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Beyond the Glassy Sea

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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.

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.



ISAIAH'S VISION OF THE SERAPHIMS, THE THRONE, AND THE OAK TREE

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.

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.



PSA 133:1 Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

2 It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments;

3 As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the LORD commanded the blessing, even life for evermore.

The story has been told about a team of scientists that were climbing a mountain. The gist of the story goes something like this. The scientists were driven by an intense curiosity of what was on the other side of the mountain. For, to their knowledge, no one had ever seen the other side of the mountain before. As they painstakingly climbed toward the top, the excitement mounted. They would finally get to see what was on the other side of the mountain.

And finally they reached the top and looked over to see the breathtaking view. And as they surveyed the scene, they noted a group sitting by a boulder and talking among themselves. This group introduced themselves to the scientists as being theologians. They said, "Where have you been, we have been waiting a long time for you?" DAN 1:4 Children in whom was no blemish, but well favoured, and skilful in all wisdom, and cunning in knowledge, **and understanding science**, and such as had ability in them to stand in the king's palace, and whom they might teach the learning and the tongue of the Chaldeans.

Daniel was one of the group of children that was brought to the king's palace. And he and brethren had a true understanding of science and of spiritual things. There was not a conflict such that spiritual principles and science seemed to be in opposition to each other.

1TI 6:20 O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and **oppositions of science falsely so called**: Somehow, somewhere, in the corridors of time, the spiritual and the scientific (logic) became separated from each other. The scientists took on a technical arrogance of thinking that through the power of their own intellect, they knew or could explain all things. Little did they realize how blinded they were to the unseen world.

REV 3:17 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.

But, on the other hand, have the religionists fared any better? Even as the scientists have a technical arrogance, many of the religionists have a corresponding spiritual arrogance. Consider the fate of one Galileo who was severely persecuted by the religionists of his day because he dared to propose theories about the earth's rotation and shape.

"Galileo (1564-1642), Italian physicist and astronomer, who, with the German astronomer Johannes Kepler, initiated the scientific revolution that flowered in the work of the English physicist Sir Isaac Newton. Born Galileo Galilei, his main contributions were, in astronomy, the use of the telescope in observation and the discovery of sunspots, lunar mountains and valleys, the four largest satellites of Jupiter, and the phases of Venus. In physics, he discovered the laws of falling bodies and the motions of projectiles. In the history of culture, Galileo stands as a symbol of the battle against authority for freedom of inquiry. ...

He showed little interest in astronomy, although beginning in 1595 he preferred the Copernican theory (see ASTRONOMY: THE COPERNICAN THEORY) that the earth revolves around the sun—to the Aristotelian and Ptolemaic assumption that planets circle a fixed earth. Only the Copernican model supported Galileo's tide theory, which was based on motions of the earth. ...

Early in 1616, Copernican books were subjected to censorship by edict, and the Jesuit cardinal Robert Bellarmine instructed Galileo that he must no longer hold or defend the concept that the earth moves. ... In 1624 Galileo began a book he wished to call "Dialogue on the Tides," in which he discussed the Ptolemaic and Copernican hypotheses in relation to the physics of tides. In 1630 the book was licensed for printing by Roman Catholic censors at Rome, but they altered the title to Dialogue on the Two Chief World Systems (trans. 1661). It was published at Florence in 1632. Despite two official licenses, Galileo was summoned to Rome by the Inquisition to stand trial for "grave suspicion of heresy." ...

Since the full publication of Galileo's trial documents in the 1870s, entire responsibility for Galileo's condemnation has customarily been placed on the Roman Catholic church. This conceals the role of the philosophy professors who first persuaded theologians to link Galileo's science with heresy. An investigation into the astronomer's condemnation, calling for its reversal, was opened in 1979 by Pope John Paul II. In October 1992 a papal commission acknowledged the Vatican's error."

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Many religionists have long argued that the earth is flat and have drawn various models of the earth like a pancake with the sun and stars going through the heavens. But, the spirit of Job remembered something about what it had seen as it watched the earth being created. Was the description below written by an astronaut or by Job?

JOB 26:7 He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, **and hangeth the earth upon nothing.**

8 He bindeth up the waters in his thick clouds; and the cloud is not rent under them.

9 He holdeth back the face of his throne, and spreadeth his cloud upon it.

10 He hath compassed the waters with bounds, until the day and night come to an end.

Who, living at that time, can forget that Christmas eve in 1968 when astronauts Borman, Lovell, and Anders orbited the moon and sent back pictures of the earth. There the earth was, suspended in space, hanging "upon nothing." And one could see where "the day and night come to an end". One could see the circular bounds that "compassed the waters". Who says that the scriptures say the earth is flat? 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?

3 Gird up now thy loins like a man; for I will demand of thee, and answer thou me.

4 Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding.



Job 38:21 **You know, for you were born then**, and the number of your days is great! (RSV).

PSA 90:1 Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the

world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.

3 Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest, Return, ye children of men.

⁴ For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.

5 Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are as a sleep: in the morning they are like grass which groweth up.

6 In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down, and withereth.

The problem of blindness due to losing contact with the unseen world of the spirit is not just limited to some scientists, it is also common to religionists who major on the "letter of the law" without having the benefit of the spiritual realm to interpret the letter.



2CO 3:5 Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God;

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.

7 But if the ministration of death, written and engraven in stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance; which glory was to be done away:

8 How shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious?

We have considered the various tree experiences that we go through in our ascension to the throne of God. But now we come to the point of being birthed from the glassy sea Rev 15:2) and trying to stand so that we get the victory over the beast, and his image, mark, and number. We can begin to see the dimensions of the Seraphims, but what is the tree experience we are dealing with? The clue is given to us by that prophet of Zion named Isaiah who introduces the subject of the seraphims to us in the following way.

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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.

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ISA 6:13 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.

One might wonder why both a teil tree and an oak is mentioned. Some of the other translations refer to the teil tree given above as an *terebinth*. The Encyclopedia Judaica has this to say about the terebinth.

TEREBINTH, a tree of the genus *Pistacia* of which four species grow in Israel (for two of these see *Mastic (Lentisk) and *Pistachio). Most important of them are *Pistacia atlantica* and *Pistacia palaestina*, which are among the largest and most widespread forest trees of Israel. Their biblical name, *elah--like--allon*, the *oak--is derived from *el*, meaning strong and sturdy.

Therefore, the "teil tree" (in the KJV) is in the oak family. And also, we find that the oak has a meaning of being "strong and sturdy". But, what does the oak tree have to do with Isaiah's account of the seraphims? We can get a clue from the fact that his vision came "In the year that king Uzziah died". What could the death of Uzziah have to do with the oak tree?



STRONG AND STURDY The scriptures have quite a bit to say about King Uzziah, but the following sums it up very well.

2CH 26:8 And the Ammonites gave gifts to Uzziah: and his name spread abroad even to the entering in of Egypt; for **he strength**ened himself exceedingly.

9 Moreover Uzziah built towers in Jerusalem at the corner gate, and at the valley gate, and at the turning of the wall, and fortified them.

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 26:18 And they withstood Uzziah the king, and said unto him, It appertaineth not unto thee, Uzziah, to burn incense unto the LORD, but to the priests the sons of Aaron, that are consecrated to burn incense: go out of the sanctuary; for thou hast trespassed; neither shall it be for thine honour from the LORD God.

And so we come to the paradox of the oak tree. It's strength become it's weakness when the confidence and strength is in one's self rather than the Lord. The scriptures go on to describe how his strength led him to go into the temple where he was opposed by the priests and tragedy befell him. We pick up the account from the history of Josephus.

"While Uzziah was in this state and making preparations [for futurity,] he was corrupted in his mind by pride, and became insolent, and this on account of that abundance which he had of things that will soon perish, and despised that power which is of eternal duration, (which consisted in piety toward God, and in the observation of his laws;) so he fell by the occasion of the good success of his affairs, and was carried headlong into those sins of his father, which the splendour of that prosperity he enjoyed, and the glorious actions he had done, led him into, while he was not able to govern himself well about them. According, when a remarkable day was come, and a general festival was to be celebrated, he put on the holy garment, went into the temple to offer incense to God upon the golden altar, which he was prohibited to do by Azariah the high priest, who had fourscore priests with him, and who told him that it was not lawful for him to offer sacrifice, and that "none besides the posterity of Aaron were permitted so to do." And when they cried out, that he must go out of the temple, and not transgress against God, he was wroth at them, and threatened to kill them, unless they would hold their peace.

In the meantime, a great earthquake shook the ground, and a rent was made in the temple, and the bright rays of the sun shone through it, and fell upon the king's face, insomuch that the leprosy seized upon him immediately; and before the city, at a place called Eroge, half the mountain broke off from the rest on the west, and rolled itself four furlongs, and stood still at the east mountain, till the roads, as well as the king's gardens, were spoiled by the obstruction.

Now, as soon as the priests saw that the king's face was infected with the leprosy, they told him of the calamity he was under, and commanded that he should go out of the city as a polluted person. Hereupon, he was so confounded at the sad distemper, and sensible that he was not at liberty to contradict, that he did as commanded, underwent this miserable and terrible punishment for an intention beyond what befitted a man to have, and for that impiety against God which was implied."

The incident of the earthquake - is also mentioned in Zechariah - that rent the top of the temple such that the sun shone through it. This account links it in allegory to the return of Christ. So, if we understand what happened to Uzziah, we can obtain clues about events preceding Christ's return. And then Christ's "train" can fill the temple of our body.

ZEC 14:1 Behold, **the day of the LORD cometh**, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee.

2 For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.

3 Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle.

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.

6 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark:

7 But it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light.

8 And it shall be in that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be.

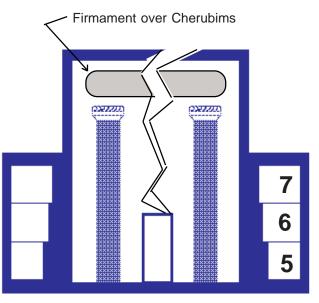
9 And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.

10 All the land shall be turned as a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem: and it shall be lifted up, and inhabited in her place, from Benjamin's gate unto the place of the first gate, unto the corner gate, and from the tower of Hananeel unto the king's winepresses.

11 And men shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter destruction; but Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited.

12 And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.

We can, like Uzziah, become proud of all the spiritual warfare methods we know and conquests of the enemy that we have made. But, if we want Christ's train to fill the temple, we must let the King Uzziah die within us. In that year, we become candidates to see the seraphims described by Isaiah.



FRONT VIEW AND SECTION OF TEMPLE

Again we return to the temple and the representation above is a front view except that we will use our eyes like x-rays and look inside and see the firmament in the cloud and fire above the Cherubims.

Note that the adjacent Zechariah description does not seem to be describing the crucifixion of Christ. Rather it seems to be referring to the second coming and the Armageddon type battles.

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.

When Jesus was crucified on the cross, this was our apple tree experience (sweet as apples for us, bitter as apple vinegar for Him).

MAT 27:48 And straightway one of them ran, and took a spunge, and **filled it with vinegar**, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink.

49 The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him.

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; 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.

When Jesus was crucified, the veil in front of the holiest place was rent and the firstfruit of the resurrection occurred. But, when He returns a second time, the firmament over the cherubims will be split and the Sun of righteousness shall shine in the glory of transfiguration. First, it shall be, as in Hebrews 9:28 "unto them that look for him" and then it shall be manifested eventually to all the world. Remember, when Jesus was transfigured on the mount, He held the three disciples to secrecy and pulled the glory of the transfigured body back within the clay vessel. When He and His disciples went back down the mountain, He had the appearance of a normal man. Jacob also wrestled at Penuel during the night until the "Sun arose upon him."

Thus, the old temple is cracked and the "Sun" shines in all the glory of the face to face relationship with God. No longer do we see through a glass darkly! And also note that the geography of the gates is changed: "from Benjamin's gate unto the place of the first gate, unto the corner gate, and from the tower of Hananeel unto the king's winepresses." But, more about the twelve gates of the outer city later.

And what is a vital and essential step in this transformation?

ROM 12:2 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.

The word transformed above has the root word "metamorphoo" which is the same word used for the mountain top "transfiguration". In order for the "Sun" to shine through and remove the darkened glass of the veil, we must understand the workings of the oak tree experience. And the lesson to be learned from Uzziah's experience is to be let our strength and sufficiency be in the Lord and not in ourselves (2 Cor 3:5). It is very clear that the Most High has a plan and preparation for us as we travel the path of return to Him. If we fail to go through this preparation, the state of our mind spiritually would be like the leprosy manifested in King Uzziah.

HEB 4:15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

One may wonder about all the vails that we have discussed since the scripture speaks that we may "come boldly to the throne of grace" and indeed we may, for the blood of Jesus prepared the way. And the boldness is an attitude of the heart of coming before God in earnestness and sincerity. But, what part of us is it that is prepared to come to the throne of grace? Is it our spirit, our soul, or our body - or all three?

JOH 14:25 These things have I spoken unto you, **being yet present with you**.

26 But **the Comforter**, which is the Holy **Ghost**, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

JOH 14:23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

And it is true that Jesus made the way for our spirit to return to the throne of grace for our basic salvation, but there is a further outworking for the Holy Spirit and the Father to deal with our soul and body. Until our mind or soul is dealt with, coming to the throne of **judgement** prematurely would result in a soul and body manifestation similar to that which befell King Uzziah. We must learn not only to see workings of the Son Jesus in one another, **but also the workings of the Holy Spirit and the Father.** And this is a process. The workings of the Son is manifested in the feast of Passover, the workings of the Holy Spirit (the earnest) is manifested in Pentecost, and **workings of the Father is manifested in Tabernacles** (Heb 8:10,11). But once we come to our oak tree experience, we are shown that the "good spiritual works" that we are so proud of can become an albatross around our neck. And we can find the oak tree experience marked on the path outlined in the Song of Solomon. It comes just after the apple tree.

