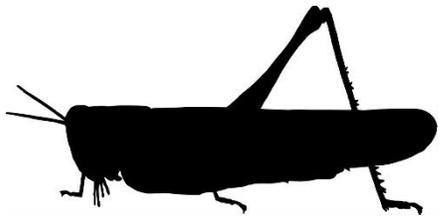


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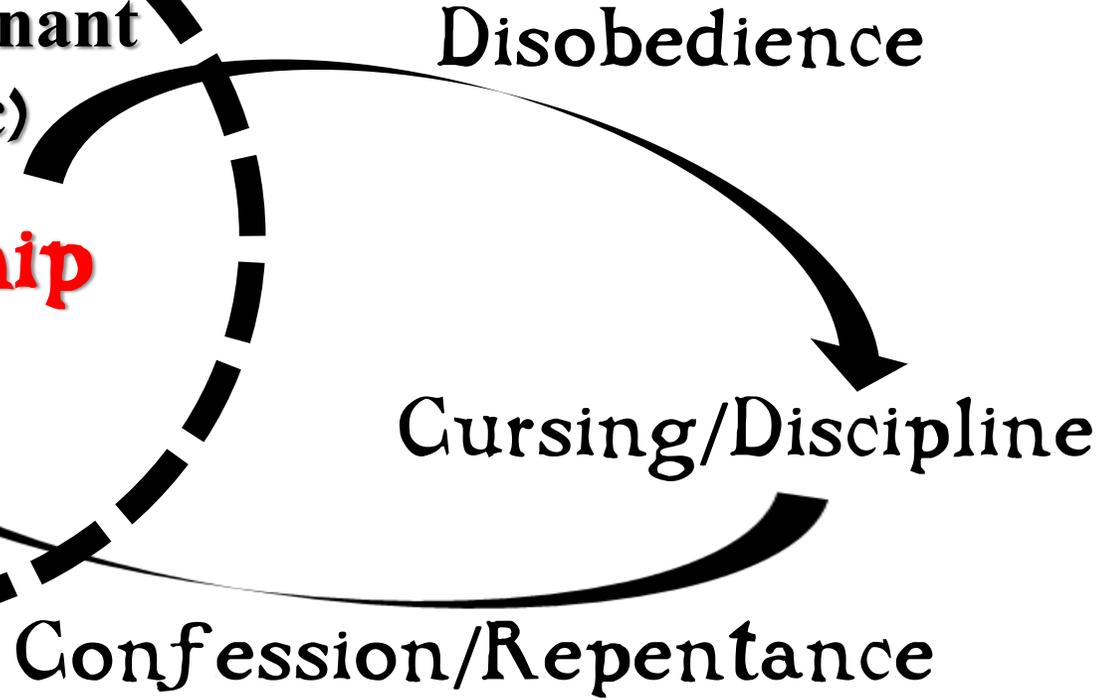
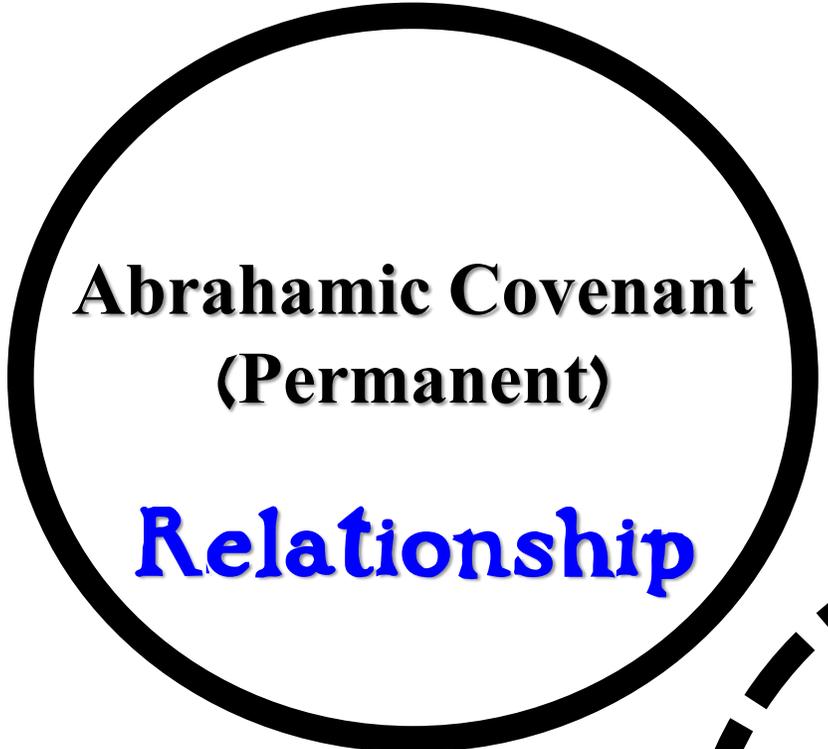
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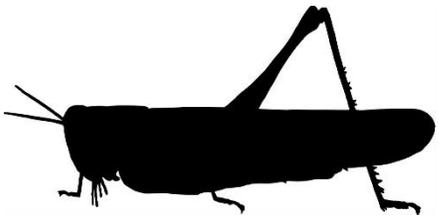
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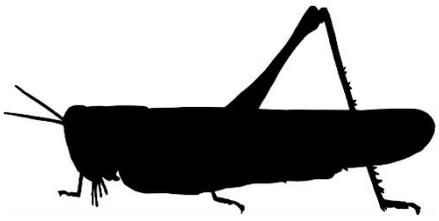
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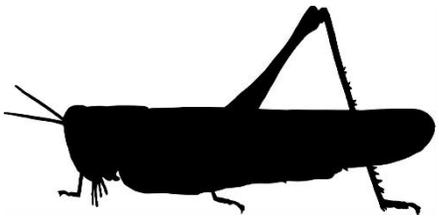
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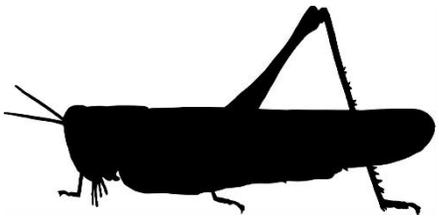
2 Kings 19: 21 (NKJV)

