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When the Israelites left Egypt and were in the wilderness, the Amalekites attacked them when they were **faint** and weary and killed some of them.

- **Deuteronomy 25:18:** "How he met thee by the way, and smote the hindmost of thee, even all that were feeble behind thee, when thou wast faint and weary; and he feared not God."

The reason Sisera fell asleep was because he was **weary**.

- **Judges 4:17, 21:** "Howbeit Sisera fled away on his feet to the tent of Jael the wife of Heber the Kenite: for there was peace between Jabin the king of Hazor and the house of Heber the Kenite. ... Then Jael Heber's wife took a nail of the tent, and took an hammer in her hand, and went softly unto him, and smote the nail into his temples, and fastened it into the ground: for he was fast asleep and weary. So he died."

Even though Gideon and his 300 men were **weary**, they still pursued the Midianites over the Jordan river.

- **Judges 8:4:** "And Gideon came to Jordan, and passed over, he, and the three hundred men that were with him, faint, yet pursuing them."

Gideon told the men of Succoth that he and his 300 men were pursuing the two kings of Midian, and they needed food because they were **weary**. (The men of Succoth refused to help them.)

- **Judges 8:5:** "And he said unto the men of Succoth, Give, I pray you, loaves of bread unto the people that follow me; for they be faint, and I am pursuing after Zebah and Zalmunna, kings of Midian."

Gideon told the men of Penuel that he and his 300 men were pursuing the two kings of Midian, and they needed food because they were **weary**. (The men of Penuel refused to help them.)

- **Judges 8:8:** "And he went up thence to Penuel, and spake unto them likewise: and the men of Penuel answered him as the men of Succoth had answered him."

When Gideon chased the Midianites across the Jordan river, he was chasing the two kings of the Midianites and their 15,000 soldiers with only 300 people of his own (who were **weary** and hungry).

- **Judges 8:10, 12:** "Now Zebah and Zalmunna were in Karkor, and their hosts with them, about fifteen thousand men, all that were left of all the hosts of the children of the east: for there fell an hundred and twenty thousand men that drew sword. ... And when Zebah and Zalmunna fled, he pursued after them, and took the two kings of Midian, Zebah and Zalmunna, and discomfited all the host."

When Gideon returned to Succoth after capturing the two kings of Midian, he reminded the 77 leaders of the city that they had refused to give bread to those who were **weary**.

- **Judges 8:15:** "And he came unto the men of Succoth, and said, Behold Zebah and Zalmunna, with whom ye did upbraid me, saying, Are the hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in thine hand, that we should give bread unto thy men that are weary?"

Gideon punished the 77 leaders of Succoth for failing to help him when his men were hungry and **weary**.

- **Judges 8:16:** "And he took the elders of the city, and thorns of the wilderness and briers, and with them he taught the men of Succoth."

The reason Gideon slew the men of Penuel was because they refused to help him and his men when they were **weary** and hungry.

- **Judges 8:17:** "And he beat down the tower of Penuel, and slew the men of the city."

The reason 200 of David's men remained behind when he pursued the Amalekites (after they raided Ziklag and took everyone's families) was because they were so **weary** that they couldn't cross the brook Besor.

- **1 Samuel 30:10:** "But David pursued, he and four hundred men: for two hundred abode behind, which were so faint that they could not go over the brook Besor."

When David journeyed from Jerusalem (to flee from Absalom), he and the people who were with him became **weary**.

- **2 Samuel 16:14:** "And the king, and all the people that were with him, came weary, and refreshed themselves there."

When Absalom rebelled against David, Ahithophel told Absalom that he wanted to go ahead and attack David immediately, while he was **weary**.

- **2 Samuel 17:1-2:** "Moreover Ahithophel said unto Absalom, Let me now choose out twelve thousand men, and I will arise and pursue after David this night: And I will come upon him while he is weary and weak handed, and will make him afraid: and all the people that are with him shall flee; and I will smite the king only:"

By the time David and the people who were with him reached Mahanaim, they were **weary** and hungry. (God provided food for them.)

- **2 Samuel 17:27-29:** "And it came to pass, when David was come to Mahanaim, that Shobi the son of Nahash of Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and Machir the son of Ammiel of Lodebar, and Barzillai the Gileadite of Rogelim, Brought beds, and basons, and earthen vessels, and wheat, and barley, and flour, and parched corn, and beans, and lentiles, and parched pulse, And honey, and butter, and sheep, and cheese of kine, for David, and for the people that were with him, to eat: for they said, The

people is hungry, and weary, and thirsty, in the wilderness."

When the men of Israel fled and the Philistines remained on the battlefield, Eleazar fought them until his hand was **weary**.

- **2 Samuel 23:9-10:** "And after him was Eleazar the son of Dodo the Ahohite, one of the three mighty men with David, when they defied the Philistines that were there gathered together to battle, and the men of Israel were gone away: He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clave unto the sword: and the LORD wrought a great victory that day; and the people returned after him only to spoil."

Job believed that when the **weary** died, they found rest.

