

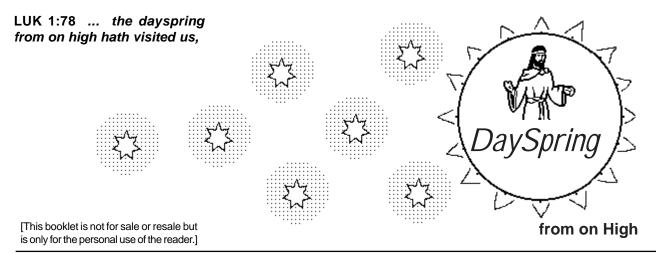
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REV 4:8 ... Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

The seraphim are beings that inhabit the throne room. And it also is in the throne room that we are told that we will find Jesus - for the scriptures tell us that He sits at the right hand of the Father.

ACT 2:32 This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.

33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

And Christianity with great anticipation awaits for this same Jesus to come again in like manner as He left the earth.

ACT 1:10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;

11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

12 Then returned they unto Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet ...

And apparently, this coming of Jesus will not at all be hidden, but "every eye will see him".

REV 1:7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; **and every eye shall see him**, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

We would characterize these scriptures as describing the general return of the Lord Jesus Christ to the earth. But, like a great play, there are many acts of preparation that lead up to the great climax or His return to the earth. Are there those who are now walking on the earth today who will be taken backstage and participate in preparations now being made for the climactic event of His return?

HEB 9:28 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

Is it possible that **before** the general return of Christ that "unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time"? Read the above scripture again. Could it **really**, **really**, **really** mean what it seems to say?

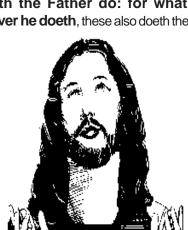
But isn't it true that Jesus is sitting on the right hand of the Father in the throne room? And if He were to appear to us, then, in most cases, we would be caught up to the throne room. Does this happen and will it happen before the general return of Christ to the earth?

REV 12:1 And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

- 2 And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.
- 3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.
- 4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.
- 5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

Indeed, it is true that this manchild will be caught up to the throne. For this manchild company of overcomers will operate under an open heaven even as our Savior Yeshua did when He walked the earth - for He saw His Father in the throne room.

JOH 5:19 Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise



REV 4:1 After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.

- 2 And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne.
- 3 And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald.

John was given the privilege of seeing into an open heaven and into the throne room - and all this while it would seem that he was stranded on the lonely island of Patmos. And what else did John see around the throne?

REV 4:4 And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats **I saw four** and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

- 5 And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.
- 6 And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind.
- 7 And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle.
- 8 And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

Thus, when the throne room was opened up, John saw the twenty-four elders, the Seven Spirits of God, the glassy sea and four living beasts or creatures. And before long, we shall determine that these four, six winged creatures that cry Holy, holy, holy are the very same as the four, six winged creatures that Isaiah saw when he described the seraphim in Isaiah chapter 6.

We are told that John was there in the spirit, but the scripture does not tell us at this point whether he was there in body. The Apostle Paul had a catching up experience also.

2CO 12:2 I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third heaven.

- 3 And I knew such a man, (whether in the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;)
- 4 How that he was caught up into paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter.

Jacob and Nathaniel had experiences where the heavens were opened to them.

GEN 28:12 And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it.

JOH 1:50 Jesus answered and said unto him, Because I said unto thee, I saw thee under the fig tree, believest thou? thou shalt see greater things than these.

51 And he saith unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Hereafter ye shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man.

So, from the above we can see that these experiences were more plentifully given than one might suppose. However, it is difficult to know if this occurred in spirit or in body and spirit. Certainly, the highest form of metamorphosis would be that of the transfigured body.



Jesus was transfigured upon a high mountain and this event was seen by only three of His disciples. Then Jesus pulled in the transfigured body to be hidden within his natural body and He and his three disciples went about their business without revealing this event to others.

MAT 17:2 And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.

- 7 And Jesus came and touched them, and said, Arise, and be not afraid.
- 8 And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only.
- 9 And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying, **Tell the vision to no man**, until the Son of man be risen again from the dead.

And one might wonder why we hear or see so little about transfiguration experiences. Could this mean that these experiences are largely private and even when they occur, they are pulled back in and hidden within the natural body - until such a time as some great event takes place. These who have their transfigured bodies will be ready and willing to supernaturally help those in the time of great persecution when the woman company flees into the wilderness.

REV 12:5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

- 6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and three-score days.
- 13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.



14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.

Those in this manchild company will be endowed with the powers given by the four creatures around the throne described by John the revelator. They will not only be endowed with the spirit of the lion, the calf, the man, but also with that of the eagle.

REV 4:6 And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind.

7 And the first beast was like a **lion**, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle.

8 And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

And in another place, an eagle is mentioned as flying through the midst of heaven warning of the woes that were to come upon the earth.

REV 8:12 And the fourth angel sounded and the third part of sun was eclipsed and the third part of the moon and third part of the moon and the third part of the stars, so that the third part of them was darkened, and day was darkened for a third part of it, and the night likewise.

13 And I beheld, and heard an eagle, having a tail red as it were blood, flying through the midst of heaven, saving with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe to those who dwell on the earth, by reason of the other sounds of the trumpets of the three angels which are vet to sound! Lamsa Peshitta translation from the

The above verses are directly translated from the Syriac or Aramaic language which Jesus and His followers also spoke. While the King James translation translates verse 13 as an "angel", the Lamsa Peshitta translates it as "eagle".

What are the activities of this eagle and how does it fit into the script of the seven act play which includes the seven trumpets and seven vials of Revelation? A narrative of the play might run like this: There is a seven year period of turmoil which is divided into two periods. The second period of three and one half years is called "the hour of temptation" and is referred to in various places as 42 months, or 1260 days or time, times, and half a time. At the end of the first three and one half period, the manchild will be birthed and caught up to the throne and a war in heaven will ensue where the Dragon (Satan) and his lieutenants are cast out of the heavens to the earth. The company of believers (the woman) that the manchild was birthed from will be severely persecuted in the earth. But the manchild will be given supernatural (eagle) powers and will interact with the woman - who flees from the persecution into the wilderness - to help her. This is the beginning of the final three and one half year period of testing where beast is also given power for 42 months. This red tailed eagle company of overcomers brings the blood of the Lamb and the power of His testimony in fullness to help the woman who is persecuted in the wilderness. The events of Revelation Chapter 12 actually occur during the half-point of the fourth trumpet - or at the three and one half year point of the seven year period. For, it is during this fourth trumpet that a third of the stars fall to earth (Rev 8:12). Given this context, let us look in once again on the narrative in Revelation 12.

REV 12:2 And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven: and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads

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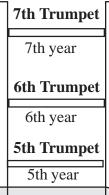
Revelation 12:4 mentions the same third part of the stars that fall that are referenced in Revelation 8:12. Next the manchild is caught up to the throne and the battle between the Dragon and the manchild begins in earnest. This is the three and one half year point and the woman flees into the wilderness for 1260 days (the hour of temptation).

REV 12:5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

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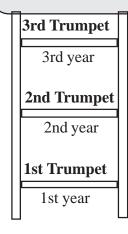
Given here is a timing outline of how the trumpets of Revelation 8 and the manchild birth in Revelation 12 align with each other. The 3&1/2 year time period from the middle of the 4th year to the 7th year is the hour of persecution by the beast (Rev13:5 & 17:12).

#### GENERAL RETURN OF CHRIST



4th Trumpet

# 3&1/2 YEAR POINT BIRTH OF MANCHILD



Once the manchild is birthed and caught up to the throne, the period of persecution begins for the woman who flees into the wilderness for 3&1/2 years. There the eagle company of overcomers ministers to her.

Contrary to popular opinion, the catching up of the manchild initially is not a time of great bliss, but it is a time of intense warfare in the heavens. But, in the end, Satan is cast out of the heavens.

REV 12:7 **And there was war in heaven**: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

- 8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.
- 9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.
- 10 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

Those that are in the red tailed eagle company will use all the weapons at their disposal in overcoming Satan. Then, once the heavens are cleared, they will aid the woman in the wilderness in fighting the dragon. For these eagle company overcomers will be able to translate between the heavens and earth with ease.

REV 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

- 12 Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.
- 13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.
- 14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.

And, at the end of this second 3&1/2 year period, the seventh trumpet shall blow and the kingdoms of this world will become the kingdoms of our Lord and His Christ.

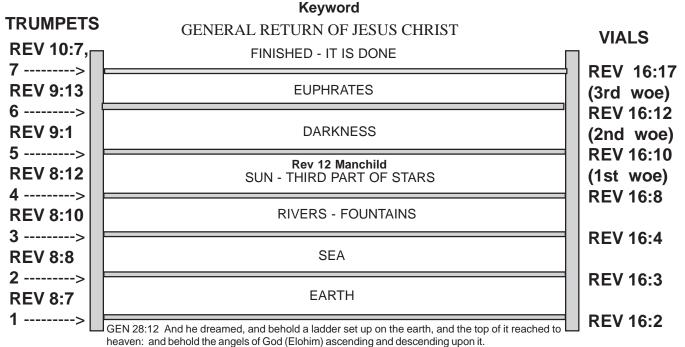
REV 11:15 And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

- 16 And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God,
- 17 Saying, We give thee thanks, **O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come;** because thou hast taken to thee
  thy great power, and hast reigned.

And when this happens, the 24 elders and creation shall sing the song of the Seraphim in worship of the "Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come". For Revelation 4:8-11 tells us that the 24 elders fall on their face in worship when the four creatures praise the Lord God Almighty.

There are some that might object that the narrative of the events that we have presented previous to the general return of Christ is out of chronology in the chapters of Revelation. For example, how can one jump from the first four trumpets in Revelation chapter 8 to the manchild events in Revelation chapter 12 and then back to chapters 8, 9 & 10 for the remaining trumpets? However, one will find that those who try to explain Revelation in chronological order end up with a horribly confusing account. What these writers do not realize is that much of Revelation is written as parallel overlays. The seven trumpets described beginning in Revelation 8 are overlaid by the seven vials described in Revelation 16. They describe the same events. The matrix given below will help those who are serious in understanding this truth. However, for now, we will leave it at that and go on to the main subject of this writing which is to understand the seraphim and how the overcomers are endowed with the seraphic fire of the seraphim as they climb the ladder of ascension to transfiguration.

# TRUMPETS - VIALS - MANCHILD MATRIX



In chapter 6 Isaiah described the six winged Seraphim that cried Holy, holy, holy. And in Revelation chapter 4, John described these six winged beings. What are Seraphim? A general background is given below from the Britannica.

SERAPHIM, six winged beings seen by Isaiah in vision (Isa. 6:2-6) standing by the throne of God and singing his praises. The Hebrew term is essentially an adjective meaning "winged" or "fiery ones." The singular saraph occurs in Num. 21:6-8 and in Deut. 8:15 and Isa. 30:6, mentioned in the last case in association with scorpions...

In early Christian times the seraphim came to be considered as a category of angels, comparable to thecherubim, and in the nine "choirs" of angels they held the highest rank. In Christian liturgy, the best-known use of the word is in the *Te Deum:* "To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth." *See* ANGEL.

...In his teaching Jesus frequently refers to angels, suggests the idea of a guardian angel for children (Matt xviii, 10) and stresses the presence of the angelic multitudes at his final coming in glory. But is it especially in St. Paul's letters and in Revelation the doctrine concerning angels is presented with greatest amplitude. Christ is the head of angels as well as men. Seven group-names receive mention: angels, archangels, principalities, powers, virtues, dominions and thrones (I Thess. iv, 16, Rom. viii, 38, Eph. i, 21; Col. i, 16; ii, 15). Together with the cherubim and seraphim, named in the Old Testament, this listing gave rise in patristic times to the theory of the nine choirs of angels ...

The Encyclopedia Judaica gives this report concerning the Seraphim.

SERAPH (*seraf*) the term seraph, whose etymology is obscure, appears in the Bible in two distinct contexts. It appears in the singular and plural as the name of a species serpent (Num, 21:6; Deut. 8:15; Isa. 14:29; 30:6). In Numbers 21 the Lord sends "seraph-snakes" to punish the complaining Israelites (when the people complain the Lord tells Moses to make a "seraph" and place it on a standard, to serve as a homeopathic apotropaic device, whereupon Moses makes a copper serpent (snake, 21:9)). In Isaiah 14:29 and 30:6, the word *saraf* is qualified by the word *me'ofef*, "flying," so that appears that the seraph-snake is a purely legendary species.

Seraphim in Isaiah 6:2,6 must be distinguished from the foregoing. These are depicted as composite semidivine beings with three pairs of wings; they stand, fly, and proclaim God's ineffable holiness before the divine throne. As guardians of a throne they recall the cherubim in Ezekiel 1, although unlike the latter they do not serve as a divine chariot...

Now that we have developed some background about the Seraphim, lets consult Strong's Concordance.

#### Strong's Reference Number: 8314 Seraphim

Derivation: Derived from 8313 Transliteration and definition: *saraph* burning ,i.e. (fig.) poisonous (serpent); spec. a saraph or symbol. creature (from their copper color)

#### Strong's Reference Number: 8313

Derivation: A Primary Word Transliteration and definition: saraph to be (caus. set) on fire

Now, let us examine Isaiah's vision of the seraphim in detail.

ISA 6:1 In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

Isaiah's vision was given "in the year king Uzziah died". And perhaps before we are permitted to look into the throne room and see the Lord high and lifted up the king Uzziah mentality must die within each of us. King Uzziah was a mighty king who constructed many weapons. And, in his pride, he even went into the temple to burn incense. Then an earthquake occurred and cracked the overhead of the temple and Uzziah suddenly became leprous. At that time, his "pride" died.

2CH 26:14 And **Uzziah** prepared for them throughout all the host shields, and spears, and helmets, and habergeons, and bows, and slings to cast stones.

15 And he made in Jerusalem engines, invented by cunning men, to be on the towers and upon the bulwarks, to shoot arrows and great stones withal. And his name spread far abroad; for he was marvellously helped, till he was strong.

16 But when he was strong, his heart was lifted up to his destruction: for he transgressed against the LORD his God, and went into the temple of the LORD to burn incense upon the altar of incense.

2CH 26:20 And Azariah the chief priest, and all the priests, looked upon him, and, **behold**, **he was leprous in his forehead**, and they thrust him out from thence; yea, himself hasted also to go out, because the LORD had smitten him.



ZEC 14:4 And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.

5 And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with thee.

We often think of pride in worldly terms, but a more deadly form of pride is religious pride. It is this "strong as an oak tree" pride that keeps the heavens above us sealed and prevents us from seeing into the throne room so that "unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time".









Now that we have disposed of the king Uzziah mentality, let continue to look at Isaiah's description of the seraphims. But at the same time, lets put John's description of the four beasts side by side with it for comparison.

ISA 6:1...I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

- 2 Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.
- 3 And one cried unto another, and said, **Holy, holy,** holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.
- 4 And the posts of the **door** moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.
- 5 Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.
- ISA 6:6 Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:
- 7 And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

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- 6 And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind.
- 7 And the first beast was like a **lion**, and the second beast like a **calf**, and the third beast had a face as a **man**, and the fourth beast was like a flying **eagle**.
- 8 And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

REV 8:3 And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

There is little doubt that what Isaiah saw and what John saw are one and the same. Each saw beings with six wings that cried Holy, holy, holy. Isaiah saw the posts of a door and John saw an open door. Isaiah saw an altar in the throne room and John later described a golden incense altar before the throne. And then Isaiah was told about the blindness that would befall Israel and John was told how that blindness would be taken away. Part of the answer was to be sent by God and to "buy gold tried in fire". But who could possibly endure the fiery refining process of the seraphic fire that was kindled on the golden altar so that their raiment would be whiter than fuller's cloth?

ISA 6:8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? **Then said I, Here am I; send me.** 

- 9 And he said, Go, and tell this people, Hear ye indeed, but understand not; and see ye indeed, but perceive not.
- 10 Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed.

REV 3:16 So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.

17 Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

18 I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

ISA 6:9 And he said, Go, and tell this people, **Hear** ye indeed, but understand not; and see ye indeed, but perceive not.

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19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

# WHY, OH WHY WAS ISRAEL BLINDED?

The phrases in Isaiah 6:10 above would give an evangelist fits. Why wouldn't God want the people to see with their eyes, hear with their ears and convert and be healed? In the short range, it makes no sense, but in the longer range perhaps it was written in the volume of their book to carry out God's greater purposes.

HEB 10:7 Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.

- 8 Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law;
- 9 Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.

The Israelites were the people of the law - but God wanted to replace it with something better - so He took away the first that He might establish the second. And here we enter into the mysteries of the oak and olive tree roots.

ROM 11:11 I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy.

- 12 Now if the fall of them be the riches of the world, and the diminishing of them the riches of the Gentiles; how much more their fullness?
- 14 If by any means I may provoke to emulation them which are my flesh, and might save some of them.
- 15 For if the casting away of them be the reconciling of the world, what shall the receiving of them be, but life from the dead?

ROM 11:16 For if the firstfruit be holy, the lump is also holy: and if the root be holy, so are the branches.

17 And if some of the branches be broken off, and thou, being a wild **olive tree**, wert graffed in among them, and with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree;

18 Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root thee.

20 Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith. Be not highminded, but fear:

If we continue on with the narrative from Isaiah 6. we will find that the oak tree of mighty strength suffered the same fate. Those of you who have ever done woodworking with oak know that it is one of the hardest woods to drive nails into (and the old man is very difficult to nail to the cross).

ISA 6:10 ... lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed.

- 11 Then said I, Lord, how long? And he answered, Until the cities be wasted without inhabitant, and the houses without man, and the land be utterly desolate,
- 12 And the LORD have removed men far away, and there be a great forsaking in the midst of the land.
- 13 But yet in it shall be a tenth, and it shall return, and shall be eaten: as a teil tree, and as an oak, whose substance is in them, when they cast their leaves: so the holy seed shall be the substance thereof.

Thus, God left a tithe of the oak tree in a root. This holy seed shall display the mighty strength of God without taking on a self-centered arrogance..

ISA 6:6 Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:

7 And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

Isaiah's experience in being caught up to the throne room and being touched on the mouth with a live coal was a very unique one. How could one be touched on the mouth with coals from the altar that would take away iniquity and purge sin?

JAM 3:4 Behold also the ships, which though they be so great, and are driven of fierce winds, yet are they turned about with a very small helm, whithersoever the governor listeth.

5 Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth!

6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members.

that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.

- 7 For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and hath been tamed of mankind:
- 8 But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.

And it is true that no man can tame the tongue, except with God's help. And the coals from the seraphic fire of the altar acted as a purifying process for Isaiah's tongue. And Isaiah then dipped his pen into the ink of heavens and wrote some of the most beautiful descriptions of Sion and the Jerusalem from above.

ISA 4:3 And it shall come to pass, that he that is left in Zion, and he that remaineth in Jerusalem, shall be called holy, even every one that is written among the living in Jerusalem:

4 When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning.

ISA 4:5 And the LORD will create upon every dwelling place of mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for upon all the glory shall be a defence.

6 And there shall be a tabernacle for a shadow in the daytime from the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain.

If God's method to remove sin and iniquity is to simply throw us into the fire and burn up sin, then why doesn't He just do that and get it over with? Well, perhaps in a way, we have just described the corrective processes of hell fire which brings one face to face with their sins and iniquities for a probationary age. And Isaiah recognized his unclean state before he received the purging with the coal.

ISA 6:5 Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.

Notice in Isaiah 4:6 above that a tabernacle was given for a refuge from the heat and also from rain. What would be the purpose of this dual shelter. Let us consider the heat first.

MAL 3:1 Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.

2 But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap:

We look forward to the return of Jesus Christ and Israel also looked forward to the coming of their Messiah. But, by and large, when he came they did not recognize his forerunner and they rejected Him and as a result went through many fiery trials of refining and cleansing with fuller's soap.

And in other places, we find that the coming of the Lord, for the unprepared, has its very serious and fiery side.

MAL 4:1 For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

2 But unto you that fear my name shall **the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings**; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

John the baptist was the forerunner messenger for Jesus and he also predicted great heat.

MAT 3:11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:

12 Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

LUK 3:16 John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire:

Why is it that we see the theme repeated of being baptized with the Holy Ghost **and** with fire? Why not just be baptized with the Holy Spirit or be baptized with fire? Jesus had this to say about the Holy Spirit.

JOH 7:37 In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, **If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.** 

38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, **out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.** 

39 (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

Is it a fair statement to say that Jesus used water as a symbol of the Holy Spirit?

And in another place, Yeshua spoke of the life giving qualities of water.

JOH 4:13 Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again:

14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

It is no surprise to those study the symbology of the scriptures that rain, rivers, springs and wells are often used to represent the life giving properties of the Holy Spirit. So, let us come back to our question, why did John the baptist say that we would be baptized with the Holy Spirit **and** with fire? Jesus often used natural examples to explain spiritual truths.

