

# *Beloved Spiritual Israel*

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## Books of the Bible - Abbreviation List

### Old Testament

Gen.	Genesis
Exo.	Exodus
Lev.	Leviticus
Num.	Numbers
Deu.	Deuteronomy
Jos.	Joshua
Jdg.	Judges
Rth.	Ruth
1Sa.	1 Samuel
2Sa.	2 Samuel
1Ki.	1 Kings
2Ki.	2 Kings
1Ch.	1 Chronicles
2Ch.	2 Chronicles
Ezr.	Ezra
Neh.	Nehemiah
Est.	Esther
Job.	Job
Psa.	Psalms
Pro.	Proverbs
Ecc.	Ecclesiastes
Son.	The Song of Solomon
Isa.	Isaiah
Jer.	Jeremiah
Lam.	Lamentations
Eze.	Ezekiel
Dan.	Daniel
Hos.	Hosea
Joe.	Joel
Amo.	Amos
Oba.	Obadiah
Jon.	Jonah
Mic.	Micah
Nah.	Nahum
Hab.	Habakkuk

Zep.	Zephaniah
Hag.	Haggai
Zec.	Zechariah
Mal.	Malachi

### New Testament

Mat.	Matthew
Mar.	Mark
Luk.	Luke
Joh.	John
Act.	Acts
Rom.	Romans
1Co.	1 Corinthians
2Co.	2 Corinthians
Gal.	Galatians
Eph.	Ephesians
Php.	Philippians
Col.	Colossians
1Th.	1 Thessalonians
2Th.	2 Thessalonians
1Ti.	1 Timothy
2Ti.	2 Timothy
Tit.	Titus
Phm.	Philemon
Heb.	Hebrews
Jas.	James
1Pe.	1 Peter
2Pe.	2 Peter
1Jn.	1 John
2Jn.	2 John
3Jn.	3 John
Jud.	Jude
Rev.	Revelation

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## CHAPTER ONE

### *Understanding the Parable*

God bless you, saints! Thank you for joining us and we ask our Father to bless your eyes and ears today as I share a revelation with you concerning the love that God has for His New Testament spiritual Israel, His beloved spiritual Israel. Many people don't understand this and they're missing out on so much because they think that God tried but failed to bring natural Israel into the Kingdom at the time of Jesus. They think that now we are in Plan B because Plan A didn't work. Folks, if you know anything about the Word, you know that God doesn't have a Plan B. We're still in Plan A. ***(Eph.1:11) In whom also we were made a heritage, having been foreordained according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his will.*** God works all things after the counsel of His own will, so what we're seeing from the beginning of the creation until now is all in God's plan. It's all predestined. Jesus was the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. ***(Rev.13:8) And all that dwell on the earth shall worship him, every one whose name hath not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb that hath been slain.*** Before Adam ever fell, the Lord knew that there needed to be a Savior and He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, which means, of course, He knew from the very beginning that we were coming down this road. This is not an accident.

First, let me point out something to you. ***(Mat.13:10) And the disciples came, and said unto him*** (Jesus),

***Why speakest thou unto them in parables? (11) And he answered and said unto them, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given. (12) For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that which he hath. (13) Therefore speak I to them in parables; because seeing they see not, and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.*** The Lord didn't want those people to understand the depth of His parables. He didn't want the Pharisees, Sadducees and any people who catered to them to understand what He was saying. You may think that speaking in parables was a new thing when Jesus came along, but actually, the whole Old Testament is parables and it was speaking to a people who, by and large, didn't understand what the Lord was saying. In the New Testament, Paul speaks of the time when God's people came out of Egypt. ***(1Co.10:1) For I would not, brethren, have you ignorant, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; (2) and were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea; (3) and did all eat the same spiritual food; (4) and did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of a spiritual rock that followed them: and the rock was Christ.*** And then they had their trials and their tribulations in the wilderness, and so on and so forth. What does God say about all this that happened to His Old Covenant people? ***(1Co.10:11) Now these things happened unto them by way of example....*** The word "example" here is the Greek *tupos*, which means "figure" or "pattern" or "form." In other words, it's a "type,"

it's a "parable." (**1Co.10:11**) ***These things happened unto them by way of example*** (or a "parable"); ***and they were written for our admonition upon whom the ends of the ages are come.*** This is saying that the parables the Old Covenant people enacted were for us in the "ends of the ages." When Paul spoke this, he was in an end of an age. He was in the end of the Covenant of the Jews and now here we are again, in another end of the age. We're at the end of the Gentiles', or the Church's, Covenant. So the parables that the Jews enacted in their lives were written for us. The types and shadows were written for us.