SON 8:2 I would lead thee, and bring thee into my mother's house, who would instruct me: I would cause thee to drink of spiced wine of the juice of my **pomegranate**.

5 Who is this that cometh up from the wilderness, leaning upon her beloved? I raised thee up under the apple tree: there thy mother brought thee forth: there she brought thee forth that bare thee.

6 Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love is strong as death; jealousy is cruel as the grave: the coals thereof are coals of fire, which hath a most vehement flame.

7 Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned.

Under the apple tree, the manchild is birthed. And the dragon of pride and self-sufficiency wars against this manchild in the oak tree experience.

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. REV 12:10 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.

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.

REV 12:15 And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.

16 And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

So we go from the bliss of the apple tree experience to the warfare of the oak tree experience. And really, this is no different than Joseph's experience. Joseph overcame all to rule right in the midst of Egypt (or the world). We, who would be overcomers, must learn to do the same. But, in actuality, what was the greatest enemy Joseph had to overcome. Was it the jealousy of his brothers? Was it the Ishmeelites and Midianites who took him to Egypt? Was it the tribulations of Potiphar;s house or the horrors of the Pharaoh's prison? Or was it Joseph's pride and self-sufficiency in the coat of many colors and his father's blessings given to him?

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.

7 For, behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, **your sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf.** JOB 41:1 Canst thou draw out **leviathan** with an hook? or his tongue with a cord which thou lettest down?

JOB 41:15 **His scales are his pride**, shut up together as with a close seal.

34 He beholdeth all high things: he is a king over all the children of pride.

In retrospect, probably even Joseph would have agreed that his greatest enemy was pride within, rather than mistreatment from without. But, in God's plan, when it was time for Joseph to rule and reign, that pride had already been dealt with.

The net effect of the oak tree experience is to highlight the problem with the dragon of pride. But, it remains for the processings of another tree experience to remove that dragon from within. And that dragon within sits within the very temple of the body on the throne and proclaims he is God. And what is the name of this pretender? -- it is the human ego.

2TH 2:2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

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 re**vealed, 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.

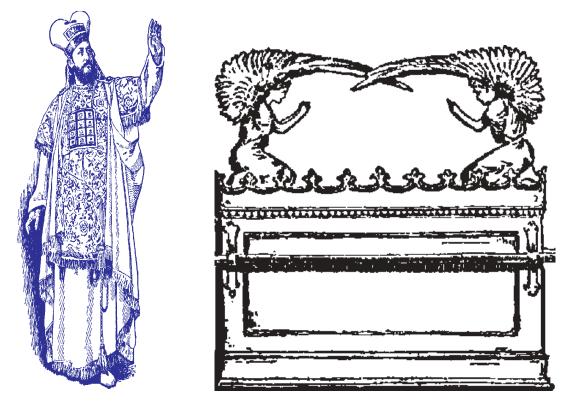
The oak tree experience only shows us the activities of the human ego. It is through the experiences of another tree that we finally put this monster's neck in a noose and choke the windpipe of the spirit of the fallen angel behind it. But, in the meantime we want to learn more about the manifestations of the oak tree.

You will note in Rev 12:11 that they overcame the dragon by the blood of Lamb and the word of their testimony. The blood of the Lamb is an absolute essential to overcome the "brain barrier".

THE BLOOD BARRIER OR VEIL

HEB 9:6 Now when these things were thus ordained, the priests went always into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the service of God. HEB 9:7 But into the second went the high priest alone once every year, not without blood, which he offered for himself, and for the errors of the people:

8 The Holy Ghost this signifying, that the way into the holiest of all was not yet made manifest, while as the first tabernacle was yet standing:



We think of the blood system for the body as being one blood system. This is only partly true because the blood system for the brain receives special treatment. Before the blood supply can go to the brain, it must traverse a veil or "blood-brain barrier." We pick up the account below.

"Metabolic processes in the brain depend on a steady supply of glucose and oxygen carried by the blood by means of the arteries. Nerve cells require both substances in abundant amounts because of their constant physiological activity, day and night. **Many substances circulating in the blood do not enter the brain because tiny elements—in both the choroid plexus of the ventricles and the capillary beds within the brain—act as a molecular and ionic filter. This filtration system is called the blood-brain barrier**. Many biological compounds having a high molecular weight, such as adrenal hormones or amino acids, do not pass through this barrier readily, and certain smaller molecules and even ions do not penetrate the barrier at all, because of their polarity (ionic charge). Thus, the chemistry of the brain is kept in equilibrium and well protected from the abnormal chemical challenges often posed by what humans eat and drink."""Brain," Microsoft (R) Encarta. Copyright (c) 1994 Microsoft Corporation. Copyright (c) 1994 Funk & Wagnall's Corporation. Certain substances can not penetrate the brain barrier easily and others readily go to the brain once ingested. Wine (alcohol) and coffee (caffeine) readily traverse the brain barrier.

To a certain extent, we have discussed the physical functioning of the mind. But the greatest frontier remaining is the river of consciousness of the mind in thoughts and spirituality. And we think that we know all about ourselves, but do we really? Do we know from whence we have come and whither we go from here?

PSA 90:4 For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.

JOH 1:51 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.

EPH 4:8 Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.

9 (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?

10 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)

We do not really know our past as our spirit descended down Jacob's ladder to the earth. And we only know a little about the ascent of our spirit back toward God. But how much of what we are now was formed in this earth and how much of it occurred from the realms before?

1TI 5:24 Some men's sins are open beforehand, going before to judgment; and some men they follow after.

25 Likewise also the good works of some are manifest beforehand; and they that are otherwise cannot be hid.

HEB 12:15 Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; **lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you**, and thereby many be defiled; When one is dealing with an Esau type root of bitterness, what realm is that root anchored in? Is it anchored in the earth realm, or did we pick up the baggage of bitterness somewhere before our birth in the earth as we descended Jacob's ladder?

The Bible speaks of the garments of the soul and it would seem reasonable that each realm results in a garment added to our soul. But, if we do not learn the lessons of that realm, then our soul is naked and our soul rewards are more limited.

REV 3:4 Thou hast a few names even in Sardis **which have not defiled their gar-ments**; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy.

REV 16:15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

JUD 1:23 And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; **hating even the gar-ment spotted by the flesh.**

1JO 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and **the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.**

The blood of the Lamb is not limited to just the earth realm - it can reach back into previous realms before the foundation of the world and deal with an Esau root of bitterness that occurred even before the world was. And when was the blood of the Lamb made available?

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.

1TH 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God **your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

The blood of Jesus Christ is an integral part of our salvation, whether it be for our spirit, soul or body.

Have you ever had an experience where some incident happened, and your heart begin to race, your palms became sweaty, and the adrenaline flowed? And then, when it was over, you looked at it in perspective and realized that the situation did not warrant the response that was generated within you. Could it be that the most recent incident reminded you of something that had happened previously and had simply "triggered" the memories of that bad event?

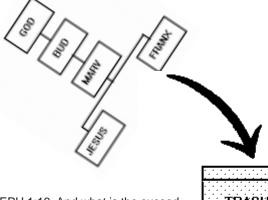
Scientists tell us that our brain stores in memory our reactions to certain traumatic events. And when something triggers that memory, our system shows all the same reactions as it did to the original event. And, could it be that part of our reactions (or overreactions) to events in the earth realm are flashbacks to some traumatic experiences that happened in the fall - after we left God's throne but before we were birthed into the earth.

We are about to begin an adventure in dealing with the earlier realms but this is something that you should only do if the Lord personally quickens it to you. As truths are brought forth, we come to a branch in the roads of choice - whether we walk in that truth - or whether we walk in the path of error. And for each truth, we will be tested in it. The function of the enemy is to stand at each road branch of opportunity and test us in our resolve and choice - and if possible - to mislead us into taking another road that appears to be very spiritual and attractive.

1PE 1:7 That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, **though it be tried with fire**, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

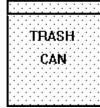
So, before we continue in this adventure, there are certain preparations and essentials that are needed for the journey. The first is to acknowledge the shed blood of the Lord Jesus Christ and to appropriate it for our cleansing, our protection, and our transformation from one glory to another. We can not emphasize this too strongly: If you find a group that does not honor the role of the shed blood of the Lord Jesus Christ - **BEWARE!**

The second admonition is to beware of groups that do not give the Lord Jesus Christ the preeminent place in t¹ a spiritual hierarchy. If Jesus is placed subserviour any (other than God the Father), trash i and avoid the teaching!



EPH 1:19 And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to usward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,

20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,

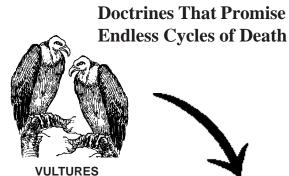


21 Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: 22 And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,

The easiest way to find out this information is to simply ask the group to show you the organization chart of spiritual hierarchy. And many groups will place one or more so-called "masters" above Jesus in this hierarchy.

A third area is that of merchandising the gospel. Granted, there are legitimate expenses that go with publishing and presenting the gospel. Is provision made to help the poor buy the Bibles that are needed? Look at the spirit behind how this is handled and you will know the motivations of the heart. Freely ye have received, freely give!

The fourth area is that of the activity of familiar spirits. A familiar spirit is one that may live along side or even possess an individual. And when that person dies, the familiar spirit will seek a new host. And after that host dies, the familiar spirit will reside with someone else. The upshot of it is that the familiar spirit is familiar with the details of the lives of its many hosts. And these details are presented in many cases as being "past lives on earth"



This would be similar to one flunking the first grade over and over and over. It completely ignores the blood of Jesus and the hope of resurrection for those who die.



Yes, it is true that on Jacob's ladder, there are many realms that exist simultaneously (at least three heavens). But, one either descends down the ladder or ascends back up the ladder. One does not enter the flesh or carne (meat) of this earth over and over and over again. And while we want to explore the things that happened before the foundation of the world, let us not be trapped by hanging on to dead doctrines that promise endless cycles of funerals.

JOH 11:25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

These four areas that we have discussed are doctrines of the dreaded four horsemen of the apocalypse in Revelation chapter six. But enough said on the tactics of the enemy - we must move on with Jesus as the captain our salvation:

- 1. We appropriate the blood of Jesus as atonement for sins and as our protection against the enemy.
- 2. We acknowledge that Jesus is the Firstborn Son of God and He is the Head of the Church
- 3. We thank Jesus for the free gift of the gospel and salvation.
- 4. We acknowledge the Jesus Christ has overcome death and is the resurrection and life.

JOH 14:2 In my Father's house are many rooms: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you (LAMSA)

Our body is the house and temple of our heavenly Father. And in that house are many rooms and dimensions that we are not even aware of - particularly within our mind. And, it is Jesus who prepares these rooms for us.

There are dimensions or rooms within our mind which are in our subconscious. From time to time, the memories buried in our subconscious manifest in ways that we do not understand and we even wonder where these thoughts and actions come from. And when certain situations in the world remind us and "trigger" these memories within us, we are very puzzled at why we react or overreact in certain ways. Some of these memories come from even before the foundation of the world. And until our subconscious mind is set in order, we will still be captive to these imperfections.

The world has had it's methods of trying to correct these problems and most of them have done more harm than good. Therefore, we must let Jesus be the governor of this process so that it is done by His methods and in His way. This is why we have insisted on acknowledging the position and blood of Jesus. We will not overcome the world any other way. Those who try to become part of the manchild company of overcomers are wasting their time unless and until they overcome the enemy by "the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony."

REV 12:10 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.

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.

ECC 3:1 To every thing there is a sea- son, and a time to every purpose un- der the heaven: 2 A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;			RI W frc up th	
3 A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up ;			th 12	
4 A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;			pi sł	
5 A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;			hi of le	
6 A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away;			m n a	
7 A time to rend, and a time to sew ; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak ;		F		
8 A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace .		_	-ig	
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for Jesus to open each of the chambers or rooms within our subconscious and to set things in order in that room. If we try to run ahead of the process, the results can be very harmful. If we are impatient, we will have tribulation. And that tribulation will then work patience. Therefore, can we agree that we should ask Jesus to take control of the timing and opening of the chambers of our subconscious mind? Are we willing to give the Son of David the keys to doors of the chambers of our mind so that our mind may be sealed?

REV 3:7 And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, **he that hath the key** of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;

8 I know thy works: behold, **I have set before thee an open door**, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.

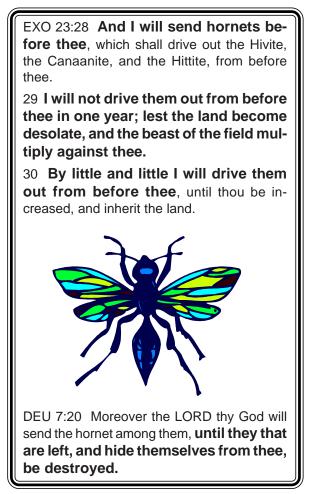
If we are patience in this process and cooperate with the Lord, our mind is transformed into a new mind. We will no longer have the mark of the beast, but instead will have the "new name" written upon our mind. REV 3:10 **Because thou hast kept the word of my patience**, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

11 Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

Father, El Elyon, Most High God, we come to you in the name of Jesus and through the shed blood of Jesus.

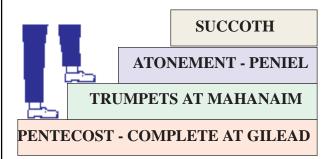
We ask that our minds be cleansed and transformed. We ask Jesus to take responsibility for the method and timing of this process. We ask that all of our sins would be cleansed and all of our memories healed from the time of the birth of our spirit to the very present time. In our Savior, Yeshua's Name, we ask this, Amen. When we pray prayers for healing of memories, we sometimes expect Jesus to instantaneously "zap" the offending memories and to be on our way. And in some cases, He does work in an instantaneous way. But, in most cases - as shown in the scriptures below - it will be a process - done little by little till the whole is accomplished.