JOH 3:8 The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

12 If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things?

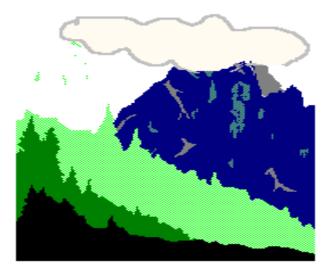
Jesus explained to Nicodemis the feminine attributes of the Spirit in terms of returning to the mother's womb. This, in the natural, is a very watery birth. But let's look at the fire and the water in the natural. Certainly, the source of the fiery heat that we receive is the sun. But what about areas of the earth that receive very little rainfall and a whole lot of sunshine? Are these not deserts? Yes, there may be some hardy plants, like an Isaiah, that can grow and flourish in the desert. But, by and large, the plants are cactus and prickly pear and in some severe places no plants at all - just sand. What about the opposite - places where there is too much rainfall? These are swampy places where molds, algae, peculiar plants, frogs, and crocodiles thrive.

It is clear that a balance between the fiery sun rays and the life giving water is needed. It is also a balance between the fiery, law giving, word, nature of God that Moses encountered and the tender, soothing, merciful, cool water of the Spirit. We will now present a story about how mankind lost the perfect balance of the fire and the Spirit.

#### **A STORY**

In the beginning, upon the top of the mountain, there was a pool of clear, cold water called the Virgin's spring. Around it was the fuller's highway or highway of transfiguration. The church that drank of the sparkling clear, cool water was the Church of the Firstborn of the Most High (El Elyon).

HEB 12:22 But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,



23 To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,

And then a great tragedy occurred and some fell from the plateau at the top of the mountain to a lower plain. They could not find their way back up to the mountain top which became shrouded by a mist. They could only look through the mist darkly to the top of the mountain. The water that flowed down from the mountain top was damned up and was called the lower pool.

ISA 22:9 Ye have seen also the breaches of the city of David, that they are many: and ye gathered together the waters of the lower pool.

10 And ye have numbered the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses have ye broken down to fortify the wall.

11 Ye made also a ditch between the two walls for the water of the old pool: but ye have not looked unto the maker thereof, neither had respect unto him that fashioned it long ago.

While this water refreshed, some complained that those shepherds responsible for it had fouled the waters with their feet and the waters were stagnant.

EZE 34:10 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against the shepherds; and I will require my flock at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the flock; neither shall the shepherds feed themselves any more; for I will deliver my flock from their mouth, that they may not be meat for them.

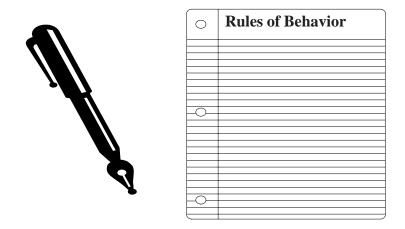
18 Seemeth it a small thing unto you to have eaten up the good pasture, but ye must tread down with your feet the residue of your pastures? and to have drunk of the deep waters, but ye must foul the residue with your feet?

19 And as for my flock, they eat that which ye have trodden with your feet; and they drink that which ye have fouled with your feet.

After a while, this group set up its own government because it was too difficult to communicate with the top of the mountain where the Virgin's spring flowed and the Sun of transfiguration was always shining in the fuller's field.

#### THE STORY CONTINUED

Some fell even further down the mountain where the water from the upper pool and even the lower pool no longer reached them. They remembered the refreshing flow from the spring of the Spirit, but since they had no water, they wrote about it in letters. This place became known as the land of the LAW.



2CO 3:6 Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.

ROM 7:6 But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not in the oldness of the letter.

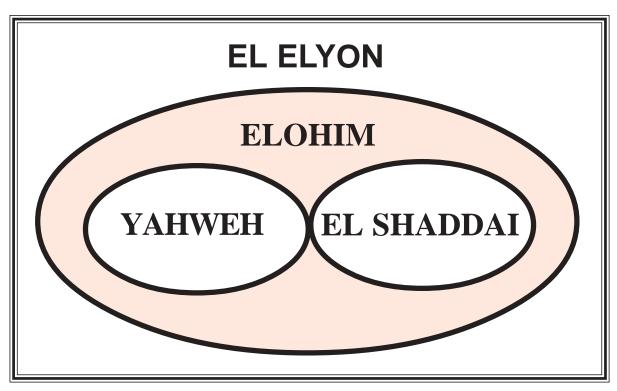
And in a land below the LAW was a desert area called the LAWLESS. This was a land where everyone did what was right in their own eyes.



In this story, we see a picture of how the creation fell further and further away from its origin in God. As we came down the mountain our portion of the clear, cool water of the Spirit became less and less. To return to that mountain top, we must reject the faulty thinking that caused the fall in the first place and let the garden of our mind be watered by the Spirit.

PSALM 91:1 He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High (EL ELYON) shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty (EL SHADDAI).

PSALM 91:2 I will say of the LORD (YAHWEH), He is my refuge and my fortress: my God (ELOHIM); in him will I trust.



EL ELYON - ALL IN ALL, THE HIGHEST YAHWEH - FATHER - FIRE EL SHADDAI - BREAST, MOTHER, SPIRIT, WISDOM, WATER ELOHIM - PARENTS

The above model depicts the various natures of the Godhead. Yahweh represents the fiery, masculine nature of God that deals with word and structure. When Moses went upon the mountain, He was commissioned by Yahweh to bring forth the Law. Speech and law, reasoning and intellect are primarily functions of the left brain.

The El Shaddai portion of the Godhead is the feminine part. The Spirit (the womb of the morning where we return to be rebirthed) also encompasses the Seven Spirits of God and Wisdom. All of these

attributes belong to El Shaddai. These are attributes primarily of the right brain.

First came the law from the burning bush, but something was missing - and mankind needed to baptized in the Holy Spirit - so Jesus, the mediator, asked the Father to send the earnest of the Holy Spirit that we might come one step closer to possessing the fullness of the Godhead bodily.

COL 2:9 For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

- ACT 2:1 And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.
- 2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.
- 3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.
- 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

John the baptist spoke of a baptism in the Holy Spirit and with fire. And that promise was fulfilled on the day of Pentecost. First, enough of that river of the Spirit was sent to perfectly balance the fiery law that had already



And we know that if we follow the footsteps of the pattern Son, there is more fire that is necessary before we achieve the fiery, celestial body of transfigura-

tion.

been received by the Hebrews. But an additional portion of the Spirit was added to balance the second portion of fire that was added from above. Did not Elisha receive a double portion of Elijah's spirit? Was not the temple of Solomon twice as large in dimensions as Moses' tabernacle in the wilderness? One portion of the fire was given for the law and another portion was given for the prophets.

2CO 1:21 Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God;

# 22 Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

However, those baptized in the Holy Spirit have only received the earnest of the Spirit. This means that there is a deeper depth to that river of the Spirit, but also that there is more fire to be balanced by the Spirit.

EZE 47:4 Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through the waters; the waters were to the knees. Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through; the waters were to the loins.

5 Afterward he measured a thousand; and it was a river that I could not pass over: for the waters were risen, waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed over.

For there is a glory of the resurrected body, but there is a higher glory of the transfigured, celestial body.

1CO 15:40 There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another.

41 There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory.

And the highest glory is reserved for overcoming all things by changing from mortality to immortality.

MAT 16:28 Verily I say unto you, **There be** some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.

17:1 And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart,

2 And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.

We earnestly desire that our bodies would be changed into transfigured bodies which are bright and shining as the sun. But, do we yet have the fullness of the river of the Spirit to balance the fiery sun of a transfigured body?

# Fire and I ce

GEN 5:23 And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years:

24 And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him.

JUD 1:14 And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,

The book of Jude quotes Enoch's writing in the book known as I Enoch. In the days of the early church fathers, the book of Enoch and Revelation were held in about equal esteem. But, over the years, as the scriptures were assembled into what we now call the Bible, the books of Enoch were not included.

In the visions given in I Enoch, we are given some unusual insights into the throne room. These are much like Revelation, but additional information is available. We have discussed how, when Spirit and Word are balanced, it is like fire and water coexisting in perfect harmony. Let us examine two of Enoch's accounts of the throne room.

I ENOCH 14:8 A vision thus appeared to me.

- 9 Behold, in that vision clouds invited me, and a mist invited me, the running of the stars and flashes of lightning impelled and pressed me forwards, while winds in the vision assisted my flight, hastening me.
- 10 They elevated me aloft to heaven. I proceeded, until I arrived at a wall built with stones of crystal. A tongue of fire surrounded it, which began to strike me with terror.
- 11 Into this vibrating flame I entered.
- 12 And drew nigh to a spacious habitation built also with stones of crystal. Its wall, too, as well as pavement, were formed with stones of crystal, and crystal likewise was the ground. Its roof had the appearance of the running of the stars and flashes of lightning; and among them were cherubim of fire whose heaven was water. A flame burned around its walls and its portal blazed with fire. When I entered into this dwelling, it was hot as fire and cold as ice. No trace of delight or of life was there. Terror overwhelmed me, and a fearful shaking seized me.

I ENOCH 14:13 Violently agitated and trembling, I fell upon my face. In the vision I looked.

- 14 And behold there was another habitation more spacious than the former, every entrance to which was open before me, erected in the midst of a vibrating flame.
- 15 So greatly did it excel in all points, in glory, in magnificence, and magnitude, that it is impossible to describe to you either the splendor or the extent of it.
- 16 Its floor was on fire, above were lightnings and agitated stars, while its roof exhibited a blazing fire.
- 17 Attentively I surveyed it, and saw that it contained an exalted throne.
- 18 The appearance of which was like that of frost; while its circumference resembled the orb of the brilliant sun; and there was the voice of the cherubim.
- 19 From underneath this mighty throne rivers of flaming fire issued.
- 20 To look upon it was impossible.
- 21 One great in glory sat upon it.
- 22 Whose robe was brighter than the sun, and whiter than snow.
- 23 No angel was capable of penetrating to view the face of Him, the Glorious and the Effulgent; nor could any mortal behold him. A fire of flaming fire was around Him.
- 24 A fire also of great extent continued to rise up before Him; so that not one of those who surrounded Him was capable of approaching Him, among the myriads of myriads who were before Him.

And He required not holy counsel. Yet did not the sanctified, who were near Him, depart not far from Him either by night or by day; nor were they removed from Him. I also was so far advanced, with a veil on my face, and trembling. Then the Lord with his own mouth called me, saying: Approach hither, Enoch, at my holy word.

Enoch's description of the cherubim matches Ezekiel's description of fiery beings with the terrible crystal over their heads (Eze 1:22). And when Enoch came through the crystal sea, he came into the throne room where the seraphim are not far from the throne. He received a veil that he might approach the fiery presence of the Lord.

JOB 38:22 Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow? or hast thou seen the treasures of the hail,

23 Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?

After reading Enoch's description of his ascent to the throne room, the above scripture in Job takes on a whole new meaning for us. For it is these treasures of snow and hail which provide the perfect balance for the fiery presence of the Lord. These are the waters of the crystal sea through which we ascend in order to overcome the mark of the beast.

REV 15:2 And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.

3 And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints.

The book of Jasher (mentioned in Joshua and II Samuel) tells us about Enoch's final journey before he disappeared into the heavens.

Jasher 3:5 And Enoch rose up according to the word of the Lord, and went forth from his house, from his place and from the chamber in which he was *concealed;* and he went to the sons of men and taught them the ways of the Lord, and at that time assembled the sons of men and acquainted them with the instruction of the Lord.

3:25 And now therefore I will teach you wisdom and knowledge and will give you instruction before I leave you, how to act upon earth whereby you may live; and he did so.

3:36 And when the kings returned they caused a census to be taken, in order to know the number of remaining men that went with Enoch; and it was upon the seventh day that Enoch ascended into heaven in a whirlwind, with horses and chariots of fire.

37 And on the eighth day all the kings that had been with Enoch sent to bring back the number of men that were with Enoch, in that place from which he ascended into heaven.

Jasher 3:38 And all those kings went to the place and they found the earth there filled with snow, and upon the snow were large stones of snow, and one said to the other, Come, let us break through the snow and see, perhaps the men that remained with Enoch are dead, and are now under the stones of snow, and they searched but could not find him, for he had ascended into heaven.

We have always known that Enoch translated, but perhaps we have not really considered the possibility that others translated with him into the whirlwind and were taken up in chariots of fire. And maybe all that was left behind as they traversed the glassy sea were the stones of snow. Those who have insight into this will find the following scriptures of interest.

PSA 68:13 Though ye have lien among the pots, yet shall ye be as the wings of a dove covered with silver, and her feathers with yellow gold.

14 When the Almighty scattered kings in it, it was white as snow in Salmon.

17 **The chariots of God are twenty thousand**, even thousands of angels: the Lord is among them, as in Sinai, in the holy place.

JUD 1:14 And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, **Behold**, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,

SON 6:13 Return, return, O Shulamite; return, return, that we may look upon thee. What will ye see in the Shulamite? **As it were the company of two armies.** 

It is one thing for a mortal to be taken up into the heavens, but it is another for him to be extracted out of his earthly clothing and to be clothed with immortality. Is there an account of Enoch's experience as he was translated into the heavens?

1CO 15:53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and **this mortal must put on immortality.** 

2CO 5:4 For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life.

### THE BREAKING OF THE ALABASTER BOX

What happened to Enoch after he was taken up into the heavens? Did he see the throne room and the cherubim and seraphim? What happened that caused him to leave his earthly body behind and enter a glorious celestial body? Let us find out.

II ENOCH 22:1 ... I saw the view of the face of the LORD, like iron made burning hot in a fire [and] brought out, and it emits sparks and is incandescent.

Thus even I saw the face of the LORD. But the face of the LORD is not to be talked about, it is so very marvelous and supremely awesome and supremely frightening.

2 [And] who am I to give an account of the incomprehensible being of the LORD, and of his face, so extremely strange and inde-

scribable? And how many are his commands, and his multiple voice, and the LORD's throne, supremely great and not made by hands, and choir stalls all around him, the cherubim and the seraphim armies, and their never-silent singing.

- 3 Who can give an account of his beautiful appearance, never changing and indescribable, and his great glory?
- 4 And I fell down flat and did obeisance to the LORD.
- 5 And the LORD, with his own mouth, said to me, "Be brave, Enoch! Don't be frightened! Stand up, and stand in front of my face forever."
- 6 And Michael, the LORD's archistratig, lifted me up and brought me in front of the face of the LORD. And the LORD said to his servants, sounding them out, "Let Enoch join in and stand in front of my face forever!"
- 7 And the LORD's glorious ones did obeisance and said, "Let Enoch yield in accordance with your word, O LORD!"
- 8 And the LORD said to Michael, "Go, and extract Enoch from [his] earthly clothing. And anoint him with my delightful oil, and put him into the clothes of my glory.

9 And so Michael did, just as the LORD had said to him. He anointed me and he clothed me. And the appearance of that oil is greater than the greatest light, and its ointment is like sweet dew, and its fragrance myrrh; and it is like the rays of the glittering sun.

10 And I looked at myself, and I had become like one of his glorious ones, and there was no observable difference.



This account of the throne is much like the ones in Daniel and Revelation, except that we are given additional details. Of particular interest is the account of the LORD and the singing choirs of the cherubim and seraphim about Him.

After Enoch received the special anointing which lifted him out of the earthly body, he was given a special pen

and told to write certain books about his experiences. We are reminded of the account of this same type of experience which is given in the Psalms.

PSA 45:1 My heart is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made touching the king: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer.

- 6 Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.
- 7 Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.
- 8 All **thy garments smell of myrrh, and aloes, and cassia**, out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.
- 9 Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women: **upon thy right hand did stand the queen in gold of Ophir.**

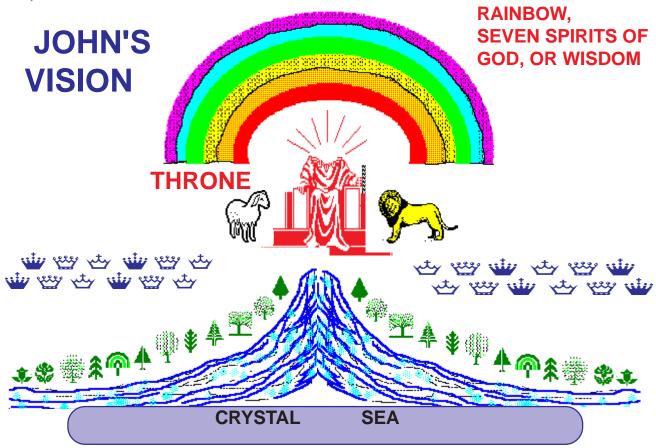
Enoch was not only introduced to the Royal Court and the kingly and queenly natures of the Godhead bodily, he was also invited to become part of the court.

REV 4:1 After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven ...

- 2 And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven...
- 3 And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald.

REV 22:1 And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits ...



So far in this writing, we have concentrated on the fiery presence of the altar, the seraphim, and the throne. But balancing this fiery presence is the "pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne". Now, we wa

ceeding out of the throne". Now, we want to further explore this river of the Spirit that is so necessary for us to even approach the throne. We say that we want transfigured bodies so that we can come and go like the wind. But a prerequisite is to be born of water and the womb of the Spirit.

JOH 3:4 Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?



JOH 3:5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

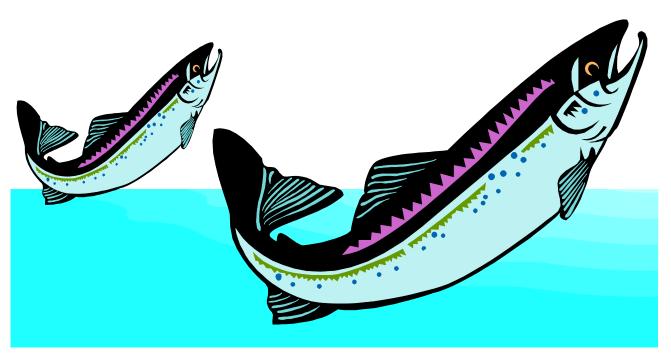
8 The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

We are like the salmon of the sea. There comes a time in our life that we have a yearning, and yea, even a compulsion to return to the place of our birth in the Spirit. And little do we realize that the place of our origin is the throne of God. Consider the spiritual lessons that we can learn from the natural parallel of the salmon returning to the place of its birth.

# In Search of Our Origins

ECC 1:7 All the rivers run into the sea; yet the sea is not full; unto the place from whence the rivers come, thither they return again.

REV 22:1 And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.



#### The Salmon:

- 1. They return from the ocean to the streambed of their origin to spawn
- 2. The journey inland may take several months and cover as much as 2000 miles.
- 3. Salmon can jump as high as 10 feet to ascend waterfalls. Fish Ladders are provided for ascent over dams.
- 4. The female lays eggs in a gravely stream bed while being protected by male.
- 5. Only a small percentage of salmon that are hatched reach the ocean and return to where they were born. It is said that they follow the scent of their home stream and are guided by ultra-violet or electromagnetic sensing.
- 6. Many salmon fall short of completing their journey. Some reach the "last fish ladder" and just can not go on.

The Most High sayeth unto His children - Return, return unto me. Follow the river of my Spirit to where you were conceived and birthed in the morning of creation. There are many of you that have grown tired and discouraged and think that you can not go on. And you can not go on in your own strength, but you can ask for my strength and you can make it back to your origins sayeth the Most High. You are so very, very close; run the race to its completion and receive the prize given to those who complete the course!

Isaiah saw the fiery seraphim and the throne, but what was his experience with the water of the Spirit?

ISA 6:6 Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:

- 7 And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.
- 8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.

What does it really mean to be sent by God? If God sends us, does He also send a measure of His Spirit with us?

JOH 3:34 For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him.

There is a realm in God beyond the baptism in the Holy Spirit (where we receive the earnest of the Spirit). This is the realm that Jesus walked in under an open heaven - where He had received the Spirit without measure. But why can not we see into this open heaven? Is it not because our spiritual eyes are not fully open? Isaiah was shown the spiritual blindness that would happen to Israel.

ISA 6:9 And he said, Go, and tell this people, Hear ye indeed, but understand not; **and see ye indeed, but perceive not.** 

10 Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed.

Isaiah's generation received spiritual blindness and the children's ... children's ... children of that generation were present in Jerusalem when Jesus came into His ministry. You might say that this generation was blind from birth. Was it the children's fault? Not necessarily because the children received this blindness from their forefathers that the glory of God might be revealed.

JOH 9:1 And as Jesus passed by, he saw a man which was blind from his birth.

2 And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?

JOH 9:3 Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.

- 4 I must work the works of him that sent me ...
- 6 When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay,
- 7 And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing.

This blind man represented Israel that was blinded for a purpose so that the Gentiles might be brought in. We must be careful not to condemn people because they have physical impairments or illnesses because it may be part of God's overall plan and only God knows the true circumstances.

ROM 11:7 What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded.

8 (According as it is written, God hath given them the spirit of slumber, eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear;) unto this day.

And how will the blindness be removed from Israel? We have only to look at the method that it was removed from the man blind from birth to understand how. Part of it involved the clay and spittle and another part involved washing in the pool of Siloam - which means "sent". When God "sent" Isaiah, was he not sent from that upper pool of the Spirit which is called Siloam? And does not Siloam mean "sent"? Isaiah was one of the elect - that holy root of the olive and the oak tree - and the rest were blinded.

ROM 11:25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in.

