

KJV Passages Triggering Tennessee's Age-Appropriate Materials Act *Criteria*.

Every passage in the King James Version that would meet the statutory criteria for removal from public school libraries under T.C.A. § 49-6-3803, applied evenhandedly.

754

VERSES FLAGGED

147

PASSAGES
CATALOGUED

31

BOOKS AFFECTED

2.42%

OF THE KJV

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A NOTE ON FRAMING

This is an analytical exercise demonstrating the textual scope of the AAMA's criteria when applied evenhandedly to a widely-recognized text. It is not a recommendation that the Bible be removed from any library, nor a critique of scripture. Its purpose is to test whether the law's own standards — applied without exception — would produce results consistent with how those standards have been applied to other titles, such as Alex Haley's *Roots*, removed by Knox County Schools on May 14, 2026.

At a *glance*.

CATEGORY	PASSAGES	VERSES
■ Nudity	24	59
■ Sexual content	27	155
■ Sexual abuse	16	91
■ Excessive violence	93	521
Total (deduplicated)	147	754

Methodology.**Source text**

King James Version (1611, Authorized Version) — public domain. Machine-readable text retrieved from Project Gutenberg eBook #10. Parsed into 31,102 verses across 66 books; verse counts verified against canonical KJV totals with zero discrepancies.

AAMA criteria

Tennessee's Age-Appropriate Materials Act (T.C.A. § 49-6-3803), as amended in 2024, restricts school library materials containing nudity; descriptions or depictions of sexual excitement, sexual conduct, or sadomasochistic abuse; or excessive violence.

Operational definitions — strict reading

Nudity

Explicit references to a person being naked, exposed, having their nakedness uncovered, or being stripped. Excludes metaphorical uses.

Sexual content

Explicit descriptions of sexual acts. Excludes euphemistic mentions of marital relations. Includes the Song of Solomon's erotic blazons, Ezekiel's extended sexual metaphors, and the Levitical catalogs of forbidden sexual practices.

Sexual abuse

Rape, forced sexual acts, sexual violence, abduction for sexual purposes, coerced sexual servitude, and laws sanctioning these acts.

Excessive violence

Extended graphic violence spanning three or more consecutive verses. Excludes isolated single-verse mentions of killing, ritual sacrificial blood, and metaphorical or covenantal uses of violence-related language.

Unit of analysis

Passages, not individual verses. A passage is a range of consecutive verses sharing the same triggering content. This mirrors how the Knox County Schools review committee evaluated *Roots*: the district's own statement specified that the book was elevated to district review committee "for consideration of a passage in chapter 84."

The *catalog*.

Genesis

15 PASSAGES

Genesis

NUDITY

2:25

Why flagged. Adam and Eve naked and not ashamed; explicit reference to nudity.

²⁵ And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

Genesis

NUDITY

3:7-11

Why flagged. Eden narrative: figs sewn together to cover nakedness, dialogue acknowledging nakedness.

⁷ And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.

⁸ And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

⁹ And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?

¹⁰ And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.

¹¹ And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

Genesis

NUDITY

3:21

Why flagged. God makes coats of skins to clothe their nakedness.

²¹ Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

Genesis**EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE****6:11-13**

Why flagged. Earth filled with violence; God resolves to destroy all flesh.

- 11** The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence.
- 12** And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth.
- 13** And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

Genesis**EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE****7:21-23**

Why flagged. Flood: every living substance destroyed; humans, livestock, creeping things — extended catastrophic violence.

- 21** And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man:
- 22** All in whose nostrils was the breath of life, of all that was in the dry land, died.
- 23** And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark.

Genesis**NUDITY****9:21-23**

Why flagged. Noah lies naked in his tent; Ham sees his father's nakedness.

- 21** And he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent.
- 22** And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brethren without.
- 23** And Shem and Japheth took a garment, and laid it upon both their shoulders, and went backward, and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces were backward, and they saw not their father's nakedness.

Genesis**SEXUAL ABUSE****19:4-9**

Why flagged. Sodom mob demands to 'know' the visitors; Lot offers his two virgin daughters to be raped.

⁴ But before they lay down, the men of the city, even the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter:

⁵ And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out unto us, that we may know them.

⁶ And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him,

⁷ And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly.

⁸ Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as is good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof.

⁹ And they said, Stand back. And they said again, This one fellow came in to sojourn, and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, even Lot, and came near to break the door.

Genesis**EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE****19:23-28**

Why flagged. Sodom and Gomorrah destroyed by fire and brimstone; cities overthrown, inhabitants killed.

²³ The sun was risen upon the earth when Lot entered into Zoar.

²⁴ Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven;

²⁵ And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.

²⁶ But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.

²⁷ And Abraham gat up early in the morning to the place where he stood before the LORD:

²⁸ And he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the plain, and beheld, and, lo, the smoke of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace.

Genesis**SEXUAL CONTENT****19:30-36**

Why flagged. Lot's daughters intoxicate him on successive nights and lie with him (explicit incest).

30 And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters.

31 And the firstborn said unto the younger, Our father is old, and there is not a man in the earth to come in unto us after the manner of all the earth:

32 Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.

33 And they made their father drink wine that night: and the firstborn went in, and lay with her father; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.

34 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the firstborn said unto the younger, Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also; and go thou in, and lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.

35 And they made their father drink wine that night also: and the younger arose, and lay with him; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.

36 Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father.

Genesis**SEXUAL ABUSE****34:1-2**

Why flagged. Shechem 'took her, and lay with her, and defiled her' — rape of Dinah.

1 And Dinah the daughter of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob, went out to see the daughters of the land.

2 And when Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, prince of the country, saw her, he took her, and lay with her, and defiled her.

Genesis**EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE****34:25-29**

Why flagged. Simeon and Levi take swords, slay all males of Shechem; plunder city, take wives and children captive.

25 And it came to pass on the third day, when they were sore, that two of the sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brethren, took each man his sword, and came upon the city boldly, and slew all the males.

26 And they slew Hamor and Shechem his son with the edge of the sword, and took Dinah out of Shechem's house, and went out.

27 The sons of Jacob came upon the slain, and spoiled the city, because they had defiled their sister.

28 They took their sheep, and their oxen, and their asses, and that which was in the city, and that which was in the field,

29 And all their wealth, and all their little ones, and their wives took they captive, and spoiled even all that was in the house.

Genesis**SEXUAL CONTENT****35:22**

Why flagged. Reuben lies with Bilhah, his father's concubine (incest).

22 And it came to pass, when Israel dwelt in that land, that Reuben went and lay with Bilhah his father's concubine: and Israel heard it. Now the sons of Jacob were twelve:

Genesis**SEXUAL CONTENT****38:8-10**

Why flagged. Onan 'spilled it on the ground' to avoid impregnating Tamar — explicit sexual description.

8 And Judah said unto Onan, Go in unto thy brother's wife, and marry her, and raise up seed to thy brother.

9 And Onan knew that the seed should not be his; and it came to pass, when he went in unto his brother's wife, that he spilled it on the ground, lest that he should give seed to his brother.

10 And the thing which he did displeased the LORD: wherefore he slew him also.

Genesis**SEXUAL CONTENT****38:14-18**

Why flagged. Judah propositions Tamar disguised as a harlot; explicit transactional sexual encounter.

14 And she put her widow's garments off from her, and covered her with a vail, and wrapped herself, and sat in an open place, which is by the way to Timnath; for she saw that Shelah was grown, and she was not given unto him to wife.

15 When Judah saw her, he thought her to be an harlot; because she had covered her face.

16 And he turned unto her by the way, and said, Go to, I pray thee, let me come in unto thee; (for he knew not that she was his daughter in law.) And she said, What wilt thou give me, that thou mayest come in unto me?

17 And he said, I will send thee a kid from the flock. And she said, Wilt thou give me a pledge, till thou send it?

18 And he said, What pledge shall I give thee? And she said, Thy signet, and thy bracelets, and thy staff that is in thine hand. And he gave it her, and came in unto her, and she conceived by him.

Genesis**SEXUAL CONTENT****39:7-12**

Why flagged. Potiphar's wife repeatedly says 'Lie with me'; grabs Joseph's garment when he refuses.

7 And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, Lie with me.

8 But he refused, and said unto his master's wife, Behold, my master wotteth not what is with me in the house, and he hath committed all that he hath to my hand;

9 There is none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back any thing from me but thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?

10 And it came to pass, as she spake to Joseph day by day, that he hearkened not unto her, to lie by her, or to be with her.

11 And it came to pass about this time, that Joseph went into the house to do his business; and there was none of the men of the house there within.

12 And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out.

Exodus

5 PASSAGES

Exodus

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

12:29-30

Why flagged. Death of every firstborn in Egypt; great cry throughout the land.

29 And it came to pass, that at midnight the LORD smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that was in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle.

30 And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt; for there was not a house where there was not one dead.

Exodus

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

14:26-28

Why flagged. Egyptian army drowned in the Red Sea; not one of them remained.

26 And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen.

27 And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to his strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and the LORD overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea.

28 And the waters returned, and covered the chariots, and the horsemen, and all the host of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them; there remained not so much as one of them.

Exodus

NUDITY

20:26

Why flagged. Prohibition on going up steps to altar, lest nakedness be discovered thereon.

26 Neither shalt thou go up by steps unto mine altar, that thy nakedness be not discovered thereon.

Exodus

NUDITY

28:42

Why flagged. Priests must wear linen breeches to cover their nakedness.

42 And thou shalt make them linen breeches to cover their nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs they shall reach:

Exodus

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

32:25-28

NUDITY

Why flagged. People naked at golden calf; Moses commands Levites to slay every man his brother, companion, neighbour — 3000 fell.

25 And when Moses saw that the people were naked; (for Aaron had made them naked unto their shame among their enemies:)

26 Then Moses stood in the gate of the camp, and said, Who is on the LORD's side? let him come unto me. And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together unto him.

27 And he said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Put every man his sword by his side, and go in and out from gate to gate throughout the camp, and slay every man his brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbour.

28 And the children of Levi did according to the word of Moses: and there fell of the people that day about three thousand men.

Leviticus

2 PASSAGES

Leviticus**SEXUAL CONTENT****18:6-23**

Why flagged. Extended catalog of forbidden sexual relations — incest, bestiality, menstrual relations, etc. Explicit descriptions of sexual acts.

- 6** None of you shall approach to any that is near of kin to him, to uncover their nakedness: I am the LORD.
- 7** The nakedness of thy father, or the nakedness of thy mother, shalt thou not uncover: she is thy mother; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.
- 8** The nakedness of thy father's wife shalt thou not uncover: it is thy father's nakedness.
- 9** The nakedness of thy sister, the daughter of thy father, or daughter of thy mother, whether she be born at home, or born abroad, even their nakedness thou shalt not uncover.
- 10** The nakedness of thy son's daughter, or of thy daughter's daughter, even their nakedness thou shalt not uncover: for theirs is thine own nakedness.
- 11** The nakedness of thy father's wife's daughter, begotten of thy father, she is thy sister, thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.
- 12** Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's sister: she is thy father's near kinswoman.
- 13** Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister: for she is thy mother's near kinswoman.
- 14** Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's brother, thou shalt not approach to his wife: she is thine aunt.
- 15** Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy daughter in law: she is thy son's wife; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.
- 16** Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy brother's wife: it is thy brother's nakedness.
- 17** Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of a woman and her daughter, neither shalt thou take her son's daughter, or her daughter's daughter, to uncover her nakedness; for they are her near kinswomen: it is wickedness.
- 18** Neither shalt thou take a wife to her sister, to vex her, to uncover her nakedness, beside the other in her life time.
- 19** Also thou shalt not approach unto a woman to uncover her nakedness, as long as she is put apart for her uncleanness.
- 20** Moreover thou shalt not lie carnally with thy neighbour's wife, to defile thyself with her.
- 21** And thou shalt not let any of thy seed pass through the fire to Molech, neither shalt thou profane the name of thy God: I am the LORD.

22 Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination.

23 Neither shalt thou lie with any beast to defile thyself therewith: neither shall any woman stand before a beast to lie down thereto: it is confusion.

Leviticus**SEXUAL CONTENT****20:10-21**

Why flagged. Death penalties for various sex acts — adultery, incest, bestiality, same-sex relations — described explicitly.

