peter Payne, *Martial Arts: The Spiritual Dimension*, pp. 44-45.)*

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Peter Payne, in his book *Martial Arts...*, promotes energies, admitting they are from occult origins (the kingdom of hell, demonic). There is something very supernatural (humans cannot naturally do it) about controlling energies. In fact, the idea of “controlling” or “regulating” energies is really only an illusion. In fact, the idea of “controlling/regulating” energies is “controlling/regulating” demons – and we can’t do that.

KEY POINT: There are no such things as impersonal energies (scientific). You are either dealing with demons or the power of Yahweh. Big difference – but Yahshua brings Life, and demons bring Death.

- “Every religion that worships and serves demons is a form of Satanism, no matter what the **demons are called – energies**, vibrations, pagan gods, spirit entities, etc... You learn very quickly in witchcraft that **there are NO such things as impersonal energies** (a scientific energy would be “impersonal” – if it is an entity it is personal) They are all VERY personal. You are either dealing with demons or the power of God, and humans cannot control the power of God (regulate). So anyone that is controlling an ‘energy’ or ‘power’ of any kind is dealing with demons (100% of the time). It is just that simple.” **Becoming a Vessel of Honor**, p 39 and 238, by Rebecca Brown.

The control of energies is a vital part of Yoga and meditation and is predominant among alternative medical practices.

A major study on meditation asked respondents to check characteristics of their meditative experience. One description was: “I felt a great surge of energy within me or around me.” Meditators whose experience could be described in this manner were to check this item. Significantly, it received the highest “loading score” of all 16 items in the category of “intensification and change of consciousness.” (*Encyclopedia of New Age Beliefs*, p 387)

“Releasing energy, raising energy, transforming energy, directing energy and controlling energy are increasingly accepted and common practices. However, researchers John Ankerber and John Weldon are very clear in their conclusion that these are practices from the occult (demons), and are thereby demonic:

“Experiencing a “great surge of energy” was therefore a dominant characteristic of the meditative experience (... Yoga). The authors related this to the spiritualistic mana of Polynesian shamanism and the occult prana, or kundalini of Hinduism...

The experience of a surge of energy or power is also related to the cultivation of altered states of consciousness. Thus, meditation is a profoundly transformative process, for when practiced intensely, meditation disciplines almost invariably lead into the occult realm of experience.

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The mysterious, dramatic energy experienced in New Age meditation is characteristically the result of spiritual influence (demons are at work)... “energy manifestations” are so often associated with spiritism, that we have no doubt that this energy is not human, and certainly not divine, but demonic.” (**Encyclopedia of New Age Beliefs**, pp 387-388).



The deceptive message/packaging: Chakras are “energy centers” in the body, and chi is the “life force” that flows through the body. This is a lie!

Chakras – In many Eastern and spiritual belief systems, chakras are energy centers that are thought to spin and allow life energy to flow through the body. The word “chakra” comes from Sanskrit and means “wheel” or “cycle”. There are 7 main chakras that run from the base of the spine to the top of the head. Each chakra is associated with a different demonic entity.

Ahaziah King of Israel (capital was Samaria) was sick and turned to hell for healing.

- 2 Kings 1:3 “But the angel of *Yahweh* said to Elijah the Tishbite, Arise, go up to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say unto them, **Is it not because there is not a God in Israel, that ye go to enquire of Baalzebub the god of Ekron?**”
- 2 Kings 1:6 “And they said unto him, There came a man up to meet us, and said unto us, Go, turn again unto the king that sent you, and say unto him, Thus saith *Yahweh*, **Is it not because there is not a God in Israel, that thou sendest to enquire of Baalzebub the god of Ekron?** Therefore thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die.”
- 2 Kings 1:16 “And he said unto him, Thus saith *Yahweh*, **Forasmuch as thou hast sent messengers to enquire of Baalzebub the god of Ekron, is it not because there is no God in Israel to enquire of his word? Therefore thou shalt not come down off that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die.**”

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Principle: If we seek healing from demons, we are cursed with death by Yahweh. This is why this concept is found under “Thou shalt not kill”.

The identity of the demons with each chakra point is from Raven Synthx, in *Natural Satanic Witchcraft*:

Chakra 1: Root – **demon: Belial**

- (this demon is unleashed in the person by “unblocking” or “opening” or “accessing” this root chakra).