26 **And so all Israel shall be saved**: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

Sometimes, God uses geography to interact with spiritual truths. Those who were to first receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit were called to assemble in a certain upper room in Jerusalem. This does not mean that you now have to travel to Jerusalem to receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit, but that location was the initial outpouring. It may not be necessary to travel to Idaho to learn about the ancient cedar and fir tree spiritual applications, but what one sees there in the natural confirms spiritual truths. The same could be said about the pine trees of Alabama as relating to the pineal gland - or the mountains, rivers, and springs of the Shenandoah area of Virginia as relating to the virgin flow of the crystal clear water of the Spirit.

And we will shortly see that once Isaiah was admitted to the throne room and the place of the altar, he was soon taken to the location of the Virgin Spring of the Spirit. Yes, we have discussed the fiery incense altar, but did you know that water issued forth from under the right side of the altar? Did you know that this river had fish (men) in it and also had trees on each side?

EZE 47:1 Afterward he brought me again unto the door of the house; and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house stood toward the east, and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at the south side of the altar.

- 2 Then brought he me out of the way of the gate northward, and led me about the way without unto the utter gate by the way that looketh eastward; and, **behold**, **there ran out waters on the right side**.
- 7 Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the river were very many trees on the one side and on the other.

And it shall come to pass, that every thing that liveth, which moveth, whithersoever

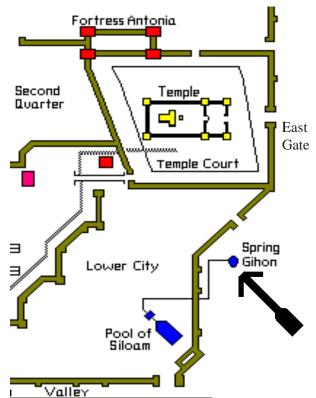
the rivers shall come, shall live: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; and every thing shall live whither the river cometh.



Isaiah chapter 6 gives the account of Isaiah's visit to the throne room. Does Isaiah chapter 7 have something to do with the water of the Spirit? Lets find out.

- ISA 7:1 And it came to pass in the days of Ahaz the son of Jotham, the son of Uzziah, king of Judah, that Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah the son of Remaliah, king of Israel, went up toward Jerusalem to war against it, but could not prevail against it.
- 2 And it was told the house of David, saying, Syria is confederate with Ephraim. And his heart was moved, and the heart of his people, as the trees of the wood are moved with the wind.
- 3 Then said the LORD unto Isaiah, Go forth now to meet Ahaz, thou, and Shearjashub thy son, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the fuller's field;

What is at the end of the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the fuller's field?



You have heard of the fountain gate and the water gate. On the south or right hand side of the temple there is a spring called Gihon. It is also known as the Virgin's spring. It flows through an tunnel constructed by king Hezekiah to the upper pool - also known as the pool of Siloam (which means "sent").

#### THE VIRGIN SPRING GIHON AND HEZEKIAH'S TUNNEL

2KI 20:20 And the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and all his might, and how he made a pool, and a conduit, and brought water into the city, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

"In 1880 some school boys were wading in the Pool of Siloam when one waded about nineteen feet into the conduit and discovered some peculiar marks cut into the east rock wall above the water level. They informed their teacher, a professor, who copied the inscription and had it translated.

Now this is the story of the boring through; while the excavators were still lifting up their picks, each toward his fellow, and there were yet three cubits to excavate, there was heard the voice of one calling to another, for there was a crevice in the rock, on the right hand. And on the day they completed the boring through, the stone-cutters struck pick against pick, one against the other; and the waters flowed from the spring to the pool, a distance of 1000 cubits. And a hundred cubits was the height of the rock above the heads of the stone cutters.

There was no explanation with the inscription. And none was needed, for all authorities agree that it was written about 702 B. C., when Hezekeiah, king of Judah, "made a pool, and a conduit, and brought water into the city" (II Kings 20:20) to preserve the waters of the spring of Gihon (Virgin's Fountain) for the inhabitants of Jerusalem when they were threatened with invasion and famine by the Assyrian host. The account in the Bible and the inscription agree. The engineers surveyed, and diggers began at both ends and worked toward the centeradistance of 1,770 feet." Above account from Thompson Chain Reference Bible

The history of the Spring Gihon is a fascinating one. One of the early accounts is how it was considered a gutter in the early years of King David. David received three anointings. The first was as a shepherd by when Samuel poured the horn of oil upon his head. The second anointing was as king of Judah. But the third anointing as king of Israel was not his until he captured Jerusalem. And the key to his capture of Jerusalem was the water source which the Jebusites treated as a "gutter". They were so entrenched in Jerusalem that they said that their lame and blind could defend it against David and his men. And likewise, how confident is the enemy of our soul that we will never eject him from our temple.

2SA 5:5 In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years over all Israel and Judah.

6 And the king and his men went to Jerusalem unto the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land: which spake unto David, saying, **Except** thou take away the blind and the lame, thou shalt not come in hither: thinking, David cannot come in hither.

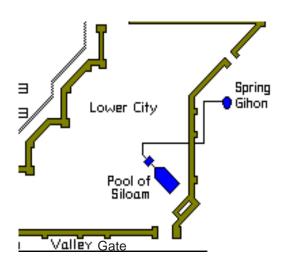
7 Nevertheless David took the strong hold of Zion: the same is the city of David.

8 And David said on that day, **Whosoever getteth up to the gutter**, and smiteth the Jebusites, and the lame and the blind that are hated of David's soul, he shall be chief and captain. Wherefore they said, The blind and the lame shall not come into the house.

But David had a plan and he used the enemies' gutter to gain entrance to the city and eject the Jebusites from their stronghold. For this gutter channeled the flow of the water. This act brought him into his third anointing as king of Israel. For sometimes God's plan is to call fire down from heaven to deal with an enemy, but other times he gives the wisdom of the Spirit to break strongholds in a different manner. Is it not written?

ZEC 4:6 Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, **Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts.** 

#### THE VIRGIN'S SPRING AND THE ROCK



In the time of Hezekiah, the major water supply was outside of the walls of Jerusalem and the inhabitants were very concerned that the enemy would come and take away their water supply. So a 1770 foot tunnel was cut through the rock bringing it within the city walls to the pool of Siloam. This became known as the old pool or upper pool.

ISA 22:11 Ye made also a ditch **between** the two walls for the water of the old **pool**: but ye have not looked unto the maker thereof, neither had respect unto him that fashioned it long ago.

2KI 25:4 And the city was broken up, and all the men of war fled by night by the way of the gate between two walls, **which is by the king's garden**: (now the Chaldees were against the city round about:) and the king went the way toward the plain.

The king's garden and the fountain and water gates are in this same area. When Jerusalem was captured by the Babylonians, the men of war fled out of the city through the tunnel system. We know that the temple was built upon a rock. What many do not realize is that under Jerusalem are many cisterns and caverns which tap into the rock.

Sometimes we can get so caught up in the natural Jerusalem and temple and the rock there that we lose sight of where the real temple is. Even in the natural, relating to the place where Jesus was crucified, we are given a hint as to where the real rock and the real temple are located.

MAT 27:33 And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull,

1CO 6:19 What? know ye not **that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost** which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?

Within our skull (rock) is the throne room of our temple. Unfortunately, we must fight a very fierce battle - even as David did - in order to dislodge the Jebusites that think that they own the throne room of our mind. And who is this Jebusite that sits within the skull of mankind?

2TH 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and **that man** of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

- 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.
- 8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

The temple was built upon the threshing floor of Araunah, the Jebusite. Jebus means threshing or trodden upon. And truly in the chambers of the mind the chaff of the man of sin is threshed away from the golden grain of the spiritual man.

MAT 3:11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:

12 Whose fan is in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

In order to win this battle with the Jebusite of self nature - that high self that opposeth and exalted himself above all that is called God - we will eventually need the fullness of the water and fire to completely drive him out.

#### THE VIRGIN'S SPRING IN THE FULLER'S HIGHWAY

It seems like every time that the nation got into real trouble, the Lord would send Isaiah to the Virgin's spring and the fuller's field. There were two times in Isaiah where Syria (also called Aram) threatened to overrun Jerusalem. Many people do not realize that the Hebrews and the Syrians were descendents of Shem - who was blessed with spiritual blessings. But these same spiritual blessings were also a source of deadly religious pride.

EZE 31:3 Behold, **the Assyrian was a cedar in Lebanon** with fair branches, and with a shadowing shroud, and of an high stature; and his top was among the thick boughs.

- 9 I have made him fair by the multitude of his branches: so that all the trees of Eden, that were in the garden of God, envied him.
- 10 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; **Because thou hast lifted up thyself in height,** and he hath shot up his top among the thick boughs, and **his heart is lifted up in his height**;
- 11 I have therefore delivered him into the hand of the mighty one of the heathen ...

The first instance was when Syria and Ephraim were conspiring together. The news of this would be like learning that our very own brothers and sisters were conspiring to destroy us.

- ISA 7:1 And it came to pass in the days of Ahaz the son of Jotham, the son of Uzziah, king of Judah, that Rezin the **king of Syria**, and Pekah the son of Remaliah, king of Israel, went up toward Jerusalem to war against it, but could not prevail against it.
- 2 And it was told the house of David, **saying**, **Syria** is **confederate** with **Ephraim**. And his heart was moved, and the heart of his people, **as the trees of the wood are moved** with the wind.
- 3 Then said the LORD unto Isaiah, Go forth now to meet Ahaz, thou, and Shearjashub thy son, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the fuller's field:

What was the outcome of this meeting at the end of the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the fuller's field?

First, Isaiah, his son Shearjashub, and the king were told not to fear the Syrians and Ephraim - and even told that within 65 years Ephraim would go into captivity. And, then the king was told to ask for a sign. The Virgin's spring was a fitting place to learn about the virgin and to be given a preview of the future.

ISA 7:14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; **Behold**, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

Later on, at another time, Jerusalem was once more under siege, and where was the battle decided?

- ISA 36:1 Now it came to pass in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah, that Sennacherib king of Assyria came up against all the defenced cities of Judah, and took them.
- 2 And the king of Assyria sent Rabshakeh from Lachish to Jerusalem unto king Hezekiah with a great army. And he stood by the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the fuller's field.

ISA 37:36 Then the angel of the LORD went forth, and smote in the camp of the Assyrians a hundred and fourscore and five thousand: and when they arose early in the morning, behold, they were all dead corpses.

We have learned about the significance of the Virgin's spring, but what about the highway of the fuller's field? Is it on the route to transfiguration?

MAL 3:2 But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap:

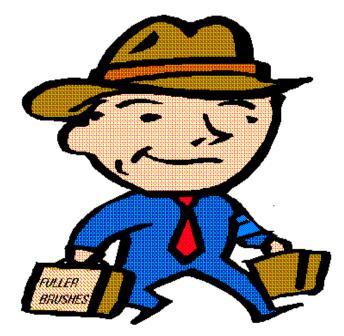
ISA 35:8 And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.

MAR 9:2 And after six days Jesus taketh with him Peter, and James, and John, and leadeth them up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and **he was transfigured before them**.

3 And his raiment became shining, exceeding white as snow; so as no fuller on earth can white them.

## THE FULLER BRUSH MAN

When we learn about the fuller, we are learning the natural example of how our raiment is to be made white as snow. How exciting! What is a fuller?



FULLER: One whose occupation was to fill or thicken cloth or to clean and bleach it. The art was highly developed in Palestine and Egypt. To whiten cloth it was washed in lye, rubbed, beaten, and dried in the sun. In Jerusalem a special field was used to obtain clay for this purpose.

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FULLER'S EARTH: An important industrial clay used primarily as an absorbent, so named from its use by fullers, that is, textile workers who fulled or scoured, cleansed and thickened cloth, to remove grease from it. It is also used as a color remover in mineral and vegetable oils. The clays have active hydrogen or hydroxyl sites which cause the bleaching action.

These clays are often formed from the alteration of glass that once constituted volcanic ash. Industrial sources of this clay today are England and Attapulgas, Georgia (the major US source).

REV 15:2 And I saw as it were **a sea of glass mingled with fire**: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.

Again, we can learn spiritual lessons from natural examples. It would appear that the fuller's clay represents an earthly solidification of the sea of glass. And, if we would regain our sight so that we can do more than "see through a glass darkly", we will have our eyes touched with this volcanic ashen glass called "fuller's clay". We must have our raiment washed whiter than snow, and only then are we candidates for transfiguration - so that it shines like the sun.

### JESUS HEALS THE MAN BLIND FROM BIRTH



JOH 9:1 And as Jesus passed by, he saw a man which was blind from his birth.

- 2 And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?
- 3 Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.
- 4 I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.
- 5 As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.
- 6 When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay,
- 7 And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing.

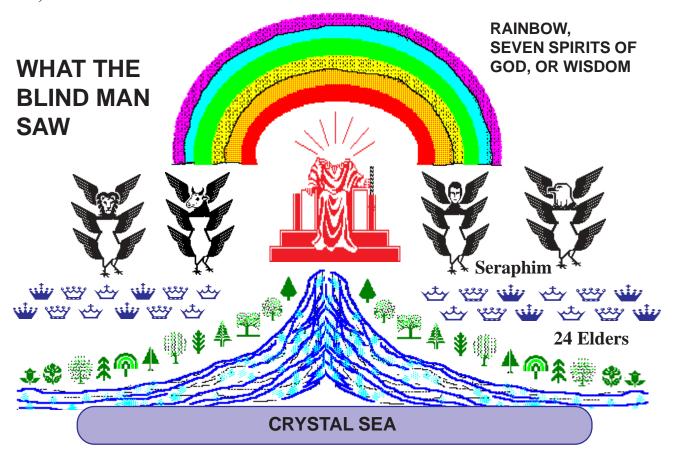
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Again, by some strange coincidence, we have ended up at the pool of Siloam (sent) where there is a confluence of the Virgin's spring and the Fuller's highway. And it was here that the blind man was healed. Did Yeshua use fuller's earth to mix with His spittle to anoint the eyes of the blind man? Healing came in two steps: anointing with clay and washing in the pool of Siloam. Would the blind man be able to see into the throne room once his blindness was removed?

REV 22:1 And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits ...



The scriptures do not tell us what the man blind from birth saw when he received the anointing of the clay made with spittle and then washed in the pool of Siloam. But we are told what another blind man saw when he went through a similar experience at Bethsaida (which means *fish housing*).

MAR 8:22 And he cometh to Bethsaida; and they bring a blind man unto him, and besought him to touch him.

23 And he took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town; and when he had spit on his eyes, and put his hands upon him, he asked him if he saw ought.

24 And he looked up, and said, I see men as trees, walking.

It might be said that this man saw through a glass (the crystal sea) darkly at this point.

MAR 8:25 After that he put his hands again upon his eyes, and made him look up: and he was restored, and saw every man clearly.

26 And he sent him away to his house, saying, Neither go into the town, nor tell it to any in the town.

HEB 9:28 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

This blind man represents our spiritual blindness being removed so that we can see into the throne room. It also represents an understanding of the feast of tabernacles which involves 12 tree experiences. But note, what is happening now in the Spirit is very quite and very private. The man was told not to go into the town or tell it to any one in the town. Those who seek after what might happen at this meeting or that meeting in the towns will not find this event happening there.

REV 3:18 I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve [Strong's # 2854], that thou mayest see.

# Strong's 2854 - Kollourion - a poultice (as made of or in the form of crackers), i. e. (by analogy) a plaster

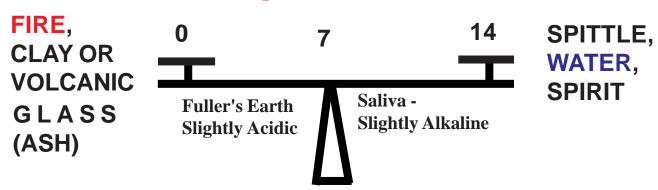
Curiously enough, the eyesalve that John discussed anointing our eyes with appears to be a poultice of a kind of plaster or clay. What is the significance of Jesus using the saliva and the clay to anoint the eyes? Generally, but not always, saliva is slightly alkaline (positive pH) and the clay (depending on its source) is slightly acid. When this is mixed together, it results in a pH balance. As Jesus did this in the natural, we think that He was balancing our eyes spiritually. This is the "single eye" discussed in Mat 6:22. This would be a balance between the fire and water and a balance between the Yahweh and El Shaddai natures. For Wisdom as a balance is Yahweh's delight.

PRO 11:1 A false balance is abomination to the LORD [Yahweh]: but a just weight is his delight.

PRO 8:22 The LORD possessed me [Wisdom] in the beginning of his way, before his works of old.

30 Then I was by him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before him;

### pH Balance



#### **CLAY + SPITTLE = BALANCE**

In two cases, we had blind men healed by the spittle made with the clay. But what does it mean when the statement was made, "I see men as trees, walking."? In the feast of tabernacles, we are told to make booths with the leaves of trees.

NEH 8:14 ... that the children of Israel should dwell in booths in the feast of the seventh month:

15 ...Go forth unto the mount, and fetch **olive** branches, and **pine** branches, and myrtle branches, and **palm** branches, and branches of **thick trees**, to make booths, as it is written.

We can see from the diagram of the river on the page to the left that there are twelve manifestations of tree fruit on either side of the river. We might think of this as a progression of twelve tree experiences that we must walk through in order to reach the throne and completely partake of the tree of life. Truly, going through a tree experience is part of our spiritual walk; hence the formerly blind man saw men as trees walking. We will present these twelve tree experiences summarized in capsule form in the next few pages. As you read these, you may find yourself identifying with a current tree experience.

The Secret Places of the Stairs Leading to Transfiguration

O my dove that art in the clefts of the rock, in the secret places of the stairs ... (Songs 2:13, 14)

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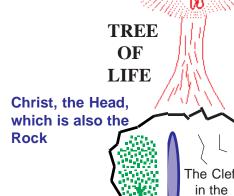
the pineal crystal from the wine casl

SON 2:11 For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone;

12 The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land;

13 The fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines with the tender grape give a good smell. Arise, my

love, my fair one, and come away. THE VINE



5. POME-GRANATE

Rock

Growing up into the head, healing the breach, and learning about the Cherubim

Now the Jew's feast of tabernacles was at hand.

... then went he also up unto the feast, not openly, but as it were in secret. (John 7:2,10).

4. THE FIGS

Entering the garden and beginning the change from the terrestrial to the celestial. Christ is right at the doors. Mat 24:32, 33

#### 3. THE PALMS

The breastplate of judgement (Deborah's palm tree). Balance of the Urim and Thummim

The disciples said to Jesus: Tell us how our end will be. Jesus said: Have you then discovered the beginning so that you inquire about the end? For where the beginning is, there shall be the end.

For you have five trees in Paradise, which are unmoved in summer or in winter and their leaves do not fall. Whoever knows them will not taste death. (Book of Thomas)



The oil of the Spirit and also Gethsemane which means "olive press"

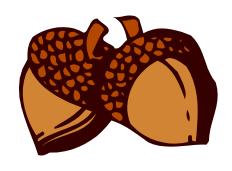


The letter or word / The almond knops of the candlestick

ISA 6:1 In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

10. OAK [STRENGTH]

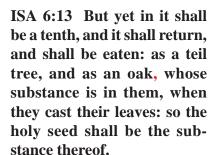
2CH 26:15 And his name spread far abroad; for he was marvellously helped, till he was strong.



9. PINE [*PINEAL*]

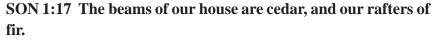
ISA 60:13 The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree, and the box together

MAT 6:22 The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.





## 8. FIR [SUPPORT]



JER 8:7 Yea, the stork in the heaven knoweth her appointed times; and the turtle and the crane and the swallow observe the time of their coming . . .

PSA 104:17 Where the birds make their nests: as for the stork, the fir trees are her house.



### 7. CEDAR [HEAD]

SON 5:15 His legs are as pillars of marble, set upon sockets of fine gold: his countenance is as Lebanon, excellent as the cedars



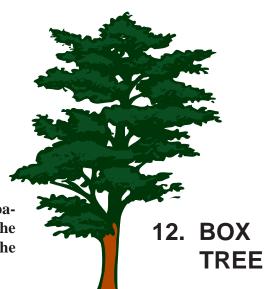
## 6. APPLE [EYE]

ZEC 2:8 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; After the glory hath he sent me unto the nations which spoiled you: for he that toucheth you toucheth the apple of his eye.

MAR 14:3 And being in Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of spikenard very precious; and she brake the box, and poured it on his head.

- 8 She hath done what she could: she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying.
- 9 Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her.

ISA 60:13 The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree, and the box together ...



# THE ALABASTER BOX BREAKING THE FLESH VAIL

II Enoch 22:8 And the LORD said to Michael, "Go, and extract Enoch from [his] earthly clothing. And anoint him with my delightful oil, and put him into the clothes of my glory.



PRO 4:7 Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.

9 She shall give to thine head an ornament of grace: a crown of glory shall she deliver to thee.



EST 5:1 Now it came to pass on the third day, that Esther [Hadassah - means myrtle] put on her royal apparel, and stood in the inner court of the king's house, over against the king's house: and the king sat upon his royal throne in the royal house, over against the gate of the house.

ISA 55:13 Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the LORD for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

### 11. MYRTLE TREE [THE CROWN OF WISDOM]

ZEC 1:10 And the man that stood among the myrtle trees answered and said, These are they whom the LORD hath sent to walk to and fro through the earth.

