

### Outline of Tazria

- Ch. 12 Purification after Childbirth
- **Ch. 13** *Tzaraat*:
  - Of the Body (1-28)
  - Of the Head (29-46)
  - Of Garments & Utensils (47-59)
- [Ch. 14 - Of Houses]



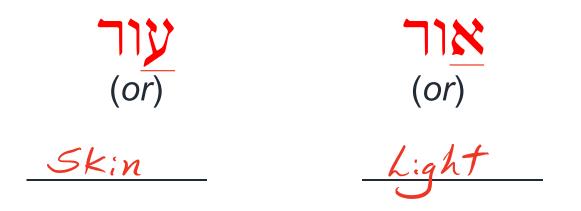
# Exodus 4:6

Adonai furthermore said to [Moses], "Now put your hand into your bosom." So he put his hand into his bosom, and when he took it out, behold, his hand was **leprous** like snow.

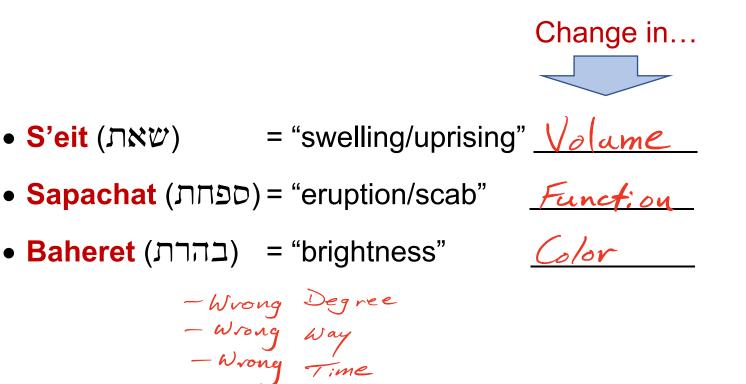
"*Tzaraat* is not a physical illness requiring the attention of an ordinary doctor. Rather, it is **a disease of the soul**."

➢ R' Zalman Sorotzkin (1881-1966)

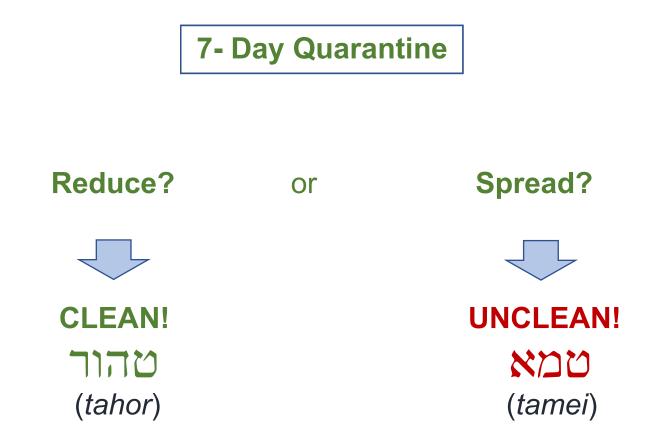
## ...a disease of one's light.



**13:2** – If a person will have on the **skin** (עוד), *or*) of his flesh a **s'eit** (שאת), or a **sapachat** (ספתת), or a **baheret** (בהרת), and it will become a *Tzaraat* affliction on this skin of his flesh, he shall be brought to Aaron the Kohen, or to one of his sons the Kohanim.







<u>13:9-11</u>

### A mixture of healthy and unhealthy skin?



### **UNCLEAN!**

**13:12-17** - ... if the *Tzaraat* will cover the entire skin of the affliction from his head to his feet ... the Kohen shall look – and behold! – the affliction has covered his entire flesh, then he shall declare the affliction to be **clean** (*tahor*). Having turned completely white, it is **clean** (*tahor*).





### Revelation 3:15-16

"I know your deeds, that you are neither **cold** nor **hot**. I wish that you were **cold** or **hot**. So because you are **lukewarm**, and neither **hot** nor **cold**, I will spit you out of My mouth."

#### Leviticus 13:45-46

As for the *metzora* who has the infection, his clothes shall be torn, and the hair of his head shall be uncovered, and he shall cover his mustache and cry, "*Tamei! Tamei!*" He shall remain *tamei* all the days during which he has the infection; he is *tamei*. He shall live alone; his dwelling shall be outside the camp.

<u>13:18-23</u> - If flesh will have had a *shachin* (ש⊓ין) on its skin, and it will have healed, and on the place of the *shachin* there will be a …

• Shachin (ש⊓ין) = "inflamation"

#### Exodus 9:8-9

Then Adonai said to Moses and Aaron, "Take for yourselves handfuls of furnace soot, and let Moses throw it toward the sky in the sight of Pharaoh. It will become fine dust over all the land of Egypt and will become **boils** [shachin] breaking out with sores on man and beast through all the land of Egypt."

... 13:23 - ... it is the scarring of the inflammation. The Kohen shall declare him clean (tahor).

> Old "inflammations" are a potential site for Tzaraat. Internal

13:24-28 – If a person will have a burn from fire on his skin, and the healed skin of the burn is ...

> Old "burns" are a potential site for Tzaraat.

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13:29-30 – (Affliction of the scalp or beard)

• Netek (נתק) – tzaraat of the scalp or beard

Hidden *tzaraat* is still *tzaraat*...

### ... and the most embarrassing kind!

<u>**13:31-37**</u> – (v.33) ...then he shall shave himself, but he shall not shave the *netek*.

#### <u>13:38-44</u>

Bohak (בהק) – eczema (?)

Eczema is eczema. Baldness is baldness. (Keep calm and carry on.)

### Leviticus 13:45-46

As for the *metzora* who has the infection, ...

- his clothes shall be torn, and ...
- the hair of his head shall be uncovered, and ...
- he shall cover his lips ...
- and cry, "Tamei! Tamei!"
- He shall remain *tamei* all the days during which he has the infection. He is *tamei*. He shall live alone. His dwelling shall be outside the camp.

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# The walking dead.

Are you one?