21 This is the word which the LORD has spoken concerning him: ‘The virgin, the daughter of Zion, Has despised you, laughed you to scorn; The daughter of Jerusalem Has shaken her head behind your back!



Proverbs 2: 10–22 (NKJV)

10 When wisdom enters your heart, And knowledge is pleasant to your soul, 11 Discretion will preserve you; Understanding will keep you, 12 To deliver you from the way of evil, From the man who speaks perverse things, 13 From those who leave the paths of uprightness To walk in the ways of darkness; 14 Who rejoice in doing evil, And delight in the perversity of the wicked; 15 Whose ways are crooked, And who are devious in their paths; 16 To deliver you from the immoral woman, From the seductress who flatters with her words, 17 Who forsakes the companion of her youth, And forgets the covenant of her God. 18 For her house leads down to death, And her paths to the dead; 19 None who go to her return, Nor do they regain the paths of life— 20 So you may walk in the way of goodness, And keep to the paths of righteousness. 21 For the upright will dwell in the land, And the blameless will remain in it; 22 But the wicked will be cut off from the earth, And the unfaithful will be uprooted from it.



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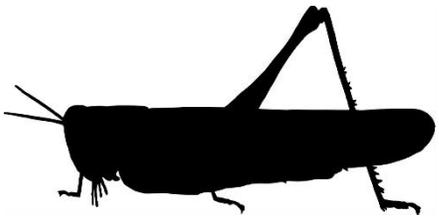
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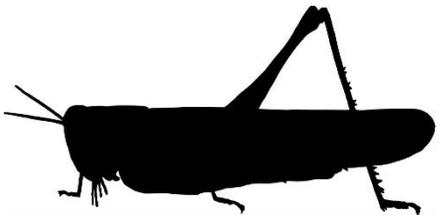
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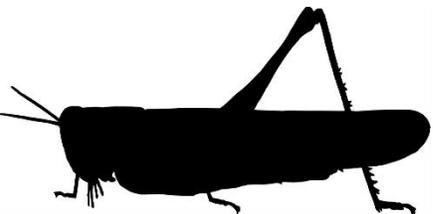
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Exodus 29: 38–46 (NKJV)