JOH 19:2 And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on his head, and they put on him a purple robe,

#### THE LADDER OF JACOB

12. BOX
11. MYRTLE
10. OAK
9. PINE
8. FIR
7. CEDAR
6. APPLE
5. POMEGRANATE
4. FIG
3. PALM
2. OLIVE
1. ALMOND

We have discussed the twelve rungs of the tree experiences and as we walk through each one we are taking steps closer and closer to the throne. We start with the candlestick which is also what Zechariah called the stone with seven eyes. This is shown in the illustration to the right. It has 22 almond knops and seven lamps which burn olive oil.

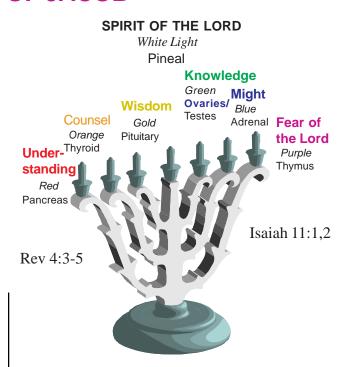
ZEC 3:9 For behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua; **upon one stone shall be seven eyes** ...

2 And said unto me, What seest thou? And I said, I have looked, and behold a candle-stick all of gold, with a bowl upon the top of it, and his seven lamps thereon, and seven pipes to the seven lamps, which are upon the top thereof:

You are familiar with how Jacob placed his head on a stone at Bethel and dreamed his dream about the ladder (Gen 28:12). Now we will go to ancient manuscript (translated from a Slavonic copy) called the Ladder of Jacob which describes this vision in detail. Some of the names may be difficult to comprehend, but this description gives us some new insights into the ascent to the throne.

Ladder of Jacob 2:3 And I rose up from my dream and, the voice still being in my ears, I said, "How fearful is this place! This is none other than the house of God and this is the gate of heaven."

4 And I set up the stone which had been my pillow as a pillar, and I poured olive oil on the top of it, and I called the name of that place the House of God.



This is much like the description in Genesis and is another confirmation that the stone containing the olive oil is at the foundation of this ladder of ascension.

Ladder of Jacob 2:6 And I stood and began to sing, and I said,

"Lord God of Adam your creature and Lord God of Abraham and Isaac my fathers and of all who have walked before you in justice!

- 7 You who sit firmly on the cherubim and the fiery throne of glory ... and the many-eyed (ones) just as I saw in my dream,
- 8 holding the four-faced cherubim, bearing also the many-eyed seraphim,
- 9 carrying the whole world under your arm, yet not being borne by anyone.
- 10 you who have made the skies for the glory of your name.
- 11 stretching out on two heavenly clouds the heaven which gleams under you,
- 12 that beneath it you may cause the sun to course and conceal it during the night that it might not seem a god;
- 13 (you) who made on them a way for the moon and the stars:
- 14 and you make the moon wax and wane, and destine the stars to pass on so that they too might not seem like gods.

Ladder of Jacob 2:15 Before the face of your glory the six-winged seraphim are afraid, and they cover their feet, and faces with their wings, while flying with their other (wings), and they sing unceasingly a hymn:

- 16 ... whom I now in sanctifying a new (song) ...
- 17 Twelve-topped, twelve-faced, manynamed, fiery one! Lightning-eyed holy one!
- 18 Holy, Yao, Yaova, Yaoil, yao, Kados, Chavod, Savaoth,
- 19 Omlemlech il avir amismi varich, eternal king, mighty, powerful, most great, patient, blessed one!
- 20 You who fill heaven and earth, the sea and abysses and all the ages with your glory,
- 21 hear my song with which I have sung you and grant me the request I ask of you,

We do not understand some of the words of the above song and maybe it isn't time yet for that understanding to be in place. But we do know that those who ascend to mount Sion will sing a new song - and just maybe it will be the same song that the Seraphim sing.

REV 14:1 And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads.

- 2 And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:
- 3 And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.

Now, we want to go back to John's description of the throne room and pick up some new insights on the activities of the Seraphim.

REV 4:2 And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne.

3 And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald.

REV 4:7 And the **first** beast was like a **lion**, and the **second** beast like a **calf**, and the **third** beast had a face as a **man**, and the **fourth** beast was like a flying **eagle**.

- 8 And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.
- 9 And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever,
- 10 The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,
- 11 Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

Note in the above verses that the first beast is a lion, the second is a calf, the third is a man, and the fourth is an eagle. This becomes very important later on in Revelation because it doesn't say the lion is speaking (or the calf, etc.) but it does tell us which of the beasts is speaking. So, if we make note of it here, we will have additional insights later.

Next some seals are to be broken. Once these seals are broken each of the four beasts will have a message for us. Who breaks the seals?

REV 5:5 And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.

- 6 And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.
- 7 And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne.

As you already know, it is Jesus that breaks the seals and there are seven of them. But more than that we are on the verge of learning who else sings the new song and even some of the words of that song.

#### THE EXCITEMENT OF THE OPENING OF THE SEVEN SEALS

REV 5:8 And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.

9 And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; 10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

Now that we have read some of the words of the new song sung by the four beasts and twenty-four elders, what next?

REV 6:1 And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see.

It is clear from the above, the we are being given a running account, like that given by a reporter, of the opening of one of the seals by the Lamb. What is a seal? It is that which places a hold on the mysterious contents or messages of the enclosure that is held closed by the seal? But this is an exciting time - we are opening not just one seal - there are seven seals.

It is clear that one of the creatures, a seraphim, is saying "Come and see". Next, we will "come and see" what the seraphim is saying.



REV 6:1 And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, **one of the four beasts saying**. Come and see.

REV 6:2 And I saw, and behold a **white** horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and

a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.

What is this white horse and who is riding it? At first glance we might think it is Jesus, because in Rev 19:11, He rides a white horse and has many crowns.

Now we could take Revelation in its most literal terms and say that an actual, wool-covered lamb is what John saw in heaven - but we know that the lamb represents one of the natures of Jesus and that the lion represents another. So, lets look just a bit deeper to see what symbolism that the scriptures attach to a horse.

ISA 31:3 Now the Egyptians are men, and not God; and **their horses flesh, and not spirit**. When the LORD shall stretch out his hand, both he that helpeth shall fall, and he that is holpen shall fall down, and they all shall fail together.

Thus we see that the horse represents the flesh nature. And a white horse would represent the flesh in a pure, celestial state.

1CO 15:40 There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another.

Soon, we will see that the description in Revelation 6 starts with the white horse and then it seems like everything goes down hill, as we read through the other horses and the other seals. Thus, Revelation 6 is a story of the fall that ends with the fig leaves of the sixth seal and the fiery judgement of the seventh seal.

What does the white horse represent and what does his crown represent? Was man ever created in the purity of a celestial body?

GEN 1:27 So God [*Elohim*] created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, **Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion** over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

This was the creation that rode the white horse and the crown that was given to the rider was the "dominion over the fish of the sea, the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth." And the flesh of this created being was in the image of the celestial body of Elohim.

ISA 58:11 And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and **satisfy thy soul** in drought, and make fat thy bones: and **thou shalt be like a watered garden**, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not.

12 And they that shall be of thee shall build **the old waste places**: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, **The repairer of the breach**,

The restorer of paths to dwell in.



We have agreed that when John spoke of seeing the Lamb in heaven, it meant something other than a physical, wool covered Lamb. Perhaps, when the Bible is speaking about the garden, it may not be a physical garden, but the garden may be a natural representation of something else. And what could that something else be?

From the scriptures above, we can relate the garden to our soul. It is blessed by a balance of the fire of the Sun and the water of the Spirit. In the first garden, there was not a tree that was forbidden.

GEN 1:28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

29 And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.

30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so.

GEN 1:31 And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, **it was very good**. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

Now, if the soul is the garden, what are the trees and herbs? First, can we agree that Christ is the head and that we want the mind (or soul) of Christ?

PHI 2:5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

EPH 4:15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, **which is the head, even Christ:** 

Now, even though we have a mind and we can conceive thoughts, it really doesn't do us any good unless we can have an interchange of those thoughts with our surroundings. What good would a powerful computer be if were sealed in a black box and could receive no input or give out no output or fruit of its powerful deliberations?

In the human being, the input and output devices are nerves and sensors. Strangely enough these are also called nerve trees or dendrites. And there are different hierarchies of nerves. The highest hierarchy is the cranial nerves which serve the head and we just happen to have 12 cranial nerves which go into the "rock" which we call our skull.

#### A LISTING OF THE TWELVE CRANIAL NERVES

- 1. Olfactory nerve (smell)
- 2. Optic nerve (vision)
- 3. Oculomotor (eye (movements)
- 4. Trochlear (eye movements)
- 5. Trigeminal (facial (sensation, jaw control)
- 6. Abducent (eye (movement)



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- 7. Facial nerve (facial expression, taste)
- 8. Acoustic (hearing and balance)
- 9. Glossopharnngeal (taste and throat)
- 10. Vagus (breathing, circulation/digestion)
- 11. Spinal Accessory (neck/back control)
- 12. Hypoglyossal (tongue movement)

REV 22:1 And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

REV 4:10 The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

In the beginning was the celestial being that had twelve paired cranial nerves  $(2 \times 12 = 24)$  which gives the 24 elders which are the master elders of the mind. For example, while there is one acoustical nerve, it divides so that it serves both the right and left ears. But, these nerves are not like just the single wire that we might find in a light circuit, but they are more like a coaxial cable with hundreds and even thousands of transmission paths that are within.

We obviously do not know that much about the celestial beings, but we can surmise that the next hierarchy of nervous system control is the singers that come upon mount Sion. With twelve cranial nerves, then it would not be surprising to find a multiple of 12 or 144,000 in the next level.

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And further, we know that the control pathways within the brain are also very numerous. These control pathways interact with the nerves which provide the input and output. The number of 10,000 times 10,000 is one hundred million.

REV 5:11 And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands;

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In the beginning, this celestial being, made in the image of God, was crowned with dominion over the earth. This being, which was in the nature of the Elohim, was neither male or female but had both natures resident within one. The throne room of the mind of this celestial being operated under an open heaven, receiving the very light of God, the fiery presence of the seraphim, and the rainbow cloak of the Seven Spirits of God. This was the crown of light (a corona) of dominion over all the earth realm. This is the mystery of godliness.

But, lo, something happened. Into this garden came division! We come to the opening of the second seal.



REV 6:3 And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast say, (Come and see.)

4 And there went out another horse that was red: and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword.

What could the meaning of a red horse be? We have said that a horse is symbolic of a type of flesh. The Genesis chapter one man was **created** in the image of Elohim, but now we have a man **formed** out of the dust of the ground.

GEN 2:7 And the LORD God [Yahweh Elohim] formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

GEN 2:21 And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam [Strong's #121], and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;

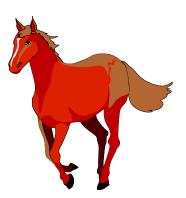
Strongs' 121, 120, 119

121 The name of the first man

120 ruddy, i. e. a human being

119 to show blood (in the face), i.e. flush or turn rosy

A literal rending of Adam might be 'red man' thus we have red flesh or Adam which can be symbolized by a red horse.

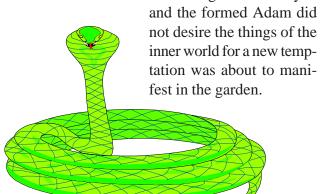


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12 And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, **The repairer of the breach**, The restorer of paths to dwell in.

Remember Isaiah 58:11 said that our soul is like a well watered garden? But the next verse speaks of a breach that needs to be repaired. How did that breach get there in the first place? There was a fracture made between the left brain and the right brain. Thus, the word and spirit were no longer linked, but one could operate independently of the other and the perfect balance of the Elohim natures was lost. The celestial image was destroyed

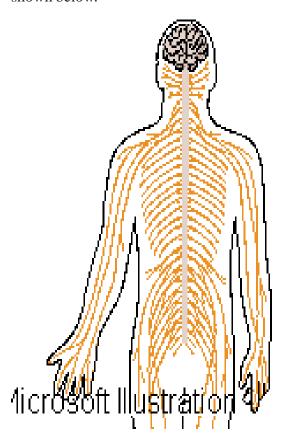


What is the battle that occurs between the inner world of the spirit and the outer world of the senses? Paul described it this way.

ROM 7:22 For I delight in the law of God after the inward man:

23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

It is strange that Paul describes the war coming from the members or the body. Where do the senses for the members comes from? We have discussed the 12 cranial nerves - and it is easy to see the spiritual parallels with the 12 gates of Jerusalem and the 12 tribes. But, there is another set of nerves that connect into the brain called the peripheral nervous system. These serve the body and there are 31 nerves. These nerves are also in pairs and serve the right and left sides of the body. An illustration of the peripheral nervous system is shown below.



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These 31 peripheral nerves primarily serve the lower body and not the head. A picture of the conduit which contains these 31 sensors is shown below: It is called the spinal cord.

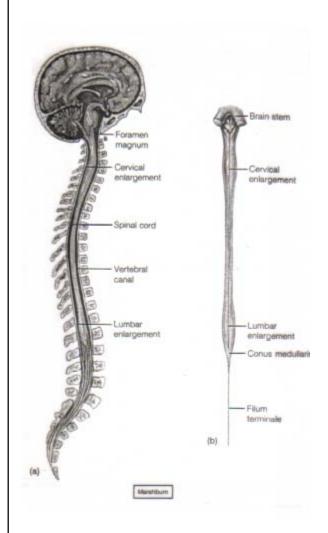


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The mind is divided into three sections: The upper brain is called the cerebrum. The mid brain or cerebellum is often called the animal brain. This is the strawberry shaped section just under the upper brain and to the left of the spinal cord in the illustration above. The lower brain is at the very top of the spinal cord and is called the "reptilian" brain - since reptiles - such as snakes - only have this part of the brain. The "reptilian" part of the brain stem can best be seen in view (b) which is on the ride side of the illustration. When the outer world came into Adam and Eve's senses, it was the reptilian brain that inserted itself into their thinking.

When the serpent entered the consciousness of man, the results were that their inner spiritual eyes were closed and their outer sensual eyes were opened.

- GEN 3:7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.
- 8 And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.
- 9 And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?
- 10 And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.

No longer could they see the Lord in a face to face relationship - they only heard His voice. No longer did they have their crown of light - they were naked. And they were blinded - the throne room of an open heaven was closed to them. The breach and the fracture had occurred.

REV 3:18 I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

Instead of standing upon the crystal sea, they (Adam and Eve) were now below the crystal sea and were marked with the mark of the beast.

GEN 3:1 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

REV 15:2 And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.

3 And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb ...

The 31 kings of the outer, peripheral body had taken away Adam and Eve's promised land which was their body. Now, in order to regain their promised land, they - like Joshua and the Israelites - would have to cross Jordan and subdue these 31 kings.

- JOS 12:1 Now these are the kings of the land, which the children of Israel smote, and possessed their land on the other side Jordan toward the rising of the sun, from the river Arnon unto mount Hermon, and all the plain on the east:
- 2 Sihon king of the Amorites ...
- 23 The king of Dor in the coast of Dor, one; the king of the nations of Gilgal, one;
- 24 The king of Tirzah, one: all the kings thirty and one.

In the books of Colossians, Ephesians, and Galations, one can find 31 works of the flesh which correspond to the 31 kings (See Appendix A1).

Now, the stage was set and they were to be expelled from the access to the throne room and their well watered garden of the soul was about be inhabited by thorns and thistles.

GEN 3:18 **Thorns also and thistles** shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;

19 In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

Truly the events of the second seal had taken place. Peace had been taken from their earth and they were about to face a great sword so that they could no longer return to the blessed state of the well watered garden.

GEN 3:23 Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.

24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

Mankind could still see the cherubims, but their vision to the throne room was blocked. Their spirituality was badly fractured.

When we view the cherubim, we find that they were given some of the attributes of the seraphim, but not in a complete manner. But they were able to take these attributes below the crystal sea when the heaven was closed above.



EZE 1:10 As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle.

22 And the likeness of the firmament upon the heads of the living creature was as **the** colour of the terrible crystal, stretched forth over their heads above.

Thus, when man's spiritual eyes were closed and he was driven out of the celestial garden, the cherubim were able to give them only fractured parts of the full nature of the lion, ox, man and eagle characteristics of the seraphim. It takes four cherubim, for example, to put together the total eagle nature of the eagle seraphim. This is why Pentecost is more a body ministry.

DEU 32:30 How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight ...

Often we think of the garden where Adam was placed as being planted before Adam was formed. But a careful reading of the verses below show that **man** was formed first and then the tree of the knowledge of good and evil was planted in the garden.

GEN 2:7 And the LORD God [Yahweh Elohim] formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

8 And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed.

GEN 3:19 In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

The plants in the garden that was planted in Eden were plants from a higher celestial garden (or soul) that existed for the man created in the image of Elohim in Genesis chapter 1. Do not the scriptures below tell us that these plants existed in a higher realm before they were planted in the earth?

GEN 2:5 And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was not a man to till the ground.

And then Adam was formed from the dust of the ground and at this point, he was very earthy and very sensual.

1CO 15:45 And so it is written, **The first** man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit.

46 Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual.

47 The first man is of the earth, earthy; the second man is the Lord from heaven.

Then once Adam was formed, the residue of the mist of the Spirit watered the ground of his garden (or soul) and the Lord put the twelve sensors of the tree of life in his garden. Adam was given access to the tree of life. But, unfortunately, on his way to achieving the celestial realm, he was sidetracked by the serpentine tree of the 31 kings of the flesh of the outer world. He lost his right to the celestial garden being placed within him. An opportunity was lost because the wrong choice was made. But this choice was probably not a surprise to God. He had already made preparation for Adam's redemption even before the fall ever happened.

ROM 8:20 For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope,

21 Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

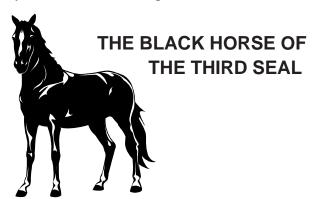
REV 13:8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Yes, Adam was made subject to vanity and that fault was exploited by the serpent. Adam could have enjoyed the benefits of Wisdom, but he rejected her and went out into a dry and barren land where iniquity became his companion. We read the account from the book of Enoch that tells us about the mystery of iniquity.

Enoch 42:1 Wisdom found not a place on earth where she could inhabit; her dwelling therefore is in heaven.

2 Wisdom went forth to dwell among the sons of men, but she obtained not a habitation. Wisdom returned to her place, and seated herself in the midst of the angels. But iniquity went forth after her return, who unwillingly found an habitation, and resided among them as rain in the desert, and as dew in a thirsty land.

And it wasn't until thousands of year later, that Wisdom was invited to return to earth when the Son requested the Father to send her at Pentecost. And now we move on to opening of the third seal by the third beast (a seraphim) which is like a man.



REV 6:5 And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the **third beast** say, Come and see) And I beheld, **and lo a black horse; and** 

he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand.

6 And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine.

After Adam had lost the celestial garden, mankind gradually became more and more evil. A balance is a device used in merchandising and also a device to bring judgement by making a comparison against a known standard.

Let us set the stage for the portion of the fall that happened as revealed by the third seal. The brain had already been severed into right brain activities (more concerned with the Spirit) and left brain activities (more concerned with speech and word). The serpentine influence of the 31 members had made its way into the midst of the right and left chambers of the mind. How would the fruit of these events manifest?

You know the story of Babylon and its merchandiser, Tyrus who traded upon the seas. And you know how confused the brain of man became at the tower of Babel. Let us look at the events that lead to this further fall as revealed by the third seal.

GEN 3:21 Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

22 And the LORD God said, **Behold, the** man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:

23 Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.

24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

We know that Adam and Eve covered themselves with fig leaves to cover their nakedness. But, before they were sent out of the garden, Yahweh Elohim made a coat of skins for them. We do not know the details concerning this coat of skins, but it does appear that these coats made by God were a source of considerable power (both physically and intellectually) to Adam and Eve. Now, we will delve into the mystery of the third seal - which is mystery Babylon.

GEN 10:9 He was a mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is said, **Even as Nimrod** the mighty hunter before the LORD.

REV 17:5 And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

### NIMROD - A MIGHTY HUNTER & THE FOUNDER OF BABYLON



The Bible doesn't really tell us many details about Nimrod, but fortunately the book of Jasher does.

Jasher 7:23 And **Cush the son of Ham, the son of Noah**, took a wife in those days, in his old age, and she bare a son, and they called his name **Nimrod**, saying, At that time the sons of men again began to rebel and transgress against God, and the child grew up, and his father loved him exceedingly, for he was the son of his old age.

# 24 And the garments of skin which God made for Adam and his wife, when they went out of the garden, were given to Cush.

25 For after the death of Adam and his wife, the garments were given to Enoch, the son of Jared, and when Enoch was taken up to God, he gave them to Methuselah, his son.

26 And at the death of Methuselah, Noah took them and brough them to the ark, and they were with him until he went out of the ark.

Have you ever wondered what really took place between Ham and Noah in the following scriptures?

GEN 9:20 And Noah began to be an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard:

21 And he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent

22 And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brethren without. The book of Jasher gives us this account of what took place behind the scenes.

