**Hammurabi’s Code Analysis**

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15. If any one takes a male or female slave outside the city gates, he shall be put to death.

 21. If anyone breaks a hole into a house [break in to steal], he shall be put to death before that hole and be buried.

104. If a merchant gives an agent corn, wool, oil, or any other goods to transport, the agent shall give a receipt for the amount, and pay the merchant. Then he shall obtain a receipt from the merchant for the money that he gives the merchant.

202. If anyone strikes the body of a man higher in rank than he, he shall receive sixty blows with an ox-whip in public.

117. If anyone fails to pay his debt, and sells himself, his wife, his son, and daughter for money or gives them away to slavery: they shall work for three years in the house of the man who bought them, and in the fourth year they shall be set free.

132. If the "finger is pointed" at a man's wife about another man, but she is not caught sleeping with the other man, she shall jump into the river for her husband.

133. If a man is taken prisoner in war, and there is food in his house, but his wife leaves that house and goes to another house: because this wife did not keep her court, and went to another house, she shall be thrown into the water.

 134. If anyone is captured in war and there is not food in his house, if his wife go to another house this woman shall not be blamed.

195. If a son strikes his father, his hands shall be cut off.

 196. If a man put out the eye of another man, his eye shall be put out.

203. If a free-born man strikes the body of another free-born man or equal rank, he shall pay one gold mina

204. If a freed man strikes the body of another freed man, he shall pay ten shekels in money.

205. If the slave of a freed man strikes the body of a freed man, his ear shall be cut off.

 274. If anyone hires a skilled artisan, he shall pay as wages five gerahs, for wages of the potter five gerahs, for a tailor five gerahs, for a rope maker four gerahs.

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