- 10** And the man that committeth adultery with another man's wife, even he that committeth adultery with his neighbour's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.
- 11** And the man that lieth with his father's wife hath uncovered his father's nakedness: both of them shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them.
- 12** And if a man lie with his daughter in law, both of them shall surely be put to death: they have wrought confusion; their blood shall be upon them.
- 13** If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them.
- 14** And if a man take a wife and her mother, it is wickedness: they shall be burnt with fire, both he and they; that there be no wickedness among you.
- 15** And if a man lie with a beast, he shall surely be put to death: and ye shall slay the beast.
- 16** And if a woman approach unto any beast, and lie down thereto, thou shalt kill the woman, and the beast: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them.
- 17** And if a man shall take his sister, his father's daughter, or his mother's daughter, and see her nakedness, and she see his nakedness; it is a wicked thing; and they shall be cut off in the sight of their people: he hath uncovered his sister's nakedness; he shall bear his iniquity.
- 18** And if a man shall lie with a woman having her sickness, and shall uncover her nakedness; he hath discovered her fountain, and she hath uncovered the fountain of her blood: and both of them shall be cut off from among their people.
- 19** And thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister, nor of thy father's sister: for he uncovereth his near kin: they shall bear their iniquity.
- 20** And if a man shall lie with his uncle's wife, he hath uncovered his uncle's nakedness: they shall bear their sin; they shall die childless.
- 21** And if a man shall take his brother's wife, it is an unclean thing: he hath uncovered his brother's nakedness; they shall be childless.

Numbers

6 PASSAGES

Numbers

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

11:1-3

Why flagged. Fire of the LORD burnt among them, consumed them in uttermost parts of the camp — Taberah.

¹ And when the people complained, it displeased the LORD: and the LORD heard it; and his anger was kindled; and the fire of the LORD burnt among them, and consumed them that were in the uttermost parts of the camp.

² And the people cried unto Moses; and when Moses prayed unto the LORD, the fire was quenched.

³ And he called the name of the place Taberah: because the fire of the LORD burnt among them.

Numbers

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

16:31-35

Why flagged. Ground splits, earth swallows Korah and households alive; fire from the LORD consumes 250 men.

³¹ And it came to pass, as he had made an end of speaking all these words, that the ground clave asunder that was under them:

³² And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their houses, and all the men that appertained unto Korah, and all their goods.

³³ They, and all that appertained to them, went down alive into the pit, and the earth closed upon them: and they perished from among the congregation.

³⁴ And all Israel that were round about them fled at the cry of them: for they said, Lest the earth swallow us up also.

³⁵ And there came out a fire from the LORD, and consumed the two hundred and fifty men that offered incense.

Numbers

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

16:46-50

Why flagged. Plague kills 14,700 before Aaron makes atonement with censer — running among the people.

46 And Moses said unto Aaron, Take a censer, and put fire therein from off the altar, and put on incense, and go quickly unto the congregation, and make an atonement for them: for there is wrath gone out from the LORD; the plague is begun.

47 And Aaron took as Moses commanded, and ran into the midst of the congregation; and, behold, the plague was begun among the people: and he put on incense, and made an atonement for the people.

48 And he stood between the dead and the living; and the plague was stayed.

49 Now they that died in the plague were fourteen thousand and seven hundred, beside them that died about the matter of Korah.

50 And Aaron returned unto Moses unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and the plague was stayed.

Numbers

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

21:33-35

Why flagged. Og king of Bashan and all his people smitten — none left him alive; possessed his land.

33 And they turned and went up by the way of Bashan: and Og the king of Bashan went out against them, he, and all his people, to the battle at Edrei.

34 And the LORD said unto Moses, Fear him not: for I have delivered him into thy hand, and all his people, and his land; and thou shalt do to him as thou didst unto Sihon king of the Amorites, which dwelt at Heshbon.

35 So they smote him, and his sons, and all his people, until there was none left him alive: and they possessed his land.

Numbers

SEXUAL CONTENT

25:1-9

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

Why flagged. Israelites commit whoredom with daughters of Moab; plague kills 24,000; Phinehas spears couple through both their bodies.

- ¹ And Israel abode in Shittim, and the people began to commit whoredom with the daughters of Moab.
- ² And they called the people unto the sacrifices of their gods: and the people did eat, and bowed down to their gods.
- ³ And Israel joined himself unto Baalpeor: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel.
- ⁴ And the LORD said unto Moses, Take all the heads of the people, and hang them up before the LORD against the sun, that the fierce anger of the LORD may be turned away from Israel.
- ⁵ And Moses said unto the judges of Israel, Slay ye every one his men that were joined unto Baalpeor.
- ⁶ And, behold, one of the children of Israel came and brought unto his brethren a Midianitish woman in the sight of Moses, and in the sight of all the congregation of the children of Israel, who were weeping before the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.
- ⁷ And when Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, saw it, he rose up from among the congregation, and took a javelin in his hand;
- ⁸ And he went after the man of Israel into the tent, and thrust both of them through, the man of Israel, and the woman through her belly. So the plague was stayed from the children of Israel.
- ⁹ And those that died in the plague were twenty and four thousand.

Numbers**EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE****31:7-18****SEXUAL ABUSE**

Why flagged. Slaughter of Midianites — every male killed, kings killed; Moses orders all non-virgin women and male children killed; virgin girls kept for the soldiers.

- 7** And they warred against the Midianites, as the LORD commanded Moses; and they slew all the males.
- 8** And they slew the kings of Midian, beside the rest of them that were slain; namely, Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, five kings of Midian: Balaam also the son of Beor they slew with the sword.
- 9** And the children of Israel took all the women of Midian captives, and their little ones, and took the spoil of all their cattle, and all their flocks, and all their goods.
- 10** And they burnt all their cities wherein they dwelt, and all their goodly castles, with fire.
- 11** And they took all the spoil, and all the prey, both of men and of beasts.
- 12** And they brought the captives, and the prey, and the spoil, unto Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and unto the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the camp at the plains of Moab, which are by Jordan near Jericho.
- 13** And Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and all the princes of the congregation, went forth to meet them without the camp.
- 14** And Moses was wroth with the officers of the host, with the captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, which came from the battle.
- 15** And Moses said unto them, Have ye saved all the women alive?
- 16** Behold, these caused the children of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to commit trespass against the LORD in the matter of Peor, and there was a plague among the congregation of the LORD.
- 17** Now therefore kill every male among the little ones, and kill every woman that hath known man by lying with him.
- 18** But all the women children, that have not known a man by lying with him, keep alive for yourselves.

Deuteronomy

6 PASSAGES

Deuteronomy

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

13:6-10

Why flagged. If brother/wife/friend entices to idolatry, stone them to death — kin commanded to throw first stones.

⁶ If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or the wife of thy bosom, or thy friend, which is as thine own soul, entice thee secretly, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which thou hast not known, thou, nor thy fathers;

⁷ Namely, of the gods of the people which are round about you, nigh unto thee, or far off from thee, from the one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth;

⁸ Thou shalt not consent unto him, nor hearken unto him; neither shall thine eye pity him, neither shalt thou spare, neither shalt thou conceal him:

⁹ But thou shalt surely kill him; thine hand shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people.

¹⁰ And thou shalt stone him with stones, that he die; because he hath sought to thrust thee away from the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

Deuteronomy

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

20:13-17

Why flagged. Smite every male with edge of sword; women and children as spoil; of cities of inheritance save nothing alive that breatheth.

13 And when the LORD thy God hath delivered it into thine hands, thou shalt smite every male thereof with the edge of the sword:

14 But the women, and the little ones, and the cattle, and all that is in the city, even all the spoil thereof, shalt thou take unto thyself; and thou shalt eat the spoil of thine enemies, which the LORD thy God hath given thee.

15 Thus shalt thou do unto all the cities which are very far off from thee, which are not of the cities of these nations.

16 But of the cities of these people, which the LORD thy God doth give thee for an inheritance, thou shalt save alive nothing that breatheth:

17 But thou shalt utterly destroy them; namely, the Hittites, and the Amorites, the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee:

Deuteronomy

SEXUAL ABUSE

21:10-14

Why flagged. Captured war brides — shave her head, pare her nails, marry her; if not delighted, send her away.

10 When thou goest forth to war against thine enemies, and the LORD thy God hath delivered them into thine hands, and thou hast taken them captive,

11 And seest among the captives a beautiful woman, and hast a desire unto her, that thou wouldest have her to thy wife;

12 Then thou shalt bring her home to thine house, and she shall shave her head, and pare her nails;

13 And she shall put the raiment of her captivity from off her, and shall remain in thine house, and bewail her father and her mother a full month: and after that thou shalt go in unto her, and be her husband, and she shall be thy wife.

14 And it shall be, if thou have no delight in her, then thou shalt let her go whither she will; but thou shalt not sell her at all for money, thou shalt not make merchandise of her, because thou hast humbled her.

Deuteronomy**SEXUAL ABUSE****22:28-29**

Why flagged. If man rapes unbetrothed virgin, he pays her father 50 shekels and must marry her — she cannot be put away.

28 If a man find a damsel that is a virgin, which is not betrothed, and lay hold on her, and lie with her, and they be found;

29 Then the man that lay with her shall give unto the damsel's father fifty shekels of silver, and she shall be his wife; because he hath humbled her, he may not put her away all his days.

Deuteronomy**EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE****25:11-12****SEXUAL CONTENT**

Why flagged. Wife who seizes assailant's genitals must have her hand cut off — no pity.

11 When men strive together one with another, and the wife of the one draweth near for to deliver her husband out of the hand of him that smiteth him, and putteth forth her hand, and taketh him by the secrets:

12 Then thou shalt cut off her hand, thine eye shall not pity her.

Deuteronomy

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

28:53-57

Why flagged. Siege curse: eat fruit of own body — own sons and daughters; tender woman eats her newborn secretly.

53 And thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters, which the LORD thy God hath given thee, in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee:

54 So that the man that is tender among you, and very delicate, his eye shall be evil toward his brother, and toward the wife of his bosom, and toward the remnant of his children which he shall leave:

55 So that he will not give to any of them of the flesh of his children whom he shall eat: because he hath nothing left him in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee in all thy gates.

56 The tender and delicate woman among you, which would not adventure to set the sole of her foot upon the ground for delicateness and tenderness, her eye shall be evil toward the husband of her bosom, and toward her son, and toward her daughter,

57 And toward her young one that cometh out from between her feet, and toward her children which she shall bear: for she shall eat them for want of all things secretly in the siege and straitness, wherewith thine enemy shall distress thee in thy gates.

Joshua

6 PASSAGES

Joshua

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

6:20-21

Why flagged. Jericho falls; men and women, young and old, oxen, sheep, asses utterly destroyed with the edge of the sword.

20 So the people shouted when the priests blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass, when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city.

21 And they utterly destroyed all that was in the city, both man and woman, young and old, and ox, and sheep, and ass, with the edge of the sword.

Joshua

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

7:24-26

Why flagged. Achan, his sons and daughters, oxen, asses, sheep, tent, all taken to valley of Achor — stoned with stones and burned with fire.

24 And Joshua, and all Israel with him, took Achan the son of Zerah, and the silver, and the garment, and the wedge of gold, and his sons, and his daughters, and his oxen, and his asses, and his sheep, and his tent, and all that he had: and they brought them unto the valley of Achor.

25 And Joshua said, Why hast thou troubled us? the LORD shall trouble thee this day. And all Israel stoned him with stones, and burned them with fire, after they had stoned them with stones.

26 And they raised over him a great heap of stones unto this day. So the LORD turned from the fierceness of his anger. Wherefore the name of that place was called, The valley of Achor, unto this day.

Joshua

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

8:22-29

Why flagged. Ai destroyed: 12,000 killed in one day, none escaped; city burned, king hanged on tree.

22 And the other issued out of the city against them; so they were in the midst of Israel, some on this side, and some on that side: and they smote them, so that they let none of them remain or escape.

23 And the king of Ai they took alive, and brought him to Joshua.

24 And it came to pass, when Israel had made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai in the field, in the wilderness wherein they chased them, and when they were all fallen on the edge of the sword, until they were consumed, that all the Israelites returned unto Ai, and smote it with the edge of the sword.

25 And so it was, that all that fell that day, both of men and women, were twelve thousand, even all the men of Ai.

26 For Joshua drew not his hand back, wherewith he stretched out the spear, until he had utterly destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai.

27 Only the cattle and the spoil of that city Israel took for a prey unto themselves, according unto the word of the LORD which he commanded Joshua.

28 And Joshua burnt Ai, and made it an heap for ever, even a desolation unto this day.

29 And the king of Ai he hanged on a tree until eventide: and as soon as the sun was down, Joshua commanded that they should take his carcase down from the tree, and cast it at the entering of the gate of the city, and raise thereon a great heap of stones, that remaineth unto this day.

Joshua

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

10:24-27

Why flagged. Five Amorite kings: captains put feet on their necks; kings smitten, slain, hanged on five trees till evening.

24 And it came to pass, when they brought out those kings unto Joshua, that Joshua called for all the men of Israel, and said unto the captains of the men of war which went with him, Come near, put your feet upon the necks of these kings. And they came near, and put their feet upon the necks of them.

25 And Joshua said unto them, Fear not, nor be dismayed, be strong and of good courage: for thus shall the LORD do to all your enemies against whom ye fight.

26 And afterward Joshua smote them, and slew them, and hanged them on five trees: and they were hanging upon the trees until the evening.