Jasher 7:27 And in their going out, **Ham stole those garments** from Noah his father, and he took them and hid them from his brothers.

28 And when Ham beget his first born Cush, he gave him the garments in secret, and they were with Cush many days.

29 And Cush also concealed them from his sons and brothers, and when Cush had begotten Nimrod, he gave him those garments through his love for him, and **Nimrod grew up, and when he was twenty years old he put on those garments.** 

30 And Nimrod became strong when he put on the garments, and God gave him might and strength, and **he was a mighty hunter** in the earth, *yea*, he was a mighty hunter in the field, and he hunted the animals and he build altars, and he offered upon them the animals before the Lord.

This is the story of the beginning of Nimrod's empire which later became known as Babylon. Nimrod was also a persecutor of Abram.

Jasher 9:20 And king Nimrod reigned securely, and all the earth was under his control, and all the earth was of one tongue and words of union.

21 And all the princes of Nimrod and his great men took counsel together; Phut, Mitzraim, Cush and Canaan with their families, and they said to each other, **Come let us build ourselves a city and in it a strong tower**, and its top reaching heaven, and we will make ourselves famed, so that we many reign upon the whole world ...

32 And God said to the seventy angels who stood foremost before him, to those who were near to him, saying, **Come let us descend and confuse their tongues**, that one man shall not understand the language of his neighbor, and they did so unto them.

Thus, the chambers of soul which had once been open to the throne room and then were blinded suffered further fracturing. The speech centers of the brain were fractured into many different languages. And it wasn't until many years later, at Pentecost, that there was a partial restoration by the Spirit of the keys of speech, so that men could understand tongues that were previously unknown to them.

### PARTNERS IN EVIL - THE KING OF BABYLON AND THE KING OF TYRE

Isa 14:4 You shall take up this proverb against **the king of Babylon**, and say, How has the ruler ceased! the zealous one ceased.

- 5 The LORD has broken the staff of the wicked and the sceptre of the rulers.
- 6 He who smote the peoples in wrath, smiting without instruction, who chastised the peoples in anger and persecuted them without pity.
- 8 Yea, the fir trees rejoice over you, and the cedars of Lebanon, saying, Since you are felled, no hewer is come up to cut us down.
- 12 **How are you fallen from heaven!** howl in the morning! for you have fallen down to the ground, O reviler of the nations.
- 13 For you have said in your heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will dwell also upon the high mountains in the outer regions of the north.
- 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.
- 15 From henceforth, you shall be brought down to Sheol, to the bottom of the pit.

Lamsa Peshitta Version

- EZE 28:12 Son of man, take up a lamentation over **the king of Tyre**, and say to him, Thus says the LORD God: You were the seal of wisdom and the crown of beauty.
- 13 You have been in Eden, the garden of God; you were decked with every precious tone, the sardius, the topaz, and the emerald, the beryl, the onyx, and jasper, the sapphire and pearls; and you have filled your treasuries with gold and your chests with precious stones; you had all of these things from the day you were created.
- 14 You were with the anointed cherub that shelters; and I have set you on the holy mountain of God: and you were safe in the midst of the stones of fire.
- 15 You were perfect in your ways, from the day that you were created till iniquity was found in you.
- 16 By **the multitude of your merchandise** you have filled your land with iniquity and you have sinned; therefore I will cast you from the mountain of God; and I will destroy you, O sheltering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

Lamsa Peshitta Version

REV 18:10 Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.

11 And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more:

13 And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men.

The rider of the black horse was the merchant who dealt in the souls of men. It is also a religious spirit that tries to stand between men and God, so that men look to a man rather than God. These are the shepherds that muddy the water of the Spirit with their feet.

EZE 34:7 Therefore, ye shepherds, hear the word of the LORD;

8 As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely because my flock became a prey, and my flock became meat to every beast of the field, because there was no shepherd, neither did my shepherds search for my flock, but the shepherds fed themselves, and fed not my flock;

REV 6:6 And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and **see thou hurt not the oil and the wine.** 

Those of the open door to the throne room calling will seek their oil and wine of the Spirit directly from God. While they may learn in the elementary stages from those who "sell" the Spirit, it will not be good enough when the call comes at midnight.

MAT 25:8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.

9 But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: **but go ye rather to them that sell,** and buy for yourselves.

## OPENING THE 4TH SEAL THE PALE HORSE



REV 6:7 And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see.)

8 And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was

given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.

The fourth beast speaking above is the seraphim with the eagle nature. And perhaps it is quite fitting that the eagle should be the one who deals with death and hell. And death began with Able and extended to Adam in the day that he ate of the forbidden fruit.

GEN 2:16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat:

17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

GEN 5:5 And all the days that Adam lived were **nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.** 

2PE 3:8 But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

But the fourth seal does not seem to be limited to the early time periods, but perhaps will continue to the very end of this age. The "pale" horse has an unusual meaning. Its root word is "chlorous" which means "greenish". This is also the root of chlorine which is a green colored gas that is often used as a disinfectant and germ killer. Chlorine is present as an atom in sodium chloride which is also known as common table salt. The salt in the sea acts as a purifying agent for all the refuse and pollution in the rivers that flow into it.

The eagle is symbolized as a means of deliverance in the scriptures.

EXO 19:4 Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself.

5 Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine:

6 And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an

holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

The manchild of Revelation 12 is caught up to the throne to the throne room as we discussed earlier in this writing. This group is the eagle group of overcomers with celestial bodies that can come and go as the wind. They will minister to the needs of the woman in the wilderness company of believers.

REV 12:5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

- 6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days.
- 7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,
- 13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.
- 14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.

This group of eagle overcomers will cast Satan out of the sides of the north. For it is in the sides of the north that the dragon wields his influence.

#### WHERE ARE THE SIDES OF THE NORTH?

The diagram to the left is the same illustration of the brain that was given on page 37, with one exception. The object has been rotated 90 degrees so that the front part of the brain faces in the direction which is labeled east. The temple also faces east. This, then, gives it the same orientation as one might have on a road map. Let us imagine that we can see through the skull and observe the top of a human brain which is facing toward the east. The left brain would be upon the north side and the right brain would be on the south side. Could it be that the presence of God dwells within this rock temple that we call a skull?

PSA 48:2 Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.

3 God is known in her palaces for a refuge.

The left or north side of the brain is primarily the chamber of reasoning and intellect. And, is it not true that the main attacks that we face are through the intellect - even to the extent that some imagine that God is dead! Intellect then becomes a god.

2TH 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

And it is this king of Babylon or confusion that is primarily responsible for gaining entry to the temple of the mind.

ISA 14:13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

No wonder there is such a battle in the heaven of our mind when the manchild is caught up into the throne room! **NORTH (LEFT)** 



#### **SOUTH (RIGHT)**

This battle for the sides of the north is also described in the following scriptures"

EZE 39:1 Therefore, thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; **Behold, I am against thee, O Gog**, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

2 And I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee to come up from the north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel:

The enemy succeeded in casting one third of the twelve stars in the crown of the sun clothed woman to earth. And the battle raged fiercely, but in the end all of the stars of the woman's crown (or corona) of light will be restored.

REV 12:4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.

Did you know that nerves are sometimes called astrocytes (astro means star). Four of the cranial nerves (one third of twelve) extend downward through the hole in the skull (foramen magnum) and serve lower and more exterior parts of the neck, throat, and even to the heart and lungs. These are the one third of the stars that have fallen.

But God is very gracious. He invites those master controllers (elders) which have fallen to return back to the throne room and partake of the riches of the spiritual food that He would serve to them. Even if they have fallen into slavery to the worldly Egypt, God still will redeem them.

EXO 24:1 And he said unto Moses, **Come up unto the LORD**, thou, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, **and seventy of the elders of Israel**; and worship ye afar off.

- 4 And Moses wrote all the words of the LORD, and rose up early in the morning, and builded an altar under the hill, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel.
- :9 Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel:
- 10 And they saw the God of Israel: and there was under his feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in his clearness.
- 11 And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: also they saw God, and did eat and drink.

Remember that we said the lower body is controlled by 31 sets of paired peripheral nerves and we also said that there are twelve paired cranial nerves? However, four of the cranial nerves "fell" so that they also serve parts of the body. Thus, we have 31 plus 4 or 35 paired nerves serving the "members" of the body. If we have 35 nerves and they are paired, lets do the math.

 $35 \times 2 = 70 \text{ nerves or "elders"}$ 

Thus, it may not be any accident the LORD invited 70 elders of Israel up to throne room.

It seems that when we make the transition into the millennium, there will be three general categories of people. The first will be the overcomers who have been caught up to the throne and have overcome death while still in the body. These will have transfigured bodies. Secondly, there will be those who have resurrected bodies and they will walk the earth in much the same way as Jesus did after His resurrection. And probably some of these resurrected ones may be on the earth today.

- MAT 27:51 And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;
- 52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,
- 53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

Many Christians mistakenly think that these saints are still departed spirits - but they are not! Like Jesus, after the resurrection, they can interact, if necessary, with the inhabitants of earth. But the greater event is the birthing of the manchild and the catching up to the throne. When the manchild company completes the race, the cloud of witnesses can also enter into a greater perfection. Both the cloud of witnesses and those who overcome self while still in the flesh learn the mystery of "not my will, but thine be done."

HEB 11:40 God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect.

12:1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

The third category of those present in the millennium will be those still in natural bodies. But because, Satan is bound, these bodies will live much, much longer than the present time.

ISA 65:19 And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people: and the voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying.

- 20 There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days: for the child shall die an hundred years old; but the sinner being an hundred years old shall be accursed.
- 21 And they shall build houses, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them.

Even today, we are upon the verge of an increase in knowledge that will greatly extend the cycle of life. However, in the millennium, a person who died only being 100 years old would still be considered a child.

### The Hebron Observer Times

Suppose that you were the editor of The Hebron Observer Times and you had two correspondents in Jerusalem to cover the Passover. And suppose that these two reports were filed back to you. Which one would you put in the headlines?

#### Dateline: Jerusalem - by Samuel Smith

The temple was the site of some strange happenings during the Passover preparation period. The priests were performing their normal duties and suddenly at noon a profound darkness came over the temple. No one had ever seen anything like this right in the middle of the day. This eerie darkness continued until about 3:00 PM and then there was a violent earthquake and the temple shuddered to its very foundation. And during this process the veil between the sanctuary and the holiest place was mysteriously rent in two - as if torn by some great hand. No one had ever seen any thing like this before. And the moon turned like blood that night ...

Dateline: Jerusalem - by Jessica Jones

The trial of the teacher that some called the "Messiah" came to a violent conclusion today. He was crucified on a hill called Golgotha. He was the one who spoke about the temple being destroyed, but in three days he would raise it up again. He had even spoken to his disciples about eating his flesh and drinking his blood. Some strange things did happen during his crucifixion. A general darkness came over the area about noon and lasted until about 3:00 PM. And when the end of his life came near, there was a violent earthquake. After he had breathed his last, a soldier took a spear and rent his flesh to make sure that he was dead.

JOH 2:19 Jesus answered and said unto them, **Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up**.

20 Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days?

21 But he spake of the temple of his body.

We have posed the above question to illustrate how God can fulfill prophecies in two realms at the same time. In one case, it was in the external world where a physical veil in the temple was rent. In the other case, the renting of the flesh of Jesus provided a passage in the spiritual world. Is it not written in Hebrews: Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus by a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh? We dare say that what happened with Jesus' temple was far more important than what happened to the veil in the physical temple.

And even today many Christians are more focused on the external world. They are very interested in the possibility of the temple being rebuilt in Jerusalem. They are very interested in the emergence of new world leaders - and when one comes on stage, they always check his name to try to find the number 666. But is this where the kingdom will really come first? These who focus primarily on outer events have great difficulty in realizing that God is doing much of His work in secret in the temple of their very own being. But, in any case, He is perfectly capable of fulfilling prophecies in both the internal and external realms at the same time. As we move on to the remaining seals, we ask the Holy Spirit to guide us in discerning the transformation of the temple within us.

LUK 17:20 And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, **The kingdom of God cometh not with observation:** 

21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.

#### THE OPENING OF THE FIFTH SEAL

REV 6:9 And when **he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar** the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held:



The Golden Altar

10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?

11 And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.

There are many altars in the scriptures and not all of them were within the temple or tabernacle. Generally, the earthen altars were used to offer animal sacrifices. Within the tabernacle in the wilderness was the brazen altar where the lamb and other offerings were made. Solomon's temple and Ezekiel's temple had altars of stones that were arranged in a very precise geometry. Within the sanctuary, there was an incense altar where the priest burned incense and he brought the censer with him into the holiest place. It seems that the altar here ceased being a sacrifice altar and became more an altar of transformation of the body for ascent. And finally, resting on the crystal sea in front of the throne, we have the golden incense altar.

REV 8:3 And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

We can understand natural altars where animals are sacrificed and incense altars where incense is poured on hot coals, but what do these altars symbolize as far as the kingdom coming within us?

ROM 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, **that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice**, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Paul outlined a two step process - first we present our bodies as a living sacrifice and then we can be transformed (same Greek word as transfigured). But how do we do this? Do we get our father to take us out to an altar - like Abraham did with Isaac - or is there another meaning?

ROM 7:22 For I delight in the law of God after the inward man:

23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

ROM 6:6 Knowing this, **that our old man is crucified with him**, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.

7 For he that is dead is freed from sin.

Yes, Jesus was crucified for our sins, but we have to be willing to the crucify the wants and lusts of our fleshly members which war against our mind. And finally, when that process is finished, our altar is changed from a sacrifice altar to an incense altar which is needed for our ascent and transfiguration.

REV 11:1 And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, **Rise**, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein.

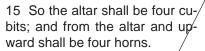
We read in the opening of the fifth seal about souls under the altar, but the above seems to be talking about something in the altar. And John was even told to measure the altar. How can we do that? You may remember that Ezekiel was also told to measure the altar and he even gave dimensions.

#### THE MEASUREMENTS OF THE ALTAR

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EZE 43:13 And these are the measures of the altar after the cubits: The cubit is a cubit and an hand breadth; even the bottom shall be a cubit, and the breadth a cubit, and the border thereof by the edge thereof round about shall be a span: and this shall be the higher place of the altar. 123456789101112

14 And from the bottom upon the ground even to the lower settle shall be two cubits, and the breadth one cubit; and from the lesser settle even to the greater settle shall be four cubits, and the breadth one cubit.



16 And the altar shall be twelve cubits long, twelve broad, square in the four squares thereof.

17 And the settle shall be fourteen cubits long and fourteen broad in the four squares thereof; and the border about it shall be half a cubit; and the bottom thereof shall be a cubit about: and his stairs shall look toward the east.

The Encyclopedia Judaica gives this description of the altar: The large altar at Jerusalem was 10 cubits high and was built in stepped tiers. The lowest tier was sunk in the earth and was called

"the base on the ground" (Ezek.

43:14), was set off from the floor of the court by a channel, and measured 20 X 20 cubits. The length and width of the three tiers above it were 16 X 16, 14 X 14, and 12 X 12 cubits, respectively; the height of the lowest tier was 2 cubits, that of the middle 4 cubits, and that of the uppermost, call har'el, 4 cubits.

Set at the four corners of the har'el were "horns"...

Ascent to the altar was by steps on its east side (Ezek. 43:17). The fact that its base was called "bosom of the earth" while its uppermost tier was call har'el ("mountain of God") ...

REV 11:1 And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein.

When we read the above very closely, we note that there are three sets of measurements - the temple, the altar, and "them that worship therein". Since, we are more interested in the spiritual rather than the outside stones of the altar, we will measure the interior of the altar to determine the number of "them that worship therein."

But before we launch into the measuring, note that we are measuring something that extends from "the bosom of the earth" to the "mountain of God". Could this have something to do with our "members"?

EZE 43:10 Thou son of man, shew the house to the house of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their iniquities: and let them measure the pattern.

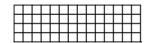
12 This is the law of the house; **Upon the** top of the mountain the whole limit thereof round about shall be most holy. Behold, this is the law of the house.

We will start by calculating the volume of the top tier which is 12 X 12 on the outside and 10 X 10 on the inside because we must subtract a cubit width of thickness from each of the two sides.

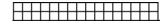
$$10 \times 10 \times 4 = 400$$



Next we calculate the volume of the middle tier which is 14 X 14 on the outside and 12 X 12 on  $12 \times 12 \times 4 = 576$ the inside:



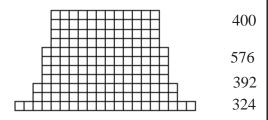
And now we go to the lower tier. This has outside dimensions of 16 X 16 and 14 X 14 on the inside.  $14 \times 14 \times 2 = 392$ 



And now the dimensions of bottom on the ground which is  $20 \times 20$  on the outside and  $18 \times 18$  on the inside.  $18 \times 18 \times 1 = 324$ 

And so we add it all up and what do we get? 400 + 576 + 392 + 324 = 1692

What does this number mean? At this point, we must say that we do not yet have the understanding of it, but we have measured the interior of the altar from the "bosom on the earth" to the "top of the mountain."



We have seen from our earlier studies that the nervous system seems to be the key to understanding both the celestial and terrestrial bodies. So, how could the above altar be related to the control system which serves the "members" of our body?

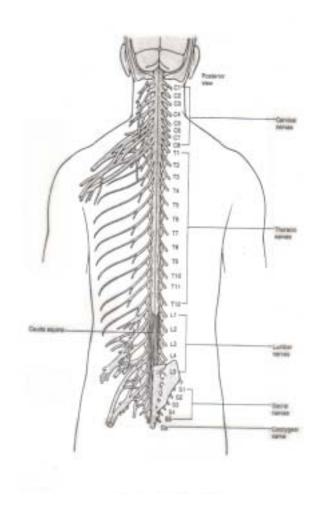
Consider the drawing of the location and naming of the 31 peripheral nerves for the body shown to the right. Let us start with the "bosom on the earth" and we note at the very bottom of the spinal cord is the coccygeal nerve. Webster's Collegiate Dictionary defines coccyx as follows: "the end of the spinal column beyond the sacrum in man and tailless apes."

Next upward, there are five pairs of nerves that are termed Sacral nerves. These primarily serve the area of the genitals and buttocks and parts of the legs. Above the sacral nerves are the five lumbar nerves. These primarily serve the lower back, hips and legs.

The thoracic nerves are in the "breast plate" area of the body and are 12 in number. The eight cervical nerves serve the upper shoulder area and the neck. We think the measurements we made are connected with the

number of subnerves within each division, but perhaps further revelation will come through those skilled in physiology.

Figure 11.30 The 31 pairs of spinal nerves are grouped according to the level from which they arise, and are numbered in sequence.



From **Human Anatomy Physiology**, sixth edition, p. 395; by John W. Hole, Jr.; Wm. C. Brown, Publishes, Dubuque, Iowa

Since the symbol of the flesh is the horse and we are considering the nervous system that serves the "members" of the body, the following observation from one of the medical books seems very appropriate.

"Since the spinal column ends in the upper lumbar region of the vertebral column, the lower lumbar, the sacral and coccygeal nerve roots must descend further and further before they reach the dorsal cavity (vertebral canal). Each successive pair of roots is longer than the one before, and as the roots descend they form a fairly large bundle of nerve fibers which is called the *cauda* equina (meaning the tail of a horse)."

Next, we want to examine the top of the mountain and the horns of the altar. How could this possibly relate to the kingdom within?

Set at the four corners of the *har'el* were "horns"...

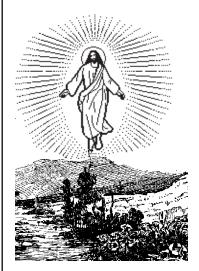
Ascent to the altar was by steps on its east side (Ezek. 43:17). The fact that its base was called "bosom of the earth" while its uppermost tier was call *har'el* ("mountain of God") ...

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EZE 43:12 This is the law of the house; **Upon** the top of the mountain the whole limit thereof round about shall be most holy. Behold, this is the law of the house.

The book of Zechariah speaks of a time when the Messiah returns and His foot touches down upon the mount of Olives. Wouldn't it be strange to find a mount of Olives within our very own body?

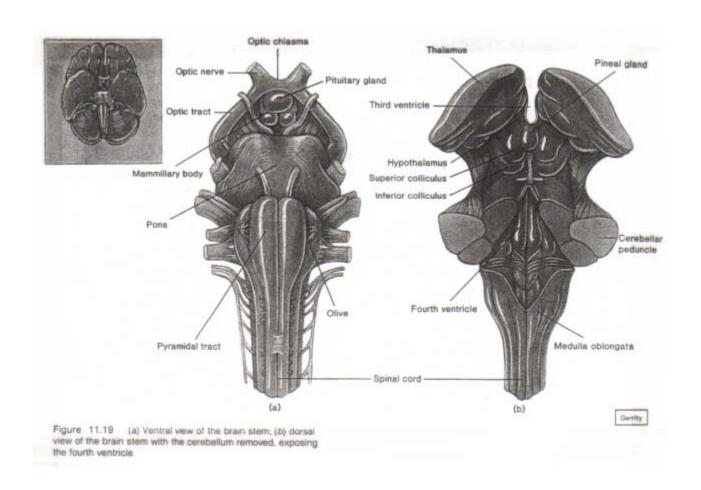
ZEC 14:4 And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it



toward the south.
ACT 1:11 Which
also said, Ye men of
Galilee, why stand
ye gazing up into
heaven? this same
Jesus, which is
taken up from you
into heaven, shall so
come in like manner
as ye have seen him
go into heaven.

