

the laying on of hands: impartation (59)

Gen. 48:8-20 When Israel saw the sons of Joseph, he asked, "Who are these?"

"They are the sons God has given me here," Joseph said to his father.

Then Israel said, "Bring them to me so I may bless them."

Now Israel's eyes were failing because of old age, and he could hardly see. So Joseph brought his sons close to him, and his father kissed them and embraced them.

Israel said to Joseph, "I never expected to see your face again, and now God has allowed me to see your children too."

Then Joseph removed them from Israel's knees and bowed down with his face to the ground. And Joseph took both of them, Ephraim on his right toward Israel's left hand and Manasseh on his left toward Israel's right hand, and brought them close to him. But Israel **reached out his right hand and put it on** Ephraim's head, though he was the younger, and crossing his arms, he **put his left hand on** Manasseh's head, even though Manasseh was the firstborn.

Then he blessed Joseph and said,

May the God before whom my fathers
Abraham and Isaac walked,
the God who has been my shepherd
all my life to this day,
the Angel who has delivered me from all harm
– may he bless these boys.
May they be called by my name
and the names of my fathers Abraham and Isaac,
and may they increase greatly
upon the earth."

When Joseph saw his father **placing his right hand on** Ephraim's head he was displeased; so he took hold of his father's hand to move it from Ephraim's head to Manasseh's head. Joseph said to him, "No, my father, this one is the firstborn; **put your right hand on** his head."

But his father refused and said, "I know, my son, I know. He too will become a people, and he too will become great. Nevertheless, his younger brother will be greater than he, and his descendants will become a group of nations." He blessed them that day and said,

"In your name will Israel pronounce this blessing:
'May God make you like Ephraim and Manasseh.'"

So he put Ephraim ahead of Manasseh.

Ex. 29:10-21 "Bring the bull to the front of the Tent of Meeting, and Aaron and his sons shall **lay their hands on** its head. Slaughter it in the LORD's presence at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting. Take some of the bull's blood and put it on the horns of the altar with your finger, and pour out the rest of it at the base of the altar. Then take all the fat around the inner parts, the covering of the liver, and both kidneys with the fat on them, and burn them on the altar. But burn the bull's flesh and its hide and its offal outside the camp. It is a sin offering.

"Take one of the rams, and Aaron and his sons shall **lay their hands on** its head. Slaughter it and take the blood and sprinkle it against the altar on all sides. Cut the ram into pieces and wash the inner parts and the legs, putting them with the

head and the other pieces. Then burn the entire ram on the altar. It is a burnt offering to the LORD, a pleasing aroma, an offering made to the LORD by fire.

“Take the other ram, and Aaron and his sons shall **lay their hands on** its head. Slaughter it, take some of its blood and put it on the lobes of the right ears of Aaron and his sons, on the thumbs of their right hands, and on the big toes of their right feet. Then sprinkle blood against the altar on all sides. And take some of the blood on the altar and some of the anointing oil and sprinkle it on Aaron and his garments and on his sons and their garments. Then he and his sons and their garments will be consecrated.

Lev. 1:3-4 [God instructing Moses what to speak to the Israelites] “If the offering is a burnt offering from the herd, he is to offer a male without defect. He must present it at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting so that it will be acceptable to the LORD. He is to **lay his hand on** the head of the burnt offering, and it will be accepted on his behalf to make atonement for him.

Lev. 3:1-2 [God instructing Moses what to speak to the Israelites] “If someone's offering is a fellowship offering, and he offers an animal from the herd, whether male or female, he is to present before the LORD an animal without defect. He is to **lay his hand on** the head of his offering and slaughter it at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting. Then Aaron's sons the priests shall sprinkle the blood against the altar on all sides.

Lev. 3:6-8 [God instructing Moses what to speak to the Israelites] “If he offers an animal from the flock as a fellowship offering to the LORD, he is to offer a male or female without defect. If he offers a lamb, he is to present it before the LORD. He is to **lay his hand on** the head of his offering and slaughter it in front of the Tent of Meeting. Then Aaron's sons shall sprinkle its blood against the altar on all sides.