Note in Deuteronomy 7:20 that these kings "hide themselves from thee". And the Lord will send a "hornet" to stir up these kings so that we may become aware of them and destroy them. And what is the "hornet". It is a circumstance or a somewhat offensive person specifically used by the Lord to bring a hidden king of a stronghold to the surface - even if we have hidden it under layers of Christian piety.

So, if you have prayed the prayer on the adjacent page, have your spiritual eyes open as to how the Lord might answer your prayer. And if a hornet comes, cooperate with the Lord to destroy that hidden king which has come to the surface within your very own being. When many Christians think of Tabernacles, they think of one giant step from Pentecost to Tabernacles. But actually, there are the smaller steps of trumpets and atonement before we come to Tabernacles. The impossible step becomes possible if we take the smaller steps in the order prescribed.

STEPS TO TABERNACLES



We can see these steps in Jacob's journey. He started at Beersheeba and came to Rachel's well in Padan-aram. It was at Gilead that he left the inpart Pentecost realm of Laban behind and journeyed toward Tabernacles. It was at Mahanaim that he received the vision of the "mahanaim" or the two armies of the left and right described in Songs 6:13. It was at Peniel that he wrestled with the angel and the "Sun arose upon him." He then crossed the Jordan and came into the promised land to celebrate Succoth or booths. But his journey was far from done. He would then come to Shechem and the dreaded "oak tree experience".

JACOB'S JOURNEY



GEN 35:4 And they gave unto Jacob all the strange gods which were in their hand, and all their earrings which were in their ears; **and Jacob hid them under the oak which was by Shechem.**

The paradox of the oak tree is that we can hide our idols under the strength of the Christian works that we are doing. Consider the words of Paul as he describes this paradox.

2CO 12:9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: **for my strength is made perfect in weakness**. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

ACT 9:17 And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, **that thou mightest receive thy sight**, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

18 And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.

JOB 41:15 **His scales are his pride**, shut up together as with a close seal.

JOB 41:1 Canst thou draw out **leviathan** with an hook? or his tongue with a cord which thou lettest down?

And so it was, that Paul, a pharisee of the pharisees, found the scales of the leviathan dragon of pride peering out from the very eyes of his own temple. And, it was the blinding light of the Lord Jesus Christ that removed those scales.

It was at Shechem, that Jacob and his family learned some very expensive lessons. First, consider Jacob's only daughter, a virgin named Dinah who decided that she would go out to tour the land. And she got herself into tremendous and far reaching trouble, because she went out naively and without protection. She was not warned about what might happen to her. GEN 34:1 And Dinah the daughter of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob, went out to see the daughters of the land.

2 And when **Shechem** the son of Hamor the Hivite, prince of the country, saw her, **he took her, and lay with her, and defiled her.**

DINAH



And there are many that go out to various groups with all the innocence of a Dinah and find, in the end, that their mind has been raped by the very ones who supposedly were helping them. And since the soul is where thoughts are conceived and is feminine, this experience can happen to both natural men and women.

We can not emphasize strongly enough how important the protection of the blood, name and timing of the Lord Jesus Christ is when you come to Shechem and your oak tree experience. Yes, you may find someone to teach you the techniques of the "primordial scream" to "clear your mind" but what price will you pay? There was another king that was brought to the surface by the incident at Shechem. And this king manifested in Simeon and Levi who took pride in the strength of their sword. A parallel in today's terms would be use the sword of the "word" to slay someone. We may be right - but also cruel.

GEN 34:24 And unto Hamor and unto Shechem his son hearkened all that went out of the gate of his city; and every male was circumcised, all that went out of the gate of his city.

25 And it came to pass on the third day, when they were sore, that two of the sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brethren, took each man his sword, and came upon the city boldly, and slew all the males.

26 And they slew Hamor and Shechem his son with the edge of the sword, and took Dinah out of Shechem's house, and went out.

27 The sons of Jacob came upon the slain, and spoiled the city, **because they had de-filed their sister.**

And while this revenge was sweet to Simeon and Levi and proved their strength and virility, it came also with a price - when it was time for their father's blessing to be given. Their own strength had become an idol to them - manifesting in cruelty.

GEN 49:5 **Simeon and Levi are brethren; instruments of cruelty are in their habitations.**

6 O my soul, come not thou into their secret; unto their assembly, mine honour, be not thou united: for in their anger they slew a man, and in their selfwill they digged down a wall.

7 Cursed be their anger, for it was fierce; and their wrath, for it was cruel: I will divide them in Jacob, and scatter them in Israel.

EZE 6:13 Then shall ye know that I am the LORD, when **their slain men shall be among their idols** round about their altars, upon every high hill, in all the tops of the mountains, and under every green tree, **and under every thick oak**, the place where they did offer sweet savour to all their idols.

We say that we want to be overcomers and overcome all things - even death. But, when we come to our oak tree experience, **either we overcome the spirit of pride or it buries us beneath the oak tree.** Consider the fate of one who was buried under the oak tree at Jabesh-Gilead.

1SA 15:17 And Samuel said, When thou wast little in thine own sight, wast thou not made the head of the tribes of Israel, and the LORD anointed thee king over Israel?

18 And the LORD sent thee on a journey, and said, Go and utterly destroy the sinners the Amalekites, and fight against them until they be consumed.

23 For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and **stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry**. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king.

1CH 10:12 They arose, all the valiant men, and took away **the body of Saul**, and the bodies of his sons, and brought them to Jabesh, **and buried their bones under the oak in Jabesh**, and fasted seven days.

It is curious that the oak tree is a symbol of our strength in God and yet at the same time can be a symbol of pride which can become our downfall.

2SA 14:25 But in all Israel there was none to be so much praised as Absalom for his beauty: from the sole of his foot even to the crown of his head there was no blemish in him.

14:26 And when he polled his head, (for it was at every year's end that he polled it: **be-**cause the hair was heavy on him ...

2SA 18:9 And Absalom met the servants of David. And Absalom rode upon a mule, and the mule went under the thick boughs of a great oak, and **his head caught hold of the oak, and he was taken up between the heaven** and the earth; and the mule that was under him went away.

10 And a certain man saw it, and told Joab, and said, Behold, **I saw Absalom hanged in an oak.**

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

It is said that the enemy tries to counterfeit everything that God has. So, if God has twelve manner of fruit which make up the tree of life - the enemy will try to counterfeit it. And these corrupt, counterfeit trees of the enemy were used to bring about the fall. Therefore, if we are to rid ourselves of the memories and trauma of the fall, these trees that our heavenly Father hath not planted must be rooted out and destroyed. It appears that enemy has twelve main strongholds in the human psyche and these are listed as spirits at various places in the scriptures. So, we will list these twelve counterfeits.

PRO 16:18 Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.

NUM 5:14 And the **spirit of jealousy** come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be defiled: or if the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be not defiled:

MAR 9:25 When Jesus saw that the people came running together, he rebuked the foul spirit, saying unto him, Thou **dumb and deaf spirit**, I charge thee, come out of him, and enter no more into him.

ISA 61:3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for **the spirit of heaviness**; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.

1JO 4:3 And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that **spirit of antichris**t, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

2CH 18:21 And he said, I will go out, and be a **lying spirit** in the mouth of all his prophets. And the Lord said, Thou shalt entice him, and thou shalt also prevail: go out, and do even so.

1SA 28:7 Then said Saul unto his servants, Seek me a woman that hath a **familiar spirit**, that I may go to her, and enquire of her. And his servants said to him, Behold, there is a woman that hath a familiar spirit at Endor.

ISA 19:14 The LORD hath mingled a **perverse spirit** in the midst thereof: and they have caused Egypt to err in every work thereof, as a drunken man staggereth in his vomit.

HOS 4:12 My people ask counsel at their stocks, and their staff declareth unto them: for the **spirit of whoredoms** hath caused them to err, and they have gone a whoring from under their God.

MAR 1:23 And there was in their synagogue a man with an **unclean spirit**; and he cried out,

ACT 16:16 And it came to pass, as we went to prayer, a certain damsel possessed with a **spirit of divination** met us, which brought her masters much gain by soothsaying:

2TI 1:7 For God hath not given us the **spirit of fear**; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

A Continuum of Emotions

ACTING OUT

EMOTIONS

OR PAIN

POSITIVE **E** RESOLUTION JOY, PEACE

AN INCIDENT CAUSES: SORROW, ANGER, RAGE FEAR, ETC. WHICH CAN BE HANDLED POSITIVELY OR NEGATIVELY

NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES

Above is shown a continuum of events which can have either a positive or negative resolution. Because we are born in this world, we will

have incidents to deal with. And these incidents will cause emotions which could be sorrow, anger, rage, fear, etc. While we can avoid unpleasant situations to a degree - others are part of life and must be faced and dealt with. And the more important aspect is not the incident itself, but how we deal with it. Even God and Jesus expressed emotions - so we must deal with our emotions - but in a positive way.

SORROW AND GRIEF

GEN 6:6 And it **repented** the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it **grieved** him at his heart.

ANGER

PSA 79:5 How long, LORD? wilt thou be **angry** for ever? shall thy jealousy burn like fire?

INDIGNATION

JOH 2:15 And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables;

17 And his disciples remembered that it was written, The **zeal of thine house hath eaten me up**.

DEPRESSION SHAME, GUILT

Once an incident occurs, we will deal with it in one way or the other. We will either deal with and resolve the situation positively or the pain of it will sur-

face in other ways and result in negative consequences. A negative consequence could result from misdirected anger. Instead of dealing with the problem, the anger is vented at whatever is nearby which causes negative consequences and then depression, shame, and guilt. This then results in other incidents which starts the whole cycle over again. This downward cycle is a type of the fall. Esau's difficulty started when he sold his birthright. He then became bitter because he no longer had the rights of the elder son and begin to vent his jealousy, anger, and hatred against Jacob. But, Esau could have broken the cycle by dealing with those problems which caused him so much distress that he was willing to sell his birthright. Instead, he fell into a downward spiral that ultimately caused him untold grief.

HEB 12:14 Follow peace with all men ...

15 Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; **lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you**, and thereby many be defiled;

16 Lest there be any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright.

THE ROOT OF BITTERNESS

If you look closely at the adjacent drawing, you will see that two of the roots are rooted in the sins that were committed in the earth.. But, one root goes much deeper than that. It is tied into to something that happened before birth.

PSA 25:6 Remember, O LORD, thy cies and thy lovingkindnesses; for they have been ever of old.

7 **Remember not the sins of my youth**, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O LORD.

1TI 5:24 Some men's sins are open beforehand, going before to judgment; and some men they follow after.

25 Likewise also the good works of some are manifest beforehand; and they that are otherwise cannot be hid.

DEU 28:23 And thy heaven that is over thy head shall be brass, and the earth that is under thee shall be iron.

Some think that the fall is only that which ends in physical death - and for Adam and descendents, that is the way of earth. But the fall from heaven to heaven is also a diminishing of the spirit and soul so that they no longer function in the manner that they were first created. When Jesus came to become subject to the infirmities and temptations of earth, he had to "empty Himself" to come down to our level coming down through at least three heavens. Consider the fall of Nebuchadnezzar.

DAN 4:14 He cried aloud, and said thus, **Hew down the tree**, and cut off his branches, shake off his leaves, and scatter his fruit: let the beasts get away from under it, and the fowls from his branches:

15 Nevertheless leave the stump of his roots in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and let his portion be with the beasts in the grass of the earth:

EARTH LIFE SINS OF ONE'S YOUTH IN THE PREVIOUS HEAVEN

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DAN 4:16 Let his heart be changed from man's, and let a beast's heart be given unto him; and let seven times pass over him.

17 This matter is by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones: **to the intent that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men**, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men.

It appears that the king of Babylon fell down a stairs of seven steps in order to learn that El Elyon, the Most High God rules all things.

Have you ever wondered why some people will go through a deliverance for some condition and for a while will do just wonderfully? Then, later on, the condition will return and sometimes become worse than it was initially. Could it be that they had asked forgiveness and appropriated the blood of Jesus only for those sins and faults that occurred in their earth experience? They were not aware that the blood of Jesus could be applied back into the earlier realms to the very root of the problem which caused the fall. Then, the unresolved root of bitterness would sprout back on them.

We have our conscious mind and we have our subconscious mind that has chambers and doors of ancient times and experiences. We will not be totally whole until both the conscious and subconscious minds have been cleansed. The subconscious mind is opened up like opening the layers of an onion. The tears and griefs of one realm are dealt with and then the next is opened - until finally the whole is purified.

PSA 24:7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, **ye everlasting doors**; and the King of glory shall come in.

Father, El Elyon, Most High God and our Heavenly Father, we come to you in the name of Jesus and through the blood of Jesus. We acknowledge the scripture that states, "Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up." Father, we ask that by your processes and perfect timing that all seeds and plants which the enemy has planted within us in any realm would be rooted up and removed. We ask redemption in all realms by Jesus' blood. We ask that our captivity to the enemy any in way will be reversed and that "captivity shall be led captive." We ask this in the name of Yeshua, our Savior. Amen.

We usually define addiction as being unable to escape the influence of habit forming substances such as drugs or alcohol. But, in a much broader sense, addiction can be defined as follows:

ADDICTION - SOMETHING THAT TAKES AWAY OUR FREEDOM OF CHOICE (OR ABILITY TO CHOOSE TO ACHIEVE OUR GOD GIVEN POTENTIAL).

And, because we are so conditioned to falling short of our God given potential, we fall into a victim's mind set - which is the same mind set of prisoner in captivity.

