

BAREFOOT, WITH A FACE FULL OF SPIT

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Deut 25:5-10 If brethren dwell together, and one of them die, and have no child, the wife of the dead shall not marry without unto a stranger: her husband's brother shall go in unto her, and take her to him to wife, and perform the duty of an husband's brother unto her. And it shall be, that the firstborn which she beareth shall succeed in the name of his brother which is dead, that his name be not put out of Israel. And if the man like not to take his brother's wife, then let his brother's wife go up to the gate unto the elders, and say, My husband's brother refuseth to raise up unto his brother a name in Israel, he will not perform the duty of my husband's brother. Then the elders of his city shall call him, and speak unto him: and if he stand to it, and say, I like not to take her; Then shall his brother's wife come unto him in the presence of the elders, and loose his shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face, and shall answer and say, So shall it be done unto that man that will not build up his brother's house. And his name shall be called in Israel, The house of him that hath his shoe loosed.

All through the Bible, we can find a stigma and a curse on barrenness. After God created Adam and Eve, His words to them were, "Be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth."

None of us were created just to exist. We are all here for a purpose. God saved us so that we might help Him save others!

The Bible tells us that "the barren womb is never satisfied." The womb inside a woman cries out for reproduction because that is the reason it is there.

Hannah was not satisfied with just having a good husband and enjoying her life, she wanted a son and she refused to settle for anything less.

As a church, as the body of Christ, we must reproduce! Sons and daughters must be born into the Kingdom of God.

Jesus cursed the fig tree because it only had leaves and no fruit. It doesn't matter how good we look on the outside, if there is no fruit on our branches, if we aren't reproducing, what good are we doing?

The man in our text had his shoe taken off his foot and he had spit on his face, because he would not raise up seed to his brother.

The Bible says that when Zion travailed, she brought forth children. We must have a burden for the lost and we must do all that we can to help people be saved.