Lev. 3:12-13 [God instructing Moses what to speak to the Israelites] “If his offering is a goat, he is to present it before the LORD. He is to **lay his hand on** its head and slaughter it in front of the Tent of Meeting. Then Aaron's sons shall sprinkle its blood against the altar on all sides.

Lev. 4:3-4 [God instructing Moses what to speak to the Israelites] “If the anointed priest sins, bringing guilt on the people, he must bring to the LORD a young bull without defect as a sin offering for the sin he has committed. He is to present the bull at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting before the LORD. He is to **lay his hand on** its head and slaughter it before the LORD.

Lev. 4:13-15 [God instructing Moses what to speak to the Israelites] “If the whole Israelite community sins unintentionally and does what is forbidden in any of the LORD's commands, even though the community is unaware of the matter, they are guilty. When they become aware of the sin they committed, the assembly must bring a young bull as a sin offering and present it before the Tent of Meeting. The elders of the community are to **lay their hands on** the bull's head before the LORD, and the bull shall be slaughtered before the LORD.

Lev. 4:22-24 [God instructing Moses what to speak to the Israelites] “When a leader sins unintentionally and does what is forbidden in any of the commands of the LORD his God, he is guilty. When he is made aware of the sin he committed, he must bring as his offering a male goat without defect. He is to **lay his hand on** the goat's head

and slaughter it at the place where the burnt offering is slaughtered before the LORD. It is a sin offering.

Lev. 4:27-29 [God instructing Moses what to speak to the Israelites] “If a member of the community sins unintentionally and does what is forbidden in any of the LORD’s commands, he is guilty. When he is made aware of the sin he committed, he must bring as his offering for the sin he committed a female goat without defect. He is to **lay his hand on** the head of the sin offering and slaughter it at the place of the burnt offering.

Lev. 4:32-33 [God instructing Moses what to speak to the Israelites] “If he [a member of the community] brings a lamb as his sin offering, he is to bring a female without defect. He is to **lay his hand on** its head and slaughter it for a sin offering at the place where the burnt offering is slaughtered.

Lev. 8:14-15 [Context: the ordination of Aaron and his sons] He [Moses] then presented the bull for the sin offering, and Aaron and his sons **laid their hands on** its head. Moses slaughtered the bull and took some of the blood, and with his finger he put it on all the horns of the altar to purify the altar. He poured out the rest of the blood at the base of the altar. So he consecrated it to make atonement for it.

Lev. 8:18-24 [Context: the ordination of Aaron and his sons] He then presented the ram for the burnt offering, and Aaron and his sons **laid their hands on** its head. Then Moses slaughtered the ram and sprinkled the blood against the altar on all sides. He cut the ram into pieces and burned the head, the pieces and the fat. He washed the inner parts and the legs with water and burned the whole ram on the altar as a burnt offering, a pleasing aroma, an offering made to the LORD by fire, as the LORD commanded Moses.

He then presented the other ram, the ram for the ordination, and Aaron and his sons **laid their hands on** its head. Moses slaughtered the ram and took some of its blood and put it on the lobe of Aaron’s right ear, on the thumb of his right hand and on the big toe of his right foot. Moses also brought Aaron’s sons forward and put some of the blood on the lobes of their right ears, on the thumbs of their right hands and on the big toes of their right feet. Then he sprinkled blood against the altar on all sides.

Lev. 16:20-22 [regulations for the Day of Atonement] “When Aaron has finished making atonement for the Most Holy Place, the Tent of Meeting and the altar, he shall bring forward the live goat. He is to **lay both hands on** the head of the live goat and confess over it all the wickedness and rebellion of the Israelites – all their sins – and put them on the goat’s head. He shall send the goat away into the desert in the care of a man appointed for the task. The goat will carry on itself all their sins to a solitary place; and the man shall release it in the desert.