VICTIM'S MIND SET - RECEIVES COMMUNICATIONS IN A NEGATIVE FORM AND FEELS LIKE THEY ARE VICTIMIZED BY EVEN THOSE WHO ARE TRYING TO HELP THEM. DOES NOT KNOW HOW TO SET NEW HORIZONS OR NEW PRINCIPLES FOR A CHANGED LIFE.

EPH 4:7 But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.

8 Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, **he led captivity captive**, and gave gifts unto men.

JOH 17:11 And now I am no more in the world, **but these are in the world**, and I come to thee. **Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are.**

We are asking our Heavenly Father and Jesus to lead our captivity captive. In other words, the very things that have kept us in bondage will be put in bondage themselves and we will be set free of all captivity. Then, we, like Jesus, may say of the enemy:

JOH 14:30 ... for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.

HEALTHY MIND SET - ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR OUR OWN BEHAVIOR AND LEARN HOW TO SET HEALTHY HORIZONS. OPEN MIND TO COMMUNICATIVE THOUGHTS FROM OTHERS AND ADAPT WHAT IS APPLICABLE TO OUR SITUATION.

PSA 37:4 Delight thyself also in the LORD: and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

While most of work in leading captivity captive belongs to Jesus and the Father, there is a very important element of this work that belongs to us. And that is to cooperate by our own free will in earnestly desiring the changes that renew the mind. So, we must accept responsibility for our own behavior in this effort and work hand in hand with our Savior. And truly, the desires in our heart will be those desires that are placed there by our Heavenly Father - so that His desires and our desires of the heart are one and the same. And a mind set is like a mold. Will we allow our mind to be squeezed by the world's mold or will it be expanded to fit the heavenly pattern?

ROM 12:2 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.

There is another type of behavior that depends on the interactive behavior of others. It is called co-dependency. The scriptures point out the fallacy of co-dependent relationships which are built on shaky foundations.

CO-DEPENDENT - LEANS ON WEAKNESS OF OTHERS FOR SUP-PORT, BOUNDARY SETTING AND DECISION MAKING - AND THOSE THAT ARE LEANED ON USUALLY COMMISERATE INSTEAD OF SPEAKING TOUGH LOVE

MAT 7:24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, **I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:**

25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and **it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.**

26 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, **shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:**

Ultimately, each one of us is to be under our own vine and fig tree and have a face to face relationship with God. But, in the meantime, a child leans upon it's mother breast for milk. But after, a while that child should grow up and become weaned. When we lean on others for support, we should examine the foundations of those whose help we seek. If these foundations are built on sand, then we will not really have been helped. We refer to a childhood cartoon to illustrate this point.

THE STORY OF THE THREE LITTLE PIGS

1CO 3:11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, **wood, hay, stubble;** 13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

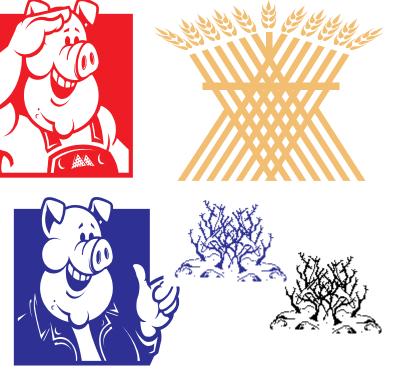
14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.

15 If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

THIS LITTLE PIG BUILT HIS HOUSE FROM STRAW

THIS LITTLE PIG BUILT HIS HOUSE FROM STICKS

JOB 1:19 And, behold, there came a great wind from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.



THIS LITTLE PIGGY BUILT HIS HOUSE OF BRICK



REV 3:21 To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.



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The first little piggy built his house of straw. And when the straw house was huffed and puffed down, the first little piggy sought shelter with the second little piggy who had a house of sticks. So, the first little piggy entered into a co-dependent relationship with the second little piggy. And both of them had their confidence in a house of sticks that was soon huffed and puffed away.

JAM 1:5 **If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God**, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

6 But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.

7 For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.

8 A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.

And then the first and second little piggies took shelter in the brick house built by the third little piggy. And when the wind and waves come, the house remained secure.

MAT 7:25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and **it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.**

And so we learn from our experiences to examine our relationships. If the interactive behaviors only promote weakness and dependency, then it is time to look from a different perspective. It is time to ask for the wisdom from above that God gives liberally and upbraideth us not for asking.

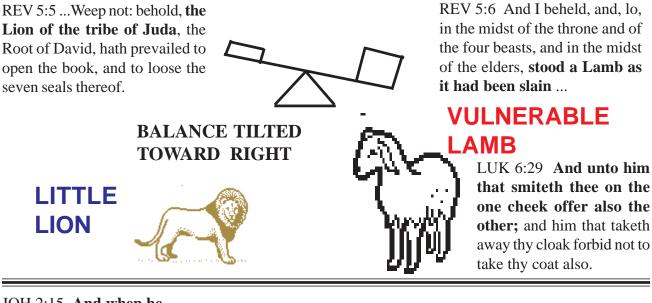
The third little piggy had choices to make when he was about to build his house. He made an independent choice to make his house sturdy so that he would be protected. But, there was a co-dependent pressure on him before he built to depend on the straw and sticks architecture being used by his brothers. And even though he made an independent choice from the errors of his brothers, he still loved his brothers. And while he offered them sound counsel about houses, he did not press the case further while they were living in their straw and stick houses.

In other words, the third little piggy did not attempt to rescue his brothers living in their houses because they did not want to be rescued. However, when calamity befell them and they recognized the error of their ways, the third little piggy opened his brick house to them in order that they might be protected. Isn't this what Jesus does with us? If we insist on building co-dependent relationships with houses of straw and sticks, He will let us have our freedom of choice. But, when the storms come and the co-dependent relationship fails, Jesus is always there to guide us to the rock.

And part of the stability of the rock is remaining in perfect balance and not being washed back and forth by doubleminded-like waves of the sea. Some Christians feel that a perfect behavior pattern is always to turn the other cheek and be like a lamb led to the slaughter. After all, isn't that what Jesus tells us in Luke 6:29? Note the top panel on the page to the right. If our personality is such that our lamb nature is predominant and we have a little, bitty lion for protection, we will certainly get slaughtered. But, isn't this what Jesus teaches?

Yes, it was His mission to be a "lamb led to the slaughter" for our sins. But, before we assume that this is the type of personality that we should always manifest consider the middle panel. Here we have a little, bitty lamb and a large lion - a lion which displays overwhelming power and authority. And when Jesus came into the temple and saw the money changers merchandising the things of God, His authority and anger became powerfully known to the money changers. He took a scourge of small cords and drove them out. So, is a display of authority and even anger appropriate for a Christian? We need to take our thoughts out of the arena of how we want to react and consider what is appropriate for those that we are dealing with. What would God have them learn from our dealings with them? In the case of the money changers, the tenderness of the lamb nature would not have brought about the correction that was needed. And in the bottom panel, we see a balancing of the love and authority that was needed by the woman about to be stoned. There was no doubt in the woman's mind about Jesus' love for her (as a lamb), but at the same time, she knew the authority of His admonition (as a lion). A perfect balance!.

THE BALANCING OF THE LION AND LAMB WITHIN US



JOH 2:15 And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables:



BALANCE TILTED TOWARD LEFT

OUR INTERACTION WITH OTH-ERS SHOULD BE GOVERNED BY WHAT IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE SITUATION AT HAND - NOT BY OUR FEARS AND PREDISPOSI-TIONS.

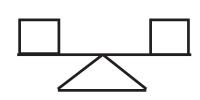
A LACK OF TENDER LOVE?

OVERPOWERING LION?

ROLE INTERACTION AND INTERCHANGE

LION TEMPERED BY TENDERNESS OF LAMB

JOH 8:7 So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, **He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her.**



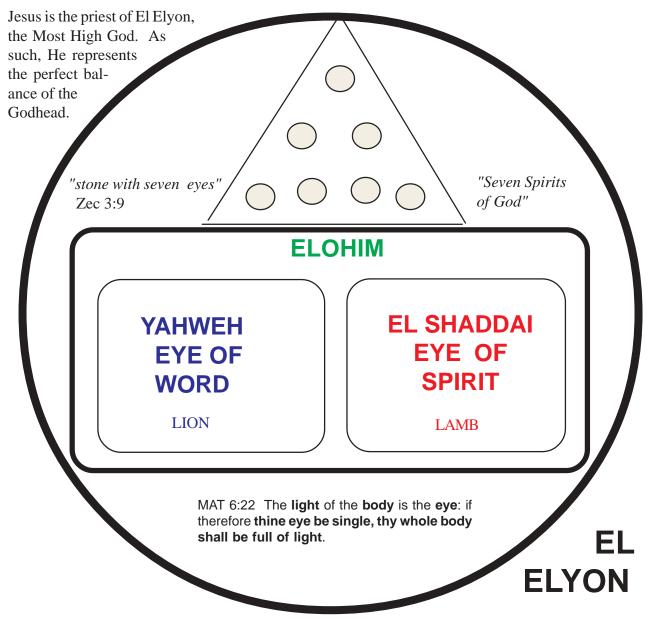
JOH 8:10 When Jesus had lifted up himself, and saw none but the woman, he said unto her, **Woman, where are those thine accusers?** hath no man condemned thee? 11 She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, **Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more.**

LAMB HAS AUTHORITY OF LION

LION AND LAMB DWELL WITH EACH OTHER

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

TWO EYES BECOME A SINGLE EYE



PSA 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*]. 2 I will say of the LORD [*Yahweh*], He is my refuge and my fortress: my God [*Elohim*]; in him will I trust.

The names and natures of the Godhead are given in Psalm 91:1&2. Yahweh is the giver of the law and is the masculine, lion like power. El Shaddai embodies the Wisdom of Proverbs 8 and has the feminine, lamb like nature. She is Yahweh's delight. Yahweh and El Shaddai together manifest the Elohim - which is both male and female in nature. And the All in All of all the natures is El Elyon which is another name for the Most High God.

PRO 8:1 Doth not **wisdom** cry? and understanding put forth **her** voice?

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

PRO 8:30 Then I was by him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before him; GEN 1:26 And God [*Elohim*] said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

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

In the creation patterned after Elohim, the creation was one creature, having both male and female attributes. And all the trees of the garden were good to eat - there was no fracture into a tree of life and a tree of good and evil.

GEN 1:29 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.

And then, Adam was formed after that. Note that he was not **created**, but that he was **formed**. And rather than being **created** by Elohim (which includes El Shaddai and Yahweh), he was **formed** by the Yahweh nature of the Elohim family.

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.

And it was after this formation, that the fracture showed up in the formed Adam in the way of a separation into man and woman and a resulting nakedness of the soul.

GEN 2:17 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 2:21 And the LORD God [Yahweh Elohim] caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam ...

22 And the rib, which the LORD God [Yahweh Elohim] had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.

25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

The potential for doublemindedness occurred when the tree of good and evil was placed in the garden. For it was in garden that the serpent caused a breach in the mind and took advantage of the nakedness of the soul that had already occurred. And what is the garden? Isn't it our soul?

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 are promised that there will be a restoration of the soul that was wasted and the foundations that were disrupted. But, it does appear that the serpent was allowed to disturb even the foundations of our soul. In other words, the serpent put sand in our foundations so that when the waves of doublemindedness washed back and forth, our houses fell into disrepair. Our soul was breached and we functioned at only a fraction of our potential.

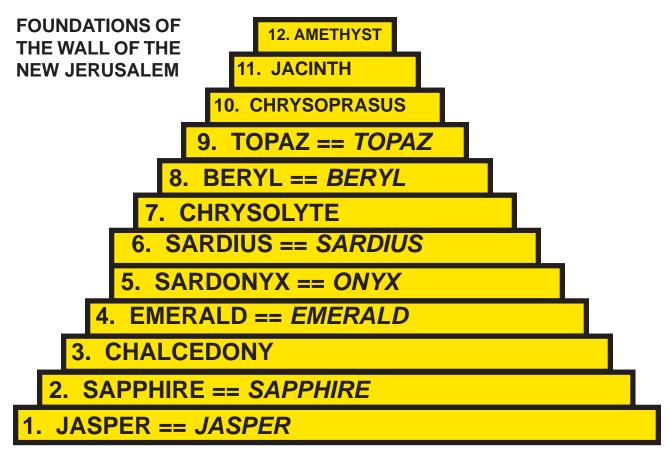
MAT 5:14 Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

REV 3:12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and **the name of the city of my God**, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my **God**: and I will write upon him my new name.

REV 21:2 And I John saw the holy city, **new** Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

In the realm of the kingdom within, the New Jerusalem is that city set on a hill (our renewed soul) which comes down out of heaven. The soul conceives thoughts and is feminine (in both natural men and women). When we are transformed by the renewing of our mind, our soul is changed or transformed so that she is like a bride adorned for her husband. If we are to repair the foundations of many generations, what precisely are these foundations? We find that there are twelve foundations in the wall of the New Jerusalem as listed in Revelation 21.

ISA 58:12 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.



REV 21:19 And the foundations of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, a chalcedony; the fourth, an emerald; 20 The fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolyte; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, a topaz; the tenth, a chrysoprasus; the eleventh, a jacinth; the twelfth, an amethyst.

> The above outlines the twelve foundations of the wall of the New Jerusalem. Now, we will ask the question, how many of the above foundations was the enemy allowed to damage when he was in Eden's garden? For a clue, look on the page to your right.

EZE 28:2 Son of man, say unto the prince of Tyrus, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thine heart is lifted up, and thou hast said, I am a God, I sit in the seat of God, in the midst of the seas; yet thou art a man, and not God, though thou set thine heart as the heart of God:

EZE 28:5 By thy great wisdom and by thy traffick hast thou increased thy riches, and thine heart is lifted up because of thy riches:

EZE 28:12 Son of man, take up a lamentation upon the king of Tyrus, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty.