27 And it came to pass at the time of the going down of the sun, that Joshua commanded, and they took them down off the trees, and cast them into the cave wherein they had been hid, and laid great stones in the cave's mouth, which remain until this very day.

Joshua

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

10:28-40

Why flagged. Extended slaughter narrative — Makkedah, Libnah, Lachish, Eglon, Hebron, Debir: utterly destroyed every soul, left none remaining.

28 And that day Joshua took Makkedah, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof he utterly destroyed, them, and all the souls that were therein; he let none remain: and he did to the king of Makkedah as he did unto the king of Jericho.

29 Then Joshua passed from Makkedah, and all Israel with him, unto Libnah, and fought against Libnah:

30 And the LORD delivered it also, and the king thereof, into the hand of Israel; and he smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein; he let none remain in it; but did unto the king thereof as he did unto the king of Jericho.

31 And Joshua passed from Libnah, and all Israel with him, unto Lachish, and encamped against it, and fought against it:

32 And the LORD delivered Lachish into the hand of Israel, which took it on the second day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein, according to all that he had done to Libnah.

33 Then Horam king of Gezer came up to help Lachish; and Joshua smote him and his people, until he had left him none remaining.

34 And from Lachish Joshua passed unto Eglon, and all Israel with him; and they encamped against it, and fought against it:

35 And they took it on that day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein he utterly destroyed that day, according to all that he had done to Lachish.

36 And Joshua went up from Eglon, and all Israel with him, unto Hebron; and they fought against it:

37 And they took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof, and all the souls that were therein; he left none remaining, according to all that he had done to Eglon; but destroyed it utterly, and all the souls that were therein.

38 And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, to Debir; and fought against it:

39 And he took it, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof; and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and utterly destroyed all the souls that were therein; he left none remaining: as he had done to Hebron, so he did to Debir, and to the king thereof; as he had done also to Libnah, and to her king.

40 So Joshua smote all the country of the hills, and of the south, and of the vale, and of the springs, and all their kings: he left none remaining, but utterly destroyed all that breathed, as the LORD God of Israel commanded.

Joshua

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

11:8-14

Why flagged. Hazor and northern kings — smote them, none left to breathe, burned Hazor with fire.

8 And the LORD delivered them into the hand of Israel, who smote them, and chased them unto great Zidon, and unto Misrephothmaim, and unto the valley of Mizpeh eastward; and they smote them, until they left them none remaining.

9 And Joshua did unto them as the LORD bade him: he houghed their horses, and burnt their chariots with fire.

10 And Joshua at that time turned back, and took Hazor, and smote the king thereof with the sword: for Hazor beforetime was the head of all those kingdoms.

11 And they smote all the souls that were therein with the edge of the sword, utterly destroying them: there was not any left to breathe: and he burnt Hazor with fire.

12 And all the cities of those kings, and all the kings of them, did Joshua take, and smote them with the edge of the sword, and he utterly destroyed them, as Moses the servant of the LORD commanded.

13 But as for the cities that stood still in their strength, Israel burned none of them, save Hazor only; that did Joshua burn.

14 And all the spoil of these cities, and the cattle, the children of Israel took for a prey unto themselves; but every man they smote with the edge of the sword, until they had destroyed them, neither left they any to breathe.

Judges

12 PASSAGES

Judges

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

1:4-7

Why flagged. Adoni-bezek caught, thumbs and great toes cut off; he says 70 kings under his table once had the same done.

⁴ And Judah went up; and the LORD delivered the Canaanites and the Perizzites into their hand: and they slew of them in Bezek ten thousand men.

⁵ And they found Adonibezek in Bezek: and they fought against him, and they slew the Canaanites and the Perizzites.

⁶ But Adonibezek fled; and they pursued after him, and caught him, and cut off his thumbs and his great toes.

⁷ And Adonibezek said, Threescore and ten kings, having their thumbs and their great toes cut off, gathered their meat under my table: as I have done, so God hath requited me. And they brought him to Jerusalem, and there he died.

Judges

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

3:21-22

Why flagged. Ehud thrusts dagger into Eglon's belly; haft goes in after blade; fat closes over it; dung comes out.

²¹ And Ehud put forth his left hand, and took the dagger from his right thigh, and thrust it into his belly:

²² And the haft also went in after the blade; and the fat closed upon the blade, so that he could not draw the dagger out of his belly; and the dirt came out.

Judges

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

4:18-22

Why flagged. Jael drives tent nail through Sisera's temple into the ground, fastening him to it.

- 18** And Jael went out to meet Sisera, and said unto him, Turn in, my lord, turn in to me; fear not. And when he had turned in unto her into the tent, she covered him with a mantle.
- 19** And he said unto her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water to drink; for I am thirsty. And she opened a bottle of milk, and gave him drink, and covered him.
- 20** Again he said unto her, Stand in the door of the tent, and it shall be, when any man doth come and enquire of thee, and say, Is there any man here? that thou shalt say, No.
- 21** 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.
- 22** And, behold, as Barak pursued Sisera, Jael came out to meet him, and said unto him, Come, and I will shew thee the man whom thou seekest. And when he came into her tent, behold, Sisera lay dead, and the nail was in his temples.

Judges

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

8:16-21

Why flagged. Gideon teaches elders of Succoth with thorns and briers; breaks down tower of Penuel; slays men; slays kings Zebah and Zalmunna.

- 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.
- 17** And he beat down the tower of Penuel, and slew the men of the city.
- 18** Then said he unto Zebah and Zalmunna, What manner of men were they whom ye slew at Tabor? And they answered, As thou art, so were they; each one resembled the children of a king.
- 19** And he said, They were my brethren, even the sons of my mother: as the LORD liveth, if ye had saved them alive, I would not slay you.
- 20** And he said unto Jether his firstborn, Up, and slay them. But the youth drew not his sword: for he feared, because he was yet a youth.
- 21** Then Zebah and Zalmunna said, Rise thou, and fall upon us: for as the man is, so is his strength. And Gideon arose, and slew Zebah and Zalmunna, and took away the ornaments that were on their camels' necks.

Judges

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

9:50-54

Why flagged. Woman drops millstone on Abimelech's head; skull crushed; he asks armour-bearer to kill him so no one says a woman slew him.

50 Then went Abimelech to Thebez, and encamped against Thebez, and took it.

51 But there was a strong tower within the city, and thither fled all the men and women, and all they of the city, and shut it to them, and gat them up to the top of the tower.

52 And Abimelech came unto the tower, and fought against it, and went hard unto the door of the tower to burn it with fire.

53 And a certain woman cast a piece of a millstone upon Abimelech's head, and all to brake his skull.

54 Then he called hastily unto the young man his armourbearer, and said unto him, Draw thy sword, and slay me, that men say not of me, A women slew him. And his young man thrust him through, and he died.

Judges

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

11:30-39

Why flagged. Jephthah's vow leads to sacrificing his virgin daughter as burnt offering.

- 30** And Jephthah vowed a vow unto the LORD, and said, If thou shalt without fail deliver the children of Ammon into mine hands,
- 31** Then it shall be, that whatsoever cometh forth of the doors of my house to meet me, when I return in peace from the children of Ammon, shall surely be the LORD's, and I will offer it up for a burnt offering.
- 32** So Jephthah passed over unto the children of Ammon to fight against them; and the LORD delivered them into his hands.
- 33** And he smote them from Aroer, even till thou come to Minnith, even twenty cities, and unto the plain of the vineyards, with a very great slaughter. Thus the children of Ammon were subdued before the children of Israel.
- 34** And Jephthah came to Mizpeh unto his house, and, behold, his daughter came out to meet him with timbrels and with dances: and she was his only child; beside her he had neither son nor daughter.
- 35** And it came to pass, when he saw her, that he rent his clothes, and said, Alas, my daughter! thou hast brought me very low, and thou art one of them that trouble me: for I have opened my mouth unto the LORD, and I cannot go back.
- 36** And she said unto him, My father, if thou hast opened thy mouth unto the LORD, do to me according to that which hath proceeded out of thy mouth; forasmuch as the LORD hath taken vengeance for thee of thine enemies, even of the children of Ammon.
- 37** And she said unto her father, Let this thing be done for me: let me alone two months, that I may go up and down upon the mountains, and bewail my virginity, I and my fellows.
- 38** And he said, Go. And he sent her away for two months: and she went with her companions, and bewailed her virginity upon the mountains.
- 39** And it came to pass at the end of two months, that she returned unto her father, who did with her according to his vow which he had vowed: and she knew no man. And it was a custom in Israel,

Judges

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

15:14-16

Why flagged. Samson finds jawbone of ass, kills 1000 men with it.

14 And when he came unto Lehi, the Philistines shouted against him: and the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and the cords that were upon his arms became as flax that was burnt with fire, and his bands loosed from off his hands.

15 And he found a new jawbone of an ass, and put forth his hand, and took it, and slew a thousand men therewith.

16 And Samson said, With the jawbone of an ass, heaps upon heaps, with the jaw of an ass have I slain a thousand men.

Judges

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

16:25-30

Why flagged. Samson pulls down temple of Dagon; kills more in his death than in his life — 3000 men and women on the roof.

25 And it came to pass, when their hearts were merry, that they said, Call for Samson, that he may make us sport. And they called for Samson out of the prison house; and he made them sport: and they set him between the pillars.

26 And Samson said unto the lad that held him by the hand, Suffer me that I may feel the pillars whereupon the house standeth, that I may lean upon them.

27 Now the house was full of men and women; and all the lords of the Philistines were there; and there were upon the roof about three thousand men and women, that beheld while Samson made sport.

28 And Samson called unto the LORD, and said, O Lord God, remember me, I pray thee, and strengthen me, I pray thee, only this once, O God, that I may be at once avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes.

29 And Samson took hold of the two middle pillars upon which the house stood, and on which it was borne up, of the one with his right hand, and of the other with his left.

30 And Samson said, Let me die with the Philistines. And he bowed himself with all his might; and the house fell upon the lords, and upon all the people that were therein. So the dead which he slew at his death were more than they which he slew in his life.

Judges

19:22-30

SEXUAL ABUSE

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

Why flagged. Gibeah mob demands to know the Levite; concubine pushed out, abused all night, dies on threshold; Levite cuts her into 12 pieces and sends parts throughout Israel.

- 22** Now as they were making their hearts merry, behold, the men of the city, certain sons of Belial, beset the house round about, and beat at the door, and spake to the master of the house, the old man, saying, Bring forth the man that came into thine house, that we may know him.
- 23** And the man, the master of the house, went out unto them, and said unto them, Nay, my brethren, nay, I pray you, do not so wickedly; seeing that this man is come into mine house, do not this folly.
- 24** Behold, here is my daughter a maiden, and his concubine; them I will bring out now, and humble ye them, and do with them what seemeth good unto you: but unto this man do not so vile a thing.
- 25** But the men would not hearken to him: so the man took his concubine, and brought her forth unto them; and they knew her, and abused her all the night until the morning: and when the day began to spring, they let her go.
- 26** Then came the woman in the dawning of the day, and fell down at the door of the man's house where her lord was, till it was light.
- 27** And her lord rose up in the morning, and opened the doors of the house, and went out to go his way: and, behold, the woman his concubine was fallen down at the door of the house, and her hands were upon the threshold.
- 28** And he said unto her, Up, and let us be going. But none answered. Then the man took her up upon an ass, and the man rose up, and gat him unto his place.
- 29** And when he was come into his house, he took a knife, and laid hold on his concubine, and divided her, together with her bones, into twelve pieces, and sent her into all the coasts of Israel.
- 30** And it was so, that all that saw it said, There was no such deed done nor seen from the day that the children of Israel came up out of the land of Egypt unto this day: consider of it, take advice, and speak your minds.

Judges

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

20:40-48

Why flagged. Slaughter of Benjamin: 25,100 fell that day; smote with edge of sword men, beast, all that came to hand; set cities on fire.

- 40** But when the flame began to arise up out of the city with a pillar of smoke, the Benjamites looked behind them, and, behold, the flame of the city ascended up to heaven.
- 41** And when the men of Israel turned again, the men of Benjamin were amazed: for they saw that evil was come upon them.
- 42** Therefore they turned their backs before the men of Israel unto the way of the wilderness; but the battle overtook them; and them which came out of the cities they destroyed in the midst of them.
- 43** Thus they inclosed the Benjamites round about, and chased them, and trode them down with ease over against Gibeah toward the sunrising.
- 44** And there fell of Benjamin eighteen thousand men; all these were men of valour.
- 45** And they turned and fled toward the wilderness unto the rock of Rimmon: and they gleaned of them in the highways five thousand men; and pursued hard after them unto Gidom, and slew two thousand men of them.
- 46** So that all which fell that day of Benjamin were twenty and five thousand men that drew the sword; all these were men of valour.
- 47** But six hundred men turned and fled to the wilderness unto the rock Rimmon, and abode in the rock Rimmon four months.
- 48** And the men of Israel turned again upon the children of Benjamin, and smote them with the edge of the sword, as well the men of every city, as the beast, and all that came to hand: also they set on fire all the cities that they came to.

Judges

SEXUAL ABUSE

21:10-12

Why flagged. Send 12,000 to Jabesh-gilead — smite every male and every woman that has lain with man; keep 400 virgins for the Benjamites.

10 And the congregation sent thither twelve thousand men of the valiantest, and commanded them, saying, Go and smite the inhabitants of Jabeshgilead with the edge of the sword, with the women and the children.

11 And this is the thing that ye shall do, Ye shall utterly destroy every male, and every woman that hath lain by man.

12 And they found among the inhabitants of Jabeshgilead four hundred young virgins, that had known no man by lying with any male: and they brought them unto the camp to Shiloh, which is in the land of Canaan.

Judges

SEXUAL ABUSE

21:20-23

Why flagged. Benjamites instructed to kidnap dancing virgins of Shiloh as wives.

20 Therefore they commanded the children of Benjamin, saying, Go and lie in wait in the vineyards;

21 And see, and, behold, if the daughters of Shiloh come out to dance in dances, then come ye out of the vineyards, and catch you every man his wife of the daughters of Shiloh, and go to the land of Benjamin.

22 And it shall be, when their fathers or their brethren come unto us to complain, that we will say unto them, Be favourable unto them for our sakes: because we reserved not to each man his wife in the war: for ye did not give unto them at this time, that ye should be guilty.

23 And the children of Benjamin did so, and took them wives, according to their number, of them that danced, whom they caught: and they went and returned unto their inheritance, and repaired the cities, and dwelt in them.

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10 PASSAGES

Samuel

1 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

5:6-12

Why flagged. Philistine cities smitten with emerods in their secret parts; great destruction in the city; dying.

6 But the hand of the LORD was heavy upon them of Ashdod, and he destroyed them, and smote them with emerods, even Ashdod and the coasts thereof.

7 And when the men of Ashdod saw that it was so, they said, The ark of the God of Israel shall not abide with us: for his hand is sore upon us, and upon Dagon our god.

8 They sent therefore and gathered all the lords of the Philistines unto them, and said, What shall we do with the ark of the God of Israel? And they answered, Let the ark of the God of Israel be carried about unto Gath. And they carried the ark of the God of Israel about thither.

9 And it was so, that, after they had carried it about, the hand of the LORD was against the city with a very great destruction: and he smote the men of the city, both small and great, and they had emerods in their secret parts.

10 Therefore they sent the ark of God to Ekron. And it came to pass, as the ark of God came to Ekron, that the Ekronites cried out, saying, They have brought about the ark of the God of Israel to us, to slay us and our people.

11 So they sent and gathered together all the lords of the Philistines, and said, Send away the ark of the God of Israel, and let it go again to his own place, that it slay us not, and our people: for there was a deadly destruction throughout all the city; the hand of God was very heavy there.

12 And the men that died not were smitten with the emerods: and the cry of the city went up to heaven.

1 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

6:19-20

Why flagged. LORD smote men of Bethshemesh for looking into ark — 50,070 men slain; people make great lamentation.

¹⁹ And he smote the men of Bethshemesh, because they had looked into the ark of the LORD, even he smote of the people fifty thousand and threescore and ten men: and the people lamented, because the LORD had smitten many of the people with a great slaughter.

²⁰ And the men of Bethshemesh said, Who is able to stand before this holy LORD God? and to whom shall he go up from us?

1 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

11:1-2

Why flagged. Nahash the Ammonite offers covenant on condition of thrusting out every right eye.

¹ Then Nahash the Ammonite came up, and encamped against Jabeshgilead: and all the men of Jabesh said unto Nahash, Make a covenant with us, and we will serve thee.

² And Nahash the Ammonite answered them, On this condition will I make a covenant with you, that I may thrust out all your right eyes, and lay it for a reproach upon all Israel.

1 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

15:32-33

Why flagged. Samuel hews Agag in pieces before the LORD in Gilgal.

³² Then said Samuel, Bring ye hither to me Agag the king of the Amalekites. And Agag came unto him delicately. And Agag said, Surely the bitterness of death is past.

³³ And Samuel said, As the sword hath made women childless, so shall thy mother be childless among women. And Samuel hewed Agag in pieces before the LORD in Gilgal.

1 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

17:48-54

Why flagged. David kills Goliath with sling; runs over, takes Goliath's sword, cuts off his head; brings head to Jerusalem.

48 And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came, and drew nigh to meet David, that David hastened, and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine.

49 And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang it, and smote the Philistine in his forehead, that the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth.

50 So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him; but there was no sword in the hand of David.

51 Therefore David ran, and stood upon the Philistine, and took his sword, and drew it out of the sheath thereof, and slew him, and cut off his head therewith. And when the Philistines saw their champion was dead, they fled.

52 And the men of Israel and of Judah arose, and shouted, and pursued the Philistines, until thou come to the valley, and to the gates of Ekron. And the wounded of the Philistines fell down by the way to Shaaraim, even unto Gath, and unto Ekron.

53 And the children of Israel returned from chasing after the Philistines, and they spoiled their tents.

54 And David took the head of the Philistine, and brought it to Jerusalem; but he put his armour in his tent.

1 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

18:25-27

SEXUAL ABUSE

Why flagged. Saul demands 100 Philistine foreskins as bride-price; David brings 200 — slaughters Philistines for genital trophies.

25 And Saul said, Thus shall ye say to David, The king desireth not any dowry, but an hundred foreskins of the Philistines, to be avenged of the king's enemies. But Saul thought to make David fall by the hand of the Philistines.

26 And when his servants told David these words, it pleased David well to be the king's son in law: and the days were not expired.

27 Wherefore David arose and went, he and his men, and slew of the Philistines two hundred men; and David brought their foreskins, and they gave them in full tale to the king, that he might be the king's son in law. And Saul gave him Michal his daughter to wife.

1 Samuel

NUDITY

19:23-24

Why flagged. Saul strips off his clothes and prophesies naked all that day and night.

23 And he went thither to Naioth in Ramah: and the Spirit of God was upon him also, and he went on, and prophesied, until he came to Naioth in Ramah.

24 And he stripped off his clothes also, and prophesied before Samuel in like manner, and lay down naked all that day and all that night. Wherefore they say, Is Saul also among the prophets?

1 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

22:18-19

Why flagged. Doeg slays 85 priests; then smites city of Nob — men, women, children, sucklings, oxen, asses, sheep with edge of sword.

18 And the king said to Doeg, Turn thou, and fall upon the priests. And Doeg the Edomite turned, and he fell upon the priests, and slew on that day fourscore and five persons that did wear a linen ephod.

19 And Nob, the city of the priests, smote he with the edge of the sword, both men and women, children and sucklings, and oxen, and asses, and sheep, with the edge of the sword.

1 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

31:1-6

Why flagged. Saul wounded by archers; falls on own sword; armourbearer falls on his sword; all die together.

¹ Now the Philistines fought against Israel: and the men of Israel fled from before the Philistines, and fell down slain in mount Gilboa.

² And the Philistines followed hard upon Saul and upon his sons; and the Philistines slew Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Melchishua, Saul's sons.

³ And the battle went sore against Saul, and the archers hit him; and he was sore wounded of the archers.

⁴ Then said Saul unto his armourbearer, Draw thy sword, and thrust me through therewith; lest these uncircumcised come and thrust me through, and abuse me. But his armourbearer would not; for he was sore afraid. Therefore Saul took a sword, and fell upon it.

⁵ And when his armourbearer saw that Saul was dead, he fell likewise upon his sword, and died with him.

⁶ So Saul died, and his three sons, and his armourbearer, and all his men, that same day together.

1 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

31:8-10

Why flagged. Philistines cut off Saul's head, strip armour, fasten body to wall of Bethshan.

⁸ And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, that they found Saul and his three sons fallen in mount Gilboa.

⁹ And they cut off his head, and stripped off his armour, and sent into the land of the Philistines round about, to publish it in the house of their idols, and among the people.

¹⁰ And they put his armour in the house of Ashtaroth: and they fastened his body to the wall of Bethshan.

2

11 PASSAGES

Samuel

2 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

4:5-12

Why flagged. Rechab and Baanah smite Ish-bosheth in the belly; cut off his head; bring to David, who slays them, cuts off their hands and feet, hangs them up.

5 And the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, Rechab and Baanah, went, and came about the heat of the day to the house of Ishbosheth, who lay on a bed at noon.

6 And they came thither into the midst of the house, as though they would have fetched wheat; and they smote him under the fifth rib: and Rechab and Baanah his brother escaped.

7 For when they came into the house, he lay on his bed in his bedchamber, and they smote him, and slew him, and beheaded him, and took his head, and gat them away through the plain all night.

8 And they brought the head of Ishbosheth unto David to Hebron, and said to the king, Behold the head of Ishbosheth the son of Saul thine enemy, which sought thy life; and the LORD hath avenged my lord the king this day of Saul, and of his seed.

9 And David answered Rechab and Baanah his brother, the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, and said unto them, As the LORD liveth, who hath redeemed my soul out of all adversity,

10 When one told me, saying, Behold, Saul is dead, thinking to have brought good tidings, I took hold of him, and slew him in Ziklag, who thought that I would have given him a reward for his tidings:

11 How much more, when wicked men have slain a righteous person in his own house upon his bed? shall I not therefore now require his blood of your hand, and take you away from the earth?

12 And David commanded his young men, and they slew them, and cut off their hands and their feet, and hanged them up over the pool in Hebron. But they took the head of Ishbosheth, and buried it in the sepulchre of Abner in Hebron.

2 Samuel

NUDITY

6:20

Why flagged. Michal mocks David for uncovering himself in the eyes of handmaids while dancing.

²⁰ Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, How glorious was the king of Israel to day, who uncovered himself to day in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain fellows shamelessly uncovereth himself!

2 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

8:1-2

Why flagged. David smites Moab; measures them with a line, casting them to the ground — two lines to put to death, one line to keep alive.

¹ And after this it came to pass that David smote the Philistines, and subdued them: and David took Methegammah out of the hand of the Philistines.

² And he smote Moab, and measured them with a line, casting them down to the ground; even with two lines measured he to put to death, and with one full line to keep alive. And so the Moabites became David's servants, and brought gifts.

2 Samuel

NUDITY

10:4-5

Why flagged. Hanun shaves off half of David's envoys' beards and cuts off their garments at the buttocks.

⁴ Wherefore Hanun took David's servants, and shaved off the one half of their beards, and cut off their garments in the middle, even to their buttocks, and sent them away.

⁵ When they told it unto David, he sent to meet them, because the men were greatly ashamed: and the king said, Tarry at Jericho until your beards be grown, and then return.

2 Samuel

SEXUAL CONTENT

11:2-5

Why flagged. David sees Bathsheba bathing; sends for her; lies with her; she conceives.

² And it came to pass in an eveningtide, that David arose from off his bed, and walked upon the roof of the king's house: and from the roof he saw a woman washing herself; and the woman was very beautiful to look upon.

³ And David sent and enquired after the woman. And one said, Is not this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?

⁴ And David sent messengers, and took her; and she came in unto him, and he lay with her; for she was purified from her uncleanness: and she returned unto her house.

⁵ And the woman conceived, and sent and told David, and said, I am with child.

2 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

12:31

Why flagged. David puts captured Ammonites under saws, harrows of iron, axes of iron, and makes them pass through the brick-kiln.

³¹ And he brought forth the people that were therein, and put them under saws, and under harrows of iron, and under axes of iron, and made them pass through the brick-kiln: and thus did he unto all the cities of the children of Ammon. So David and all the people returned unto Jerusalem.

2 Samuel

SEXUAL ABUSE

13:1-22

Why flagged. Amnon's calculated rape of Tamar — feigns illness, sends servants away, forces her, then hates her.

- 1** And it came to pass after this, that Absalom the son of David had a fair sister, whose name was Tamar; and Amnon the son of David loved her.
- 2** And Amnon was so vexed, that he fell sick for his sister Tamar; for she was a virgin; and Amnon thought it hard for him to do anything to her.
- 3** But Amnon had a friend, whose name was Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother: and Jonadab was a very subtil man.
- 4** And he said unto him, Why art thou, being the king's son, lean from day to day? wilt thou not tell me? And Amnon said unto him, I love Tamar, my brother Absalom's sister.
- 5** And Jonadab said unto him, Lay thee down on thy bed, and make thyself sick: and when thy father cometh to see thee, say unto him, I pray thee, let my sister Tamar come, and give me meat, and dress the meat in my sight, that I may see it, and eat it at her hand.
- 6** So Amnon lay down, and made himself sick: and when the king was come to see him, Amnon said unto the king, I pray thee, let Tamar my sister come, and make me a couple of cakes in my sight, that I may eat at her hand.
- 7** Then David sent home to Tamar, saying, Go now to thy brother Amnon's house, and dress him meat.
- 8** So Tamar went to her brother Amnon's house; and he was laid down. And she took flour, and kneaded it, and made cakes in his sight, and did bake the cakes.
- 9** And she took a pan, and poured them out before him; but he refused to eat. And Amnon said, Have out all men from me. And they went out every man from him.
- 10** And Amnon said unto Tamar, Bring the meat into the chamber, that I may eat of thine hand. And Tamar took the cakes which she had made, and brought them into the chamber to Amnon her brother.
- 11** And when she had brought them unto him to eat, he took hold of her, and said unto her, Come lie with me, my sister.
- 12** And she answered him, Nay, my brother, do not force me; for no such thing ought to be done in Israel: do not thou this folly.
- 13** And I, whither shall I cause my shame to go? and as for thee, thou shalt be as one of the fools in Israel. Now therefore, I pray thee, speak unto the king; for he will not withhold me from thee.