It's a sad thing that the overwhelming majority of God's people, who only see the letter, are missing out on most of the Bible. Most of what has been written to them in the Spirit cannot be seen because it was written in parables. And why was it written in parables? It was written in parables because "Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given." You see, God hides "the mysteries of the Kingdom" in parables; He hides them in types and shadows, so that He is the only One Who can reveal them to whomsoever He will. (**Rev.2:17**) ***He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith to the churches. To him that overcometh, to him will I give of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and upon the stone a new name written, which no one knoweth but he that receiveth it.*** He says to those who overcome, He will give to eat of the hidden manna, and in this Word is a "hidden manna." In this Word is a manna that is hidden from those people who are not worthy to understand. In Jesus' day, there was a multitude of ministers, a mul-



titude of Pharisees, Sadducees and people who respected them and their ways, but they were blinded and not able to partake of what Jesus came to reveal. Jesus came to reveal the mysteries of the Kingdom. He interpreted the parables to His disciples and His apostles interpreted some of these parables very clearly for us in the New Testament to give us examples. So I'd like to point out to you an awesome parable that proves the Church is not an afterthought. The Church was not Plan B when God *failed* with natural Israel, although much of Christianity teaches that the Church is just an afterthought; they believe that natural Israel is the chosen of God and the Church is just along for the ride. Well, this parable says quite differently when we study it. It's the story of Jacob.

As you know, Jacob was afraid of his brother Esau because he bought Esau's birthright from him. Esau was the firstborn, but he "despised his birthright." (**Gen.25:29**) ***And Jacob boiled pottage: and Esau came in from the field, and he was faint: (30) and Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red [pottage;] for I am faint: therefore was his name called Edom. (31) And Jacob said, Sell me first thy birthright. (32) And Esau said, Behold, I am about to die: and what profit shall the birthright do to me? (33) And Jacob said, Swear to me first; and he swore unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob. (34) And Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentils; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: so Esau despised his birthright. (27:41) And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him: and Esau said in his heart, The days of mourn-***

***ing for my father are at hand; then will I slay my brother Jacob.*** When Rebekah, their mother, learned what Esau was planning, ***(Gen.25:46) ... Rebekah said to Isaac, I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Heth: if Jacob take a wife of the daughters of Heth, such as these, of the daughters of the land, what good shall my life do me?*** So Jacob's father, Isaac, sent him out to gain a wife from Rebekah's brother, Laban. ***(Gen.28:1) And Isaac called Jacob, and blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan. (2) Arise, go to Paddan-aram, to the house of Bethuel thy mother's father; and take thee a wife from thence of the daughters of Laban thy mother's brother.***

***(Gen.29:1) Then Jacob went on his journey, and came to the land of the children of the east. (10) And it came to pass, when Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mother's brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's brother, that Jacob went near, and rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother. (11) And Jacob kissed Rachel, and lifted up his voice, and wept. (12) And Jacob told Rachel that he was her father's brother, and that he was Rebekah's son: and she ran and told her father. (13) And it came to pass, when Laban heard the tidings of Jacob his sister's son, that he ran to meet him, and embraced him, and kissed him, and brought him to his house. And he told Laban all these things. (14) And Laban said to him, Surely thou art my bone and my flesh. And he abode***