13 **Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God**; every precious stone was thy covering, the **sardius**, **topaz**, and the diamond, the **beryl**, the **onyx**, and the **jasper**, the **sapphire**, the **emerald**, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.

14 Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; **thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire**.

When we compare the list of the nine stones above with the list of the twelve stones from Revelation 21, we find that most of them match (note = signs denoting matches in the drawing on the page to the left). But we have some leftovers which we are not sure about. And while we could spend additional time trying to completely match the remaining stones, we will be content to simply point out what we have not yet matched.

Revelation 21	Ezekiel 28		
Amethyst	Diamond		
Jacinth	Carbuncle		
Chrysoprasus			
Chrysolyte			
Chalcedony			

Also, we can match the nine stones that the enemy appropriated as a covering with nine of the twelve stones in the breastplate. Note that the matching stones are underlined in the verses below describing the breastplate. Strangely enough, the missing three stones not matched are the ligure, agate, and amethyst in the third row of the breast plate.

EXO 28:17 And thou shalt set in it settings of stones, even four rows of stones: the first row shall be a **sardius**, a **topaz**, and a **carbuncle**: this shall be the first row.

- 18 And the second row shall be an **emerald**, a **sapphire**, and a **diamond**.
- 19 And the third row a ligure, an agate, and an amethyst.
- 20 And the fourth row a **beryl**, and an **onyx**, and a **jasper**: they shall be set in gold in their inclosings.

With the widespread use of the internet, many companies have what is called a "firewall" program which monitors and regulates messages flowing into and out of the company computer system. This "firewall" is to deny unauthorized access and to screen out messages which have "viruses". It does appear that the enemy has been able to breach the security of the nine lower realms and bring viruses, diseases, and even death into the very foundations of our mind.

Like a transformer lowers voltage, the Most High God [Hebrew Name *El Elyon*] made His presence, throne and natures less fiery from the highest (twelfth) realm to the first realm where Jesus walked the earth in the form of a man as a mediator for men. It is our belief that the holy "fire" of the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth realms was literally too hot for the enemy to breach. And does the Most High God have a plan to restore that full firewall of protection around our tabernacle. Yes, He does! ISA 4:1 And in that day **Seven women** shall take hold of **one man**, saying, We will eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel: only let us be called by thy name, to take away our reproach.

2 In that day shall the branch of the LORD be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel.
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 judg-**

ment, and by the spirit of burning.

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.

The seven woman represent the seven garments of the soul and the soul is covered in all seven realms by the garment of one Man as outlined in the verses below:

ROM 13:12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and **let us put on the armour of light**.

14 **But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ**, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

The seven steps of the soul can be found in the tabernacle in the wilderness. They start with recognizing Jesus as the Son of God and coming in outer court gate way into the body of Christ - and continue in the outer court with the Lamb sacrifice at the altar (forgiveness) and water baptism at the laver. They end with the fiery presence above the ark (Cherubims at the garden gate). Then, we begin to leave the earth walk and ascend into the realms of the Spirit toward the throne of the Most High God.

Unfortunately, when we come back into the garden (the eighth realm of the soul), we find that same serpent enemy that beguiled the Adam race in the beginning. Apparently, the enemy penetrated not only the eighth foundation - but also the ninth foundation and these must be restored. Once we come back to the garden, we have come into the seventh realm of the soul or the Adam realm. But the eighth realm is above the Adam realm and is known as the elohim realm.

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.

And did the enemy penetrate this eighth realm and raze the foundation of the elohims created in the image of Elohim? Let, us read the account of what happened.

PSA 82:1 God [Elohim] standeth in the congregation of the mighty; he judgeth among the gods [elohims].

2 How long will ye judge unjustly, and accept the persons of the wicked? Selah.

3 Defend the poor and fatherless: do justice to the afflicted and needy.

4 Deliver the poor and needy: rid them out of the hand of the wicked.

5 They know not, neither will they understand; they walk on in darkness: **all the foundations of the earth are out of course.**

6 I have said, Ye are gods [elohims]; and all of you are children of the most High [El Elyon].

7 But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes.

This darkness and foundations being out of course is also described in Genesis 1:2.

GEN 1:1 In the beginning God [*Elohim*] created the heaven and the earth.

2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

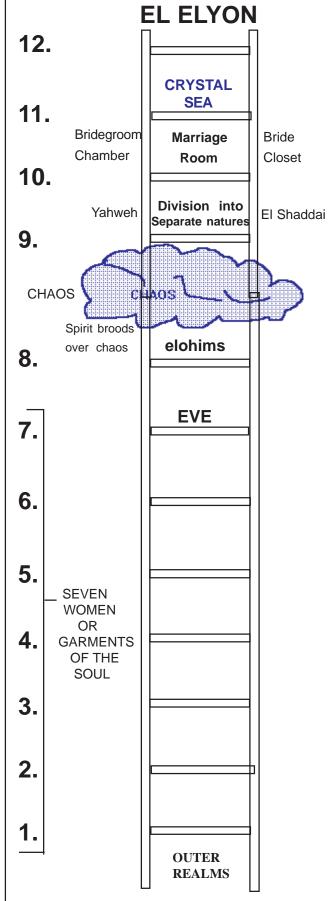
And we should point out that the most literal translation of Genesis 1:1 is "In a beginning" and not "In the beginning".

The darkness, chaos, and foundations being out of course manifested in the eighth or elohim realm. We would proposed that the fall began in the ninth realm when the enemy razed the ninth foundation. Remember, the spiritual world is the pattern, and what happens in the spirit world will eventually manifest in the earth world. A model of "Jacob's ladder" shown in a slightly different form is given in the drawing just to the right of this column.

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If you are ready to rebuild the old waste places, raise up the foundations, repair the breach, and restore the paths in which we once walked, then we would recommend that you pray the scriptures given above. For the promises of God are given in scripture and are "yea" and "Amen." Also, you may want to pray Isaiah 4:4-6 in order that the "firewall" of glory for a defence be restored over your tabernacle. But, before you do, be willing to put yourself in the "spirit of judgment, and spirit of burning" so that God may correct things needing correction. And finally, remember that the blood of Jesus is available for healing in all the sub conscious realms - even before the earth existed!



FROM EL ELYON'S THRONE IN THE TWELFTH REALM

JOH 17:24 Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.

25 O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee: but I have known thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me.



EMPTIED HIMSELF TO THE LOWER REALM OF EARTH

PHI 2:7 Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus,

8 who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped,

9 but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond servant, and being made in the likeness of men.

10 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

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WENT THROUGH TREE EXPERI-ENCES AND DEATH OF SELF

JOH 12:13 Took branches of **palm trees**, and went forth to meet him, and cried, Ho-sanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.

MAT 26:36 Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called **Gethsemane** [*olive press*], and saith unto the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder.

JOH 19:29 Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a spunge with **vin-egar** [*apple tree*], and put it upon hyssop, and put it to his mouth.

30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, **and gave up the ghost.**



EL ELYON'S THRONE



JOH 15:26 But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:

27 And ye also shall bear witness, because **ye have been with me from the beginning.**

JOH 14:23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and **my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with**



(EL SHADDAI) SENT TO FALLEN MAN

ASCENDED TO THE RIGHT HAND OF THE FATHER

LUK 24:49 And, behold, **I send the promise of my Father upon you**: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, **until ye be endued with power from on high.**

50 And he led them out as far as to **Bethany**, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them.

51 And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.

LUK 19:29 And it came to pass, when he was come nigh to **Bethphage** [*house of green figs*] and Bethany [*house of dates*], at the mount called the mount of **Olives**, he sent two of his disciples,

WAS BURIED, RESURRECTED, AND THEN ASCENDED

JESUS - THE ONE WHO LEADS US BACK TO THE FATHER'S THRONE



RESTORER OF PATHS TO DWELL IN REPAIRER OF THE BREACH RAISES UP THE OLD FOUNDATIONS REBUILDER OF THE WASTE PLACES

The page to the left gives a bare outline of how Jesus leads the way and marks the path for us to return to the blessings of the Most High God.

You will note, although it is somewhat veiled, that Jesus went through His tree experiences - some of the bare details we have outlined here. It was at Bethany that Mary anointed His head with the vial of costly spikenard. He then went to Jerusalem and encountered the unfruitful fig tree. He rode into Jerusalem on a roadway of palm branches. He brought judgement to the temple by casting out the money changers. Then Jesus had His experience in the garden of Gethsemanee which means "*olive press*". It was here that He overcame His own self will.

MAT 26:53 Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give me more than twelve legions of angels?

54 But how then shall the scriptures be fulfilled, that thus it must be?

And in the above scripture, Jesus dealt with the oak tree of pride in one's strength. When He was crucified, He received the apple vinegar juice on the hyssop and gave up the ghost. He was buried, resurrected and then appeared to His followers. He went to Bethany [*house of dates*] and Bethphage [*house of green figs*] on the side of the mount of Olives and ascended into the heavens.

He then sat at the right hand of the Father and asked the Father to send the Holy Spirit (or El Shaddai nature) back to the earth to the upper room. The earnest of the Spirit was received at Pentecost with the fullness to follow later. One might ask why it was necessary to send back the Spirit - why had the Spirit left man in the first place and when did it leave? In Genesis 1:2, we are told that the Spirit brooded (Hebrew word is *rachaph*] over the dark waters. The following verses seem to support that the Spirit's departure from the "sons of men" was sometime after the "chaos" of Genesis 1:2.

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

23 I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was.

PRO 8:26 While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world.

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

31 Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights were with the sons of men.

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

42:2 Wisdom went forth to dwell among the sons of men, but she obtained not an habitation. Wisdom returned to her place, and seated herself in the midst of the angels ... JOH 14:23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and **we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.**

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

And after the earnest of the Spirit is sent to fallen mankind (Pentecost), it is time for the fullness to be sent and truly the fullness of the Godhead will tabernacle with men. It is time for the New Jerusalem to descend.

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.

GAL 4:26 But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.

REV 21:2 And I John saw the holy city, **new** Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.



3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, **Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them**, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

REV 21:19 And the foundations of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones.

Jesus is the One who knows the path and we follow in the path marked by Him. For it is a process of becoming - which when completed will result in us not only seeing the Son Jesus in each other, but also the Spirit and the Father - the fullness of the Godhead. This requires us to look beyond seeing the ministry of sonship only in others - we are to look for the very fullness of the Godhead.

JOH 17:21 That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; **that they may be one, even as we are one:**

The process that we are talking about is a process of restoration. It is not only restoring the age old foundations, but also setting the walls and gates in place also. Some of the doors are more inner doors of the spirit and others are gates that lead outward to the body.

PSA 24:9 Lift up your heads, **O ye gates**; even lift them up, **ye everlasting doors**; and the King of glory shall come in.

10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah.

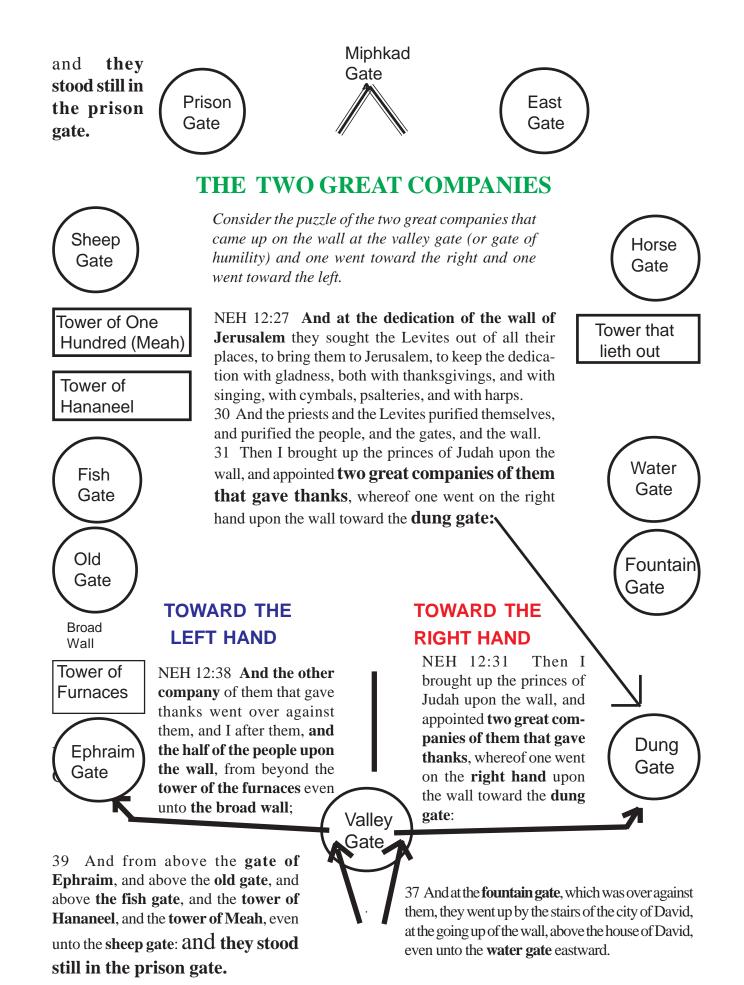
25:1 Unto thee, O LORD, do I lift up my soul.

After Solomon built the temple in all of its glory, there came a division into northern and southern tribes and a falling away. The end of this process was the destruction of Jerusalem and the temple. The walls were breached and the foundations razed.

LAM 4:1 How is the gold become dim! how is the most fine gold changed! the stones of the sanctuary are poured out in the top of every street.

2 The precious sons of Zion, comparable to fine gold, how are **they esteemed as earthen pitchers**, the work of the hands of the potter!

The walls and gates were broken down and the Hebrews went into Babylonian captivity. About seventy years later, the exiles returned and began the process of rebuilding the walls, the gates, and the city. Note the twelve gates that were rebuilt shown on the page to the right.



