Does the Bible endorse Genocide?

What about the children?

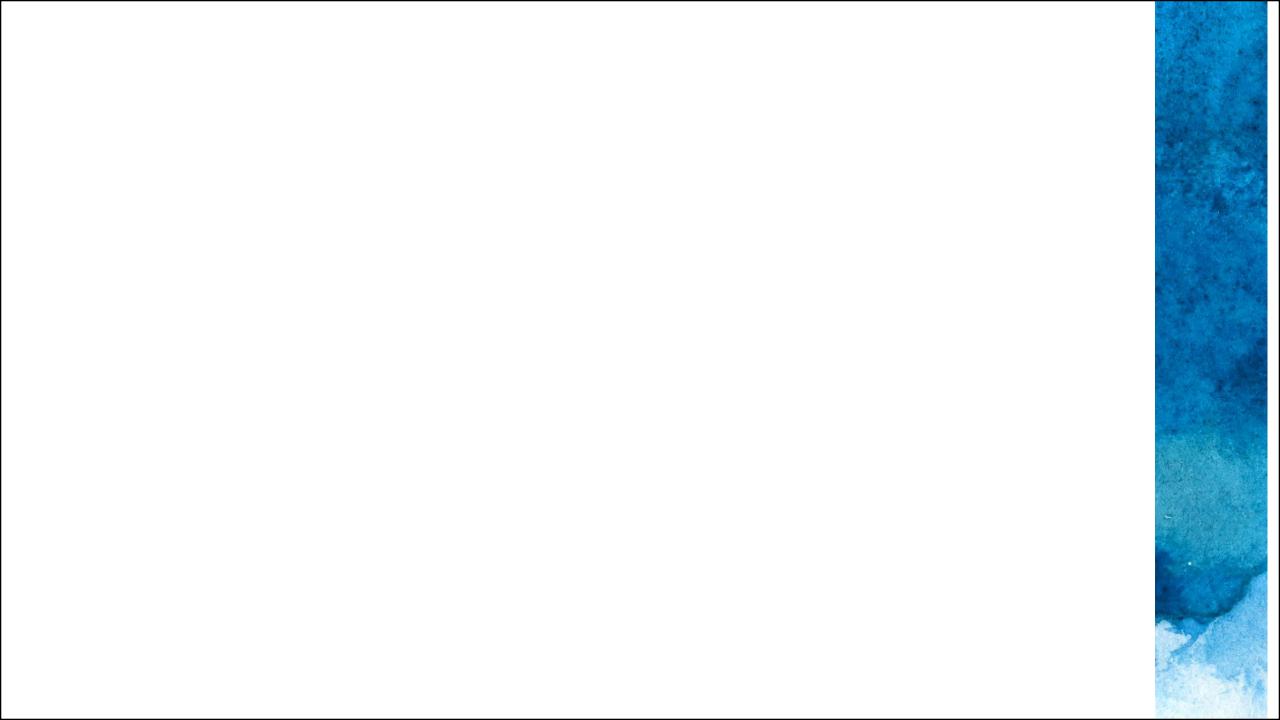
Korah

..and stood in the door of their tents, and their wives, and their sons, and their little children.

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.

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.

-Numbers 16:27, 32, 33



What about the children?

Fall of Jerusalem

And you shall eat the fruit of thine own body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters..