“Located at the base of the spine, this chakra forms our foundation, representing the earth element it is related to our survival instincts, our sense of grounding and the connection of our bodies and the physical plane. This chakra is responsible for health, prosperity and security.”

- Belial is named in 16 Bible verses. People who are under this spirit are called “children of Belial”.
- **2 Corinthians 6:14-18** “Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in *them*; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith Yahweh, and touch not the unclean *thing*; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith Yahweh Almighty.”

Chakra 2: Sacral – **demon: Lilith (Liyliyth, H3917, from root “H3915)**

- (this demon is unleashed in the person by “unblocking” or “opening” or “accessing” this sexual and abdominal chakra).

“Located in the lower abdomen and sexual organs. Related to the element of water, the emotions and sexuality. It connects through feelings, desire, sensation and movement. This chakra brings fluidity and grace, sexual fulfillment, and the ability to accept change.”

- Lilith is the name of a demonic entity, found in Isaiah 34. Its root is connected with the night.
- **Isaiah 34:13-14** “And thorns shall come up in her palaces, nettles and brambles in the fortresses thereof: and it shall be an habitation of dragons, *and* a court for owls. The wild beasts of the desert shall also meet with the wild beasts of the island, and the satyr (he goat, faun, devil) shall cry to his fellow; the screech owl (Lilith) also shall rest there, and find for herself a place of rest.”

Chakra 3: Solar Plexus – **demon: Satan (H7854, G4567)**

- (this demon is unleashed in the person by “unblocking” or “opening” or “accessing” this solar plexus chakra).

“Located in the navel. Rules over our personal power, will, autonomy and metabolism. This chakra brings energy, efficiency, spontaneity and control”

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- Satan is the prince of hell. Satan’s name appears in 49 Bible verses.
- **2 Corinthians 11:14** “And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.” (not only does he make himself look righteous, as part of the deception, but also he uses light).

Chakra 4: Heart – **demon: Lucifer (H1966, heylel, meaning “brightness” “the morning star”)**

- (this demon is unleashed in the person by “unblocking” or “opening” or “accessing” this heart chakra).
 - “Located at the heart center is the middle chakra in this system of seven. It is associated with love, is the integrator of opposites in the psyche: mind-body, male-female, unity-ego... This chakra is related to the element of air and it allows us to love deeply, feel compassion, centeredness, and a deep sense of peace.”
- Lucifer was satan’s name before he fell. But now it is an evil name.
- **Isaiah 14:12-15** “How art thou fallen from Heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! *how* art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the Mount of the Congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.”

Chakra 5: Throat – **demon: Lucifuge Roficale**

- (this demon is unleashed in the person by “unblocking” or “opening” or “accessing” this throat chakra).

“Located at the throat, this chakra is related to communication and creativity. With this we experience the world symbolically through vibration such as the vibrations of sound and representing language.”

- Lucifer was satan’s name before he fell. But now it is an evil name. It is not a demon named in the Bible, but is a derivative of Lucifer.
- **Ephesians 2:2-4** “Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others. But God, Who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith He loved us.”

Chakra 6: Third Eye – **demon: Leviathan**

- (this demon is unleashed in the person by “unblocking” or “opening” or “accessing” this third eye chakra).

“Located on the forehead between the brows, this chakra is about insight and visualization, and is associated with seeing both physically as well as intuitively (a spirit guide is unleashed in the life) It opens the psychic faculties and our understanding of archetypal levels.”

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- Job 41:1 “Canst thou draw out leviathan with an hook? or his tongue with a cord *which* thou lettest down?” – the demonic entity cannot be controlled by human power.
- Psalm 74:14 “Thou brakest the heads of leviathan in pieces, *and* gavest him *to be* meat to the people inhabiting the wilderness.” – Yahweh can destroy leviathan.
- Psalm 104:26 “There go the ships: *there is* that leviathan, *whom* thou hast made to play therein.”
- Isaiah 27:1 “In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and he shall slay the dragon that *is* in the sea.”

Chakra 7: Crown – **demon: Baphomet**

- (this demon is unleashed in the person by “unblocking” or “opening” or “accessing” this crown – top of the head).

“Located at the top of the head at the crown area, this chakra point is associated with consciousness, pure awareness and it is our connection to other realms and dimensions, and helps one bridge with the Higher-Self/Inner Demon/Holy Guardian Angel, bringing wisdom (lie: wisdom only comes from Yahweh) and spiritual (demonic) connection.”