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MIPHKAD

PRISON	EAST
SHEEP	HORSE
FISH	WATER
OLD	FOUNTAIN
EPHRAIM	DUNG

VALLEY

The twelve gates of Jerusalem are shown above in summarized form. During the **oak tree experience**, the landscape of the gates is shifted considerably. This was when Uzziah went into the temple to burn incense and was afflicted with leprosy.

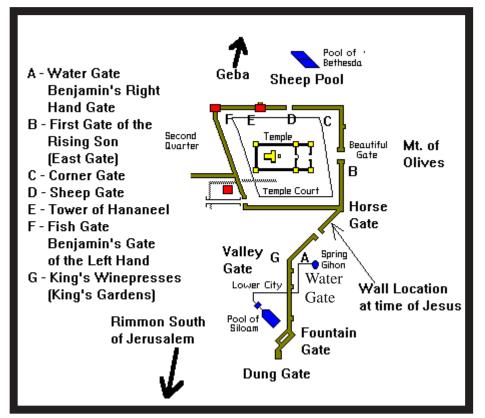
ZEC 14:5 And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with thee.

14:10 All the land shall be turned as a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of

Jerusalem: and it shall be lifted up, and inhabited in her place, from Benjamin's gate unto the place of the first gate, unto the corner gate, and from the tower of Hananeel unto the king's winepresses.

ZEC 14:11 And men shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter destruction; but **Jerusalem** shall be safely inhabited.

Note in the above verses, it is describing a place of safety, a place that we can run into - a valley of the mountains. We will select point A at the water gate as Benjamin's gate of the right hand and proceed to point B which we have designated as the first gate.



It is the East Gate, (or Beautiful Gate) the point at which the Sun of Righteousness begins the day. Next, we will go to the Corner gate (point C) which Nehemiah places above the Sheep Gate. From the Corner gate, we will go to the tower of Hananeel (point E) just adjacent to the Fish gate (point F). And then we go point E which is the tower of Hananeel to the king's winepresses which would logically be in the king's gardens near the water and fountain gates. The area that we have "roped off" so to speak, is the area of a plain which will lifted up where there will be safety.

MIPHKAD

PRISON ----- EAST SHEEP ----- HORSE FISH ----- WATER

While it is possible that the Lord will choose a literal fulfillment of the verses in Zechariah, let us again put it into the context of the 'kingdom within". It appears that the lower gates, shown just below, will have some very drastic alterations.

OLD ----- FOUNTAIN EPHRAIM ------ DUNG VALLEY

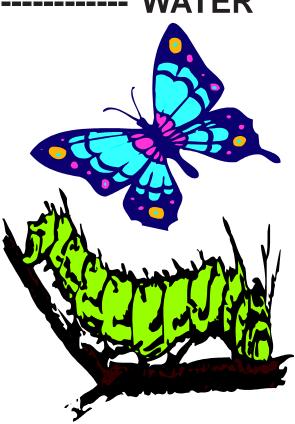
1CO 15:40 **There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial:** but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another.

1CO 15:52 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.

1CO 6:13 Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall destroy both it and them. ...

It would appear that these lower, and more outer gates involve certain of the food digestion, waste elimination, and "pain of childbirth" reproductive processes. These will be changed when the body is transformed from the terrestrial body into the celestial body.

When our eye twinkles with the light of revelation knowledge, the last trump will sound, and the terrestrial body within us will be split out and removed - as in Uzziah's earthquake. Into the "valley of the mountains" left by this earthquake, the celestial body will be formed and expanded. We will have gone through a transformation (or metamorphosis) by the renewing of our mind. And what is it that the process described just above reminds you of? Well, you probably have already guessed it.



IN A MOMENT, IN THE TWINKLING OF AN EYE, THE TRUMP SHALL SOUND (AND THE COCOON SHALL SPLIT)

And it is this process that we have been looking for. The butterfly will no longer be imprisoned in the terrestrial cocoon. The prison gate of groaning creation will be flung wide open, and the butterfly will emerge from the cocoon. After a transition period, the wings dry, and the butterfly flies through the east gate into the beautiful blue sky and into the sunshine of the Sun of righteousness. No wonder the east gate is also called the beautiful gate!

ROM 8:22 For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

23 And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

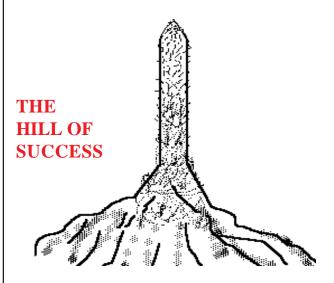
ROM 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, **that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice**, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

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.

We have discussed the transformation of the terrestrial body into a celestial body - but a process is involved. We go through transformation by the renewing of our mind first. And transformation is accomplished by **non** - conformation to the principles of this world. And the principles of this world thrive on the confusion of Babylon. We can escape Babylon by **seeing** what it really is and refusing to be part of it - because God has something much higher and greater for us. Paradoxically, when we quit trying to hang on to the raggedy riches of Babylon is when we receive God's greatest treasures. Perhaps the little story following best illustrates this.

Some years ago, a high school commencement speaker related a little story about how important it would be for the graduates to keep their eyes on spiritual values in addition to simply pursuing a means of making a living. We do not know the title of the story or its author, but were quite impressed by it. So, here is the gist of the story.

It seems that there were two high school caterpillar students named Brett and Bonnie who graduated and began crawling down the road of life toward adulthood. These two little caterpillars were off on the adventure of their lives and the road was taking them into new and yet unseen territory. And as they crawled the road others joined them and they became aware that they were coming to a city. And as they came into the midst of the city there was a large and steep hill. And caterpillars were coming from all directions to climb this hill. On the lower ascents of the hill, it was like a picnic. Everyone was very helpful and friendly and assisted each other in the climb of the hill. Where was everyone going? Brett helped Bonnie up on a rock to see. Off in the distance, at the top of the hill was a large pole and caterpillars from everywhere were crowded around it. As Bonnie and Brett got closer, they noticed a change in the atmosphere of the crowd. The friendliness had been replaced by competitiveness. And at the very base of the pole there was much jostling and shoving in order to be able to climb up the pole.

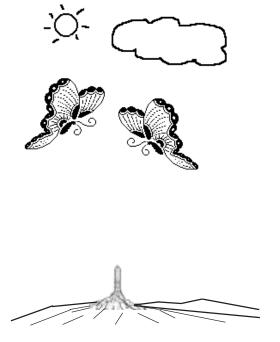


Those that made it on to the pole had to push their way through others to climb it. And as caterpillars made their way up further, there was much elbowing and clawing in order to move upward. And when one would reach the very top of the pole, he would continually shove others down to keep them from taking his place. The one at that top was "king of the hill" but after a while, he would lose out and someone else would put up a vicious struggle and take his place.

As Bonnie and Brett observed this, Brett said, "If this is what success is all about, I don't want any part of it." And Bonnie agreed. So they made their way back down the hill of success and went out into the wilderness and found a group of trees which gave them food and shelter. And together they built a cocoon from the branches of the trees and closed it that they might have rest.



And then a very strange thing happened in that they went through a metamorphosis and no longer even looked like caterpillars. They admired each other in the sunlight as their glistening wings dried. And then they soared off into the air in wonderment that they were no longer earthbound. And they flew off through the wilderness and came to the city where the hill of success was in the midst. They looked down in the distance and could see the caterpillars locked in the vicious and competitive struggle to become king of the hill. Then Bonnie and Brett gently touched their wings and flew off into the unlimited expanse of God's blue sky.



When we come through the mist of the glassy sea, we are come into a brand new realm and hear the voices of the seraphims speaking to us and to "come and see" what they would have "come and see". Whether we know it or not, the seraphims have been speaking to us all along - we did simply did not realize that the source was from the seraphims. A seal must be opened in our mind so that we realize what realm we are in and who is doing the speaking.

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. The scriptures tell us that one of the "four beasts" is saying "come and see". Perhaps, the word "beasts" is not the most apt translation for our mind to fathom what is being said. What are these four beasts?

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.

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.

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.

It is clear from the above verses the first beast is a seraphim with the characteristics of a lion. And it is the lion seraphim that is saying to us in Rev 6:1. "Come and see." How often have we read that verse and not realized that it was the voice of the seraphim? What does this lion like seraphim want us to "Come and see."?

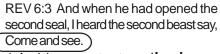
Does the little story about the two little butterflies overcoming Babylon's hill of success have anything to do with what the first seraphim would have us "see"? The applications of this story are not just related to business Babylon - it applies to religious Babylon as well. Think of all the jockeying for power that takes place among religious leaders. Far from wanting every man "under his own vine and fig tree", many want to hold power and control at all costs over their congregations. It seems that the creed of Babylon is that in order to get ahead, you must push someone down in to get their place. Greed and jealousy rule. The motto is "conquer others or be conquered by them." And what would the first seraphim tell us to "come and see."?



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: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.

The above horse is not the white horse ridden by Jesus. Instead it is but the first horse of four horses that ultimately bring death and its rider is none other than the king of Babylon. He taught men how to conquer other men and put them in bondage to the Babylonian "system".



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.

Once man was put under man, he no longer saw the face of God and was no longer in His image. The sword removed the rib chamber and the breach was caused by the stroke of the sword. The spirit and the word became separated into the right and the left and they "killed" the mind of one another.

ISA 30:26 Moreover the light of the moon shall be as the light of the sun, and the light of the sun shall be sevenfold, as the light of seven days, **in the day that the LORD bindeth up the breach of his people, and healeth the stroke of their wound.**



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.

This black horse is the merchandiser who is ridden by the king of Tyre. It is the same spirit that ruled those who sold doves in the temple. It is that same spirit that sold the olive oil to the five foolish virgins. It was here that the very foundations of the city of our mind was undermined!

EZE 28:5 By thy great wisdom and **by thy traffick hast thou increased thy riches**, and thine heart is lifted up because of thy riches:

12 Son of man, take up a lamentation upon **the king of Tyrus**, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty.

13 Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.



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 rider of the fourth horse is "that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world."

REV 1:16 And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and **his countenance** was as the sun shineth in his strength.

18 I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

REV 12:9 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.

The fourth seraphim is the eagle and when we present our bodies as a living sacrifice and gain experientially the final victory over death and hell - there is where the eagle will be.

MAT 24:27 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so **shall also the coming of the Son of man be**.

28 For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered to-gether.

We have presented here a thumbnail sketch of the ministry of the seraphims. And our purpose is mainly to acquaint the reader with the words of the seraphims and their activities. And while we have given some brief comments concerning what they have said in scripture - we leave it to the reader to enrich the seraphim relationship. For at one time or another, we shall stand on Mount Sion's crystal sea and sing in the seraphims' presence.

REV 14:1 And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion ...

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.

Previously we had listed ten trees and when we studied the king of Tyre (the black horse rider), we added another tree which was the oak tree. Now, we want to look at another tree. **CI POMEG FIG TRE TRE TRE**

PALM OLIVE ALMOND udied OAK black PINE d FIR CEDAR APPLE POMEGRANATE

> ZEC 1:8 I saw by night, and behold a man riding upon a **red horse**, and he stood among the **myrtle trees** that were in the bottom; and behind him were there red horses, speckled, and white.

9 Then said I, O my lord, what are these? And the angel that talked with me said unto me, I will shew thee what these be.

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.

11 And they answered the angel of the LORD that stood among the myrtle trees, and said, **We have** walked to and fro through the earth, and, behold, all the earth sitteth still, and is at rest.

Just as there is a difference between the white horse that Jesus rides (Rev 19:11) and the white horse ridden (as proposed) by the king of Babylon (Rev 6:2), there are differences in the red horses. The red horse among the myrtle trees described in Zec 1:11 patrols the earth and brings peace to the earth. The red horse of Rev 6:3 **does exactly the opposite**, it takes peace from the earth.

REV 6:3 And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast [*seraphim like a calf*] 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.

The red horse is found among the myrtle trees and was seen at night. In other words, it's first appearance will only be seen by those who can see in the spirit. We will now begin to pursue the meaning of the myrtle tree experience.

NEH 8:15 And that they should publish and proclaim in all their cities, and in Jerusalem, saying, 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.

ISA 41:19 I will plant in the wilderness the cedar, the shittah tree, and **the myrtle**, and the oil tree; I will set in the desert the fir tree, and the pine, and the box tree together:

ISA 55:12 For ye shall go out with joy, and **be led forth with peace**: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and **all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.**

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.

We discussed the fir tree as being like rafters of the mind, and we are told that the thorn will be removed and the fir will be in its place. And, in actuality, Jesus suffered the crown of thorns that we might have the joy of the fir tree. But what about the briar which the myrtle tree replaces? What sort of spirit is the spirit of the brier?

JDG 9:8 **The trees went forth on a time to anoint a king over them**; and they said unto the olive tree, Reign thou over us.

9 But the **olive tree said unto them**, **Should I leave my fatness, wherewith by me they honour God and man**, and go to be promoted over the trees?

10 And the trees said to the **fig tree**, Come thou, and reign over us.

11 But the fig tree said unto them, **Should I** forsake my sweetness, and my good fruit, and go to be promoted over the trees?

12 Then said the trees unto **the vine**, Come thou, and reign over us.

JDG 9:13 And the vine said unto them, Should I leave my wine, which cheereth God and man, and go to be promoted over the trees?

14 Then said all the trees unto the **bramble**, Come thou, and reign over us.



A LITTLE LAMB CAUGHT IN A BRAMBLE

15 And the bramble said unto the trees, If in truth ye anoint me king over you, then come and put your trust in my shadow: and if not, let fire come out of the bramble, and devour the **cedars** of Lebanon.

MIC 7:3 That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, **the prince asketh**, **and the judge asketh for a reward**; and the great man, he uttereth his mischievous desire: so they wrap it up.

4 **The best of them is as a brier**: the most upright is sharper than a thorn hedge: the day of thy watchmen and thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity.