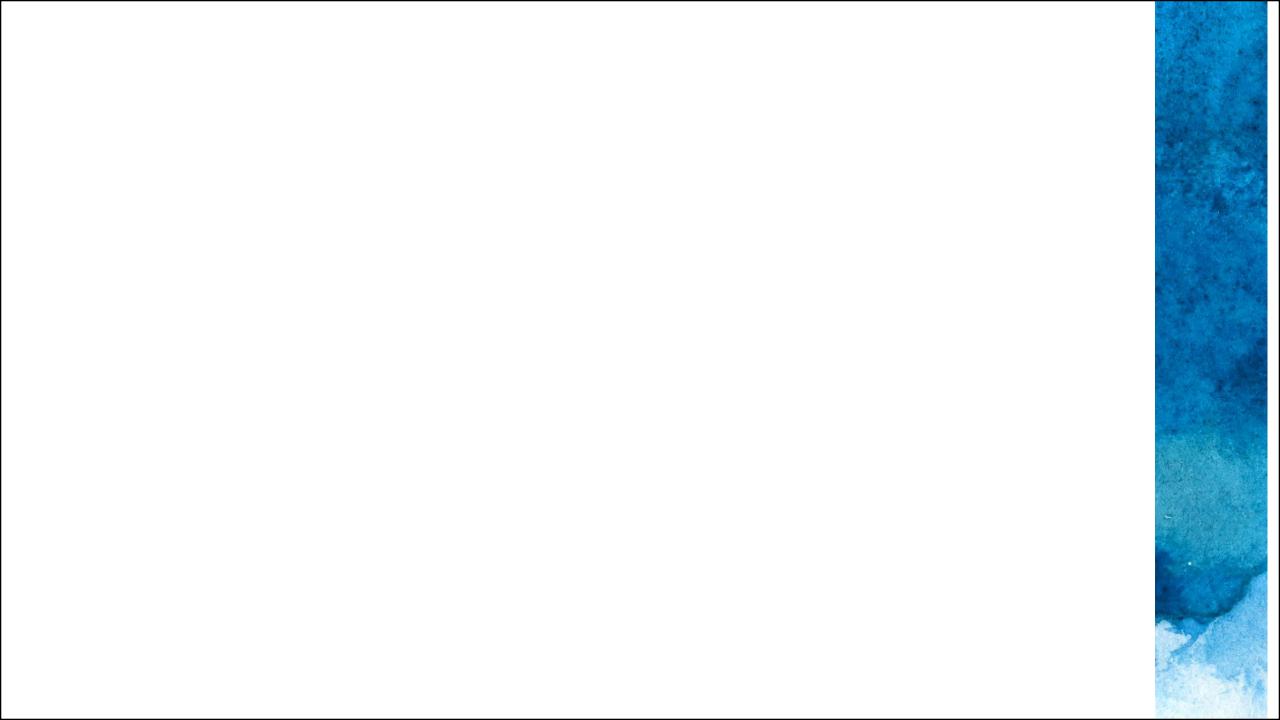
- Deuteronomy 28:53

Give them, O Lord: what wilt thou give? give them a miscarrying womb and dry breasts.

- Hosea 9

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 4:10



Definitions-Genocide

Deliberately targeting members of a group with intent to destroy

National, ethnic, racial, or religious

1944, Raphael Lemkin (Jew), Poland

Holocaust

https://www.un.org/en/genocideprevention/genocide.shtml



Holocaust

Oskar Schindler- righteous gentile

"I could have saved one more person, and I didn't"

-Schindler's List

"He found his **humanity**"

-YouTube comment

Holy War? Genocide?

Joshua attacks Jericho:

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 6:21
- Moses and the Midianites/Moabites, Saul and the Amalekites

Response?

Turn from God

- God can do what He wants
 - OT = wrath, NT = mercy
 - Some get wrath, some get mercy
- 3rd alternative?

Korah?

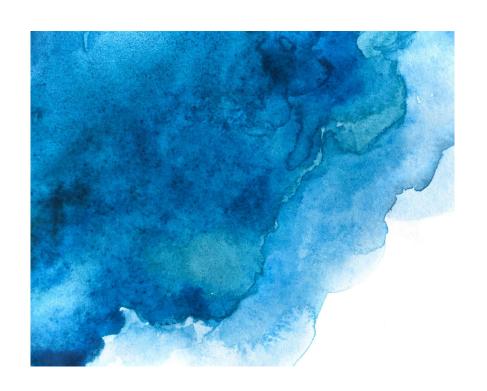
"And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up.. and they became a sign.. Notwithstanding the children of Korah died not.

-Numbers 26:10-11

"The sons of Kohath.. Korah his son..

Elkanah his son.. Samuel.

-I Chronicles 6



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Story

Genesis 12: "All the families on the earth will be blessed through you."

Genesis 15: "Not for 400 years.. the sin of the Amorites is not yet full.."



Israel:

Abraham Moses Saul-David Zedekiah

Babylon -> Canaan Egypt Canaan Exile/Babylon

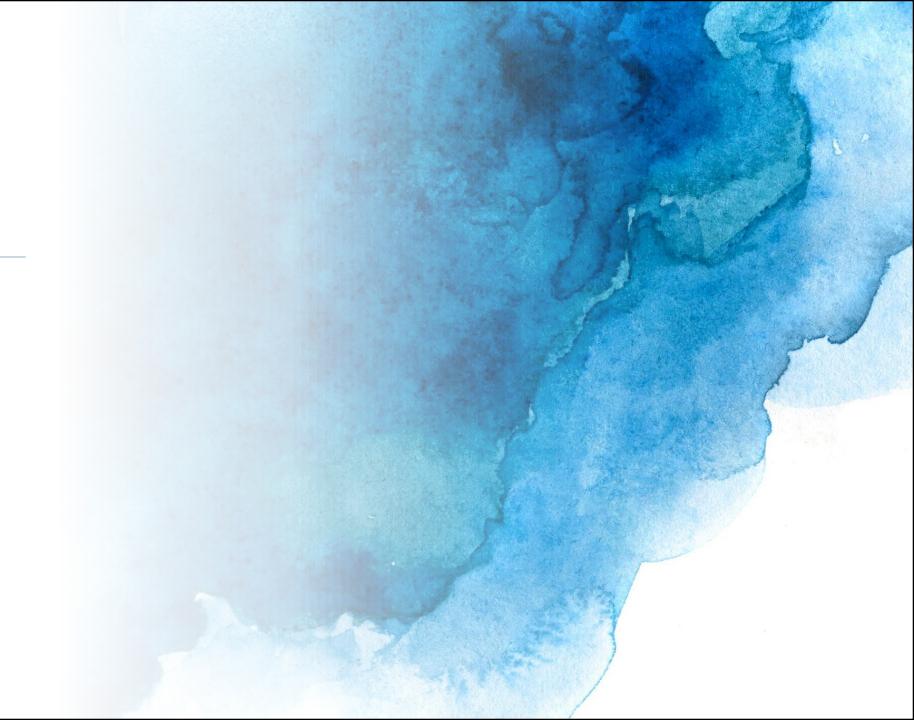
Amorites/ Midianites/ Moabites/ Edomites:

Melchizedek Balak (Moab) Agag (Amalek)

Canaan Exile Exile

Hear the cry..

- Can and Abel
- Sodom/Gomorrah
- Israel in Egypt
- Israel and Philistines





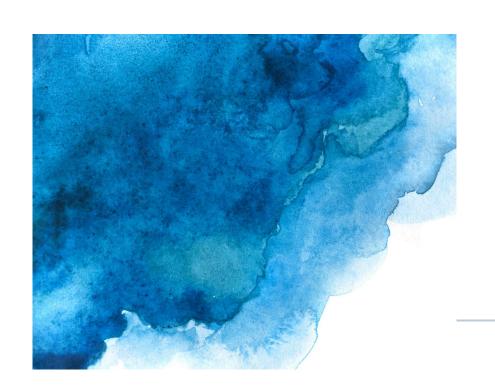
God hears the cry?

Moab/Midian (Baal-Peor),
Ritual prostitution (females)

AmalekMurder (defenseless)

Manasseh/Zedekiah:

Burning children/ Ritual prostitution/Slavery (vulnerable)



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2. Look for His Name: **Love** and **faithfulness** (Hesed and Emet, Ex. 34:6)

Keep reading, Look for Hesed and Emet

Fall of Jerusalem

They have built also the high places of Baal, to burn their sons with fire for burnt offerings unto Baal, which I commanded not, nor spake it, neither came it into my mind:

- Jeremiah 19:5

"

They shall not deliver you. Please, obey the voice of the Lord which I speak to you. So it shall be well with you, and your soul shall live.. If not.. you shall cause this city to be burned.

- Jeremiah 38:20 NKJV

God is setting free..

'Surely our transgressions and our sins are upon us, and we rot away because of them. How then can we live?'

..As I live, declares the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live;

turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

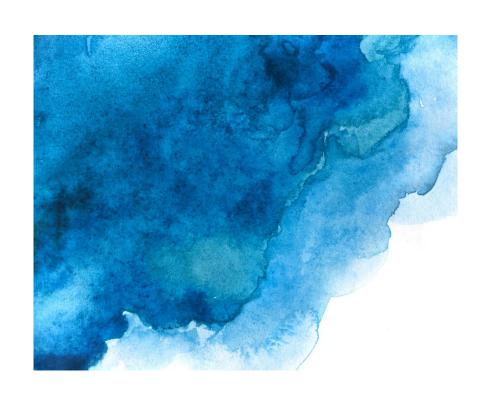
-Ezekiel 33:10-11

Joshua, Genocide?

- Israel was weak, no weapons, slaves
- "Driven out" not "killed off," eviction not murder
- Attacked military outposts not population centers
- War rhetoric: "totally destroyed" "Man, women, child"
 - Joshua 10:20, Joshua 10:39-11:21, Joshua 11:21-15:13,14, Judges 1:8 1:21, Joshua 11:23-Judges 2:21,23

World War 2. Heroes?

- Oscar Schindler.
- Americans bombed Japan, Germany.



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3. Realize our bias