- **Job 3:16-17:** "Or as an hidden untimely birth I had not been; as infants which never saw light. There the wicked cease from troubling; and there the weary be at rest."

Job told his friends that he was forced to endure nights that **wearied** him.

- **Job 7:3:** "So am I made to possess months of vanity, and wearisome nights are appointed to me."

Job said that his soul was **weary** of living. (He was greatly afflicted.)

- **Job 10:1:** "My soul is weary of my life; I will leave my complaint upon myself; I will speak in the bitterness of my soul."

Job said that God had made him **weary**.

- **Job 16:7:** "But now he hath made me weary: thou hast made desolate all my company."

Elihu said that when God sends rain to water the earth, it **wearies** the thick clouds. (In other words, it causes the clouds to break apart.)

- **Job 37:11:** "Also by watering he wearieth the thick cloud: he scattereth his bright cloud:"

It's not wrong to tell God that we're **weary** and crying, and pray that He would come and save us.

- **Psalm 6:6:** "I am weary with my groaning; all the night make I my bed to swim; I water my couch with my tears."

David said that when God's people were **weary**, He sent them rain.

- **Psalm 68:9:** "Thou, O God, didst send a plentiful rain, whereby thou didst confirm thine inheritance, when it was weary."

David said he was **weary** of crying.

- **Psalm 69:3:** "I am weary of my crying: my throat is dried: mine eyes fail while I wait for my God."

If you visit your neighbor's house too many times, he will

become **weary** of you. (In other words, he will become tired of seeing you.)

- **Proverbs 25:17:** "Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbour's house; lest he be weary of thee, and so hate thee."

Fools are **wearied** by labor. (It seems their ignorance causes them to quickly become tired.)

- **Ecclesiastes 10:15:** "The labour of the foolish wearieth every one of them, because he knoweth not how to go to the city."

When the Jews (who were idolatrous) celebrated the appointed feasts in the Mosaic Law, it **wearied** God. (The Lord doesn't accept the worship of the wicked.)

- **Isaiah 1:14:** "Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them."

God warned the Jews that when He sent distant nations against Judah in His anger, none of them would be **weary**.

- **Isaiah 5:25-27:** "Therefore is the anger of the Lord kindled against his people, and he hath stretched forth his hand against them, and hath smitten them: and the hills did tremble, and their carcasses were torn in the midst of the streets. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still. And he will lift up an ensign to the nations from far, and will hiss unto them from the end of the earth: and, behold, they shall come with speed swiftly: None shall be weary nor stumble among them; none shall slumber nor sleep; neither shall the girdle of

their loins be loosed, nor the latchet of their shoes be broken:"

It's much worse to **weary** God than to weary men.

- **Isaiah 7:13:** "And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David; Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also?"

God offered rest for the **weary**, but the Jews refused to listen to Him.

- **Isaiah 28:12:** "To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear."

God said that in the days to come, a man would be a shadow of a great rock in a **weary** land. (This may be a reference to the Messiah.)

- **Isaiah 32:1-2:** "Behold, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in judgment. And a man shall be as an hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land."

God is never **weary**.

- **Isaiah 40:28:** "Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding."

There are times when young people become **weary**.

- **Isaiah 40:30:** "Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:"

We must continue to walk with God and seek His strength so that we don't become **weary**.

- **Isaiah 40:31:** "But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."

Those who wait upon God will be able to run without becoming **weary**.

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In the days of Isaiah, the Jews were **weary** of God.

- **Isaiah 43:22:** "But thou hast not called upon me, O Jacob; but thou hast been weary of me, O Israel."

God is **wearied** by iniquities.

- **Isaiah 43:24:** "Thou hast bought me no sweet cane with money, neither hast thou filled me with the fat of thy sacrifices: but thou hast made me to serve with thy sins, thou hast wearied me with thine iniquities."

God can give people the wisdom to know how to speak appropriately to those who are **weary**.

- **Isaiah 50:4:** "The Lord GOD hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary: he wakeneth morning by morning, he wakeneth mine ear to hear as the learned."

The Jews were made **weary** by the difficult path of sin that they were on. Their idolatry made their life harder.

- **Isaiah 57:10:** "Thou art wearied in the greatness of thy way; yet saidst thou not, There is no hope: thou hast found the life of thine hand; therefore thou wast not grieved."

God said that when He brought judgment upon Jerusalem, the people would bewail their plight because they were **wearied** of all the murders and death. (The judgment could have been avoided if the people had repented, but they didn't.)

- **Jeremiah 4:27, 29, 31:** "For thus hath the Lord said, The whole land shall be desolate; yet will I not make a full end. ... The whole city shall flee for the noise of the horsemen and bowmen; they shall go into thickets, and climb up upon the rocks: every city shall be forsaken, and not a man dwell therein. ... For I have heard a voice as of a woman in travail, and the anguish as of her that bringeth forth her first child, the voice of the daughter of Zion, that bewaileth herself, that spreadeth her hands, saying, Woe is me now! for my soul is wearied because of murderers."