The above verses clearly outline the spirit of the brier which rips and tears our garments and takes peace from the earth. Why would God even permit the brier to exist? It appears that the function of the brier is to make our flesh life very painful, and when the flesh is painful enough, then we are willing to make the changes which are necessary to achieve Tabernacles (Succoth) and have the veil removed from our pineal crystal.

JDG 8:7 And Gideon said ... then I will tear your flesh with the thorns of the wilderness and with briers.

16 And he took the elders of the city, and thorns of the wilderness and briers, and with them he taught the men of Succoth.

17 And he beat down the tower of **Penuel**, and slew the men of the city.

Paul went through the same kind of problem - and when the thorn in his flesh of pride (even in spiritual things such as visions and revelations) became too painful, he was ready for the flesh to be removed so that the thorn would not have a lodging place.

2CO 12:6 For though I would desire to glory, I shall not be a fool; for I will say the truth: but now I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth me to be, or that he heareth of me.

7 And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

8 For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me.

9 And he said unto me, **My grace is sufficient for thee:** for **my strength is made perfect in weakness**. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

The briers and brambles rip and tear the garments of our soul and our soul becomes naked. And yet, in the crucifixion experience, Jesus' garments became parted that we might be clothed and not be found naked.

REV 16:15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

MAT 27:28 **And they stripped him**, and put on him a scarlet robe.

JOH 19:23 Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also his coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout.

24 They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among them, **and for my vesture they did cast lots.** These things therefore the soldiers did. And so they cast lots for Jesus' garment. There was another lottery in scripture that was a prefigure of what happened to Jesus' garments in the Passover month of Nisan.

EST 3:6 And he thought scorn to lay hands on Mordecai alone; for they had shewed him the people of Mordecai: wherefore **Haman** sought to destroy all the Jews that were throughout the whole kingdom of Ahasuerus, even the people of Mordecai.

7 In the first month, that is, the month Nisan, in the twelfth year of king Ahasuerus, they cast Pur, that is, the lot, before Haman from day to day, and from month to month, to the twelfth month, that is, the month Adar.

You remember the story of Haman. He began to cast lots in the first month and determined by lot that the Jews should be killed in the twelfth month - the month Adar. Have you ever had the feeling that your enemies were casting lots for your very soul and scheming to find the perfect time to spring their evil plan? And Haman represents the ten horned, evil, anti-Christ spirit.

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.

EST 9:10 **The ten sons of Haman** the son of Hammedatha, the enemy of the Jews, slew they; but on the spoil laid they not their hand.

The above is all very interesting, but what does casting lots (Purim) have to with the myrtle tree and particularly with the defeat of Haman? We get a clue from the following excerpt from the Encyclopedia Judaica.

The myrtle is an evergreen (Tarq. Sheni, Esth 2:7) and the rabbis compared it with the good qualities of Esther whose Hebrew name was Hadassah ("myrtle"). Its aromatic branches were used for preparing the bridegroom's wreath ... They were used in festivities and betrothal celebrations ..."

EST 2:7 And he brought up Hadassah [means myrtle], that is, Esther, his uncle's daughter: for she had neither father nor mother, and the maid was fair and beautiful; whom Mordecai, when her father and mother were dead, took for his own daughter.

HEB 7:1 For this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high God ...

3 Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; abideth a priest continually.

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POMEGANATE

The disciples said to

Jesus: Tell us how our end

So Hadassah means myrtle, and the myrtle is also an evergreen. We list again the trees that CEDAR we have APPLE studied.

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VINE

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ALMOND

MYRTLE OAK PINE

- myrtle tree - Esther experience, we must ask the question of what is its purpose? The book of Esther may be interpreted in different realms, but in this writing, we have been primarily concentrating on the "kingdom within". And within this realm, the book of Esther can be summarized to a degree by the following statement.

As we begin to pursue the meaning of the hadassah

THE CHANGING OF THE WINE BRINGS ABOUT THE **CHANGING OF THE MIND.**

MAT 26:29 But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.

LUK 5:38 But new wine must be put into new bottles; and both are preserved.

EST 1:7 And they gave them drink in vessels of gold, (the vessels being diverse one from another,) and royal wine in abundance, according to the state of the king.

EST 1:10 On the seventh day, when the heart of the king was merry with wine ...

11 To bring Vashti the queen before the king with the crown royal, to shew the people and the princes her beauty: for she was fair to look on.

12 But the queen Vashti refused to come at the king's commandment by his chamberlains: therefore was the king very wroth, and his anger burned in him.

EST 5:6 And the king said unto Esther at the banquet of wine, What is thy petition? and it shall be granted thee: and what is thy request? even to the half of the kingdom it shall be performed.

If we look at the above with natural eyes, we might say that Queen Vashti was quite justified in not attending the king's party - particularly since the king and his friends were a little on the merry side from the wine. But, we have said that the wine ferments within the wine cask, and whatever wine quality is present influences the quality of the pineal crystal (or Rochelle salts) formed.

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.

will be.

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.

(From the Book of Thomas)

JOH 2:10 And saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: **but thou hast kept the good wine until now.**

The feast took place after one hundred and eighty days or six months. The seventh month would be the month of the feast of Tabernacles. Read the scriptures below and ask yourself if there can be any doubt that King Ashauserus was celebrating his feast during the autumn period of Tabernacles.

EST 1:4 When he shewed the riches of his glorious kingdom and the honour of his excellent majesty many days, **even an hundred and fourscore days.**

5 And when these days were expired, **the king made a feast** unto all the people that were present in Shushan the palace, both unto great and small, **seven days**, in **the court of the garden of the king's palace;**

NEH 8:14 And they found written in the law which the LORD had commanded by Moses, that **the children of Israel should dwell in booths in the feast of the seventh month:**

15 And that they should publish and proclaim in all their cities, and in Jerusalem, saying, 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.

17 And all the congregation of them that were come again out of the captivity **made booths, and sat under the booths**: for since the days of Jeshua the son of Nun unto that day had not the children of Israel done so. And **there was very great gladness**.

18 Also day by day, from the first day unto the last day, he read in the book of the law of God. And **they kept the feast seven days**; and on the eighth day was a solemn assembly, according unto the manner.

In the realm of the Spirit, we are told that many are called, but few are chosen. Queen Vashti represents a group (or a mind set) that has gained great spiritual truths and then begins to fossilize. And while all these wonderful truths (Passover and Pentecost) resulted in an invitation to the inner court of the King's garden to celebrate the feast of Tabernacles, they chose to remain where they were and refused the invitation to "come higher".

Even Esther had to come face to face with the same choice - whether to stay where she was or whether to go into the inner court. Was Esther called to the kingdom for such a time as this?

EST 4:13 Then Mordecai commanded to answer Esther, **Think not with thyself that thou shalt escape in the king's house, more than all the Jews.**

14 For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, then shall there enlargement and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; but thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed: and who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?

Queen Vashti dwelled in the house of the king and many Christians dwell in the house of the King. But unless we come to the King's garden when called, we very likely will have the clay house perish (given us by our earthly parents). We will then go the way of all earth and our "father's house shall be destroyed." Queen Vashti does not go beyond the "see through a glass darkly" mind set while Queen Esther represents the "face to face", unveiled mind set. And it was the new wine of the Kingdom that allowed Esther's mind to see how to set the trap for the ten horned, Haman anti-Christ spirit.

EST 5:6 And the king said unto Esther at the banquet of wine, What is thy petition? and it shall be granted thee: and what is thy request? even to the half of the kingdom it shall be performed.

7 Then answered Esther, and said, My petition and my request is;

8 If I have found favour in the sight of the king, and if it please the king to grant my petition, and to perform my request, **let the king and Haman come to the banquet that I shall prepare for them, and I will do to morrow as the king hath said.** EZE 15:2 Son of man, **what is the vine tree more than any tree**, or than a branch which is among the trees of the forest?

3 Shall wood be taken thereof to do any work? or will men take a pin of it to hang any vessel thereon?

The vine is the source of the grapes that are processed and placed into the cask for fermentation. And the Rochelle salts are the sodium - potassium salt crystals that are found in the wine cask that can rotate light either to the right or the left. You might say that these compounds, in effect, cast lots and determine that a message goes this way or that way. We have puzzled whether the vine is to be counted as a tree or is like the sides of the ladder and the other trees are rungs in that ladder. The vine is the trail marked by the blood of Jesus which leads us back to the Father's throne. It is the river of the stream of consciousness.

LUK 22:20 Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, **This cup is the new testament in my blood**, which is shed for you.

We will come back to the banquet of wine and Esther's battle with Haman a little later. But, in the meantime, let us consider the nature of Esther's preparation to be queen. Did the king just pick her out and she immediately came? Not exactly.

EST 2:12 Now when every maid's turn was come to go in to king Ahasuerus, after that

she had been twelve months, according to the manner of the women, (for so were the days of their purifications accomplished, to wit, **six months with oil of myrrh**,

and six months with sweet odours, and with other things for the purifying of the women;)



13 Then thus came every maiden unto the king; whatsoever she desired was given her to go with her out of the house of the women unto the king's house.

SON 4:12 A garden inclosed is my sister, my spouse; a spring shut up, a fountain sealed.

13 Thy plants are an orchard of **pomegran**ates, 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.

The spices prepare us to go into the inner court and also give us the weapons to deal with the Haman spirit and the enemies that come in from the north. If we consider ourselves as being the temple of God, then our eyes look toward the east. The **left brain oriented thinking is then our north side** and **the right brain oriented thinking is our south side**. The spices are **the ambassadors of preparation for bringing about that perfect balance** between the north wind (left brain) and the south wind (right brain). And yes, the battle of Armageddon will first be fought within the mind. And the most vicious attack will come from the area of the letter of the law and intellectualism - the Gog and Magog of our mind.

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: We have seen that Esther went through this process of preparation and, as we will shortly see, even Jesus was prepared by this procedure. For it was in Bethany (house of dates - *fruit of the date palm*) that this anointing took place.

MAR 14:3 And being in Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as **he sat at meat** [the table], 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**.



The Alabaster Box

SON 1:12 While the king sitteth at his table, my spikenard sendeth forth the smell thereof.

Alabasters - So named from the town of Alabastron, in Middle Egypt, where there are quarries of this fine-grained, pink-colored gypsum. It is not clear but is colored in stripes, much varied in width and tint, very near the tint of their fingernails, including the crescent light place at the upper end of the nails. It was made into cups, boxes, etc. for holding perfumes, ointments and other precious articles. Boxes for the same uses of any substance (wood, glass, stone, metal) were also called alabasters. (BRS Dictionary).

One might question why we have switched from studying trees to looking at the spices. Where do the spices fit in among the trees? And most likely the answer is that they don't - at least directly. But they are contained within a tree that is associated with other trees in the area of the pineal gland. And we introduced the alabaster **box** so we could introduce this tree and its relationship to spices. ISA 60:13 The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the **fir tree**, the **pine tree**, and **the box together**, to beautify the place of my sanctuary; and I will make the place of my feet glorious.

14 The sons also of them that afflicted thee shall come bending unto thee; and all they that despised thee shall bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet; and they shall call thee; **The city of the LORD, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.**

15 Whereas thou hast been forsaken and hated, so that no man went through thee, I will make thee an eternal excellency, a joy of many generations.

ISA 41:19 I will plant in the wilderness the cedar, the shittah tree, and the myrtle, and the oil tree; I will set in the desert the **fir tree**, and the **pine**, and **the box tree to-**

gether:

20 That they may see, and know, and consider, and understand together, that the hand of the LORD hath done this, and the Holy One of Israel hath created it.

The word "box" is translated from the Hebrew '*teh-ash-shoor*' Strong's 8391 with the meaning: from 883 - a species of cedar (*from its erectness*):--box (*tree*). So we have found another evergreen, one of a group of trees that are unmoved in summer or in winter and their leaves do not fall.

BOX, a shrub or tree (*Buxuw sempervurebs*) that grows wild in Asia Minor. At present it is cultivated in Israel as an ornamental tree. In the Mishnah it is called *eshkero'a*, its excellent wood being used for delicate articles and apparatus, such as the urn which was used in the Temple for the casting of lots to decide the duties of the priests (Yoma 3:9).

The above description about the box is from the Encyclopedia Judaica. And again, we see that we are looking at properties which decide direction. For the box wood was used to contain the lots used to make decisions within the temple. And we might consider the box tree to be the container of the spices. The spices are the ambassadorial, communications system which process messages and bring about the perfect Word - Spirit balance which is the Lord's delight - the anointing! And for what task was Esther prepared for and called to the kingdom for such a time as this?

EST 3:11 And the king said unto Haman, The silver is given to thee, the people also, to do with them as it seemeth good to thee.

12 **Then were the king's scribes called on the thirteenth day of the first month**, and there was written according to all that Haman had commanded unto the king's lieutenants, and to the governors that were over every province, and to the rulers of every people of every province according to the writing thereof, and to every people after their language; in the name of king Ahasuerus was it written, and sealed with the king's ring.

13 And the letters were sent by posts into all the king's provinces, to destroy, to kill, and to cause to perish, all Jews, both young and old, little children and women, in one day, even upon the thirteenth day of the twelfth month, which is the month Adar, and to take the spoil of them for a prey.

And you know how the story unfolded. Esther summoned up her courage and went into the inner court - with the threat of loss of life - to petition the king on behalf of her people. But, she did not immediately ask for Haman to be punished - instead - she asked that she might invite the king and Haman to - all of things - a banquet of wine.

EST 5:3 Then said the king unto her, What wilt thou, queen Esther? and what is thy request? it shall be even given thee to the half of the kingdom.

4 And Esther answered, If it seem good unto the king, let the king and Haman come this day unto the banquet that I have prepared for him.

5 Then the king said, Cause Haman to make haste, that he may do as Esther hath said. So the king and Haman came to the banquet that Esther had prepared.