14 Howbeit he would not hearken unto her voice: but, being stronger than she, forced her, and lay with her.

15 Then Amnon hated her exceedingly; so that the hatred wherewith he hated her was greater than the love wherewith he had loved her. And Amnon said unto her, Arise, be gone.

16 And she said unto him, There is no cause: this evil in sending me away is greater than the other that thou didst unto me. But he would not hearken unto her.

17 Then he called his servant that ministered unto him, and said, Put now this woman out from me, and bolt the door after her.

18 And she had a garment of divers colours upon her: for with such robes were the king's daughters that were virgins apparelled. Then his servant brought her out, and bolted the door after her.

19 And Tamar put ashes on her head, and rent her garment of divers colours that was on her, and laid her hand on her head, and went on crying.

20 And Absalom her brother said unto her, Hath Amnon thy brother been with thee? but hold now thy peace, my sister: he is thy brother; regard not this thing. So Tamar remained desolate in her brother Absalom's house.

21 But when king David heard of all these things, he was very wroth.

22 And Absalom spake unto his brother Amnon neither good nor bad: for Absalom hated Amnon, because he had forced his sister Tamar.

2 Samuel

SEXUAL ABUSE

16:21-22

Why flagged. Absalom takes David's ten concubines into a tent on the roof; lies with them in sight of all Israel.

21 And Ahithophel said unto Absalom, Go in unto thy father's concubines, which he hath left to keep the house; and all Israel shall hear that thou art abhorred of thy father: then shall the hands of all that are with thee be strong.

22 So they spread Absalom a tent upon the top of the house; and Absalom went in unto his father's concubines in the sight of all Israel.

2 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

18:9-15

Why flagged. Absalom caught in oak by hair; Joab thrusts three darts through his heart; ten armourbearers smite him.

⁹ And Absalom met the servants of David. And Absalom rode upon a mule, and the mule went under the thick boughs of a great oak, and his head caught hold of the oak, and he was taken up between the heaven and the earth; and the mule that was under him went away.

¹⁰ And a certain man saw it, and told Joab, and said, Behold, I saw Absalom hanged in an oak.

¹¹ And Joab said unto the man that told him, And, behold, thou sawest him, and why didst thou not smite him there to the ground? and I would have given thee ten shekels of silver, and a girdle.

¹² And the man said unto Joab, Though I should receive a thousand shekels of silver in mine hand, yet would I not put forth mine hand against the king's son: for in our hearing the king charged thee and Abishai and Ittai, saying, Beware that none touch the young man Absalom.

¹³ Otherwise I should have wrought falsehood against mine own life: for there is no matter hid from the king, and thou thyself wouldest have set thyself against me.

¹⁴ Then said Joab, I may not tarry thus with thee. And he took three darts in his hand, and thrust them through the heart of Absalom, while he was yet alive in the midst of the oak.

¹⁵ And ten young men that bare Joab's armour compassed about and smote Absalom, and slew him.

2 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

20:9-10

Why flagged. Joab smites Amasa under fifth rib; bowels shed out; he dies.

⁹ And Joab said to Amasa, Art thou in health, my brother? And Joab took Amasa by the beard with the right hand to kiss him.

¹⁰ But Amasa took no heed to the sword that was in Joab's hand: so he smote him therewith in the fifth rib, and shed out his bowels to the ground, and struck him not again; and he died. So Joab and Abishai his brother pursued after Sheba the son of Bichri.

2 Samuel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

21:8-9

Why flagged. Seven sons of Saul hanged before the LORD, fall together in the days of harvest.

⁸ But the king took the two sons of Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, whom she bare unto Saul, Armoni and Mephibosheth; and the five sons of Michal the daughter of Saul, whom she brought up for Adriel the son of Barzillai the Meholathite:

⁹ And he delivered them into the hands of the Gibeonites, and they hanged them in the hill before the LORD: and they fell all seven together, and were put to death in the days of harvest, in the first days, in the beginning of barley harvest.

1

5 PASSAGES

Kings

1 Kings

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

2:28-34

Why flagged. Joab flees to tabernacle, grabs horns of altar; Benaiah orders him slain there; falls upon him and slays him.

- 28** Then tidings came to Joab: for Joab had turned after Adonijah, though he turned not after Absalom. And Joab fled unto the tabernacle of the LORD, and caught hold on the horns of the altar.
- 29** And it was told king Solomon that Joab was fled unto the tabernacle of the LORD; and, behold, he is by the altar. Then Solomon sent Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, saying, Go, fall upon him.
- 30** And Benaiah came to the tabernacle of the LORD, and said unto him, Thus saith the king, Come forth. And he said, Nay; but I will die here. And Benaiah brought the king word again, saying, Thus said Joab, and thus he answered me.
- 31** And the king said unto him, Do as he hath said, and fall upon him, and bury him; that thou mayest take away the innocent blood, which Joab shed, from me, and from the house of my father.
- 32** And the LORD shall return his blood upon his own head, who fell upon two men more righteous and better than he, and slew them with the sword, my father David not knowing thereof, to wit, Abner the son of Ner, captain of the host of Israel, and Amasa the son of Jether, captain of the host of Judah.
- 33** Their blood shall therefore return upon the head of Joab, and upon the head of his seed for ever: but upon David, and upon his seed, and upon his house, and upon his throne, shall there be peace for ever from the LORD.
- 34** So Benaiah the son of Jehoiada went up, and fell upon him, and slew him: and he was buried in his own house in the wilderness.

1 Kings

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

15:27-30

Why flagged. Baasha kills Nadab; smites all house of Jeroboam — leaves none to breathe, destroys entire dynasty.

27 And Baasha the son of Ahijah, of the house of Issachar, conspired against him; and Baasha smote him at Gibbethon, which belonged to the Philistines; for Nadab and all Israel laid siege to Gibbethon.

28 Even in the third year of Asa king of Judah did Baasha slay him, and reigned in his stead.

29 And it came to pass, when he reigned, that he smote all the house of Jeroboam; he left not to Jeroboam any that breathed, until he had destroyed him, according unto the saying of the LORD, which he spake by his servant Ahijah the Shilonite:

30 Because of the sins of Jeroboam which he sinned, and which he made Israel sin, by his provocation wherewith he provoked the LORD God of Israel to anger.

1 Kings

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

16:9-12

Why flagged. Zimri kills king Elah while drunk; destroys all house of Baasha — leaves not one that pisseth against a wall.

9 And his servant Zimri, captain of half his chariots, conspired against him, as he was in Tirzah, drinking himself drunk in the house of Arza steward of his house in Tirzah.

10 And Zimri went in and smote him, and killed him, in the twenty and seventh year of Asa king of Judah, and reigned in his stead.

11 And it came to pass, when he began to reign, as soon as he sat on his throne, that he slew all the house of Baasha: he left him not one that pisseth against a wall, neither of his kinsfolks, nor of his friends.

12 Thus did Zimri destroy all the house of Baasha, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake against Baasha by Jehu the prophet.

1 Kings**EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE****18:38-40**

Why flagged. Elijah orders 450 prophets of Baal taken; slays them at brook Kishon.

38 Then the fire of the LORD fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench.

39 And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces: and they said, The LORD, he is the God; the LORD, he is the God.

40 And Elijah said unto them, Take the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape. And they took them: and Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon, and slew them there.

1 Kings**EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE****22:34-38**

Why flagged. Ahab struck by random arrow between joints of harness; blood runs into chariot; dogs lick up his blood; harlots wash there.

34 And a certain man drew a bow at a venture, and smote the king of Israel between the joints of the harness: wherefore he said unto the driver of his chariot, Turn thine hand, and carry me out of the host; for I am wounded.

35 And the battle increased that day: and the king was stayed up in his chariot against the Syrians, and died at even: and the blood ran out of the wound into the midst of the chariot.

36 And there went a proclamation throughout the host about the going down of the sun, saying, Every man to his city, and every man to his own country.

37 So the king died, and was brought to Samaria; and they buried the king in Samaria.

38 And one washed the chariot in the pool of Samaria; and the dogs licked up his blood; and they washed his armour; according unto the word of the LORD which he spake.

2

10 PASSAGES

Kings

2 Kings

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

2:23-24

Why flagged. Children mock Elisha for being bald; two she-bears come out of woods, tear 42 children.

23 And he went up from thence unto Bethel: and as he was going up by the way, there came forth little children out of the city, and mocked him, and said unto him, Go up, thou bald head; go up, thou bald head.

24 And he turned back, and looked on them, and cursed them in the name of the LORD. And there came forth two she bears out of the wood, and tare forty and two children of them.

2 Kings

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

6:28-30

Why flagged. Siege cannibalism: woman tells king they boiled her son and ate him; next day other woman hid hers.

28 And the king said unto her, What aileth thee? And she answered, This woman said unto me, Give thy son, that we may eat him to day, and we will eat my son to morrow.

29 So we boiled my son, and did eat him: and I said unto her on the next day, Give thy son, that we may eat him: and she hath hid her son.

30 And it came to pass, when the king heard the words of the woman, that he rent his clothes; and he passed by upon the wall, and the people looked, and, behold, he had sackcloth within upon his flesh.

2 Kings

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

8:12

Why flagged. Hazael will set strongholds on fire, slay young men with sword, dash children, rip up pregnant women.

12 And Hazael said, Why weepeth my lord? And he answered, Because I know the evil that thou wilt do unto the children of Israel: their strong holds wilt thou set on fire, and their young men wilt thou slay with the sword, and wilt dash their children, and rip up their women with child.

2 Kings

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

9:30-37

Why flagged. Jezebel thrown down from window; horses trample her; dogs eat her flesh — only skull, feet, palms of hands remain.

30 And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it; and she painted her face, and tired her head, and looked out at a window.

31 And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, Had Zimri peace, who slew his master?

32 And he lifted up his face to the window, and said, Who is on my side? who? And there looked out to him two or three eunuchs.

33 And he said, Throw her down. So they threw her down: and some of her blood was sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses: and he trode her under foot.

34 And when he was come in, he did eat and drink, and said, Go, see now this cursed woman, and bury her: for she is a king's daughter.

35 And they went to bury her: but they found no more of her than the skull, and the feet, and the palms of her hands.

36 Wherefore they came again, and told him. And he said, This is the word of the LORD, which he spake by his servant Elijah the Tishbite, saying, In the portion of Jezreel shall dogs eat the flesh of Jezebel:

37 And the carcase of Jezebel shall be as dung upon the face of the field in the portion of Jezreel; so that they shall not say, This is Jezebel.

2 Kings

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

10:6-8

Why flagged. Heads of 70 of Ahab's sons sent to Jehu in baskets; Jehu commands them laid in two heaps at the gate.

⁶ Then he wrote a letter the second time to them, saying, If ye be mine, and if ye will hearken unto my voice, take ye the heads of the men your master's sons, and come to me to Jezreel by to morrow this time. Now the king's sons, being seventy persons, were with the great men of the city, which brought them up.

⁷ And it came to pass, when the letter came to them, that they took the king's sons, and slew seventy persons, and put their heads in baskets, and sent him them to Jezreel.

⁸ And there came a messenger, and told him, saying, They have brought the heads of the king's sons. And he said, Lay ye them in two heaps at the entering in of the gate until the morning.

2 Kings

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

10:14

Why flagged. Jehu's men take 42 brethren of Ahaziah alive, slay them at pit of shearing house — none left.

¹⁴ And he said, Take them alive. And they took them alive, and slew them at the pit of the shearing house, even two and forty men; neither left he any of them.

2 Kings

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

11:1-3

Why flagged. Athaliah destroys all the seed royal — slaughters royal grandchildren to seize throne.

¹ And when Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and destroyed all the seed royal.

² But Jehosheba, the daughter of king Joram, sister of Ahaziah, took Joash the son of Ahaziah, and stole him from among the king's sons which were slain; and they hid him, even him and his nurse, in the bedchamber from Athaliah, so that he was not slain.

³ And he was with her hid in the house of the LORD six years. And Athaliah did reign over the land.

2 Kings

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

11:13-16

Why flagged. Athaliah brought through horse gate and slain there; Jehoiada commands she be put to death.