God said He was **weary** of holding in His fury. (Since the people refused to repent, the time of His judgment had come.)

- **Jeremiah 6:11:** "Therefore I am full of the fury of the LORD; I am weary with holding in: I will pour it out upon the children abroad, and upon the assembly of young men together: for even the husband with the wife shall be taken, the aged with him that is full of days."

God said the Jews **wearied** themselves to commit iniquity. (In other words, they put a lot of effort into doing evil.)

- **Jeremiah 9:5:** "And they will deceive every one his neighbour, and will not speak the truth: they have taught their tongue to speak lies, and weary themselves to commit iniquity."

When Jeremiah asked God about the wickedness of the wicked, God asked him how he would bear times of war if he was already **weary** during times of peace.

- **Jeremiah 12:5:** "If thou hast run with the footmen, and they have wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? and if in the land of peace, wherein thou trustedst, they wearied thee, then how wilt thou do in the swelling of Jordan?"

God said that He was **weary** of showing mercy to people who refused to forsake their sins. He was surely going to pour out His wrath upon them and destroy them.

- **Jeremiah 15:6:** "Thou hast forsaken me, saith the LORD,

thou art gone backward: therefore will I stretch out my hand against thee, and destroy thee; I am weary with repenting."

Souls can be **weary**.

- **Jeremiah 31:25:** "For I have satiated *the weary soul*, and I have replenished every sorrowful soul."

God said that one day He would satisfy the **weary** soul. (In other words, one day God would bless the Jews, return them to their land, and satisfy them.)

- **Jeremiah 31:23-25:** "Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; As yet they shall use this speech in the land of Judah and in the cities thereof, when I shall bring again their captivity; The Lord bless thee, O habitation of justice, and mountain of holiness. And there shall dwell in Judah itself, and in all the cities thereof together, husbandmen, and they that go forth with flocks. For I have satiated the weary soul, and I have replenished every sorrowful soul."

When God spoke against Babylon, He said the people would be **weary**. (In other words, they wouldn't be able to save the city.)

- **Jeremiah 51:58:** "Thus saith the LORD of hosts; The broad walls of Babylon shall be utterly broken, and her high gates shall be burned with fire; and the people shall labour in vain, and the folk in the fire, and they shall be weary."

Jeremiah told Seraiah that when he went to Babylon, he was to cast the book of Jeremiah's prophecies into the river and say that just as that book sank, so the people of Babylon would be **weary** (because they would sink and not rise again).

- **Jeremiah 51:63-64:** "And it shall be, when thou hast made an end of reading this book, that thou shalt bind a stone to it, and cast it into the midst of Euphrates: And thou shalt say, Thus shall Babylon sink, and shall not rise from the evil that I will bring upon her: and they shall be weary. Thus far are the words of Jeremiah."

Jerusalem had **wearied** itself with lies.

- **Ezekiel 24:6, 12:** "Wherefore thus saith the Lord God; Woe to the bloody city, to the pot whose scum is therein, and whose scum is not gone out of it! bring it out piece by piece; let no lot fall upon it. ... She hath wearied herself with lies, and her great scum went not forth out of her: her scum shall be in the fire."

The people of the antichrist's kingdom will **weary** themselves for nothing. (They will work hard but they won't succeed. In the end the antichrist will be defeated, and the Lord Jesus Christ will reign over all the world.)

- **Habakkuk 2:13-14:** "Behold, is it not of the LORD of hosts that the people shall labour in the very fire, and the people shall weary themselves for very vanity? For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea."

God becomes **weary** when people say false things about Him.

- **Malachi 2:17:** "Ye have wearied the LORD with your words. Yet ye say, Wherein have we wearied him? When ye say, Every one that doeth evil is good in the sight of the LORD, and he delighteth in them; or, Where is the God of judgment?"

If we're **weary** then we must go to Jesus.

- **Matthew 11:28:** "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

The reason the disciples of Jesus fell asleep when He asked them to pray with Him was because their eyes were heavy (they were **weary**).

- **Matthew 26:43:** "And he came and found them asleep again: for their eyes were heavy."
- **Mark 14:40:** "And when he returned, he found them asleep again, (for their eyes were heavy,) neither wist they what to answer him."

The reason Jesus sat down on the well which Jacob had dug was because He was **weary**. (That's where He had his conversation with the Samaritan woman at the well.)

- **John 4:6-7:** "Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied with his journey, sat thus on the well: and it was about the sixth hour. There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give me to drink."

We must not allow evil to cause us to become **weary** in doing

good and give up. Instead we must press on.

- **Romans 12:21:** "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good."
- **Galatians 6:9:** "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not."
- **2 Thessalonians 3:13:** "But ye, brethren, be not weary in well doing."
- **Hebrews 12:3:** "For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds."

There were times when Paul was **weary**.

- **2 Corinthians 11:22-23, 27:** "Are they Hebrews? so am I. Are they Israelites? so am I. Are they the seed of Abraham? so am I. Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool) I am more; in labours more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft. ... In weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness."