

[Right to Life Sunday]

(10) I clothed you also with embroidered work, and gave you shoes of badgers' skin, and I clothed you with fine linen, and I covered you with silk.

(11) I decked you also with ornaments, and I put bracelets upon your hands, and a chain on your neck.

(12) And I put a jewel on your forehead, and earrings in your ears, and a beautiful crown upon your head.

(13) So you were decked with gold and silver; and your clothing *was of* fine linen, and silk, and embroidered work; you ate fine flour, and honey, and oil: and you were exceedingly beautiful, and you prospered into a kingdom.

(14) And your renown went forth among the heathen {ungodly nations} because of your beauty: because it *was* perfect through My beauty, which I had put upon you, says the Lord GOD {Jehovah}.

(15) But you trusted in your own beauty, and played the prostitute because of your popularity, and poured out your fornications {sex outside of marriage}<sup>a</sup> on every one who passed by; it was his.

(16) And you took of your clothes, and decked your high places with various colors, and played the prostitute upon them: *these kind of things* shall not come, neither shall it be so.

(17) You have also taken your fair jewels of My gold and of My silver, which I had given you, and made for yourself images of men, and committed prostitution with them,

(18) And took your embroidered clothes, and covered them: and you have set My oil and My incense before them.

(19) Also My food which I gave you, fine flour, and oil, and honey, *with which* I fed you, you have even set it before them for a sweet aroma: and so it was, says the Lord GOD {Jehovah}.

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(20) Furthermore you have taken your sons and your daughters, whom you have borne to Me, and these you have sacrificed to them to be devoured. *Is this* your prostitution a small matter,

(21) That you have killed My children, and delivered them to cause them to pass through *the fire* for them?

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(22) And in all your abominations and your prostitution you have not remembered the days of your youth, when you were naked and bare, *and* were polluted in your *own* blood.

(23) And it came to pass after all your wickedness, (woe, woe to you! says the Lord GOD {Jehovah};)

(24) *That* you have also built for yourself a prominent place, and have made for yourself a high place *to worship idols* in every street.

(25) You have built your high place at every head of the road, and have made your beauty to be despised, and have spread your legs to everyone who passed by, and multiplied your prostitution.

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16:15a - Fornication is having sex with someone you are not married to. If either of the individuals is married, then it is also adultery. See Mat. 5:32; Acts 15:20; I Cor. 6:9-13; Gal. 5:19-21; Rev. 2:45:32h

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Ezek. 23

(35) Therefore this is what the Lord GOD {Jehovah} says; Because you have forgotten Me, and cast Me behind your back, therefore you also bear your lewdness and your prostitutions.

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(36) Furthermore the LORD {Jehovah} said to me; Son of man, will you judge Aholah {Samaria} and Aholibah {Jerusalem}? yes, declare to them their abominations;

(37) That they have committed adultery, and blood is in their hands, and with their idols they have committed adultery, and have also caused their sons, whom they bore to Me, to pass for them through *the fire*, to devour *them*.

(38) Furthermore this they have done to Me: they have defiled My sanctuary {temple} in the same day, and have profaned My sabbaths.