Lev. 24:13-16 Then the LORD said to Moses: “Take the blasphemer outside the camp. All those who heard him are to **lay their hands on** his head, and the entire assembly is to stone him. Say to the Israelites: ‘If anyone curses his God, he will be held responsible; anyone who blasphemes the name of the LORD must be put to death. The entire assembly must stone him. Whether an alien or native-born, when he blasphemes the Name, he must be put to death.

Nu. 8:9-11 Bring the Levites to the front of the Tent of Meeting and assemble the whole Israelite community. You are to bring the Levites before the LORD, and the Israelites are to **lay their hands on** them. Aaron is to present the Levites before the LORD as a wave offering from the Israelites, so that they may be ready to do the work of the LORD.

Nu. 8:12-14 “After the Levites **lay their hands on** the heads of the bulls, use the one for a sin offering to the LORD and the other for a burnt offering, to make atonement for the Levites. Have the Levites stand in front of Aaron and his sons and then present them as a wave offering to the LORD. In this way you are to set the Levites apart from the other Israelites, and the Levites will be mine.

Nu. 27:15-23 Moses said to the LORD, “May the LORD, the God of the spirits of all mankind, appoint a man over this community to go out and come in before them, one who will lead them out and bring them in, so the LORD's people will not be like sheep without a shepherd.”

So the LORD said to Moses, “Take Joshua son of Nun, a man in whom is the spirit, and **lay your hand on** him. Have him stand before Eleazar the priest and the entire assembly and commission him in their presence. Give him some of your authority so the whole Israelite community will obey him. He is to stand before Eleazar the priest, who will obtain decisions for him by inquiring of the Urim before the LORD. At his command he and the entire community of the Israelites will go out, and at his command they will come in.”

Moses did as the LORD commanded him. He took Joshua and had him stand before Eleazar the priest and the whole assembly. Then he **laid his hands on** him and commissioned him, as the LORD instructed through Moses.

Dt. 34:9 Now Joshua son of Nun was filled with the spirit of wisdom because Moses had **laid his hands on** him. So the Israelites listened to him and did what the LORD had commanded Moses.

2Chr. 29:23 The goats for the sin offering were brought before the king and the assembly, and they **laid their hands on** them.

Dan. 10:10-11 A **hand touched** me and set me trembling on my hands and knees. He said, “Daniel, you who are highly esteemed, consider carefully the words I am about to speak to you, and stand up, for I have now been sent to you.” And when he said this to me, I stood up trembling.

Dan. 10:18 Again the one who looked like a man **touched** me and gave me strength.

Mt. 8:2-3 A man with leprosy came and knelt before him and said, “Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean.”
Jesus **reached out his hand and touched** the man. “I am willing,” he said. “Be clean!” Immediately he was cured of his leprosy.

Mt. 8:14-15 When Jesus came into Peter's house, he saw Peter's mother-in-law lying in bed with a fever. He **touched her hand** and the fever left her, and she got up and began to wait on him.

Mt. 9:18-19 While he was saying this, a ruler came and knelt before him and said, "My daughter has just died. But come and **put your hand on** her, and she will live." Jesus got up and went with him, and so did his disciples.

Mt. 9:25 After the crowd had been put outside, he went in and **took** the girl **by the hand**, and she got up.

Mt. 9:28-30 When he had gone indoors, the blind men came to him, and he asked them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?"

"Yes, Lord," they replied.

Then he **touched** their eyes and said, "**According to your faith will it be done to you**"; and their sight was restored. Jesus warned them sternly, "See that no one knows about this."

Mt. 17:6-7 When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. But Jesus came and **touched** them. "**Get up,**" he said. "**Don't be afraid.**"

Mt. 19:13-15 Then little children were brought to Jesus for him to **place his hands on** them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked those who brought them.

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." When he had **placed his hands on** them, he went on from there.

Mt. 20:32-34 Jesus stopped and called them. "**What do you want me to do for you?**" he asked.

"Lord," they answered, "we want our sight."

Jesus had compassion on them and **touched** their eyes. Immediately they received their sight and followed him.