6 And the king said unto Esther at the banquet of wine, What is thy peti-

tion? and it shall be granted thee: and what is thy request? even to the half of the kingdom it shall be performed.

In the meantime, Haman was busy building his gallows for Mordecai and salivating over his supposed rise to power. He had attended a banquet with the king and queen and was invited back for a second time. Now, let us look at Haman in terms of the new testament scripture about how and when the coming of Christ shall take place.

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 scriptures speak of our enemy as being the flesh. However, in modern language terms, this is not so much the physical flesh that we can pinch. It is the human ego that sits in the temple - in the very bed chamber of our cranium - that proclaims himself in control and as god of the temple. It is only when we are freed from the Babylonian wine of confusion and can see things clearly that this monstrosity, this Haman of the human ego is revealed and then can be destroyed. So, with this in mind, we go back to the story of Haman's demise. And it was Haman's own presumption that resulted in Mordecai being honored by riding on the king's horse (probably a white one) rather than Haman.

EST 6:6 So Haman came in. And the king said unto him, What shall be done unto the man whom the king delighteth to honour? Now Haman thought in his heart, To whom would the king delight to do honour more than to myself?

7 And Haman answered the king, For the man whom the king delighteth to honour,

8 Let the royal apparel be brought which the king useth to wear, and the horse that the king rideth upon, and the crown royal which is set upon his head:

After Haman was humiliated, he was invited back to the palace for a second day of the banquet of wine.

EST 7:1 So the king and Haman came to banquet with Esther the queen.

2 And the king said again unto **Esther on the second day at the banquet of wine**, What is thy petition, queen Esther? and it shall be granted thee: and what is thy request? and it shall be performed, even to the half of the kingdom.

3 Then Esther the queen answered and said, If I have found favour in thy sight, **O king**, and if it please the king, let my life be given me at my petition, and my people at my request:

4 For we are sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be slain, and to perish. But if we had been sold for bondmen and bondwomen, I had held my tongue, although the enemy could not countervail the king's damage.

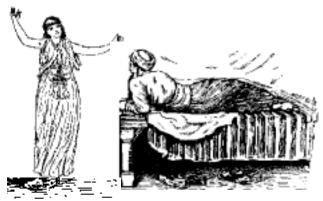
5 Then the king Ahasuerus answered and said unto Esther the queen,

Who is he, and where is he, that durst presume in his heart to do so?



EST 7:6 And Esther said, **The adversary and enemy is this wicked Haman**. Then Haman was afraid before the king and the queen.

7 And the king arising from the banquet of wine in his wrath went into the palace garden: and Haman stood up to make request for his life to Esther the queen; for he saw that there was evil determined against him by the king. EST 7:8 Then the king returned out of the palace garden into the place of the banquet of wine; and Haman was fallen upon the bed whereon Esther was.



Then said the king, Will he force the queen also before me in the house? As the word went out of the king's mouth, they covered Haman's face.

9 And Harbonah, one of the chamberlains, said before the king, **Behold also, the gallows fifty cubits high, which Haman had made for Mordecai,** who had spoken good for the king, standeth in the house of Haman. Then the king said, Hang him thereon.

10 **So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai.** Then was the king's wrath pacified.

Thus, the drama was played out and Haman learned the reverse application of the golden rule. And then it was time for a tremendous celebration -Haman and his wicked allies were defeated!

It seems like each feast has its own characteristics. Passover is an awesome time. Pentecost is a time of wonder and a time of praise. Tabernacles is a time of solitude and yet it has its joyous celebration. The feast of dedication (Hanukkah) is a time of restoration and gratitude. And then, we have the feast of Purim.

EST 9:24 Because Haman the son of Hammedatha, the **Agagite**, the enemy of all the Jews, had devised against the Jews to destroy them, **and had cast Pur, that is, the lot,** to consume them, and to destroy them;

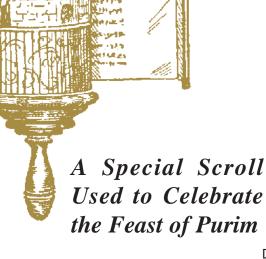
26 Wherefore they called these days Purim after the name of Pur. Therefore for all the words of this letter, and of that which they had seen concerning this matter, and which had come unto them, Imagine that you had just won a victory over all your enemies. Death, disease, economic struggles, unresolved conflicts, painful memories, all of your worries - everything was completely defeated, healed, or resolved! Your future life in the King's palace was an assured life of blessings with provision made for every need. It would be time to celebrate and probably the feast of Esther is the closest to our modern day definition of a joyous party.

EST 9:17 On the thirteenth day of the month Adar; and on the fourteenth day of the same rested they, and made it a day of feasting and gladness.

18 But the Jews that were at Shushan assembled together on the thirteenth day thereof, and on the fourteenth thereof; **and on the fifteenth day of the same they rested, and made it a day of feasting and gladness.**

19 Therefore the Jews of the villages, that dwelt in the unwalled towns, made the fourteenth day of the month Adar a day of gladness and feasting, and a good day, and of sending portions one to another.

The Megillah



And what is a Megillah? The following excerpts from the Encyclopedia Judaica give additional insight into feast of Purim.

"In any event the festival had long been established by the second century C. E. when a whole tractrate of Mishnah (*Megillah) was devoted to the details of its observance, especially to the rules governing the reading of the Scroll of Esther, called in the rabinic literature the megillah ("scroll")...

The main feature of Purim is the reading of the Book of Esther, the megillah, with a special cantillation. ... It is customary to fold the megillah over and spread it out before the reading since it is a called a "letter" (Esth. 9:26, 29). The four verses of "redemption" (2:5; 8:15-16; and 10:3) are read in louder voice than the other verses. The custom of children is to make a loud noise with rattles and the like whenever the name of Haman is read, in order to blot out "the memory of Amalek" (see Deut. 25:19: and Esth. 3:1 and I Sam. 15:8-9 for Haman is a descendent of Amalek) is ancient and still persists, though frowned upon as undecorous by some authorities. It is the practice for the reader to recite the names of the ten sons of Haman (Esth. 9:7-9) in one breath (Meg. 16b) to show that they were executed simultaneously. The custom has also been seen, however, as a refusal by Jews to gloat over the downfall of their enemies ... The Torah reading for Purim morning is Exodus 17:8-16.

The book of Esther (9:22) speaks of "sending portions" ... to friends on Purim and giving gifts to the poor. (Ency. Judaica)

Each generation has war with the Amalek spirit to recover its birthright. For the most part - all have failed. But when a generation truly succeeds, Christ will have come a second time (Heb 9:28).

EXO 17:16 For he said, Because the LORD hath sworn that the LORD will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.

Purim is celebrated in the month(s) of Adar. Since this feast is not as well known as the others, we give the dates for the thirteenth through the fifteenth of Adar from the Hebrew calendar as follows:

1997 - March 22-24	1999 - March 1-3
1998 - March 11-13	2000 - March 20-22

Verse Seven

TO HOLD MY PEACE WHILE MEN SUFFER WILL BE AMISS AM I CALLED TO THE KINGDOM FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS? WILL THE KING HOLD OUT HIS SCEPTER WHEN I ENTER THE DOOR? WHAT SURPRISES AWAIT ME OR HAVE I BEEN THIS WAY BEFORE? LO, I COME TO DO THY WILL, O GOD



EST 4:13 Then Mordecai commanded to answer Esther, Think not with thyself that thou shalt escape in the king's house, more than all the Jews. 14 For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, then shall there enlargement and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; but thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed: and who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?

When Mordecai brought the news to Esther about Haman's decree - it was like an earthquake! She knew that she needed to go into the inner court to intercede with the king. And yet, she knew that to go into the inner court without being called was to risk death. The winds of decision swirled around her as she walked and she thought - and she walked and she thought. What should she do?

And we all face a similar decision. While we may have difficulty putting a face on Haman and how he succeeded in having his decree of death enforced do we not also face a decree of death? Perhaps it is couched in more mundane terms - such as a life expectancy of 73 years. But, it is the same. Either, we will be that generation that overcomes death or the task will be passed on to a future generation. REV 3:7 And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, **he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;**

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.**

11 Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall

go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

If we are to be kept from the hour of temptation which shall come upon the whole world, it is vital that we make the changes necessary so that our mind can be renewed and our body transformed. In order to have the new name written upon us, we must overcome and "go more out". What does it mean to go in and out?

The teenager is a perfect example of going "in and out". Sometimes they are very serious and mature about matters and other times, they are incredibly childish. As parents, we recognize this and permit them the freedom of the "growing up" process. And Christians often do the same thing - some times they are in the spirit and sometimes they are in the flesh. They come and go. And the Lord allows us the freedom to choose.

But, if we are to come to the marriage supper of the Lamb, it does require a commitment - not because we are forced to do it - but because we want to make the commitment.



We can use the key of David to lock the doors of the flesh - and no man will be able to open them. We can use the key of David to open the doors of the spirit and no man will be able to shut them. We can come into the realm of true friendship with God.

JOH 15:15 Henceforth I call you not servants; for **the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth**: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.

JAM 2:23 And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, **Abraham believed God**, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God.

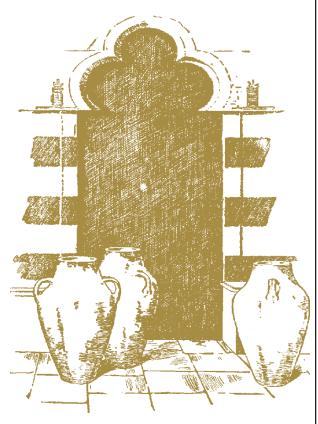
Consider the choice given to the Hebrew servant.

EXO 21:2 If thou buy an **Hebrew servant**, six years he shall serve: and in the seventh he shall go out free for nothing.

5 And if the servant shall plainly say, I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not go out free:

Did the Hebrew servant have the right to go in and out? Yes, he did. Did the master give him permission to go out? Yes, he did. And, as servants of the Lord, we are permitted to "go in and out". Yes. But, if we have reached the point in our growth and commitment that we want to stay in the Master's house forever, and "go no more out", then it is time to "plainly say" our intentions.

THE DOORPOST OF THE AUL



EXO 21:5 And if the servant shall plainly say, I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not go out free:

6 Then his master shall bring him unto the judges; he shall also bring him to the door, or unto the door post; and his master shall bore his ear through with an aul; and he shall serve him for ever.

Therefore, if we are ready to plainly tell our Master that we love Him and do not want to go out any more, then we are taken to the doorpost and the ceremony is sealed by boring through the ear with an aul and we serve our Master forever.

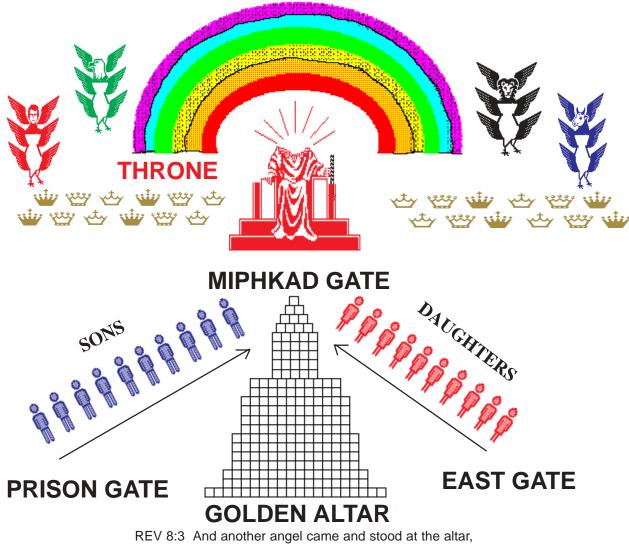
REV 3:13 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, **and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God**, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name. When we speak of opening and closing doors, we must realize that some of these doors are ancient doors that lead to ancient chambers in our subconscious mind. We are probably not aware that some of these dimensions actually exist. Jesus is the one who has the keys of David and it is for our safety that He controls the timing of the renewing of our mind - rebuilding the old waste places and raising up the old foundations. When we make a commitment to Him, He makes a commitment to us to restore the paths to dwell in so that we may walk in those paths forever.

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.**

Father, El Elyon, Most High God, we do come to you in the name and through the blood of Jesus Christ on behalf of those who are about to pray the prayer of deeper commitment. Father, may your Spirit anoint them with love and wisdom and form the covenant of an everlasting love and commitment. May they ask Jesus to govern the process and the timing and the path to fully restore them back to the Father's house and the Father's throne. We ask these things in the name of Yeshua - our Saviour. Amen.



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.

The above shows how the outer gates lead to the inner doors of the throne room. We found that the keys of David are used to bring the Josephs out of the prison gate. And we have learned about leading captivity captive. Instead of being conformed to this world's prison mold, we are transformed by the renewing of the mind. We have learned about the metamorphosis of the butterflies through the beautiful gate - the east gate. And we have pointed to the Miphkad gate, which is the mustering point for the white horse army of Revelation 19:11-14 but the time seems to be not yet. We have touched on the spices in the box tree - the ingredients which are burned upon the golden altar which is situated before the throne. But it seems that the timing for the spices and the golden altar is not for this writing.

ISA 33:20 Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities: **thine eyes shall see Jerusalem** a quiet habitation, a tabernacle that shall not be taken down; not one of the stakes thereof shall ever be removed, neither shall any of the cords thereof be broken.

21 But there the glorious LORD will be unto us a place of broad rivers and streams; wherein shall go no galley with oars, neither shall gallant ship pass thereby.

And we realize that many things need to be summarized and sorted out. But, we must wait upon the timing of the Lord. If we row with the oars, we do so by the sweat of our brow. We pray that each of us will come into Zion and Jerusalem in the perfect timing of the galley driven by the wind of the Spirit in her sails. Amen.