*with him the space of a month. (15) And Laban said unto Jacob, Because thou art my brother, shouldest thou therefore serve me for nought? tell me, what shall thy wages be? (16) And Laban had two daughters: the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. (17) And Leah's eyes were tender (Strong's says the Hebrew word here is rak, meaning "weak." Her eyes were weak.); but Rachel was beautiful and well-favored. So this would imply, of course, that Leah was not beautiful or well-favored. (Gen.29:18) And Jacob loved Rachel; and he said, I will serve thee seven years for Rachel thy younger daughter. (19) And Laban said, It is better that I give her to thee, than that I should give her to another man: abide with me. (20) And Jacob served seven years for Rachel; and they seemed unto him but a few days, for the love he had to her. This is great love Jacob had for Rachel! (21) And Jacob said unto Laban, Give me my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that I may go in unto her. (22) And Laban gathered together all the men of the place, and made a feast. (23) And it came to pass in the evening, that he took Leah his daughter, and brought her to him; and he went in unto her. (24) And Laban gave Zilpah his handmaid unto his daughter Leah for a handmaid. (25) And it came to pass in the morning that, behold, it was Leah: and he said to Laban, What is this thou hast done unto me? did not I serve with thee for Rachel? wherefore then hast thou beguiled me? (26) And Laban said, It is not so done in our place, to give the younger before the first-born. Leah was*

his first-born and of course, Rachel was the second-born. ***(Gen.29:27) Fulfil the week of this one, and we will give thee the other also for the service which thou shalt serve with me yet seven other years. (28) And Jacob did so, and fulfilled her week*** (A “week” was the marriage feast that lasted for a week each time.): ***and he gave him Rachel his daughter to wife. (29) And Laban gave to Rachel his daughter Bilhah his handmaid to be her handmaid. (30) And he went in also unto Rachel, and he loved also Rachel more than Leah, and served with him yet seven other years.***

Jacob brought forth the 12 patriarchs of Israel by these four women and that gives us a good idea of who Jacob represents. In type, Jacob here is Jesus Christ. Jesus was the spiritual Father of the new creation man, the born-again man, and He brought forth the 12 patriarchs of the New Covenant. And Laban was Jacob’s father-in-law; he was the father of Jacob’s two wives, so who could Laban represent? Well, who is the father of the two wives whom the Lord Jesus has had? That would be our Father! Our Father is not only the Father of Jesus, He is the Father-in-law of Jesus because He is the Father of the brides. He is the Father of both the first- and the second-born bride. Some people argue, of course, that Jesus can’t be the Father; I’m not saying that Jesus is the Father, but, ***(Isa.9:6) For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder*** (That is, the government of His Kingdom, and He started that government with the 12 patriarchs, the 12 apostles.): ***and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.***

Those words translated as “Everlasting Father” in the Hebrew literally mean “Father of eternity.” Jesus was the Father of eternal life. Jesus was the last Adam, Who was to bring forth the spiritual creation, not the natural creation. The first Adam brought forth the natural creation and Jacob brought forth the natural church that was in the letter. Jesus came forth to be the Father of the born-again creation, the born-again man. Now when we read this in the letter, everybody sees a pretty story and the letter is true in the letter. So it was written to Israel in the letter, but to us it is written in the Spirit. First comes the natural, then the spiritual. **(1Co.15:46) Howbeit that is not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; then that which is spiritual. (47) The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is of heaven. (48) As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. (49) And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.** We read the natural, but beneath it there is a spirit that edifies, that builds up the Church. What was written to Israel in the natural is written to the Church in the Spirit. We have to have spiritual eyes to see it because it’s a parable, it’s hidden. Only those who have “eyes to see” and “ears to hear” have the gift to look at this and see all the way through it to the parable. I want to bring up another point here before we go on with our study. When the apostles passed on the Word of God to bring forth Christ in their disciples, that body of people, who were believers, was called the “body of Christ.” And ever since Jacob was called “Israel,” the body of his descendants has been called “Israel,” which means “He will rule as God.” **(Exo.29:45)**

***And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will be their God. (46) And they shall know that I am the Lord their God, that brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, that I might dwell among them: I am the Lord their God.*** God is in the midst of His beloved spiritual Israel; His people in our day is the Church.