12 Then returned they unto Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet ...

#### WHERE IS THE MOUNT OF OLIVES AND WHERE IS MOUNT ZION?



The drawing shown on the lower part of the page to the left shows the top of the spinal cord. In this spinal cord are all the nerves coming from the lower parts of the body. There is a particular place where the nerves from the left side of the body cross over to the right brain and the nerves from the right side of the body cross over to the left brain. This cross over point is called the "decussation of the pyramids" and describes the hourglass type shape of an upright and an upside down pyramid. This cross over creates a bulge in the spinal cord which is called the "Olive". This is the mount of Olives within.

At the very top of the spinal cord after it divides to serve the right and left brain is the pineal gland. See drawing to left. This is the body's clock and controls the timing of our waking and sleep cycles. It once was thought that light came only through the eyes to stimulate the pineal gland. But now, it has been learned that the light also comes through the skin and is carried by a "messenger" in the blood to the pineal gland. Research has found that one of the more effective ways to reset the pineal "clock" when undergoing time zone changes (like an overseas trip) is to apply light to the backs of the knees. Mount Sion has the meaning "sunny place". Could the pineal gland be the body's mount Sion?

Now that we have found the mount of Olives within the body, what about the horns of the altar? We

know that the altar has four horns. We know that altar contains fire. Is there any place in the body that corresponds to the horns of the altar? Suppose that we were to take the spinal cord and cut it in two just like we might cut a coaxial cable.

What would we see? The diagram to the right depicts a cross section of the spinal cord. Can you find the horns?

Why do we consider the spinal cord as being the altar? Is it not true that an altar has horns and does not the fragrance ascend upward? Consider the cross section illustration below of the spinal cord.

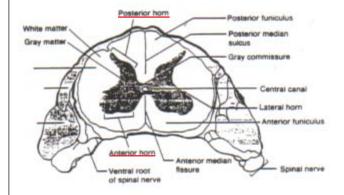


Fig. 11-4a, p. 365 Human Anatomy Physiology, 6th edition, John W. Hole, Jr, Wm. C. Brown Publishers, Dubuque, IA.

Note that there is a central part of the spinal column in which there is a section that looks like the wings of the butterfly. This gray matter section of the spinal cord consists primarily of nerve body cells, axons, and dendrites. Dendrite means "tree". Note that there are the horns of the spinal column. These are the right and left anterior horns and the right and left posterior horns. **Amazingly enough, we have the horns of the altar.** 

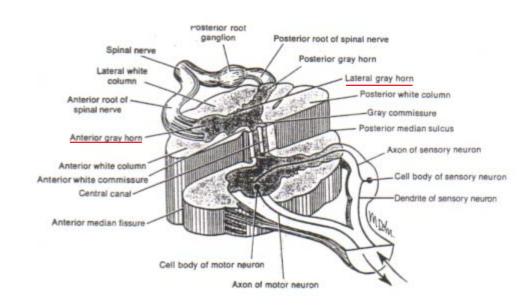


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#### THE ALTAR ANGEL OF WATERS AND THE ALTAR ANGEL OF FIRE

REV 16:4 And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters: and they became blood.

5 And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus.

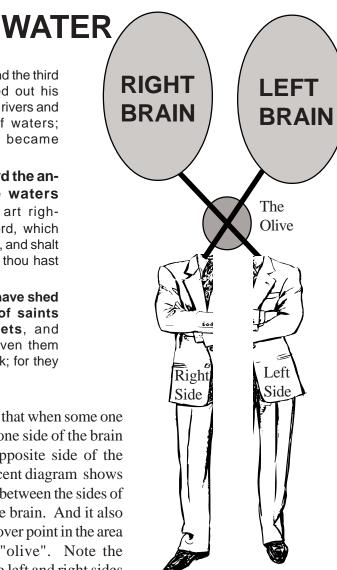
6 For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.

It is well known that when some one has a stroke on one side of the brain it affects the opposite side of the body. The adjacent diagram shows the relationship between the sides of the body and the brain. And it also shows the crossover point in the area known as the "olive". Note the scriptures on the left and right sides

given above. On the right brain side we have the angel of the waters. Then, it says (in Rev 16:7) another angel came out of the altar, so the angel of the waters must have come out of the altar, too. On the left brain side, we have an angel which comes out from the altar and has power over fire. Thus, it appears that we have two angels coming out of the altar - an angel of fire and an angel of the waters. And it would seem that the angel of waters (plural) operates both above and below the firmament or crystal sea.

GEN 1:6 And God said. Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.

7 And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so.



Rev 16:7 And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are thy judg-

**FIRE** 

ments.

8 And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.

REV 14:17 And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.

18 And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.

Further, we know that there is a stream of water that issues from under the right hand (or south) side of the altar.

EZE 47:1 Afterward he brought me again unto the door of the house; and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house stood toward the east, and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at the south side of the altar.

When the intensity of the fire and water are in balance, it is like a garden (soul) that receives the perfect amount of sunshine and rainfall. However, problems can arise when the fire becomes overly intense or the rain is withheld - or vice versa.

Now we can really begin to tie some things together. Note in Revelation 16:6 that it says that "**they have shed the blood of the saints and prophets.**" Actually this event in Rev 16:6 occurs after the seventh seal has opened. But note below, those in the fifth seal made the request for the judgement carried out by the "angel of the waters".

REV 6:9 And when he had opened **the fifth seal**, I saw **under the altar** the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held:

10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, **How** long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?

11 And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, **until their** fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.

Revelation 11 tells us about measuring the altar, which we did, but it also tells us about the two witnesses that are ultimately killed by the beast that ascends out of the bottomless pit. If you look closely at their ministry, the two witnesses operate by sending fire and withholding water.

REV 11:1 And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, **Rise**, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein.

- 2 But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months.
- 3 And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.
- 4 These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth.
- 5 And if any man will hurt them, **fire proceedeth out of their mouth**, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.
- 6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.

### WHAT IS MEANT BY THE "ANGEL OF WATERS"?

Let us look at the kingdom within to discover what "waters" might be within our very own body and soul. We said that a soul could be like a well watered garden.

ISA 58:11 And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not.

12 And they that shall be of thee **shall build the old waste places**: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, **The repairer of the breach**, The restorer of paths to dwell in.

The "old waste places" are the minds of men that were darkened by the fall all of the way back to the foundational generation of Adam. The "breach" is the schism between the left and right brain. Now, where in the scriptures can we first learn of a river that waters a garden?

GEN 2:8 And the **LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden**; and there he put the man whom he had formed.

- 9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; **the tree of life** also in the midst of the garden, and **the tree of knowledge of good and evil.**
- 10 And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads.
- 11 The name of the first is **Pison**: that is it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold;
- 12 And the gold of that land is good: there is bdellium and the onyx stone.
- 13 And the name of the second river is **Gihon**: the same is it that compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia.
- 14 And the name of the third river is **Hiddekel**: that is it which goeth toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river is **Euphrates**.

Let us each look within our very own soul in the garden of our mind to find these four rivers that flow outward.

#### THE FOUR RIVERS THAT WATER THE GARDEN

Brain waves are recordings of fluctuating electrical changes that occur in the brain. To obtain such a recording, electrodes are positioned on the surface of a surgically exposed brain (an electrocorticogram, ECoG) or on the outer surface of the head (an electroencephalogram, EEG). These electrodes detect electrical changes taking place in the extracellular fluid of the brain in response to changes in potential occurring among large groups of neurons. The resulting signals from the electrodes are amplified and recorded.

The source of brain waves seems to be the neurons in the cerebral cortex. However, the changes that occur in these waves are also related to activities in other parts of the brain that influence the cortex, such as the reticular formation.

In general, the intensity of electrical changes is directly related to the degree of neuronal activity. Thus, brain waves vary markedly in amplitude and frequency between sleep and wakefulness.

Brain waves are classified as alpha, beta, theta, and delta waves. Alpha waves are recorded most easily from the posterior regions of the head and have a frequency of 8-13 cycles per second. They occur when a person is awake but resting, with the eyes closed. These waves disappear during sleep, and if the wakeful person's eyes are opened, the alpha waves are replaced by higher frequency beta waves.

Beta waver have a frequency of more than 13 cycles per second and are usually recorded in the anterior region of the head. They occur when a person is actively engaged in mental activity or is under tension.

Theta waves have a frequency of 4-7 cycles per second and occur mainly in the parietal and temporal regions of the cerebrum. They are produced normally in children. Theta waves usually do not occur in adults, although some adults produce them in early stages of sleep or at times of emotional stress.

Delta waves have a frequency below 4 cycles per second and occur during sleep. They seem to come from the cerebral cortex when it is not being activated by the reticular formation (figure 11.23).

The patterns of brain waves are sometimes useful for diagnosing disease conditions. For example, they are used to distinguish various types of seizure disorders (epilepsy) and to locate brain tumors. (Because a tumor either takes up space previously occupied by normal nerve tissue, or

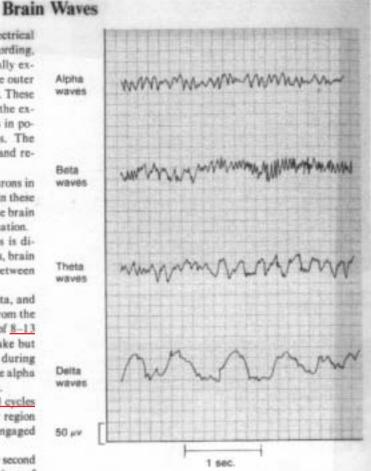


Figure 11.23 Brain waves are recordings of fluctuating electrical changes that occur in the brain.

compresses the normal tissues around itself, abnormal brain waves produced in the affected area may reveal the location of the tumor.)

Brain waves are also used to determine when brain death has occurred. Brain death, characterized by the cessation of neuronal activity, may be verified by an EEG that lacks waves (isoelectric EEG). However, because certain drugs can greatly depress brain functions, such drugs must be excluded as the cause of the flat EEG pattern before brain death can be confirmed.

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The above chart describes the four "rivers of consciousness" of the brain. Even as you are reading these words, your brain is probably operating in either the beta or alpha states. The alpha state is the highway of the spirit. It is that state where we can receive dreams (REM or Rapid Eye Movement) sleep or we can receive visions because our spirit is receptive to the spiritual world.

ACT 2:17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:

18 And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy:

The theta waves seem a little puzzling since they exist in childhood and disappear in adults. They also are at one half the frequency of alpha waves. But have you ever looked into the eyes of a young baby and wondered what mysteries they knew that we didn't because their spirit had recently been with the Father? And then as they grow up in this world, the former heaven is partially closed and they become acclimated to the outer, flesh world.



MAT 18:10 Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, **That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.** 

We have discussed the alpha wave frequencies as being the medium of spiritual dreams and visions. This is a blessing if the spiritual dreams and visions are being received from God. But, it can become a nightmare if from an evil source. One of the dangers that one faces when operating in the spiritual world is letting impatience cause us to pull a vacuum. What do we mean by this?

ISA 40:30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

31 But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

When we place our antennae in the spiritual world, we must be willing to "wait upon the Lord" until He gives us the message. And, being the hurry-up type of people that we tend to be, we often do not want to wait for the Lord to speak. So, we search the spiritual frequencies desperately to find a "word" and our impatience creates a spiritual vacuum which the enemy rushes into and exploits. You remember the story of Samuel and Saul. Samuel told Saul to wait upon a word. But Saul grew more and more impatient and he determined that he would force the issue by his own actions.

1SA 13:6 When the men of Israel saw that they were in a strait, (for the people were distressed,) then the people did hide themselves in caves, and in thickets, and in rocks, and in high places, and in pits.

8 And he tarried seven days, according to the set time that Samuel had appointed: but Samuel came not to Gilgal; and the people were scattered from him.

9 And Saul said, Bring hither a burnt offering to me, and peace offerings. And he offered the burnt offering.
10 And it came to pass, that as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came; and Saul went out to meet him, that he might salute him.

11 And Samuel said, What hast thou done? And Saul said, Because I saw that the people were scattered from me, and that thou camest not within the days appointed, and that the Philistines gathered themselves together at Michmash;

12 Therefore said I, The Philistines will come down now upon me to Gilgal, and I have not made supplication unto the LORD: I forced myself therefore, and offered a burnt offering.

13 And Samuel said to Saul, **Thou hast done foolishly: thou hast not kept the commandment of the LORD thy God**, which he commanded thee: for now would the LORD have established thy kingdom upon Israel for ever.

And so often, when people get in a "strait", they will "force" themselves to go out and get a word from any source, rather than waiting for the true word of deliverance to come from the Lord. If we wait upon the Lord, we will receive the eagles' wings of an overcomer. If we pull a vacuum and bring in a word from the familiar spirit world, we will end up with a similar fate to Saul when he consulted the woman at Endor (1 Sam 28:7). And one observes other marked differences between the familiar spirit world and the true spiritual world. Those whose roots are in the psychic try to bring the altar fire up the spinal cord, while the true tongues of fire come from the head down (Act 2:3). This is the strange fire kindled on the altar discussed in Numbers 3:4. Other marked differences are an aversion to the blood of Jesus by familiar spirits. And, any hierarchy of "gods" that doesn't have Jesus at the top of the chart along with the Father is a dead giveaway that the message is coming from the wrong source. (Phil 2:9,10). Another difference is that the psychic (or soulish) world uses pretty words to glorify "self" so that self can sit on the throne rather than God. (2 Thess 2:4).

#### THE OPENING OF THE SIXTH SEAL

REV 6:12 And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;

- 13 And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.
- 14 And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.
- 15 And **the kings of the earth**, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the **rocks of the mountains**:
- 16 And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:
- 17 For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

We received a preview of the opening of the sixth seal when Jesus was crucified. Note the similarities to the above.

MAT 27:45 Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour.

- 50 Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.
- 51 And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;

Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, **they feared greatly**, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.

LUK 10:18 And he said unto them, **I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.** 

19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

MAT 21:20 And when the disciples saw it, they marvelled, saying, How soon is **the fig tree** withered away!

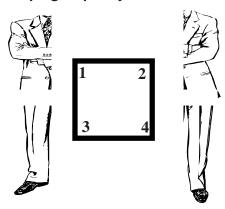
We have already discussed how the renting of the veil was accomplished in two realms. One realm was the renting of the veil in the temple in Jerusalem and the second was the renting of the flesh of Jesus to provide a new and living way into the heavens for us. Again, let us look for the kingdom within and we don't have to look very far, for something is taking place within our foreheads.

REV 7:1 And after these things I saw **four angels standing on the four corners of the earth**, holding **the four winds of the earth**, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.

- 2 And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea.
- 3 Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.

It is fairly easy to see that the above is dealing with the sealing of the forehead. But what about the four corners of the earth. Is this dealing with the physical earth - or is it dealing with this earth that we call a body? How could it have four corners? Consider the following definitions of conditions which result from certain spinal cord injuries.

#### Paraplegia - paralysis of both legs Quadriplegia - paralysis of all four limbs



A quadriplegic person has in essence lost the spinal cord communication function to both the upper and lower bodies - or all four limbs. These four limbs are the four corners of our earth.

REV 7:3 Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.

MAT 15:13 But he answered and said, **Every** plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up.

REV 14:18 And another angel came out from the altar, which had **power over fire**; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, **Thrust in thy sharp sickle**, and **gather the clusters of the vine of the earth**; for her grapes are fully ripe.

We have already discussed the nerves as being like trees. So the above scenario seems to be saying that something will happen to the earthly nerves. ROM 7:23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

But before the nerves serving the members of the body are dealt with, something else must happen. Those nerves in the head must be sealed so that they are shielded from the judgement that will come on the rest of the body. Wouldn't it be something if there were twelve sealings for the 12 cranial nerves? The angel of the altar is about to sever the vine (spinal cord) and it will be replaced with a celestial body set of nerves. The picture below shows the spinal cord - peripheral nervous system and a close-up of what perhaps might be a touch sensor and muscle activator in your finger. Note that next to the sensory ending is a dendrite which means "like a tree".

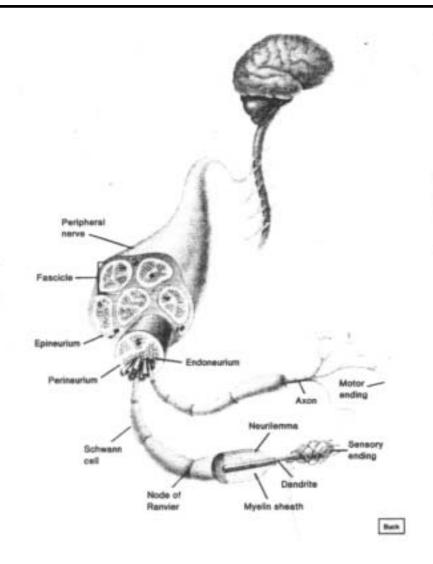


Figure 11.24 The Structure of a peripheral nerve

#### THE SEALING OF THE TWELVE TRIBES

REV 7:3 Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.

4 And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

The above scriptures show the sealing of the twelve tribes. There are 12,000 in a tribe which gives a total of 144,000. The illustration on the preceding page shows that for each nerve, there are many subnerves within the myelin sheath nerve cable. Whether there are 12,000 subnerves for each of the twelve cranial nerves, we do not know. But we think that this is a symbolic representation of the city set on a hill with twelve gates.

MAT 5:14 Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

Now, let us look briefly at the sealing of the tribes.

- REV 7:5 Of the tribe of **Juda** [1] were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Reuben**[2] were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Gad** [3] were sealed twelve thousand.
- 6 Of the tribe of **Aser[4]** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Nepthalim[5]** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Manasses[6]** were sealed twelve thousand.
- 7 Of the tribe of **Simeon[7]** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Levi[8]** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Issachar[9]** were sealed twelve thousand.
- 8 Of the tribe of **Zabulon**[10] were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Joseph**[11] were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Benjamin**[12] were sealed twelve thousand.

When the tribes are sealed in the forehead, they are tied in to the river and fountain of waters and are like trees that shall not wither when the fire of judgement comes.

- JER 17:5 Thus saith the LORD; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.
- 6 For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited.

- JER 17:7 Blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is.
- 8 For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.

The sealing in the forehead process continues so that all that is to be saved for the celestial body is gathered together and that which is to be burned by the fire of judgement is gathered together. There is great joy when the sealing process is completed and that which is to be sealed is protected by being planted on this side and that side of the river and fountain of waters of the Spirit.

REV 7:9 After this I beheld, and, Io, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;

REV 7:11 And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God,

- 12 Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.
- 13 And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?
- 14 And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
- 15 Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them.
- 16 They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; **neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.**
- 17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

#### THE OPENING OF THE SEVENTH SEAL



REV 8:1 And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.

- 2 And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given **seven trumpets.**
- 3 And another angel came and stood at the altar, **having a golden censer**; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the **golden altar which was before the throne**.
- 4 And the **smoke of the incense**, which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended **up** before God out of the angel's hand.

Now the stage is set and we have come to the really exciting part which is the opening of the seventh seal. So, lets look at the events - one by one involved in the opening of the seventh seal. First, we are told that there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour. Is this half hour a literal 30 minutes or is it a symbolic book of Revelation half hour. Strangely enough, we can determine this through the following scriptures.

REV 17:12 And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.

REV 13:1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months.

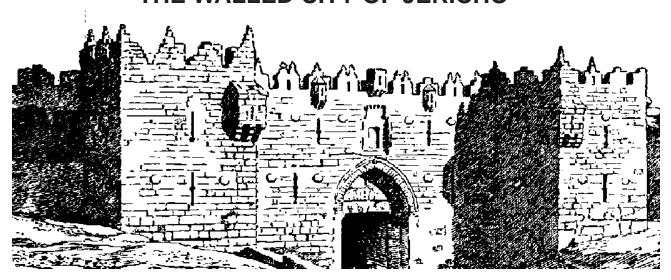
By comparing the above scriptures about the length of time power was given to the beast, it is very easy to determine that one hour is 42 months. In Revelation time, one hour is equivalent to 42 months or 3.5 years or 1260 days. It gives additional meaning to the following scriptures.

REV 3:3 Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.

REV 3:10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

Thus, our Savior is telling us that if we will watch and be faithful, we will have completed our period of testing in advance of the 3.5 year period of great tribulation that will come upon all the world. Notice that after the completion of the sixth seal, the seventh seal opens and after a period of a half hour (21 months) of silence, there are seven angels with seven trumpets which prepare themselves to sound. A censer is filled with coals from the incense altar. Can you think of a similar event in the old testament where a city (whose name means fragrance) was captured by circling it for six days and then, after a silence, blowing trumpets on the seventh day?

#### THE WALLED CITY OF JERICHO



There are some very amazing parallels between what happened at Jericho and the seven seals and seven trumpets of Revelation. First, let us set the stage for the events leading up to the battle of Jericho. Joshua and the Hebrews had just crossed the River Jordan and then they went through a circumcision. Their charter for entering the promised land was to conquer the 31 kings who thought they were the true owners of the land. The king of Jericho was among these 31 kings and for some reason, he was the first one targeted.