Mk. 1:30-31 Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told Jesus about her. So he went to her, **took her hand** and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them.

Mk. 1:40-42 A man with leprosy came to him and begged him on his knees, "If you are willing, you can make me clean."

Filled with compassion, Jesus **reached out his hand and touched** the man. "**I am willing,**" he said. "**Be clean!**"

Mk. 5:22-24 Then one of the synagogue rulers, named Jairus, came there. Seeing Jesus, he fell at his feet and pleaded earnestly with him, "My little daughter is dying. Please come and **put your hands on** her so that she will be healed and live." So Jesus went with him.

Mk. 5:40b-42 After he put them all out, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was. He **took** her **by the hand** and said to her, "**Talitha koum!**" (which means, "**Little girl, I say to you, get up!**"). Immediately the girl stood up and walked around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished.

Mk. 6:5-6 He could not do any miracles there, except **lay his hands on** a few sick people and heal them. And he was amazed at their lack of faith.

Mk. 7:32-35 There some people brought to him a man who was deaf and could hardly talk, and they begged him to **place his hand on** the man.

After he took him aside, away from the crowd, Jesus **put his fingers into the man's ears**. Then he spit and **touched** the man's tongue. He looked up to heaven and with a deep sigh said to him, "**Ephphatha!**" (which means, "Be opened!"). At this, the man's ears were opened, his tongue was loosened and he began to speak plainly.

Mk. 8:22-25 They came to Bethsaida, and some people brought a blind man and begged Jesus to touch him. He took the blind man by the hand and led him outside the village. When he had spit on the man's eyes and **put his hands on** him, Jesus asked, "**Do you see anything?**"

He looked up and said, "I see people; they look like trees walking around."

Once more Jesus **put his hands on** the man's eyes. Then his eyes were opened, his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly.

Mk. 9:27 But Jesus **took him** [the boy who looked like a corpse] **by the hand** and lifted him to his feet, and he stood up.

Mk. 10:13-16 People were bringing little children to Jesus to have him **touch** them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "**Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.**" And he took the children in his arms, **put his hands on** them and blessed them.

Mk. 16:17-18 **And these signs will accompany those who believe: In my name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all; they will place their hands on** sick people, and they will get well."

Lk. 4:40 When the sun was setting, the people brought to Jesus all who had various kinds of sickness, and **laying his hands on** each one, he healed them.

Lk. 5:12-13 While Jesus was in one of the towns, a man came along who was covered with leprosy. When he saw Jesus, he fell with his face to the ground and begged him, "Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean."

Jesus **reached out his hand and touched** the man. "I am willing," he said. "**Be clean!**" And immediately the leprosy left him.

Lk. 8:53-55 They laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But he **took her by the hand** and said, "**My child, get up!**" Her spirit returned, and at once she stood up. Then Jesus told them to give her something to eat.

Lk. 13:13 Then he [Jesus] **put his hands on** her [the woman who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years], and immediately she straightened up and praised God.

Lk. 18:15-16 People were also bringing babies to Jesus to have him **touch** them. When the disciples saw this, they rebuked them. But Jesus called the children to him and said, "**Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.**"

- Lk. 22:50-51** And one of them struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his right ear. But Jesus answered, **"No more of this!"** And he **touched** the man's ear and healed him.
- Ac. 3:6-7** Then Peter said, "Silver or gold I do not have, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk." **Taking him by the right hand**, he helped him up, and instantly the man's feet and ankles became strong.
- Ac. 6:6** They presented these men to the apostles, who prayed and **laid their hands on** them.
- Ac. 8:14-20** When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. When they arrived, they prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit, because the Holy Spirit had not yet come upon any of them; they had simply been baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus. Then Peter and John **placed their hands on** them, and they received the Holy Spirit.
- When Simon saw that the Spirit was given at the **laying on of the apostles' hands**, he offered them money and said, "Give me also this ability so that everyone on whom I **lay my hands** may receive the Holy Spirit."
- Peter answered: "May your money perish with you, because you thought you could buy the gift of God with money!"
- Ac. 9:12** In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and **place his hands on him to restore his sight.**"
- Ac. 9:17-19** Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. **Placing his hands on** Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord – Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here – has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.
- Ac. 13:2-3** While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." So after they had fasted and prayed, they **placed their hands on** them and sent them off.
- Ac. 19:6** When Paul **placed his hands on** them [twelve Ephesian disciples], the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied.
- Ac. 28:8** His father was sick in bed, suffering from fever and dysentery. Paul went in to see him and, after prayer, **placed his hands on** him and healed him.
- 1Ti. 4:14** Do not neglect your gift, which was given you through a prophetic message when the body of elders **laid their hands on** you.
- 1Ti. 5:22** Do not be hasty in **the laying on of hands**, and do not share in the sins of others. Keep yourself pure.
- 2Ti. 1:6** For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through **the laying on of my hands.**