38 “Now this is what you shall offer on the altar: two lambs of the first year, day by day continually. 39 One lamb you shall offer in the morning, and the other lamb you shall offer at twilight. 40 With the one lamb shall be one-tenth of an ephah of flour mixed with one-fourth of a hin of pressed oil, and one-fourth of a hin of wine as a drink offering. 41 And the other lamb you shall offer at twilight; and you shall offer with it the grain offering and the drink offering, as in the morning, for a sweet aroma, an offering made by fire to the LORD. 42 This shall be a continual burnt offering throughout your generations at the door of the tabernacle of meeting before the LORD, where I will meet you to speak with you. 43 And there I will meet with the children of Israel, and the tabernacle shall be sanctified by My glory. 44 So I will consecrate the tabernacle of meeting and the altar. I will also consecrate both Aaron and his sons to minister to Me as priests. 45 I will dwell among the children of Israel and will be their God. 46 And they shall know that I am the LORD their God, who brought them up out of the land of Egypt, that I may dwell among them. I am the LORD their God.



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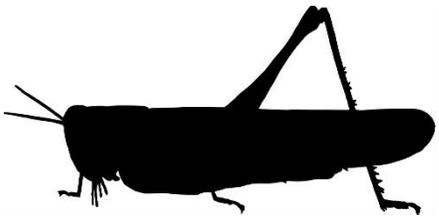
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B. The call to action:

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2- The Address to **Economic** Populace

v. 11-12

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- “farmers” v. 11a
- “vinedressers” v. 11b

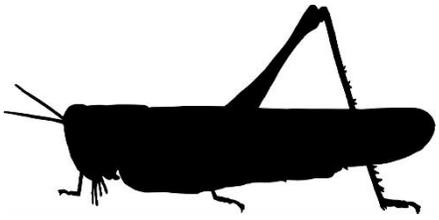


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B. The required action

- “Be ashamed” v. 11

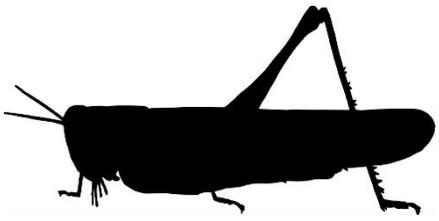
- “wail” v. 11



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C. Additional Observations:

- “the harvest has perished” v. 11c
- “the vine has dried up” v. 12a
- “the fig tree has withered” v. 12b
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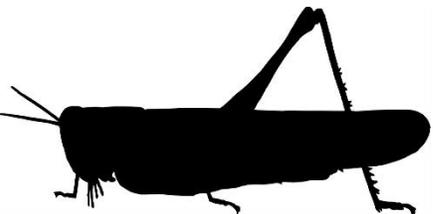


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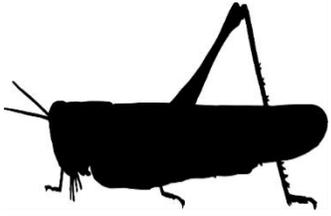
3- The Address to **Spiritual Leadership**

VV. 5-10

A. Identity of these spiritual leaders:

B. The call to action:





3- The Address to **Spiritual Leadership**

VV. 13-14

A. Identity of these Spiritual Leaders:

- “priests”
- Those who “minister before the altar”
- Those who “minister to MY God”
- “Elders” v. 14



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VV. 13-14

B. The required action:

* INDIVIDUAL ACTION:

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- “wail”
- “Come, lie all night in sackcloth”

* CORPORATE ACTION:

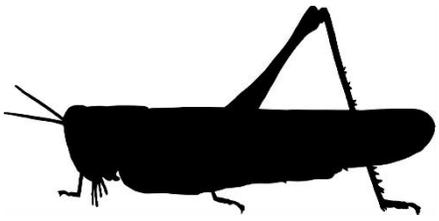
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4- The Application for **Us**

- Sin is a serious hindrance to our relationship to God.
- Living in sin makes it impossible to have fellowship with God.
- There are consequences to living in sin despite temporary pleasure.
- Humbling ourselves through confession allows us to resume fellowship with God.
- Each individual is responsible for their fellowship with God.