JOS 12:7 And these are the kings of the country which Joshua and the children of Israel smote on this side Jordan on the west, from Baalgad in the valley of Lebanon even unto the mount Halak, that goeth up to Seir; which Joshua gave unto the tribes of Israel for a possession according to their divisions:

- 8 In the mountains, and in the valleys, and in the plains, and in the springs, and in the wilderness, and in the south country; the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites:
- 9 **The king of Jericho**, one; the king of Ai, which is beside Bethel, one;
- 10 The king of Jerusalem, one; the king of Hebron, one;
- 23 The king of Dor in the coast of Dor, one; the king of the nations of Gilgal, one;
- 24 The king of Tirzah, one: all the kings thirty and one.

It is not very difficult at all to relate the battle of Jericho to the kingdom within. The 31 kings of the land are symbolic of the 31 peripheral nerves of the body which serve the member parts of the body. The names of these 31 kings and the meanings of their names are given in Appendix A2.

The name Jericho is ascribed two meanings which are: **city of the moon; and another, a fragrant place** (Bible Research Software Dictionary). We can apply the battle for the city of Jericho to the parallel of the opening of the seventh seal Those souls in white robes under the incense altar described in the fifth seal will wait no longer. They will ascend straight upward into the throne room.

- JOS 6:1 Now **Jericho was straitly shut up** because of the children of Israel: none went out, and none came in.
- 2 And the LORD said unto Joshua, See, I have given into thine hand Jericho, and the king thereof, and the mighty men of valour.
- 3 And ye shall compass the city, all ye men of war, and go round about the city once. Thus shalt thou do six days.

In Revelation, we have studied the first six seals which finally brought us to the seventh seal. In the seventh seal, there was an incense or fragrance altar and there was a period of silence. And then seven angels with seven trumpets prepared to sound. Lets go back to our description of the battle of Jericho and see if we can find the events parallel to the opening of the seventh seal.

JOS 6:4 And seven priests shall bear before the ark seven trumpets of rams' horns: and the seventh day ye shall compass the city seven times, and the priests shall blow with the trumpets.

- 5 And it shall come to pass, that when they make a long blast with the ram's horn, and when ye hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people shall shout with a great shout; and the wall of the city shall fall down flat, and the people shall ascend up every man straight before him.
- 6 And Joshua the son of Nun called the priests, and said unto them, Take up the ark of the covenant, and let seven priests bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD.

Now we have the seven priests with the seven trumpets standing by. When does the period of silence take place?

JOS 6:10 And Joshua had commanded the people, saying, Ye shall not shout, nor make any noise with your voice, neither shall any word proceed out of your mouth, until the day I bid you shout; then shall ye shout.

The priests went around the city once per day for six days and now we have reached the dawning of the seventh day.

- JOS 6:15 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they rose early about the dawning of the day, and compassed the city after the same manner seven times: only on that day they compassed the city seven times.
- 16 And it came to pass at the seventh time, when the priests blew with the trumpets, Joshua said unto the people, Shout; for the LORD hath given you the city.
- 20 So the people shouted when the priests blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass, when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city.

And this was the completion of Joshua's first battle in his campaign to subdue the 31 kings that were squatting on the land promised to Israel. Joshua and his armies had begun the process of clearing out the imposters from the very throne room of the mind. Then the presence of the Lord will replace the god of self.

2TH 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and **that man of sin be revealed**, the son of perdition;

- 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.
- 5 Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?
- 6 And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.
- 7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.
- 8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

There are many parallels in the scriptures that illustrate the battle for the throne room of the mind. When the Hebrews, as the Bible says, went **down** into Egypt, they took the higher realm downward into captivity to the lower realm.

ROM 7:23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

When the Hebrews were in slavery building the pyramids of the Egyptians, they were in total captivity. And then in a series of plagues and judgements against the Egyptians (much like the seals of Revelation) they were brought through the Red sea, the wilderness, and finally to the promised land where they redeemed their land.

The Babylonian captivity was much the same. King Hezekiah allowed the Babylonians a preview of the riches of the throne room. Later on Jerusalem and the temple was taken into captivity. And then, when the Hebrews returned, they had to rebuild "the old waste places" of the city and temple. Likewise, we must rebuild the old waste places of our mind.

Now that we have discussed the background of the seventh seal, we have returned to the point discussed in pages 4, 5, and 6 of this writing about the birthing of the manchild and the activities of the eagle company of overcomers. The seventh seal contains seven trumpets and seven vials in parallel. In order to give a picture of this, we will present it in the form of a ladder with the events preceding from the bottom up.

**GENERAL RETURN OF CHRIST** 

REV 10:7 But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be **finished**, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

REV 9:14 Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates.

REV 9:1 And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.

2 ... and the sun and the air were **darkened** by reason of the smoke of the pit.

REV 8:12 And the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the **sun** was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the **third part of the stars**; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise.

7th Event
7th year

6th Event
6th year

5th Event
5th year

REV 16:17 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, **It is done**.

REV 16:12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great **river Euphrates**; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.

REV 16:10 And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of **darkness**; and they gnawed their tongues for pain,

4th Event 3&1/2 YEAR POINT BIRTH OF MANCHILD

REV 12:5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

REV 16:8 And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the **sun**; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.

REV 12:4 And his tail drew the **third part of the stars of heaven**, and did cast them to the earth:

REV 8:10 And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the **rivers**, and upon the **fountains of waters**;

REV 8:8 And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the **sea**: and the third part of the sea became blood;

REV 8:7 The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the **earth**: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.

2nd Event
2nd year

1st Event
1st year

REV 16:4 And the third angel poured out his vial upon **the rivers and fountains of waters**; and they became blood.

REV 16:3 And the second angel poured out his vial upon the **sea**; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea.

REV 16:2 And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the **earth**; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.

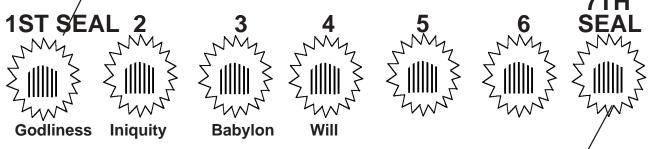
REV 8:1 And when he had opened the **seventh seal** ... 2 And I saw the **seven angels** which stood before God; and to them were given seven **trumpets**.

REV 16:1 And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the **seven angels**, Go your ways, and pour out the **vials** of the wrath of God upon the earth.

REV 6:1 And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts/saying, Come and see.

2 And I saw, and behold a white horse:

#### WHAT THE SEVEN THUNDERS SPEAK IS SEALED BY THE **SEVEN SEALS**



Above is shown the frame work of the seven seals and within the **seventh seal are the seven trumpets.** We know that these seven seals contain seven mysteries. We have noted four mysteries with the opening of the first four seals by the four seraphim. And while we have discussed the events of the remaining three seals, we would likely be running ahead of our revelation to try to describe the three remaining mysteries. John described these seven thunders and said that they would be sealed up for a period of time. If we count a day as a thousand years, then we are in the dawning of the third day when these mysteries are beginning to be revealed.

LUK 13:32 And he said unto them, Go ye, and tell that fox, Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures to day and to morrow, and the third day I shall be perfected

The detailed description of John's encounter with the seven thunders is given below. We suspect the that sweetness of the little scroll is the sweetness of the promises made to those who overcome. And the bitterness is the difficulty in walking it out. But also contained in it is the mysteries of the seven seals.

#### REV 8:1 And when he had opened the seventh seal

- 2 And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets.
- 5 And the angel took the censer, and filled if with fire of the altar. and cast it into the earth: and were voices, thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.



Ram's Horn - Trumpet

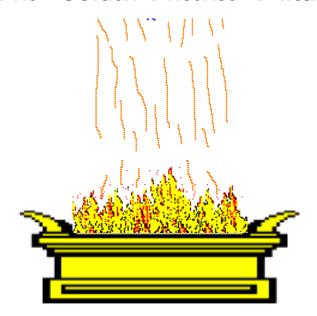
### he Revelation Scroll

REV 10:1 And I perceived another strong messenger descending out of heaven, clothed with a cloud, and the rainbow on his head, and his face as the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire,

- 2 and having in his hand a tiny open scroll. And he places his right foot on the seas, and yet the left on the land.
- 3 And he cries with a loud voice, even as a lion is bellowing. And when he cries, the seven thunders speak with their own voices.
- 4 And when the seven thunders speak, I was about to be writing. And I hear a voice out of heaven saying, "Seal what things the seven thunders speak," and "Them you should not be writing."
- 7 That there will be no longer a time of delay, but in the days of the seventh messengers' voice, whenever he may be about to be trumpeting, the secret of God is consummated also, as He evangelizes to His own slaves and the prophets.
- 8 And the voice which i hear out of heaven speaks again with me, and is saying, "Go get the tiny scroll open ...
- 9 ... Take it and devour it; and it will be making your bowels bitter, but in your mouth it will be sweet as honey."

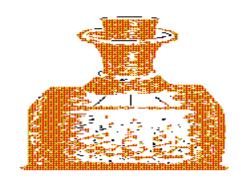
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#### The Golden I ncense Altar and the Alabaster Box



MAT 26:7 There came unto him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on his head, as he sat at meat.

12 For in that she hath poured this ointment on my body, she did it for my burial.



REV 8:3 And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

4 And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.

Before Jesus was crucified, the alabaster box was broken and His body was anointed for burial. And then even after the crucifixion and before the resurrection, further anointing of His body took place.

- JOH 19:38 And after this Joseph of Arimathaea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave him leave. He came therefore, and took the body of Jesus.
- 39 And there came also Nicodemus, which at the first came to Jesus by night, and brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about an hundred pound weight.
- 40 Then took they the body of Jesus, and wound it in linen clothes with the spices, as the manner of the Jews is to bury.

Now we could be like Judas and say what a waste of money to use all these valuable spices - the money instead could have been given to the poor. But aside from natural preservation, what parallel in the spiritual was being activated by the faith act of breaking the alabaster box and anointing the body with spices? Could this have been a natural representation of the events that happened to Enoch when he was translated?

- II ENOCH 226 And Michael, the LORD's archistratig, lifted me up and brought me in front of the face of the LORD. And the LORD said to his servants, sounding them out, "Let Enoch join in and stand in front of my face forever!"
- 7 And the LORD's glorious ones did obeisance and said, "Let Enoch yield in accordance with your word, O LORD!"
- 8 And the LORD said to Michael, "Go, and extract Enoch from [his] earthly clothing. And anoint him with my delightful oil, and put him into the clothes of my glory.
- 9 And so Michael did, just as the LORD had said to him. He anointed me and he clothed me. And the appearance of that oil is greater than the greatest light, and its ointment is like sweet dew, and its fragrance myrrh; and it is like the rays of the glittering sun.
- 10 And I looked at myself, and I had become like one of his glorious ones, and there was no observable difference.

From both events concerning Jesus and Enoch, we see that the spices play a principal role in allowing us to be "extracted" from our earthly body to don our celestial body. Lets learn more about the spices.

SON 4:14 Spikenard and saffron; calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices:

EXO 30:23 Take thou also unto thee **principal spices**, of pure myrrh five hundred shekels, and of sweet cinnamon half so much, even two hundred and fifty shekels, and of sweet calamus two hundred and fifty shekels,

If we take all the chief spices and add them with the principal spices, will we get a list of twelve chief and principal spices which are the anointing spices for the twelve rods (cranial nerves) of the twelve sons of Jacob? Let's start listing scriptures and see what we get?

#### CHIEF AND PRINCIPAL SPICES

SON 4:13 Thy plants are an orchard of pomegranates, with pleasant fruits; **camphire**, with **spikenard**,

- 14 Spikenard and saffron; calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices:
- 15 A fountain of gardens, a well of living waters, and streams from Lebanon.
- 16 Awake, O north wind; and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, that the spices thereof may flow out. Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits.
  - 1. CAMPHIRE
    2. SPIKENARD
    3. SAFFRON
    4. CALAMUS
    5. CINNAMON
    6. FRANKINCENSE
    7. MYRRH
    8. ALOES
    9. CASSIA

EZE 27:19 Dan also and Javan going to and fro occupied in thy fairs: bright iron, cassia, and calamus, were in thy market.

- 20 Dedan was thy merchant in precious clothes for chariots.
- 21 Arabia, and all the princes of Kedar, they occupied with thee in lambs, and rams, and goats: in these were they thy merchants.
- :22 The merchants of Sheba and Raamah, they were thy merchants: they occupied in thy fairs with **chief of all spices**, and with all precious stones, and gold.

So far we have found nine chief spices. Are there more - let us continue on in our search of the scriptures and look at the principal spices.

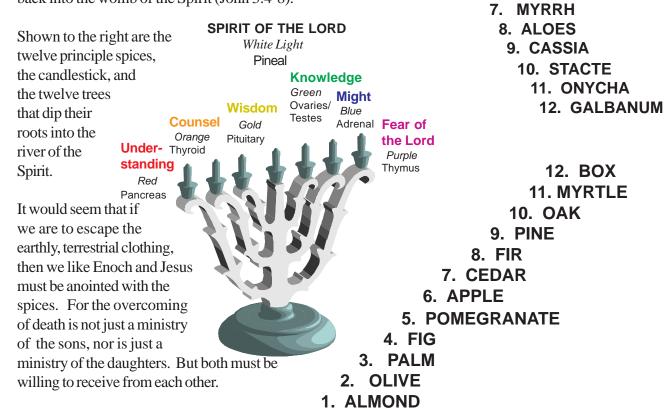
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- 24 And of **cassia** five hundred shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary, and of oil olive an hin.
- 25 And thou shalt make it an oil of holy ointment, an ointment compound after the art of the apothecary: it shall be **an holy anointing oil.**

EXO 30:31 And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, **This shall be an holy anointing oil** unto me throughout your generations.

- 32 **Upon man's flesh shall it not be poured,** neither shall ye make any other like it, after the composition of it: it is holy, and it shall be holy unto you.
- 33 Whosoever compoundeth any like it, or whosoever putteth any of it upon a stranger, shall even be cut off from his people.
- 34 And the LORD said unto Moses, Take unto thee sweet spices, **stacte**, and **onycha**, and **galbanum**; these sweet spices with pure frankincense: of each shall there be a like weight:
- 35 And **thou shalt make it a perfume**, a confection after the art of the apothecary, tempered together, pure and holy:

10. STACTE 11. ONYCHA 12. STACTE The woman who broke the alabaster box and anointed Jesus was operating under the feminine anointing of El Shaddai or Wisdom. And even Nicodemis was operating under the anointing of El Shaddai when he prepared the body of Jesus for burial. For Nicodemis received instructions from Jesus about how to enter back into the womb of the Spirit (John 3:4-8).



## 1CO 15:49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

## 51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: **for the trumpet shall sound**, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

## 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, **Death is swallowed up in victory.** 

PSA 45:7 Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

1. CAMPHIRE

2. SPIKENARD

3. SAFFRON

4. CALAMUS

5. CINNAMON

6. FRANKINCENSE

8 All thy garments smell of myrrh, and aloes, and cassia, out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.

Wisdom's voice is calling to each of us to receive the anointing that she would give unto us. She crieth at the gates and doors of our mind and spirit. Will we open the gates and doors unto her?

PRO 8:1 Doth not wisdom cry? and understanding put forth her voice?

- 2 She standeth in the top of high places, by the way in the places of the paths.
- 3 She crieth at the gates, at the entry of the city, at the coming in at the doors.

Let us find a quiet garden spot and meditate upon the attributes of Wisdom as described on the next page.



### **Wisdom**

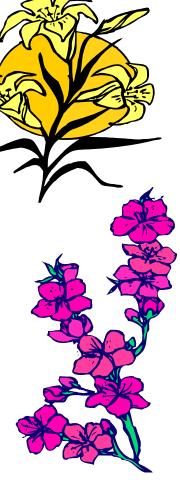
II Esdras 9:23 Nevertheless, if thou wilt cease yet seven days more, (but thou shalt not fast in them,

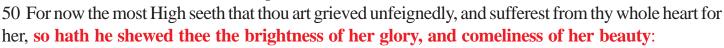
24 but go into a field of flowers, where no house is builded, and eat only the flowers of the

**field;** taste no flesh, drink no wine, but eat flowers only:)

26 So I went my way into the field which is called Ardath, like as he commanded me; and there I sat among the flowers, and did eat of the herbs of the field, and meat of same satisfied me.

Esdras 10:49 And, behold, thou sawest her likeness, and because she mourned for her son, thou begannest to comfort her: and of these things which have chanced, these are to be opened unto thee.





- 51 And therefore I bade thee remain in the field where no house was builded:
- 52 For I knew that the Highest would shew this unto thee.
- 53 Therefore I commanded thee to go into the field, where no foundation of any building was.
- 54 Therefore in the place wherein the Highest begineth to shew his city, **there can no man's building be able to stand.**

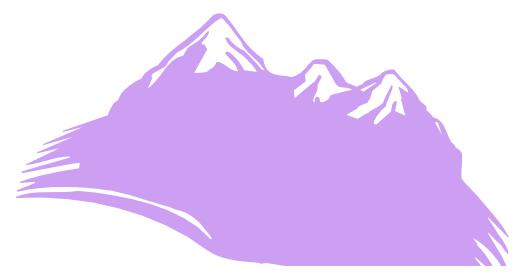


Wisdom of Solomon 7:24 For wisdom is more moving than any motion: she passeth and goeth through all things by reason of her pureness.

25 For she is the breath of the power of God, and a pure influence flowing from the glory of the Almighty: therefore can no defiled thing enter into her.
26 For she is the brightness of the everlasting light, the unspotted mirror of the power of God, and the image of his goodness.



#### THE SNOW OF MOUNT HERMON



MAR 9:2 And after six days Jesus taketh with him Peter, and James, and John, and leadeth them up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and he was transfigured before them.

3 And his raiment became shining, exceeding white as snow; so as no fuller on earth can white them.

PSA 51:6 Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom.

7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

JER 18:14 Will a man leave the snow of Lebanon which cometh from the rock of the field? or shall the cold flowing waters that come from another place be forsaken?

LAM 4:7 Her Nazarites were purer than snow, they were whiter than milk, they were more ruddy in body than rubies, their polishing was of sapphire:

DAN 7:9 I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire.

#### COOL, FLOWING, REFRESHING STREAMS FROM LEBANON

SON 4:8 Come with me from Lebanon, my spouse, with me from Lebanon: look from the top of Amana, from the top of Shenir and Hermon, from the lions' dens, from the mountains of the leopards.

- 12 A garden inclosed is my sister, my spouse; a spring shut up, a fountain sealed.
- 15 A fountain of gardens, a well of living waters, and streams from Lebanon. 16 Awake, O north wind; and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, that the spices thereof may flow out. Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits.

## WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

JOH 6:63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

67 Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away?

68 Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life.

69 And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.



**HEB 11:1** Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Many times God had prophets do natural things in order to set spiritual processes in motion.

### THE TRIBULATION OF BIRTHING THE MANCHILD

Let us look at the lives of some of the overcomers of scripture. Consider Job.

JOB 3:3 Let the day perish wherein I was born, and the night in which it was said, <u>There</u> is a man child conceived.

- 4 Let that day be darkness; let not God regard it from above, neither let the light shine upon it.
- 5 Let darkness and the shadow of death stain it; let a cloud dwell upon it; let the blackness of the day terrify it.
- 6 As for that night, let darkness seize upon it; let it not be joined unto the days of the year, let it not come into the number of the months.
- 7 Lo, let that night be solitary, let no joyful voice come therein.
- 8 Let them curse it that curse the day, who are ready to raise up their mourning. [Strong's #3882]

#3882 Livyathon, a wreathed animal, i.e. a serpent (espec. the crocodile or some large sea monster)

- 9 Let the stars of the twilight thereof be dark; let it look for light, but have none; neither let it see the dawning of the day:
- 10 Because it shut not up the doors of my mother's womb, nor hid sorrow from mine eyes.

The above gives Job's lamentations about the battle where that great serpent stood against him and battled him. A number of translations translate the King James' mourning as Leviathan or the serpent. When one compares the above with the birthing of the manchild in Revelation 12, it is apparent that the experiences are the same. And Job did not receive his answers until he was "caught up" like the manchild of Revelation 12 and he saw the end from his beginnings.

JOB 38:1 Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said,

- 2 Who is this that darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge?
- 4 Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding.

JOB 42:7 And it was so, that after the LORD had spoken these words unto Job, the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, My wrath is kindled against thee, and against thy two friends: for ye have not spoken of me the thing that is right, as my servant Job hath.

But, in the end, even Job's "comforters" had to come to him for prayer and blessing because Job had overcome.

Consider the life of Hannah. Her rival Peninnah was blessed with children and she was barren and in great bitterness of soul. But out of this turmoil was birthed a manchild that was to displace the religious establishment and lead Israel. Hannah was a type of the sun clothed woman.

1SA 1:9 So Hannah rose up after they had eaten in Shiloh, and after they had drunk. Now Eli the priest sat upon a seat by a post of the temple of the LORD.

- 10 And she was in bitterness of soul, and prayed unto the LORD, and wept sore.
- 11 And she vowed a vow, and said, O LORD of hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of thine handmaid, and remember me, and not forget thine handmaid, but wilt give unto thine handmaid a man child, then I will give him unto the LORD all the days of his life, and there shall no razor come upon his head.