Heb. 6:1-2 Therefore let us leave the elementary teachings about Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again the foundation of repentance from acts that lead to death, and of faith in God, instruction about baptisms, **the laying on of hands**, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment.

Rev. 1:17 When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he **placed his right hand on** me and said: **"Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last.**

God “laying his hand” on someone (21)

2Ki. 3:15-16 [Elisha speaking] But now bring me a harpist.”

While the harpist was playing, **the hand of the LORD came upon** Elisha and he said, “This is what the LORD says: Make this valley full of ditches.

2Chr. 30:12 Also in Judah **the hand of God was on** the people to give them unity of mind to carry out what the king and his officials had ordered, following the word of the LORD.

Ezr. 7:6 this Ezra came up from Babylon. He was a teacher well versed in the Law of Moses, which the LORD, the God of Israel, had given. The king had granted him everything he asked, for **the hand of the LORD his God was on** him.

Ezr. 7:9 He had begun his journey from Babylon on the first day of the first month, and he arrived in Jerusalem on the first day of the fifth month, for the gracious **hand of his God was on** him.

Ezr. 7:28 and who has extended his good favor to me before the king and his advisers and all the king’s powerful officials. Because **the hand of the LORD my God was on** me, I took courage and gathered leading men from Israel to go up with me.

Ezr. 8:18 Because the gracious **hand of our God was on** us, they brought us Sherebiah, a capable man, from the descendants of Mahli son of Levi, the son of Israel, and Sherebiah’s sons and brothers, 18 men;

Ezr. 8:22 I was ashamed to ask the king for soldiers and horsemen to protect us from enemies on the road, because we had told the king, “The gracious **hand of our God is on** everyone who looks to him, but his great anger is against all who forsake him.”

Ezr. 8:31 On the twelfth day of the first month we set out from the Ahava Canal to go to Jerusalem. The **hand of our God was on** us, and he protected us from enemies and bandits along the way.

Neh. 2:8 And may I have a letter to Asaph, keeper of the king’s forest, so he will give me timber to make beams for the gates of the citadel by the temple and for the city wall and for the residence I will occupy?” And because the gracious **hand of my God was upon** me, the king granted my requests.

Neh. 2:18 I also told them about the gracious **hand of my God upon** me and what the king had said to me.

They replied, “Let us start rebuilding.” So they began this good work.

Ps. 80:17 Let **your hand rest on** the man at your right hand, the son of man you have raised up for yourself.

Ps. 139:5 You hem me in – behind and before;
you have **laid your hand upon** me.