¹³ And when Athaliah heard the noise of the guard and of the people, she came to the people into the temple of the LORD.

¹⁴ And when she looked, behold, the king stood by a pillar, as the manner was, and the princes and the trumpeters by the king, and all the people of the land rejoiced, and blew with trumpets: and Athaliah rent her clothes, and cried, Treason, Treason.

¹⁵ But Jehoiada the priest commanded the captains of the hundreds, the officers of the host, and said unto them, Have her forth without the ranges: and him that followeth her kill with the sword. For the priest had said, Let her not be slain in the house of the LORD.

¹⁶ And they laid hands on her; and she went by the way by the which the horses came into the king's house: and there was she slain.

2 Kings

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

15:16

Why flagged. Menahem smites Tiphseh; rips up all the pregnant women.

¹⁶ Then Menahem smote Tiphseh, and all that were therein, and the coasts thereof from Tirzah: because they opened not to him, therefore he smote it; and all the women therein that were with child he ripped up.

2 Kings

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

25:6-7

Why flagged. Zedekiah's sons slain before his eyes; his eyes put out; bound with fetters of brass.

⁶ So they took the king, and brought him up to the king of Babylon to Riblah; and they gave judgment upon him.

⁷ And they slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes, and put out the eyes of Zedekiah, and bound him with fetters of brass, and carried him to Babylon.

2

2 PASSAGES

Chronicles

2 Chronicles

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

13:17

Why flagged. Abijah and Judah slay 500,000 chosen men of Israel — a great slaughter.

17 And Abijah and his people slew them with a great slaughter: so there fell down slain of Israel five hundred thousand chosen men.

2 Chronicles

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

21:18-19

Why flagged. Jehoram smitten by LORD with incurable disease — bowels fall out by reason of his sickness; dies in sore diseases.

18 And after all this the LORD smote him in his bowels with an incurable disease.

19 And it came to pass, that in process of time, after the end of two years, his bowels fell out by reason of his sickness: so he died of sore diseases. And his people made no burning for him, like the burning of his fathers.

Esther

2 PASSAGES

Esther

SEXUAL ABUSE

2:12-14

Why flagged. Twelve months of purification before each virgin goes in to the king; one night each; not called again unless king delights — forced harem service.

12 Now when every maid's turn was come to go in to king Ahasuerus, after that she had been twelve months, according to the manner of the women, (for so were the days of their purifications accomplished, to wit, six months with oil of myrrh, and six months with sweet odours, and with other things for the purifying of the women;)

13 Then thus came every maiden unto the king; whatsoever she desired was given her to go with her out of the house of the women unto the king's house.

14 In the evening she went, and on the morrow she returned into the second house of the women, to the custody of Shaashgaz, the king's chamberlain, which kept the concubines: she came in unto the king no more, except the king delighted in her, and that she were called by name.

Esther**EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE****9:5-16**

Why flagged. Jews smite enemies with stroke of sword; slay 500 in Shushan; 10 sons of Haman hanged; total 75,810 slain in provinces.

5 Thus the Jews smote all their enemies with the stroke of the sword, and slaughter, and destruction, and did what they would unto those that hated them.

6 And in Shushan the palace the Jews slew and destroyed five hundred men.

7 And Parshandatha, and Dalphon, and Aspatha,

8 And Poratha, and Adalia, and Aridatha,

9 And Parmashta, and Arisai, and Aridai, and Vajezatha,

10 The ten sons of Haman the son of Hammedatha, the enemy of the Jews, slew they; but on the spoil laid they not their hand.

11 On that day the number of those that were slain in Shushan the palace was brought before the king.

12 And the king said unto Esther the queen, The Jews have slain and destroyed five hundred men in Shushan the palace, and the ten sons of Haman; what have they done in the rest of the king's provinces? now what is thy petition? and it shall be granted thee: or what is thy request further? and it shall be done.

13 Then said Esther, If it please the king, let it be granted to the Jews which are in Shushan to do to morrow also according unto this day's decree, and let Haman's ten sons be hanged upon the gallows.

14 And the king commanded it so to be done: and the decree was given at Shushan; and they hanged Haman's ten sons.

15 For the Jews that were in Shushan gathered themselves together on the fourteenth day also of the month Adar, and slew three hundred men at Shushan; but on the prey they laid not their hand.

16 But the other Jews that were in the king's provinces gathered themselves together, and stood for their lives, and had rest from their enemies, and slew of their foes seventy and five thousand, but they laid not their hands on the prey,

Psalms

1 PASSAGE

Psalms

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

137:9

Why flagged. Happy shall he be that taketh and dasheth thy little ones against the stones.

⁹ Happy shall he be, that taketh and dasheth thy little ones against the stones.

Proverbs

1 PASSAGE

Proverbs

SEXUAL CONTENT

7:6-23

Why flagged. Extended description of an adulteress seducing a young man — perfumed bed, sensual speech, sexual encounter.

- ⁶ For at the window of my house I looked through my casement,
- ⁷ And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, a young man void of understanding,
- ⁸ Passing through the street near her corner; and he went the way to her house,
- ⁹ In the twilight, in the evening, in the black and dark night:
- ¹⁰ And, behold, there met him a woman with the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.
- ¹¹ (She is loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house:
- ¹² Now is she without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every corner.)
- ¹³ So she caught him, and kissed him, and with an impudent face said unto him,
- ¹⁴ I have peace offerings with me; this day have I payed my vows.
- ¹⁵ Therefore came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seek thy face, and I have found thee.
- ¹⁶ I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved works, with fine linen of Egypt.
- ¹⁷ I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon.
- ¹⁸ Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning: let us solace ourselves with loves.
- ¹⁹ For the goodman is not at home, he is gone a long journey:
- ²⁰ He hath taken a bag of money with him, and will come home at the day appointed.
- ²¹ With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the flattering of her lips she forced him.
- ²² He goeth after her straightway, as an ox goeth to the slaughter, or as a fool to the correction of the stocks;
- ²³ Till a dart strike through his liver; as a bird hasteth to the snare, and knoweth not that it is for his life.

Song of Solomon

9 PASSAGES

Song of Solomon

SEXUAL CONTENT

1:2-4

Why flagged. 'Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth: for thy love is better than wine' — opening erotic invocation.

² Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth: for thy love is better than wine.

³ Because of the savour of thy good ointments thy name is as ointment poured forth, therefore do the virgins love thee.

⁴ Draw me, we will run after thee: the king hath brought me into his chambers: we will be glad and rejoice in thee, we will remember thy love more than wine: the upright love thee.

Song of Solomon

SEXUAL CONTENT

1:13

Why flagged. 'A bundle of myrrh is my wellbeloved unto me; he shall lie all night betwixt my breasts.'

¹³ A bundle of myrrh is my well-beloved unto me; he shall lie all night betwixt my breasts.

Song of Solomon

SEXUAL CONTENT

2:3-6

Why flagged. 'His left hand is under my head, and his right hand doth embrace me' — physical intimacy.

³ As the apple tree among the trees of the wood, so is my beloved among the sons. I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and his fruit was sweet to my taste.

⁴ He brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love.

⁵ Stay me with flagons, comfort me with apples: for I am sick of love.

⁶ His left hand is under my head, and his right hand doth embrace me.

Song of Solomon

SEXUAL CONTENT

4:1-7

Why flagged. Descriptive blazon: 'thy two breasts are like two young roes that are twins, which feed among the lilies.'

- ¹ Behold, thou art fair, my love; behold, thou art fair; thou hast doves' eyes within thy locks: thy hair is as a flock of goats, that appear from mount Gilead.
- ² Thy teeth are like a flock of sheep that are even shorn, which came up from the washing; whereof every one bear twins, and none is barren among them.
- ³ Thy lips are like a thread of scarlet, and thy speech is comely: thy temples are like a piece of a pomegranate within thy locks.
- ⁴ Thy neck is like the tower of David builded for an armoury, whereon there hang a thousand bucklers, all shields of mighty men.
- ⁵ Thy two breasts are like two young roes that are twins, which feed among the lilies.
- ⁶ Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, I will get me to the mountain of myrrh, and to the hill of frankincense.
- ⁷ Thou art all fair, my love; there is no spot in thee.

Song of Solomon

SEXUAL CONTENT

4:10-16

Why flagged. Garden/spices erotic metaphor; 'let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits.'

- 10** How fair is thy love, my sister, my spouse! how much better is thy love than wine! and the smell of thine ointments than all spices!
- 11** Thy lips, O my spouse, drop as the honeycomb: honey and milk are under thy tongue; and the smell of thy garments is like the smell of Lebanon.
- 12** A garden inclosed is my sister, my spouse; a spring shut up, a fountain sealed.
- 13** Thy plants are an orchard of pomegranates, with pleasant fruits; camphire, with spikenard,
- 14** Spikenard and saffron; calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices:
- 15** A fountain of gardens, a well of living waters, and streams from Lebanon.
- 16** Awake, O north wind; and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, that the spices thereof may flow out. Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits.

Song of Solomon

SEXUAL CONTENT

5:2-8

Why flagged. 'My beloved put in his hand by the hole of the door, and my bowels were moved for him'
— eroticized.

² I sleep, but my heart waketh: it is the voice of my beloved that knocketh, saying, Open to me, my sister, my love, my dove, my undefiled: for my head is filled with dew, and my locks with the drops of the night.

³ I have put off my coat; how shall I put it on? I have washed my feet; how shall I defile them?

⁴ My beloved put in his hand by the hole of the door, and my bowels were moved for him.

⁵ I rose up to open to my beloved; and my hands dropped with myrrh, and my fingers with sweet smelling myrrh, upon the handles of the lock.

⁶ I opened to my beloved; but my beloved had withdrawn himself, and was gone: my soul failed when he spake: I sought him, but I could not find him; I called him, but he gave me no answer.

⁷ The watchmen that went about the city found me, they smote me, they wounded me; the keepers of the walls took away my veil from me.

⁸ I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, if ye find my beloved, that ye tell him, that I am sick of love.

Song of Solomon

SEXUAL CONTENT

7:1-9

Why flagged. Extended sensual blazon: thighs, navel, belly, breasts as clusters of grapes; 'I will go up to the palm tree, I will take hold of the boughs thereof.'

- ¹ How beautiful are thy feet with shoes, O prince's daughter! the joints of thy thighs are like jewels, the work of the hands of a cunning workman.
- ² Thy navel is like a round goblet, which wanteth not liquor: thy belly is like an heap of wheat set about with lilies.
- ³ Thy two breasts are like two young roes that are twins.
- ⁴ Thy neck is as a tower of ivory; thine eyes like the fishpools in Heshbon, by the gate of Bathrabbim: thy nose is as the tower of Lebanon which looketh toward Damascus.
- ⁵ Thine head upon thee is like Carmel, and the hair of thine head like purple; the king is held in the galleries.
- ⁶ How fair and how pleasant art thou, O love, for delights!
- ⁷ This thy stature is like to a palm tree, and thy breasts to clusters of grapes.
- ⁸ I said, I will go up to the palm tree, I will take hold of the boughs thereof: now also thy breasts shall be as clusters of the vine, and the smell of thy nose like apples;
- ⁹ And the roof of thy mouth like the best wine for my beloved, that goeth down sweetly, causing the lips of those that are asleep to speak.

Song of Solomon

SEXUAL CONTENT

8:1-3

Why flagged. 'His left hand should be under my head, and his right hand should embrace me.'

- ¹ O that thou wert as my brother, that sucked the breasts of my mother! when I should find thee without, I would kiss thee; yea, I should not be despised.
- ² I would lead thee, and bring thee into my mother's house, who would instruct me: I would cause thee to drink of spiced wine of the juice of my pomegranate.
- ³ His left hand should be under my head, and his right hand should embrace me.

Song of Solomon

SEXUAL CONTENT

8:8-10

Why flagged. 'We have a little sister, and she hath no breasts... I am a wall, and my breasts like towers.'

- 8** We have a little sister, and she hath no breasts: what shall we do for our sister in the day when she shall be spoken for?
- 9** If she be a wall, we will build upon her a palace of silver: and if she be a door, we will inclose her with boards of cedar.
- 10** I am a wall, and my breasts like towers: then was I in his eyes as one that found favour.

Isaiah

4 PASSAGES

Isaiah

NUDITY

3:16-17

Why flagged. Daughters of Zion punished — the LORD will discover their secret parts.

16 Moreover the LORD saith, Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet:

17 Therefore the LORD will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and the LORD will discover their secret parts.

Isaiah

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

13:15-18

SEXUAL ABUSE

Why flagged. Children dashed to pieces before their eyes; houses spoiled; wives ravished; no pity on fruit of womb.

15 Every one that is found shall be thrust through; and every one that is joined unto them shall fall by the sword.

16 Their children also shall be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their houses shall be spoiled, and their wives ravished.

17 Behold, I will stir up the Medes against them, which shall not regard silver; and as for gold, they shall not delight in it.