YOU CANNOT DETERMINE WHAT IS GOOD BY WHAT WORKS – do not seek healing from hell.

Torah Studies – Statutes #412-415

Statute Summary:

Statute 412: Keep the Statutes of Yahweh.

Statute 413: Do not let animals breed with animals that are not of the same kind.

Statute 414: Do not plant your fields or gardens with seed that is hybridized or GMO.

Statute 415: Do not wear a garment made from fabric that mixes linen and wool.

Leviticus 19:19 “Ye shall **keep** My **Statutes**. Thou shalt not **let thy cattle** gender with a **diverse kind**: thou shalt not sow thy field with **mingled seed**: neither shall a garment mingled of linen and woollen come upon thee.”

Key Word Study:

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
KEEP	8104	shâmar	to <i>hedge</i> about (as with thorns), guard, to <i>protect, attend to</i>
STATUTES	2708	chûqqâh	appointed, custom, manner, ordinance, site, statute
LET THY CATTLE	929	b ^e hêmâh	a <i>dumb</i> beast, especially any large quadruped or <i>animal</i> (often collectively): - beast, cattle
DIVERSE KIND	3610	kil'ayim	<i>two heterogeneities</i> (diverse and not comparable in kind): divers seeds (kinds), mingled (seed)
MINGLED SEED	3610	kil'ayim	<i>two heterogeneities</i> (diverse and not comparable in kind): divers seeds (kinds), mingled (seed)

Keep the Statutes for Life:

Leviticus 18:5 - “So you shall keep My Statutes and My Judgments, by which, if a person keeps them, he shall live; I Am Yahweh”.

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Mingled Seed/Animals:

Mingling the seed weakens creation.

In seeds, heirloom plants are those that have been passed down from generation to generation. The seeds are saved from the crops and replanted year after year. The nutritional value of fruits and vegetables grown from heirloom seeds is much higher.

Today food is being genetically modified. GMO foods are more likely to cause an allergic reaction. They cause slower mental development and lower IQ scores in young children. And they have also been shown to contribute to cancer and hormone problems.

What has disobeying the Statutes and messing with the seeds done to the nutritional value of our food today? The nutritional values of some popular vegetables, from asparagus to spinach, have dropped significantly since 1950. A 2004 US study found important nutrients in some garden crops are up to 38% lower than there were at the middle of the 20th Century. On average, across the 43 vegetables analyzed, calcium content declined 16%, iron by 15% and phosphorus by 9%. The vitamins riboflavin and ascorbic acid both dropped significantly, while there were slight declines in protein levels. Similar decreases have been observed in the nutrients present in wheat.

Doing what we can to restore our diets to heirloom foods/seeds is a powerful way to impact our health:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4bIZYsIDMBI>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YZEwgbPTT9E>

Mixing Wool and Linen:

Fabric frequency refers to the vibrational signature of a fabric, which can be measured in megaHertz (mHz). According to a 2003 study by Dr. Heidi Yellen, fabrics with higher frequencies can energize the wearer, while fabrics with lower frequencies can drain energy:

- Linen and wool: Both have a frequency of 5,000 mHz, which is 50 times the frequency of the human body. This is very healing! But when you wear the two fibers mixed together in a fabric, since they are opposites, they cancel each other out, bringing the mHz of a mixed linen-wool fabric to zero... This drains the energy of the wearer, and over time can cause a negative effect on a person's health.
- Organic cotton: Has a frequency of 100 mHz, which is the same as the human body. So cotton is a healthy fabric to wear, but not as healthy as linen.
- Notably, polyester, acrylic, and nylon: Have a frequency of zero... So the health effect is the same as wearing a linen-wool mix.
- A diseased person: Has a frequency of about 15 mHz.

Torah Studies – Statute #416

Statute Summary:

Statute 416: Do not allow unequal yokings, putting an ox and a donkey into a harness to work together.

Deuteronomy 22:10 “Thou shalt not **plow** with an ox and an ass **together**.”

Key Word Study:

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
PLOW	2790	chârash	to scratch, plough, devise, worker
TOGETHER	3162	yachad	a unit, unitedly, alike, at all (once), both, likewise, only, (al-) together

The Dangers of an Unequal Yoking:

Yahweh commands that we never yoke both an ox and ass together to plow. This physical command is similar to the spiritual command in 2 Corinthians 6:14-18. In both cases, Yahweh has commanded that two dissimilar creatures or people not be yoked together. Such yokes are injurious, either spiritually (as is the case in the spiritual yoke between a believer and a non-believer) or physically (as is the case in the physical yoke between the ox and donkey).

An ox and a donkey are of substantially unequal strengths. If they are yoked together, they will draw at different paces. They will be able to work for different amounts of time. One might be dragged along, exhausted. The unbalanced yoke might cut them. It isn't humane to form a partnership of two such mismatched animals.

While Torah does allow for the eating of meat, Torah never allows for the inhumane treatment of animals. The animals who serve us are not to be viewed only as meaningless and unimportant "beasts," they are creatures (created by our Yahweh). Even as they toil for us, we are to be responsible to care for their welfare.

Torah Studies – Statute #417

Statute Summary:

Statute 417: In a loan agreement, the loaner must never take a payment pledge that will jeopardize the loanee's ability to earn a living. For a miller, this means that the loanee cannot take either of the miller's millstones for a payment pledge on the loan.

Deuteronomy 24:6 “No man shall take the nether or the upper millstone to pledge: for he taketh a man's life to pledge.”

Key Word Study:

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
NETHER	7347	rêcheh	to pulverize; a mill stone: - mill (stone)
UPPER	7393	rekeb	a vehicle, a team; cavalry; a rider, upper millstone: - chariot, multitude, wagon
MAN'S LIFE	5315	nephesh	a breathing creature, jeopardy of life, mind, mortality, one, own, person, pleasure

Thou Shalt Not Kill Includes Safeguarding another's Livelihood in a Loan:

In a loan agreement, the loaner may never take a pledge (hold an item until the loan is repaid) from a poor man which keeps him from earning a livelihood.

Items needed for earning a living are ineligible to be used for loan pledges, even if there is no other item to hold for a pledge. In such cases, the loanee should have no pledge, or surety of loan repayment, rather than take away the poor man's ability to make an income.

In the Eye of Yahweh, taking away a man's ability to earn an income in this way is jeopardizing his life.

Torah Studies – Statutes #418-420

Statute Summary:

Statute 418: If a servant (this term includes employees and slaves) escapes (cruelty) from his/her master (or employer) and seeks sanctuary in your home, you are to provide him/her with shelter and protection from his/her former master within your home/property/gates.

Statute 419: If a servant escapes (cruelty) from his/her master and finds shelter under your roof, you are not to lose your temper with the former servant, nor treat him/her with any violence or mistreatment of any kind.

Statute 420: One form of “oppression” which God’s people are forbidden to do against a slave-refugee is that we cannot thrust the person out of our homes or evict them from our property (which implies doing so against their will) while it would preserve his/her life to remain with us. [Note: this Statute does not allow for a wounded lamb to become a lion and then the believer’s family cannot be relieved of the infiltration! Rather, if someone is seeking sanctuary, we cannot evict them to avoid conflict with their former oppressive master.]

Deuteronomy 23:15-16 “Thou shalt not **deliver** unto his **master** the **servant** which is **escaped** from his master unto thee: He shall dwell with thee, even among you, in that place which he shall choose in one of thy gates, where it liketh him best: thou shalt not **oppress** him.”

Key Word Study:

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
DELIVER	5462	sâgar	to <i>shut</i> up, to <i>surrender</i> : close up, deliver (up), give over (up), enclose, shut in, shut out, stop
MASTER	113	'âdôn	to <i>rule</i> , <i>sovereign</i> , that is, <i>controller</i> (human or divine): - lord, master, owner
SERVANT	5650	'ebed	a <i>servant</i> : bondage, bondman, bondservant, manservant
ESCAPED	5337	nâtsal	to <i>snatch</i> away, defend, deliver (self), escape, preserve, recover, rescue, rid, save, spoil, strip
OPPRESS	3238	yânâh	to <i>rage</i> or <i>be violent</i> ; to <i>suppress</i> , to <i>maltreat</i> : - destroy, thrust out by oppress, proud, vex

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Thou Shalt Not Kill includes taking in oppressed refugee-slaves:

We cannot suppose that this law required the Israelites to entertain slaves who had robbed their masters, or left their service without cause; but such only as were cruelly treated, and fled to them for protection, especially from the neighboring nations. To such they were commanded to afford shelter, and shew great kindness.