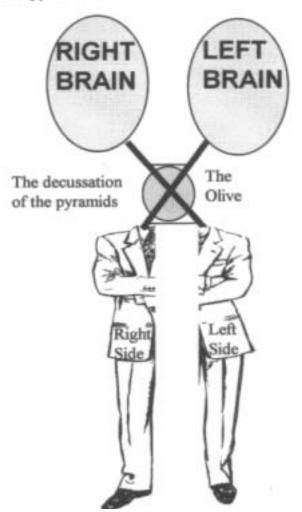
The manchild of Revelation 12 will be child of the "old" or later age that will be clothed with the rainbow cloak of many colors of the Seven Spirits of God that surround the throne. Consider Joseph.

GEN 37:3 Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he made him a coat of many colours.

- 4 And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his brethren, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him.
- 5 And Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told it his brethren: and they hated him yet the more.

Joseph was blessed with great abilities, but these great abilities resulted in much tribulation for him. He was put it a pit to die, sold to traders, given a position of honor in Potiphar's house where he was maligned with the slings and arrows of false accusations. From here he went to Pharaoh's prison where he learned the futility of trusting in the arm of flesh of the butler's friendship to get him out of prison. He had gone down in to Egypt and he was miserable! Joseph had reached the humiliating "eye of the needle" in the land of the pyramids. Oh, how wonderful to be called to be an overcomer and part of the manchild company! Sweet in the mouth when we say "Yes, Lord." and bitter in the stomach when we walk it out.

And what is the pyramid experience? Remember, when considering the kingdom within, we said that the "olive" was at the crossover point in the spinal cord where the nerves from the left side of the body cross over to the right brain and vice versa? The medical books call this the "decussation of the pyramids".



When the left brain and right brain powers of the soul become fully integrated into the mind of Christ, the mental capabilities will be truly astounding. But, before that is granted, there is a period of testing to be sure that these powers will not be misused. And while Joseph's brothers were enjoying their prosperity back in Israel, Joseph was going through his hour of testing. No, he was not able to skip his hour of testing, he just went through it sooner than his brothers. But his brothers' time would come just a little later when a general famine would come upon Israel.

ROM 5:3 And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience;

REV 3:10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

REV 1:9 I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

The overcomers are "blessed" with the "opportunity" to get their hour of testing out of the way so that they can conquer that flesh called "earth". And Joseph was in the land of the pyramids. Here he would complete his decussation (means crossing over) from the flesh to the spirit. And when this process was completed, he would be led to the top of his personal mount of Olives, given the white robe of royalty and invited to ascend to the throne. But, the mount of Olives experience is not totally a mountain top experience. There is a particular garden which is the set of circumstances devised specifically and personally for each of the overcomers. It's meaning is the garden of "olive crushing" which is also known as Gethsemane. It is here that the overcomers learn the mystery of His will.

LUK 22:42 Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done. And how would one describe this pyramid experience where one goes down very low into the valley of humility before one can ascend? We can think of no better description of this than a word which came some years ago called "The Eye of the Needle". It is based on the scripture about the camel going through the eye of the needle.

MAR 10:23 And Jesus looked round about, and saith unto his disciples, <u>How hardly shall</u> they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!

24 And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God!

25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

MAR 10:15 Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein.

The word on the eye of the needle is given in Appendix B. You will want to meditate upon it in the light of the above scriptures.

Yes, the mental powers of the overcomer will be awesome. But, isn't it strange that God would require us to lay down all the powers of our intellect and come to Him first as a little child born from the womb of the Spirit? Then, and only then, is our testing complete and we can pick up these same gifts and abilities that we once had - but now they are integrated with the Spirit in the higher realm of the eagle overcomer. Mankind rejected Wisdom in the beginning and now finds that the only way back to the fullness of God is through Her help.

Father, El Elyon, we come to you in the name of Yeshua, our Saviour. Father, we ask forgiveness for our rejection of Wisdom as she has called from our gates and high places. We now ask that you would grant Wisdom to us in Fler fullness and without measure so that we may be part of your company of overcomers. Amen. Now that Joseph had successfully completed his period of testing, it was time for him to put on his white linen robe and ascend to the throne.

GEN 41:29 Behold, there come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt:

- 30 And there shall arise after them seven years of famine; and all the plenty shall be forgotten in the land of Egypt; and the famine shall consume the land;
- 39 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God hath shewed thee all this, there is none so discreet and wise as thou art:
- 40 Thou shalt be over my house, and according unto thy word shall all my people be ruled: only in the throne will I be greater than thou.
- 41 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, See, I have set thee over all the land of Egypt.
- 42 And Pharaoh took off his ring from his hand, and put it upon Joseph's hand, and arrayed him in vestures of fine linen, and put a gold chain about his neck;

Joseph's hour of testing was over and now he would fulfill the role of helping those that were in need.

GEN 41:57 And all countries came into Egypt to Joseph for to buy corn; because that the famine was so sore in all lands.

- 42:1 Now when Jacob saw that there was com in Egypt, Jacob said unto his sons, Why do ye look one upon another?
- 2 And he said, Behold, I have heard that there is corn in Egypt: get you down thither, and buy for us from thence; that we may live, and not die.
- 3 And <u>Joseph's ten brethren went</u> down to buy corn in Egypt.

And you know the story well of how Joseph hid his identity from his brothers - for his nature was so changed that they did not even recognize him. Joseph had become an overcomer by overcoming right in the midst of the world - Egypt. And now God's plan was set in motion for the hour of testing of Joseph's brothers to begin within a seven year period of famine. Yes, they would be tested, but God had also made provision for them.

# GEN 45:1 Then Joseph could not refrain himself before all them that stood by him; and he cried, Cause every man to go out from me. And there stood no man with him, while Joseph made himself known unto his brethren.

- 2 And he wept aloud: and the Egyptians and the house of Pharaoh heard.
- 3 And Joseph said unto his brethren, I am Joseph; doth my father yet live? And his brethren could not answer him; for they were troubled at his presence.
- 4 And Joseph said unto his brethren, Come near to me, I pray you. And they came near. And he said, I am Joseph your brother, whom ye sold into Egypt.
- 5 Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither: for God did send me before you to preserve life.
- 6 For these two years hath the famine been in the land: and yet there are five years, in the which there shall neither be earing nor harvest.
- 7 And God sent me before you to preserve you a posterity in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.
- 8 So now it was not you that sent me hither, but God: and he hath made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt.

The above gives us additional understanding as to why the overcomers are subjected to such trials and tribulations. And many of the trials come not from the world, but from brothers and sisters in the Lord. And yes, this group of overcomers, like Joseph, is a specially chosen group, but by the time they finish their period of testing they do not have elitism in their personality. For they have been through the pyramidal eye of the needle and God has brought them as low as necessary so that they can fly as high as necessary to be an eagle overcomer. These look for Christ to appear the second time and their heaven is opened.

REV 8:12 And **the fourth angel** sounded and the third part of sun was eclipsed and the third part of the moon and third part of the moon and **the third part of the stars**, ...

13 And I beheld, and heard an eagle, having a tail red as it were blood, flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe to those who dwell on the earth, by reason of the other sounds of the trumpets of the three angels which are yet to sound! Lamsa Peshitta translation from the Syriac



The eagle company is caught up at the 3.5 year point of the fourth trumpet and given its eagle wings. Then they will minister to the woman who birthed them and protect her from persecution. Internally, for the kingdom within, the woman who births the eagle company is the virgin soul. And externally, this is the Sun clothed church.

REV 12:5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

- 6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days.
- 13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.
- 14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.



#### TRIBULATION -> PATIENCE -> EXPERIENCE -> HOPE -> LOVE

ROM 5:2 By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

- 3 And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that **tribulation worketh patience**:
- 4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope:
- 5 And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

It is so easy to get our eyes focused on the tribulation that we become fearful and forget that a process is being worked out within our very own earth or body. It is a five step process beginning with tribulation and ending with love. And in between, we have patience (*endurance*), experience and hope. This is the process that teaches us to trust in God and to experience the love of God. It is the process that teaches us to cast out fear. Then we will be bold as an eagle in the day of judgement.

- 1JO 4:17 Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.
- 18 There is no fear in love; **but perfect love casteth out fear**: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

What does the scripture mean when it says that perfect love casteth out fear?

JER 29:11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

12 Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you.

Through this five step process we learn to trust the Lord and we finally realize how perfect His love is toward us. He really, really does love us and thinks thoughts of peace toward us. Then, when it finally dawns upon us how much He loves us and how perfect that love is, His perfect love casts out all fear from our being.

And then, once we experience His perfect love, we then realize how much He loves those in world, even those who betrayed and persecuted Him and us. And we then become vessels that pour out that great love to a troubled world. The eagle company of overcomers brings forth the most potent weapon of all - God's unconditional love.

JOH 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

OBA 1:21 And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the LORD'S.

2CO 5:18 And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;

19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.

20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

There will come a day when God's creation will be completely reconciled back to Him. And we can be the ambassadors of that reconciliation when all creation will bow before His Throne and praise Him. Then, the song of the seraphim will be heard throughout all creation!

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.



Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth. And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands;

Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.

And the four beasts said, Amen..

In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

- 2 Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.
- 3 And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

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Lets lift the 31 kings out of the geography of Canaan and look at them in terms of fleshly desires of the 31 kings of the members of our body. We do not know if we have the list below exactly right, but we do feel that we have captured most of these kings in our net. Since, some of these fleshly attributes appear in more than one place, we have sorted the Strong's numbers to check for duplications and have come up with the list shown below.

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#### **APPENDIX A2**

Someone once wrote about their fasting experiences as a means of overcoming flesh and getting into the spirit. They reported that one does not really realize how strong the flesh is until it is denied food, and one begins to hear "the howls coming up from the basement". And it isn't just food, but many other terrestrial attributes are rooted in these 31 kings. What is the meaning of the names of the cities in which these kings rule? Remember that the other tree in the garden is a tree of both good and evil - so some of these cities would seem to have redeeming qualities.

#### THE THIRTY ONE STRONGHOLDS OF THE FLESH

| #  | CITY          | CITY MEANING        | MEANING OF KI        | NG KING'S NAME                             |  |  |
|----|---------------|---------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|
| 1  | JERICHO       | FRAGRANCE           |                      |  |  |  |
| 2  | Al            | HEAP OF RUINS       |                      |  |  |  |
| 3  | JERUSALEM     | PLACE OF PEACE      | LORD OF JUST         | ΓΙCE ADONIZEDEC                            |  |  |
| 4  | HEBRON        | FRIENDSHIP          | DRIVEN               | HOHAM                                      |  |  |
| 5  | JARMUTH       | HIGH                | FLEET                | PIRAM                                      |  |  |
| 6  | LACHISH       | IMPREGNABLE         | SPLENDOR             | JAPHIA                                     |  |  |
| 7  | EGLON         | CALF-LIKE           | ORACLE               | DEBIR                                      |  |  |
| 8  | GEZER         | STEEP               | HILL                 | HORAM                                      |  |  |
| 9  | DEBIR         | ORACLE              |                      |  |  |  |
| 10 | GEDER         | WALL                |                      |  |  |  |
| 11 | HORMAH        | LAID WASTE          | Note:                | Names of all the                           |  |  |
| 12 | ARAD          | WILD ASS            | kings                | Names of all the                           |  |  |
| 13 | LIBNAH        | WHITE               | •                    | ot given in scripture.                     |  |  |
| 14 | ADULLAM       | JUSTICE OF THE PEOP | LE                   | at given in conplain.                      |  |  |
| 15 | MAKKEDAH      | SHEPHERD PLACE      |                      |  |  |  |
| 16 | BETHEL        | HOUSE OF GOD        |                      |  |  |  |
| 17 | TAPPUAH       | APPLE               |                      |  |  |  |
| 18 | HEPHER        | PIT                 |                      |  |  |  |
| 19 | APHEH         | STRENGTH            |                      |  |  |  |
| 20 | LASHARON      | PLAIN               |                      |  |  |  |
| 21 | MADON         | STRIFE              | DESERT               | JOBAB                                      |  |  |
| 22 | HAZOR         | WALLED COURT        | INTELLIGENCE         | JABIN                                      |  |  |
| 23 | SHIMRONMERON  | WATCH PLACE/HEIGHT  | S                    |  |  |  |
| 24 | ACHSHAPH      | FASCINATION         | IΔSHER 80·41 /       | And all the kings hearkened                |  |  |
| 25 | TAANACH SANDY |                     |                      | to the words of Jabin, king of Chazor, and |  |  |
| 26 | MEGIDDO       | CROWDED             |                      | with all their camps, sev-                 |  |  |
| 27 | KEDESH        | SACRED              | -                    | nd their people were numer-                |  |  |
| 28 | JOKNEAM       | GATHERED/FRUITFUL   | •                    | ous as the sand                            |  |  |
| 29 | DOR           | DWELLING            | odo do trio saria    |  |  |  |
| 30 | GILGAL        | ROLLING             | The book of Jasher f | urther tells us that Chazor (              |  |  |

The scriptures tell us that one of these kingdoms is the head of the others.

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TIRZAH

**PLEASING** 

JOS 11:10 And Joshua at that time turned back, and took Hazor, and smote the king thereof with the sword: for **Hazor** beforetime was the head of all those kingdoms.

11 And they smote all the souls that were therein with the edge of the sword, utterly destroying them: there was not any left to breathe: and he burnt Hazor with fire.

The book of Jasher further tells us that Chazor (*or Hazor*) was also the head of a subgroup of seventeen of these kings which we will call "the works of the flesh." Seventeen flesh works are listed below:

GAL 5:19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; **Adultery**, **fornication**, **uncleanness**, **lasciviousness**,

- 20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies.
- 21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

#### APPENDIX B

## The Eye of The Needle

""I remember when I was young and I stood among the sons of men strong and tall and my heart was filled with enthusiasm and my life was given to the purposes of my God. And upon that day I said unto the Lord, I will do mighty exploits in the name of my God.

And the Lord came unto me and said, "What is it, son of man that thou wouldst have?" And I said, "Lord, if I could only be among those who play sweetly upon an instrument and who sing well in the house of the Lord, then I would I do great things for my God." And the Lord came unto me and He gave unto me the desire of my heart.

And He stood me among the sons of men and He let me play and He let me sing. And I saw the day when the hearts of men were moved by that thing which the Lord had given unto me. And as the hearts of men were moved, I stood back and I said within myself - now will I be content for I have been able to move the hearts of men.

But in my secret hour I bowed my head before my Lord, and I said, "Lord, Thou hast given that which I asked for, but tonight my heart is heavy and I have a longing for something more." And He came again unto to me in the night season and He said "Son of man, ask me again the thing that thou wouldst have of me."

And I said, "Lord, I see men bowed by burdens low, I see hearts that are broken - I see sadness and discouragement - Oh, give me but the power of the spoken word that I might speak a word and hearts would be delivered."

And with great joy I marched before the people of God. And in my youth and my enthusiasm, I spoke the word and they were delivered. And I spoke the word and their hearts were made whole. And I knew it was to bind the broken hearted - to pour in the oil of joy for mourning. And while men were praising him and magnifying His Name, I went back to my secret chamber and bowed my head in sorrow, and I said, "Oh my God, my God!, I am not satisfied, I am not satisfied, I am not satisfied."

And He came again unto me and He said, "Son of man what is it thou dost again desire?" And I said, "Oh my God, give but power in my hands - to God, it is due - that I might lay my hands upon the sick and that I might see healing flow - that I might have power."

He said, "It is done as thou as commanded, go and heal the sick in my name." And I went to the nations of the earth, and I saw the sick raised from their sick bed. And I saw pain and suffering go.

And I was rejoicing as I went to my place, and I bowed my head before my God and I said, "Now shall I be satisfied, for thou hast given me that which I have desired." But no longer than the words had come to my mouth - then my heart began to ache and cry and I said, "God, I can not understand this, for again my heart is sad." And I said, "Lord wilt thou just one more time give me the thing I ask of thee?" And He said, "It is done."

And I said, "Lord, I desire to go against principalities and powers, and the powers of the wickedness of this world in spiritual darkness in high places." And He said, "Surely, I give it unto thee, now go."

And I went and the Lord allowed me to go into dens of iniquity and holes and dives where men hide from the light because of the sin and evil that is upon them. And there was a day when I saw demons cry out at the very presence of the power of God that rested. And then I went back to my place broken and I said, "God, I have asked thee for all that I desire and still my heart is not satisfied, nor do I feel that I have touched the thing that Thou hast called me to - and in my youth I have expended myself with all the things that my heart has desired."

And then one more time the Lord visited me in the night season and He said, "Now, what is it thou dost desire?" And in brokenness of heart I bowed before Him and I said, "God, only that thing which thou desirest to give unto me."

And He came unto me and He said, "Come with me and I will take thee on a journey." And He took me past my friends and He took me past those with whom I had contact into the house of the Lord. And He took me into a desolate place and he caused me to go to a place alone in the wilderness. And I said, "Oh, my God, now thou has cut me off from those I love. What art thou doing unto me?"

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And He said, "I take thee to the place that all men must come to - if their heart's cry is to be fulfilled." And on a certain hour I bowed before a gate that is called the eye of the needle.

And there, before the eye of the needle, I heard the voice of the Lord say, "Bow low." And I bowed low. And He said, "No, lower." And I bowed lower. And He said, "No, yet lower, thou does not go low enough." And I went as low as I could go. But I had upon my back my books of learning. And I had with me my instruments of music, and I had with me my gifts and abilities. And He said unto me, "Thou has too much, thou canst not go through this gate."

And I said to him, "God, thou hast given me these books, and thou hast given these abilities." And He said, "Drop them, or thou dost not go."

And I dropped them. And I went through a very small gate that is called the eye of the needle. And as I went through this gate, I heard the voice of the Lord say, "Now, rise to the other side." And as I rose, a very strange thing had happened to me. For Lo, the gate that was so small that I must lay aside everything was so wide that I could not fill it!

And as I stood in the presence of the Lord, I said, "God, what is this thing that thou hast done unto me - for my soul is now satisfied. And He said. "Thou hast come through the gate of worship - thou hast come through the gate of worship. Now come up to the circle of the earth and I will show thee a great mystery. And I will reveal unto thee the thing which I am doing among the sons of men.

And I saw a strange thing. I saw my companions gathered around a very small gate. And I saw them wringing their hands and crying and saying one to another, "God has given us these instruments of war. This sword is my sword! I will take with me my sword and I will work with the enemy and I will bring the enemy up. I can not go through this gate - for if I go through this gate, I must put down my sword. I must put down my instruments of war - God wants me to be a warrior in Israel - therefore will I not do it!"

And I heard another one say, "Me, lay down my instruments of music? Lay down all that God has given to me to go through that silly little gate? To be nothing other that a bare man who comes out the other side - stripped.

And then I saw again, as the Lord brought me closer to the gate, and I saw men bow low - laying down everything they had. And as they came through the very wide gate on the other side - their instruments of music were there, their swords were there,

And the word of the Lord came unto me, "Go now and tell this people this thing. I have given unto this people extreme talent and much ability. I have caused you who are instrumentalists to play, but I say unto you this night - if you do not come through the very small gate which is the gate of worship and bow low and lay before me thine instruments, and thy talents, and thy abilities, and thy vision, and thy power - thou shall always be those who will only be able to minister to the hearts of men and bless the hearts of men.

But there is a gate open in the church in this hour which a very small gate and through that gate only men who are worshippers will go. And these men will fall on their face before me and these men will lay their talents before their God. And these men will say, "God, we will be worshippers." And through that wide gate they will come. And as they come through that wide gate and hear the word of the Lord - they will arise on the other side - not to minister unto men but to minister unto their God.

And I have brought this people together this night to make unto you a choice. You can minister unto men and I will cause you to sway the hearts of men with your talents. Or, you can go through a very small gate and in making you worshippers you will minister unto the King.""

#### SYMPOSIUM '81 MESSAGE GIVEN TO CHARLOTTE BAKER.

EZE 44:17 And it shall come to pass, that when they enter in at the gates of the inner court, they shall be clothed with linen garments; and no wool shall come upon them, whiles they minister in the gates of the inner court, and within.

- 18 They shall have linen bonnets upon their heads, and shall have linen breeches upon their loins; they shall not gird themselves with any thing that causeth sweat
- 19 And when they go forth into the utter court, even into the utter court to the people, they shall put off their garments wherein they ministered, and lay them in the holy chambers, and they shall put on other garments; and they shall not sanctify the people with their garments.
- 20 Neither shall they shave their heads, nor suffer their locks to grow long; they shall only poll their heads
- 21 Neither shall any priest drink wine, when they enter into the inner court.
- 23 And they shall teach my people the difference between the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.

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The two volumes contain dozens of ancient writings - some of which witness and some which definitely do not. The editor gives an excellent background on each writing and discusses fragmentation and revisions which have occurred. For example, there is a book of III Enoch, but it seems to be from a different source than I and II Enoch. These two volumes of the Old Testament Pseudepigrapha are an adventure to read, but should be read with discernment and the realization that even within an authentic writing, revisions, omissions, or additions may have later been made.

These two volumes are fairly expensive. You may want to check if your library has them on hand or can get them for you.