18 Their bows also shall dash the young men to pieces; and they shall have no pity on the fruit of the womb; their eyes shall not spare children.

Isaiah

NUDITY

20:2-4

Why flagged. Isaiah commanded to walk naked and barefoot three years as sign; Egyptians led away naked, buttocks uncovered.

² At the same time spake the LORD by Isaiah the son of Amoz, saying, Go and loose the sackcloth from off thy loins, and put off thy shoe from thy foot. And he did so, walking naked and barefoot.

³ And the LORD said, Like as my servant Isaiah hath walked naked and barefoot three years for a sign and wonder upon Egypt and upon Ethiopia;

⁴ So shall the king of Assyria lead away the Egyptians prisoners, and the Ethiopians captives, young and old, naked and barefoot, even with their buttocks uncovered, to the shame of Egypt.

Isaiah

NUDITY

47:2-3

Why flagged. Babylon: 'uncover thy locks, make bare the leg, uncover the thigh... Thy nakedness shall be uncovered, yea, thy shame shall be seen.'

² Take the millstones, and grind meal: uncover thy locks, make bare the leg, uncover the thigh, pass over the rivers.

³ Thy nakedness shall be uncovered, yea, thy shame shall be seen: I will take vengeance, and I will not meet thee as a man.

Jeremiah

5 PASSAGES

Jeremiah

NUDITY

13:22

Why flagged. 'Are thy skirts discovered, and thy heels made bare.' — punitive exposure imagery.

²² And if thou say in thine heart, Wherefore come these things upon me? For the greatness of thine iniquity are thy skirts discovered, and thy heels made bare.

Jeremiah

NUDITY

13:26-27

SEXUAL CONTENT

Why flagged. 'I discover thy skirts upon thy face, that thy shame may appear. I have seen thine adulteries, and thy neighings, the lewdness of thy whoredom.'

²⁶ Therefore will I discover thy skirts upon thy face, that thy shame may appear.

²⁷ I have seen thine adulteries, and thy neighings, the lewdness of thy whoredom, and thine abominations on the hills in the fields. Woe unto thee, O Jerusalem! wilt thou not be made clean? when shall it once be?

Jeremiah

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

19:7-9

Why flagged. Cause to eat flesh of sons, daughters; everyone eat flesh of his friend in siege.

⁷ And I will make void the counsel of Judah and Jerusalem in this place; and I will cause them to fall by the sword before their enemies, and by the hands of them that seek their lives: and their carcasses will I give to be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.

⁸ And I will make this city desolate, and an hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished and hiss because of all the plagues thereof.

⁹ And I will cause them to eat the flesh of their sons and the flesh of their daughters, and they shall eat every one the flesh of his friend in the siege and straitness, wherewith their enemies, and they that seek their lives, shall straiten them.

Jeremiah

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

39:5-7

Why flagged. Zedekiah captured; sons slain before his eyes; nobles of Judah slain; eyes put out; bound with chains to Babylon.

⁵ But the Chaldeans' army pursued after them, and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho: and when they had taken him, they brought him up to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon to Riblah in the land of Hamath, where he gave judgment upon him.

⁶ Then the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah in Riblah before his eyes: also the king of Babylon slew all the nobles of Judah.

⁷ Moreover he put out Zedekiah's eyes, and bound him with chains, to carry him to Babylon.

Jeremiah

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

41:1-10

Why flagged. Ishmael smites Gedaliah and all the Jews and Chaldeans with him; slays 70 of 80 pilgrims; casts bodies into pit.

- ¹ Now it came to pass in the seventh month, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah the son of Elishama, of the seed royal, and the princes of the king, even ten men with him, came unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah; and there they did eat bread together in Mizpah.
- ² Then arose Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and the ten men that were with him, and smote Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan with the sword, and slew him, whom the king of Babylon had made governor over the land.
- ³ Ishmael also slew all the Jews that were with him, even with Gedaliah, at Mizpah, and the Chaldeans that were found there, and the men of war.
- ⁴ And it came to pass the second day after he had slain Gedaliah, and no man knew it,
- ⁵ That there came certain from Shechem, from Shiloh, and from Samaria, even fourscore men, having their beards shaven, and their clothes rent, and having cut themselves, with offerings and incense in their hand, to bring them to the house of the LORD.
- ⁶ And Ishmael the son of Nethaniah went forth from Mizpah to meet them, weeping all along as he went: and it came to pass, as he met them, he said unto them, Come to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam.
- ⁷ And it was so, when they came into the midst of the city, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah slew them, and cast them into the midst of the pit, he, and the men that were with him.
- ⁸ But ten men were found among them that said unto Ishmael, Slay us not: for we have treasures in the field, of wheat, and of barley, and of oil, and of honey. So he forbore, and slew them not among their brethren.
- ⁹ Now the pit wherein Ishmael had cast all the dead bodies of the men, whom he had slain because of Gedaliah, was it which Asa the king had made for fear of Baasha king of Israel: and Ishmael the son of Nethaniah filled it with them that were slain.
- ¹⁰ Then Ishmael carried away captive all the residue of the people that were in Mizpah, even the king's daughters, and all the people that remained in Mizpah, whom Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard had committed to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam: and Ishmael the son of Nethaniah carried them away captive, and departed to go over to the Ammonites.

Lamentations

4 PASSAGES

Lamentations

NUDITY

1:8-9

Why flagged. Jerusalem her nakedness seen; she sigheth and turneth backward.

⁸ Jerusalem hath grievously sinned; therefore she is removed: all that honoured her despise her, because they have seen her nakedness: yea, she sigheth, and turneth backward.

⁹ Her filthiness is in her skirts; she remembereth not her last end; therefore she came down wonderfully: she had no comforter. O LORD, behold my affliction: for the enemy hath magnified himself.

Lamentations

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

2:20-22

Why flagged. Women eat their children, the children they nursed; priest and prophet slain in sanctuary.

²⁰ Behold, O LORD, and consider to whom thou hast done this. Shall the women eat their fruit, and children of a span long? shall the priest and the prophet be slain in the sanctuary of the Lord?

²¹ The young and the old lie on the ground in the streets: my virgins and my young men are fallen by the sword; thou hast slain them in the day of thine anger; thou hast killed, and not pitied.

²² Thou hast called as in a solemn day my terrors round about, so that in the day of the LORD's anger none escaped nor remained: those that I have swaddled and brought up hath mine enemy consumed.

Lamentations

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

4:9-10

Why flagged. Pitiful women have sodden their own children, they were their meat in the destruction.

⁹ They that be slain with the sword are better than they that be slain with hunger: for these pine away, stricken through for want of the fruits of the field.

¹⁰ The hands of the pitiful women have sodden their own children: they were their meat in the destruction of the daughter of my people.

Lamentations

SEXUAL ABUSE

5:11-13

Why flagged. 'They ravished the women in Zion, and the maids in the cities of Judah.'

¹¹ They ravished the women in Zion, and the maids in the cities of Judah.

¹² Princes are hanged up by their hand: the faces of elders were not honoured.

¹³ They took the young men to grind, and the children fell under the wood.

Ezekiel

9 PASSAGES

Ezekiel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

5:10-12

Why flagged. Fathers shall eat sons, sons shall eat fathers; third part die with pestilence and famine; third part fall by sword; third part scattered.

10 Therefore the fathers shall eat the sons in the midst of thee, and the sons shall eat their fathers; and I will execute judgments in thee, and the whole remnant of thee will I scatter into all the winds.

11 Wherefore, as I live, saith the Lord GOD; Surely, because thou hast defiled my sanctuary with all thy detestable things, and with all thine abominations, therefore will I also diminish thee; neither shall mine eye spare, neither will I have any pity.

12 A third part of thee shall die with the pestilence, and with famine shall they be consumed in the midst of thee: and a third part shall fall by the sword round about thee; and I will scatter a third part into all the winds, and I will draw out a sword after them.

Ezekiel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

9:5-7

Why flagged. 'Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women' — defile house with slain.

5 And to the others he said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity:

6 Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house.

7 And he said unto them, Defile the house, and fill the courts with the slain: go ye forth. And they went forth, and slew in the city.

Ezekiel

NUDITY

16:7-8

SEXUAL CONTENT

Why flagged. 'Thou wast naked and bare... I spread my skirt over thee, and covered thy nakedness... I sware unto thee, and entered into a covenant with thee.'

7 I have caused thee to multiply as the bud of the field, and thou hast increased and waxen great, and thou art come to excellent ornaments: thy breasts are fashioned, and thine hair is grown, whereas thou wast naked and bare.

8 Now when I passed by thee, and looked upon thee, behold, thy time was the time of love; and I spread my skirt over thee, and covered thy nakedness: yea, I sware unto thee, and entered into a covenant with thee, saith the Lord GOD, and thou becamest mine.

Ezekiel

SEXUAL CONTENT

16:25-26

Why flagged. 'Hast opened thy feet to every one that passed by, and multiplied thy whoredoms.' Fornication with 'Egyptians thy neighbours, great of flesh.'

25 Thou hast built thy high place at every head of the way, and hast made thy beauty to be abhorred, and hast opened thy feet to every one that passed by, and multiplied thy whoredoms.

26 Thou hast also committed fornication with the Egyptians thy neighbours, great of flesh; and hast increased thy whoredoms, to provoke me to anger.

Ezekiel

16:36-39

NUDITY

SEXUAL CONTENT

Why flagged. 'Thy filthiness was poured out, and thy nakedness discovered through thy whoredoms with thy lovers.' Stripped naked, stoned.

36 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thy filthiness was poured out, and thy nakedness discovered through thy whoredoms with thy lovers, and with all the idols of thy abominations, and by the blood of thy children, which thou didst give unto them;

37 Behold, therefore I will gather all thy lovers, with whom thou hast taken pleasure, and all them that thou hast loved, with all them that thou hast hated; I will even gather them round about against thee, and will discover thy nakedness unto them, that they may see all thy nakedness.

38 And I will judge thee, as women that break wedlock and shed blood are judged; and I will give thee blood in fury and jealousy.

39 And I will also give thee into their hand, and they shall throw down thine eminent place, and shall break down thy high places: they shall strip thee also of thy clothes, and shall take thy fair jewels, and leave thee naked and bare.

Ezekiel

SEXUAL CONTENT

23:1-10

NUDITY

Why flagged. Aholah and Aholibah committed whoredoms in Egypt — 'they bruised the teats of their virginity'; nakedness discovered.

- ¹ The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,
- ² Son of man, there were two women, the daughters of one mother:
- ³ And they committed whoredoms in Egypt; they committed whoredoms in their youth: there were their breasts pressed, and there they bruised the teats of their virginity.
- ⁴ And the names of them were Aholah the elder, and Aholibah her sister: and they were mine, and they bare sons and daughters. Thus were their names; Samaria is Aholah, and Jerusalem Aholibah.
- ⁵ And Aholah played the harlot when she was mine; and she doted on her lovers, on the Assyrians her neighbours,
- ⁶ Which were clothed with blue, captains and rulers, all of them desirable young men, horsemen riding upon horses.
- ⁷ Thus she committed her whoredoms with them, with all them that were the chosen men of Assyria, and with all on whom she doted: with all their idols she defiled herself.
- ⁸ Neither left she her whoredoms brought from Egypt: for in her youth they lay with her, and they bruised the breasts of her virginity, and poured their whoredom upon her.
- ⁹ Wherefore I have delivered her into the hand of her lovers, into the hand of the Assyrians, upon whom she doted.
- ¹⁰ These discovered her nakedness: they took her sons and her daughters, and slew her with the sword: and she became famous among women; for they had executed judgment upon her.

Ezekiel

SEXUAL CONTENT

23:18-21

Why flagged. 'She discovered her whoredoms, and discovered her nakedness... whose flesh is as the flesh of asses, and whose issue is like the issue of horses.'

18 So she discovered her whoredoms, and discovered her nakedness: then my mind was alienated from her, like as my mind was alienated from her sister.

19 Yet she multiplied her whoredoms, in calling to remembrance the days of her youth, wherein she had played the harlot in the land of Egypt.

20 For she doted upon their paramours, whose flesh is as the flesh of asses, and whose issue is like the issue of horses.

21 Thus thou calledst to remembrance the lewdness of thy youth, in bruising thy teats by the Egyptians for the paps of thy youth.

Ezekiel**EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE****23:25-34****SEXUAL ABUSE**

Why flagged. 'They shall take away thy nose and thine ears'; sons and daughters fall by sword; strip clothes, take fair jewels; drink cup of dismay.