Cross References: 1 Samuel 30:15; Obadiah 1:14; Philemon 1:10-19

Torah Studies – Statutes #421-423

Statute Summary:

Statute 421: Do not mistreat or become enraged or violent with a stranger.

Statute 422: We are to be kind towards widows or orphans, never brow-beating or abusing them.

Statute 423: One form of “oppression” which God’s people are forbidden to do against a slave-refugee is that we cannot thrust the person out of our homes or evict them from our property (which implies doing so against their will) while it would preserve his/her life to remain with us. This Statute does not allow for a wounded lamb to become a lion and then the believer’s family cannot be relieved of the infiltration! Rather, if someone is seeking sanctuary, we cannot evict them to avoid conflict with their former oppressive master.

Exodus 22:21-24 “Thou shalt neither **vex** a stranger, nor **oppress** him: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt. Ye shall not **afflict** any **widow**, or **fatherless child**. If thou afflict them in any wise, and they cry at all unto Me, I will surely hear their cry; And My Wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless.”

Key Word Study:

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
VEX	3238	yânâh	to <i>rage</i> or <i>be violent</i> ; by implication to <i>suppress</i> , to <i>maltreat</i> : - destroy
OPPRESS	3905	lâchats	properly to <i>press</i> , (figuratively) to <i>distress</i> : - afflict, crush, force, hold fast, oppress
AFFLICT	6031	ʿânâh	<i>looking down</i> or <i>browbeating</i> , chasten self, deal hardly with, defile, exercise, force, weaken
WIDOW	490	'almânâh	a <i>widow</i> ; also a desolate <i>place</i> : - desolate house (palace), widow, bereaved, divorced, forsaken
FATHERLESS CHILD	3490	yâthôm	to <i>be lonely</i> ; a <i>bereaved person</i> : - fatherless (child), orphan

Synthesis:

Yahweh wants His children to be careful not to fly into a rage or act or speak in a violent manner towards anyone. We are also not to press, or force, or in any way...

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...distress anyone. We are not to browbeat or look down upon widows, those who have been divorced or forsaken, the lonely and bereaved, or orphans. We are not to weaken, force or defile, nor deal in a hard manner with widows, those who have been divorced or forsaken, the lonely and bereaved, or orphans. Doing so comes with a terrible curse from our kind and merciful Yahweh.

Cross References: Exodus 23:9; Leviticus 19:33, Leviticus 25:35; Deuteronomy 10:19; Jeremiah 7:6, Jeremiah 22:3; Zechariah 7:10; Malachi 3:5

Torah Studies – Statutes #424-427

Statute Summary:

Statute 424: Towards your servants and employees, demonstrate the understanding that they, first and foremost, belong to Yahweh.

Statute 425: You may not – for any reason – sell your servant or employee as a bondman (a bondman in the Bible refers to someone who is bound to service without wages) to someone else.

Statute 426: You may not rule harshly or cruelly over your servant(s) or employee(s). You also may not subjugate them in any manner.

Statute 427: This Statute is not only meant for bosses and employers, it is also meant for servants-employees. Servants-employees are to serve their employers/bosses in a faithful manner, recognizing that the service they render is actually rendered unto Yahweh.

Leviticus 25:42-43 “For they (your servants or employees, see verses 40-41) are My servants, which I brought forth out of the land of Egypt: they shall not be sold as bondmen. Thou shalt not **rule** over him with **rigour**; but shalt fear thy God.”

Key Word Study:

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
RULE	7287	râdâh	to tread down, subjugate; crumble off, have dominion, prevail against, reign, rule over, take
RIGOUR	6531	perek	to break apart; fracture, that is, severity: - cruelty, rigour

Synthesis:

Yahweh is the supreme Ruler of all. Thus, it makes perfect sense that if I am an employer, my employees are really predominantly HIS people. I am only to be a gentle leader, remembering that YHWH is the true Leader of all under my authority. Also, if I am a servant, I am to remember that I am primarily rendering service unto Yahweh, not my earthly employer.

Joseph worked like this, in Potipher's house. And it is the calling to each believer who is under an authority, even when the authority figure behaves in an ungodly manner. See 1 Corinthians 7:21:23 and 1 Peter 2:18-24.