- Is. 8:11 The LORD spoke to me with **his** strong **hand upon** me, warning me not to follow the way of this people. He said:
- Jer. 15:6 You have rejected me,” declares the LORD.
“You keep on backsliding.
So I will **lay hands on** you and destroy you;
I can no longer show compassion.
- Ez. 1:3 the word of the LORD came to Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, by the Kebar River in the land of the Babylonians. There **the hand of the LORD was upon** him.
- Ez. 3:14 The Spirit then lifted me up and took me away, and I went in bitterness and in the anger of my spirit, with the strong **hand of the LORD upon** me.
- Ez. 3:22 **The hand of the LORD was upon** me there, and he said to me, “Get up and go out to the plain, and there I will speak to you.”
- Ez. 8:1 In the sixth year, in the sixth month on the fifth day, while I was sitting in my house and the elders of Judah were sitting before me, **the hand of the Sovereign LORD came upon** me there.
- Ez. 33:22 Now the evening before the man arrived, **the hand of the LORD was upon** me, and he opened my mouth before the man came to me in the morning. So my mouth was opened and I was no longer silent.
- Ez. 37:1 **The hand of the LORD was upon** me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the LORD and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones.
- Ez. 40:1 In the twenty-fifth year of our exile, at the beginning of the year, on the tenth of the month, in the fourteenth year after the fall of the city – on that very day **the hand of the LORD was upon** me and he took me there.

laying hands on someone in hostility (11)

1Sa. 6:3 They answered, “If you return the ark of the god of Israel, do not send it away empty, but by all means send a guilt offering to him. Then you will be healed, and you will know why his **hand** has not been lifted from you.”

1Sa. 6:5 Make models of the tumors and of the rats that are destroying the country, and pay honor to Israel’s god. Perhaps he will lift his **hand** from you and your gods and your land.

1Sa. 23:17 “Don’t be afraid,” he said. “My father Saul will not **lay a hand on** you. You will be king over Israel, and I will be second to you. Even my father Saul knows this.”

1Sa. 26:9 But David said to Abishai, “Don’t destroy him! Who can **lay a hand on** the LORD’s anointed and be guiltless?”

1Sa. 26:11 But the LORD forbid that I should **lay a hand on** the LORD’s anointed. Now get the spear and water jug that are near his head, and let’s go.”

1Sa. 26:23 The LORD rewards every man for his righteousness and faithfulness. The LORD delivered you into my hands today, but I would not **lay a hand on** the LORD’s anointed.

Neh. 13:21 But I warned them and said, “Why do you spend the night by the wall? If you do this again, I will **lay hands on** you.” From that time on they no longer came on the Sabbath.

Lk. 21:12 “But before all this, they will **lay hands on** you and persecute you. They will deliver you to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors, and all on account of my name.

Lk. 22:53 Every day I was with you in the temple courts, and you did not **lay a hand on** me. But this is your hour – when darkness reigns.”

Jn. 7:30 At this they tried to seize him, but no one **laid a hand on** him, because his time had not yet come.

Jn. 7:44 Some wanted to seize him, but no one **laid a hand on** him.

laying on of hands used as a figure of speech (4)

- Job 9:33** If only there were someone to arbitrate between us,
to **lay his hand upon** us both,
- Job 30:24** “Surely no one **lays a hand on** a broken man
when he cries for help in his distress.
- Job 41:8** If you **lay a hand on** him,
you will remember the struggle and never do it again!
- Is. 11:14** They will swoop down on the slopes of Philistia to the west;
together they will plunder the people to the east.
They will **lay hands on** Edom and Moab,
and the Ammonites will be subject to them.

laying hands on property (6)

- Ex. 22:8** But if the thief is not found, the owner of the house must appear before the
judges to determine whether he has **laid his hands on** the other man's property.
- Ex. 22:11** the issue between them will be settled by the taking of an oath before the
LORD that the neighbor did not **lay hands on** the other person's property. The
owner is to accept this, and no restitution is required.
- 1Chr. 13:10** The LORD's anger burned against Uzzah, and he struck him down because
he had **put his hand on** the ark. So he died there before God.
- Est. 9:10** the ten sons of Haman son of Hammedatha, the enemy of the Jews. But
they did not **lay their hands on** the plunder.
- Est. 9:15** The Jews in Susa came together on the fourteenth day of the month of Adar,
and they put to death in Susa three hundred men, but they did not **lay their hands
on** the plunder.
- Est. 9:16** Meanwhile, the remainder of the Jews who were in the king's provinces also
assembled to protect themselves and get relief from their enemies. They killed
seventy-five thousand of them but did not **lay their hands on** the plunder.