- 25** And I will set my jealousy against thee, and they shall deal furiously with thee: they shall take away thy nose and thine ears; and thy remnant shall fall by the sword: they shall take thy sons and thy daughters; and thy residue shall be devoured by the fire.
- 26** They shall also strip thee out of thy clothes, and take away thy fair jewels.
- 27** Thus will I make thy lewdness to cease from thee, and thy whoredom brought from the land of Egypt: so that thou shalt not lift up thine eyes unto them, nor remember Egypt any more.
- 28** For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will deliver thee into the hand of them whom thou hatest, into the hand of them from whom thy mind is alienated:
- 29** And they shall deal with thee hatefully, and shall take away all thy labour, and shall leave thee naked and bare: and the nakedness of thy whoredoms shall be discovered, both thy lewdness and thy whoredoms.
- 30** I will do these things unto thee, because thou hast gone a whoring after the heathen, and because thou art polluted with their idols.
- 31** Thou hast walked in the way of thy sister; therefore will I give her cup into thine hand.
- 32** Thus saith the Lord GOD; Thou shalt drink of thy sister's cup deep and large: thou shalt be laughed to scorn and had in derision; it containeth much.
- 33** Thou shalt be filled with drunkenness and sorrow, with the cup of astonishment and desolation, with the cup of thy sister Samaria.
- 34** Thou shalt even drink it and suck it out, and thou shalt break the sherds thereof, and pluck off thine own breasts: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD.

Ezekiel

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

39:17-20

Why flagged. Birds and beasts gathered to sacrifice — eat flesh of mighty, drink blood of princes; filled with horses, chariots, mighty men.

17 And, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD; Speak unto every feathered fowl, and to every beast of the field, Assemble yourselves, and come; gather yourselves on every side to my sacrifice that I do sacrifice for you, even a great sacrifice upon the mountains of Israel, that ye may eat flesh, and drink blood.

18 Ye shall eat the flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, of rams, of lambs, and of goats, of bullocks, all of them fatlings of Bashan.

19 And ye shall eat fat till ye be full, and drink blood till ye be drunken, of my sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you.

20 Thus ye shall be filled at my table with horses and chariots, with mighty men, and with all men of war, saith the Lord GOD.

Hosea

4 PASSAGES

Hosea

SEXUAL CONTENT

1:2-3

Why flagged. LORD commands Hosea to take 'a wife of whoredoms and children of whoredoms'; he takes Gomer who bears him a son.

² The beginning of the word of the LORD by Hosea. And the LORD said to Hosea, Go, take unto thee a wife of whoredoms and children of whoredoms: for the land hath committed great whoredom, departing from the LORD.

³ So he went and took Gomer the daughter of Diblaim; which conceived, and bare him a son.

Hosea

NUDITY

2:2-3

Why flagged. 'Let her therefore put away her whoredoms... lest I strip her naked, and set her as in the day that she was born.'

² Plead with your mother, plead: for she is not my wife, neither am I her husband: let her therefore put away her whoredoms out of her sight, and her adulteries from between her breasts;

³ Lest I strip her naked, and set her as in the day that she was born, and make her as a wilderness, and set her like a dry land, and slay her with thirst.

Hosea

NUDITY

2:10

Why flagged. 'Now will I discover her lewdness in the sight of her lovers, and none shall deliver her.'

¹⁰ And now will I discover her lewdness in the sight of her lovers, and none shall deliver her out of mine hand.

Hosea

13:16

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

SEXUAL ABUSE

Why flagged. 'Their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be ripped up.'

¹⁶ Samaria shall become desolate; for she hath rebelled against her God: they shall fall by the sword: their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be ripped up.

Amos

1 PASSAGE

Amos

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

1:13

Why flagged. Ammonites ripped up the women with child of Gilead, that they might enlarge their border.

13 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of the children of Ammon, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because they have ripped up the women with child of Gilead, that they might enlarge their border:

Micah

1 PASSAGE

Micah

NUDITY

1:8-11

Why flagged. 'I will wail and howl, I will go stripped and naked'; 'Pass ye away, thou inhabitant of Saphir, having thy shame naked.'

8 Therefore I will wail and howl, I will go stripped and naked: I will make a wailing like the dragons, and mourning as the owls.

9 For her wound is incurable; for it is come unto Judah; he is come unto the gate of my people, even to Jerusalem.

10 Declare ye it not at Gath, weep ye not at all: in the house of Aphrah roll thyself in the dust.

11 Pass ye away, thou inhabitant of Saphir, having thy shame naked: the inhabitant of Zaanan came not forth in the mourning of Bethazel; he shall receive of you his standing.

Nahum

1 PASSAGE

Nahum

NUDITY

3:5

Why flagged. 'I will discover thy skirts upon thy face, and I will shew the nations thy nakedness.'

⁵ Behold, I am against thee, saith the LORD of hosts; and I will discover thy skirts upon thy face, and I will shew the nations thy nakedness, and the kingdoms thy shame.

Habakkuk

1 PASSAGE

Habakkuk

NUDITY

2:15-16

Why flagged. Woe unto him that giveth neighbour drink, makest him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness!

15 Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that putteth thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness!

16 Thou art filled with shame for glory: drink thou also, and let thy foreskin be uncovered: the cup of the LORD's right hand shall be turned unto thee, and shameful spewing shall be on thy glory.

Matthew

3 PASSAGES

Matthew

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

2:16-18

Why flagged. Herod slew all children in Bethlehem two years old and under — slaughter of innocents.

¹⁶ Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth, and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men.

¹⁷ Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying,

¹⁸ In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.

Matthew

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

14:6-11

Why flagged. John the Baptist beheaded in prison; head brought in charger to the damsel.

⁶ But when Herod's birthday was kept, the daughter of Herodias danced before them, and pleased Herod.

⁷ Whereupon he promised with an oath to give her whatsoever she would ask.

⁸ And she, being before instructed of her mother, said, Give me here John Baptist's head in a charger.

⁹ And the king was sorry: nevertheless for the oath's sake, and them which sat with him at meat, he commanded it to be given her.

¹⁰ And he sent, and beheaded John in the prison.

¹¹ And his head was brought in a charger, and given to the damsel: and she brought it to her mother.

Matthew**EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE****27:26-50**

Why flagged. Jesus scourged, mocked, crowned with thorns, struck on head with reed, spit upon, crucified — extended graphic suffering.

26 Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers.

28 And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe.

29 And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews!

30 And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head.

31 And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him.

32 And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to bear his cross.

33 And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull,

34 They gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted thereof, he would not drink.

35 And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots.

36 And sitting down they watched him there;

37 And set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

38 Then were there two thieves crucified with him, one on the right hand, and another on the left.

39 And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads,

40 And saying, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself. If thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross.

41 Likewise also the chief priests mocking him, with the scribes and elders, said,

42 He saved others; himself he cannot save. If he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him.

43 He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God.

44 The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast the same in his teeth.

45 Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour.

46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

47 Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said, This man calleth for Elias.

48 And straightway one of them ran, and took a sponge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink.

49 The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him.

50 Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.

Mark

1 PASSAGE

Mark**EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE****15:15-37**

Why flagged. Parallel passion narrative — scourging, crucifixion, vinegar, death cry.

- 15** And so Pilate, willing to content the people, released Barabbas unto them, and delivered Jesus, when he had scourged him, to be crucified.
- 16** And the soldiers led him away into the hall, called Praetorium; and they call together the whole band.
- 17** And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his head,
- 18** And began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews!
- 19** And they smote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and bowing their knees worshipped him.
- 20** And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple from him, and put his own clothes on him, and led him out to crucify him.
- 21** And they compel one Simon a Cyrenian, who passed by, coming out of the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to bear his cross.
- 22** And they bring him unto the place Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of a skull.
- 23** And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh: but he received it not.
- 24** And when they had crucified him, they parted his garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take.
- 25** And it was the third hour, and they crucified him.
- 26** And the superscription of his accusation was written over, THE KING OF THE JEWS.
- 27** And with him they crucify two thieves; the one on his right hand, and the other on his left.
- 28** And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith, And he was numbered with the transgressors.
- 29** And they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads, and saying, Ah, thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days,
- 30** Save thyself, and come down from the cross.
- 31** Likewise also the chief priests mocking said among themselves with the scribes, He saved others; himself he cannot save.
- 32** Let Christ the King of Israel descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reviled him.

33 And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.

34 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

35 And some of them that stood by, when they heard it, said, Behold, he calleth Elias.

36 And one ran and filled a sponge full of vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink, saying, Let alone; let us see whether Elias will come to take him down.

37 And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost.

Luke

1 PASSAGE

Luke**EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE****23:24-46**

Why flagged. Parallel passion narrative.

- 24** And Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they required.
- 25** And he released unto them him that for sedition and murder was cast into prison, whom they had desired; but he delivered Jesus to their will.
- 26** And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus.
- 27** And there followed him a great company of people, and of women, which also bewailed and lamented him.
- 28** But Jesus turning unto them said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children.
- 29** For, behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck.
- 30** Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us.
- 31** For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry?
- 32** And there were also two other, malefactors, led with him to be put to death.
- 33** And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left.
- 34** Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.
- 35** And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided him, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God.
- 36** And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar,
- 37** And saying, If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself.
- 38** And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.
- 39** And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us.
- 40** But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation?
- 41** And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss.

42 And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.

43 And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in paradise.

44 And it was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour.

45 And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst.

46 And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.

John

1 PASSAGE

John**EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE****19:1-37**

Why flagged. Scourging, mocking, crucifixion, piercing of side, blood and water.

- 1** Then Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged him.
- 2** And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on his head, and they put on him a purple robe,
- 3** And said, Hail, King of the Jews! and they smote him with their hands.
- 4** Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him.
- 5** Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the man!
- 6** When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him, and crucify him: for I find no fault in him.
- 7** The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God.
- 8** When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid;
- 9** And went again into the judgment hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer.
- 10** Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee?
- 11** Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin.
- 12** And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out, saying, If thou let this man go, thou art not Caesar's friend: whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Caesar.
- 13** When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha.
- 14** And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King!
- 15** But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar.
- 16** Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led him away.

17 And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha:

18 Where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst.

19 And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross. And the writing was JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS.

20 This title then read many of the Jews: for the place where Jesus was crucified was nigh to the city: and it was written in Hebrew, and Greek, and Latin.

21 Then said the chief priests of the Jews to Pilate, Write not, The King of the Jews; but that he said, I am King of the Jews.

22 Pilate answered, What I have written I have written.

23 Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also his coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout.

24 They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did.

25 Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene.

26 When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son!

27 Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home.

28 After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst.

29 Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to his mouth.

30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

31 The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.

32 Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him.

33 But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs:

34 But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water.

35 And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe.

36 For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken.

37 And again another scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced.

Acts

2 PASSAGES

Acts

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

7:54-60

Why flagged. Stoning of Stephen — gnashed on him with teeth, stones cast, kneels down dying.

54 When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth.

55 But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God,

56 And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God.

57 Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord,

58 And cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul.

59 And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.

60 And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

Acts

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

12:21-23

Why flagged. Herod smitten by angel, eaten of worms, gives up the ghost.

21 And upon a set day Herod, arrayed in royal apparel, sat upon his throne, and made an oration unto them.

22 And the people gave a shout, saying, It is the voice of a god, and not of a man.

23 And immediately the angel of the Lord smote him, because he gave not God the glory: and he was eaten of worms, and gave up the ghost.

Revelation

6 PASSAGES

Revelation

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

6:7-8

Why flagged. Pale horse: power to kill with sword, hunger, death, beasts of earth — over a quarter of earth.

⁷ And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see.

⁸ And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.

Revelation

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

9:1-11

Why flagged. Locusts from pit torment men five months; sting like scorpions; men seek death but cannot find it.

- ¹ And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.
- ² And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.
- ³ And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.
- ⁴ And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.
- ⁵ And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.
- ⁶ And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them.
- ⁷ And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men.
- ⁸ And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions.
- ⁹ And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle.
- ¹⁰ And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power was to hurt men five months.
- ¹¹ And they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon.

Revelation

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

14:19-20

Why flagged. Winepress of wrath — blood out of winepress unto horse bridles, by space of 1600 furlongs.

19 And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

20 And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs.

Revelation

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

16:1-21

Why flagged. Seven bowls of wrath — sores, sea becomes blood, rivers become blood, scorching heat, darkness, hail.

- 1** And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.
- 2** And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.
- 3** And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea.
- 4** And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood.
- 5** And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus.
- 6** For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.
- 7** And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are thy judgments.
- 8** And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.
- 9** And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory.
- 10** And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain,
- 11** And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds.
- 12** And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.
- 13** And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.
- 14** For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

- 15** Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.
- 16** And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.
- 17** And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done.
- 18** And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.
- 19** And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.
- 20** And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.
- 21** And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

Revelation

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

19:17-21

Why flagged. Birds gather to eat flesh of kings, captains, mighty men, horses; beast and false prophet cast alive into lake of fire.

- 17** And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God;
- 18** That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great.
- 19** And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.
- 20** And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.
- 21** And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

Revelation

EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE

20:9-15

Why flagged. Fire from heaven devours nations; devil cast into lake of fire and brimstone; death and hell cast in.

9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them.

10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

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