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Chocolate is my favorite sweet and just about the only sweet I care for. I am not that fond of honey but then I guess that is just how the buds taste. At any rate I was wondering if there is a reference to chocolate in the Bible; and although I could not find a direct reference for chocolate or the cocoa bean I did find some things that could be an association to it. I found that the cocoa bean was not known about until the crossing of the Atlantic Ocean.

For starters I did find some things that look like sweet things:

Exodus 30:23-24

Take thou also unto thee principal spices

1. pure myrrh five hundred shekels
2. sweet cinnamon half so much, even two hundred and fifty shekels
3. sweet calamus two hundred and fifty shekels
4. cassia five hundred shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary
5. oil olive an hin

Song of Songs 4:13-14

Thy plants are an orchard of

1. pomegranates,
2. with pleasant fruits
3. camphire



4. spikenard
5. Spikenard
6. Saffron
7. calamus
8. cinnamon
9. trees of frankincense
10. myrrh
11. aloes
12. all the chief spices



Ezekiel 27:19

1. bright iron
2. cassia
3. calamus

Psalms 119:103, “How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea, **sweeter than honey** to my mouth!” What possibly is sweeter than honey? I know the words of God are sweeter than honey and I know that that is what this is saying. But think about it; is there something sweeter than honey that is physical food? Sure there is: sugar cane is sweet; we have processed sugar that we sweeten stuff with. The white sugar is a better sweetness than honey to me anyway. I don’t mind honey sometimes but when it comes to sweetening coffee or tea or whatever I prefer to use the white sugar. It is sweeter than honey: and so this is the kind of sweetener in most chocolate as well. That means chocolate is sweeter than honey too.



Psalms 141:6, “When their judges are overthrown in stony places, they shall hear my **words**; for **they are sweet.**” The words are sweet and truly they are. I do not want to detract from this truth. So let me make it clear that the words of the Lord are sweeter than Chocolate!

Proverbs 24:13, “My son, eat thou honey, because it is good; and the honeycomb, which is

sweet to thy taste:” God likes sweet things. That kind of makes you wonder if God has a sweet tooth. Nonetheless honey has healthy qualities to it and has a natural sweetness to it.

Proverbs 27:7, “The full soul loatheth an honeycomb; but to the hungry soul every bitter thing is sweet.” But too much of a good thing can be bad; and not enough of a good thing can cause bitter things to taste sweet. Could you just imagine the sight of rivers of butter and floods of honey it was be like heaven: Job 20:17, “He shall not see the rivers, the floods, the brooks of honey and butter.” What if your perfume smelled like Chocolate: Exodus 30:35, “And thou shalt make it a perfume, a confection after the art of the apothecary, tempered together, pure and holy:” One day all the confections will be pure and holy. That will be something else. Pure and Holy Chocolate! Then the Lord will have to have a kingdom with people that are confectionaries: 1 Samuel 8:13, “And he will take your daughters to be confectionaries, and to be cooks, and to be bakers.” And they will be bakers that will make pure and holy cakes and breads and we can never forget Chocolate.

So it is my personal preference when dealing with Chocolate that you understand that when I say Chocolate I mean Chocolate. Not chocolate and peanuts or chocolate and nugget or chocolate and butterscotch or chocolate and truffles or chocolate and anything else because anything else with chocolate is robbing room for more chocolate.

One last thought: Proverbs 25:16, “Hast thou found honey? eat so much as is sufficient for thee, lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it.” All things in moderation else it is a waste. And besides all that it tends to self-exaltation and your own glory: Proverbs 25:27, “It is not good to eat much honey: so for men to search their own glory is not glory.”



And with that being said: Where’s the chocolate?

Isaiah 7:15, “Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.”