So we see that Laban, the father-in-law of Jacob, represents the Father, Who is the Father-in-law of the Lord, Jesus Christ, and we know that Jesus Christ brought forth the 12 patriarchs. That gives us an idea about what Rachel and Leah represent. Did you know that God considered natural Israel His first-born bride? (***Isa.50:1***) ***Thus saith the Lord, Where is the bill of your mother's divorce-ment, wherewith I have put her away? or which of my creditors is it to whom I have sold you? Behold, for your iniquities were ye sold, and for your transgressions was your mother put away.*** He was talking about Israel. Not only that, in the previous chapter, He says, (***Isa.49:6***) ***Yea, he saith, It is too light a thing that thou shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel: I will also give thee*** (speaking of the Lord Jesus) ***for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth.*** In other words, this is not just in little geographic Israel, but to the ends of the earth, because the Lord said, (***Rom.9:25***) ***... I will call that my people, which was not my people; And her beloved, that was not beloved.*** God turned away from what was His bride in the Old Testament, His people in the Old Testament, and turned to a new people in the New Testament. The Book of Esther is the story of



God turning away from His first-born bride. King Ahasuerus had a bride called Vashti, who wouldn't come when he called (Esther 1:12), so he chose another bride out of all the fair virgins of his kingdom, and that bride was Esther (Esther 2:17). That's exactly what happened when Jesus came to call the lost sheep of the house of Israel unto Him. They wouldn't come when He called, so the Lord chose another bride. The story of Esther is that story of the two brides, and Ahasuerus, who was the king of all the known world at the time, represents the Lord Himself. It's a very interesting story when you look at it as a prophecy.

Also, the Lord Jesus gave us a parable about the Father sending forth His servants to invite people to come to the marriage feast of His Son, and that was Jesus. **(Mat.22:2)** *The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a certain king, who made a marriage feast for his son, (3) and sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the marriage feast: and they would not come. (4) Again he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them that are bidden, Behold, I have made ready my dinner; my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come to the marriage feast. (5) But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his merchandise; (6) and the rest laid hold on his servants, and treated them shamefully, and killed them. (7) But the king was wroth; and he sent his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned their city.* He went first to Israel in that parable and they refused to come because they had too many other things that were more important to them. They mistreated His servants and He sent His army to destroy

them, which happened in 70 A.D. Then He turned to the Gentiles in that parable. ***(Mat.22:8) Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they that were bidden were not worthy. (9) Go ye therefore unto the partings of the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage feast. (10) And those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was filled with guests. (14) For many are called, but few chosen.*** So we see there that God had a people who wouldn't come when they were called, much like Vashti would not come when Ahasuerus called her, and therefore God turned to another bride. Jacob's two wives, Leah and Rachel, represent these two brides very clearly.

***(Gen.29:16) And Laban had two daughters: the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. (17) And Leah's eyes were tender ("weak"); but Rachel was beautiful and well-favored.*** Leah, the first bride, had weak eyes; she couldn't see clearly. Isn't that the same thing that we just read? ***(Mat.13:10) And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables? (11) And he answered and said unto them, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given. (12) For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that which he hath. (13) Therefore speak I to them in parables; because seeing they see not, and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.*** Well, the first



people chosen, the first bride, could not see clearly. These parables to them were just a bunch of ceremonies that they knew pleased God. They knew they had to keep them, but they didn't know they were creating a parable for us to understand in our day. They didn't see what they were doing, but we who have eyes to see, have the gift to understand the parable that they didn't understand. Leah, the first-born, couldn't see and didn't understand, and she represented Israel. Now if natural Israel is His first-born, who was His second-born? The Church was His second-born. The first-born didn't see clearly, was not beautiful, was not well-favored and the Lord didn't love the first-born the way He loved the second-born. Just as it was with Jacob, so it is with the Lord. Jacob loved Rachel first and saw her as beautiful from the beginning, but he didn't get to marry her first. She was important to him and he loved her more than Leah, even from the beginning. He had chosen her from the beginning, but he married Leah the first-born first. The majority of Christianity teaches that the Church is just an afterthought, but now you see in this parable that the Church was in God's mind from the very beginning. The Church was God's love from the very beginning. The Church was actually able to walk into the nature of Jesus Christ and be beautiful unto Him, even from the very beginning. Since that time, there has been a great falling away and we'll get to that, too, but in our day there is also coming a great return of God's people. In our day, God's people are returning to the good news of the Gospel that was shared in the beginning. We are returning!

So we see that Jacob loved Rachel, the second-born, who was beautiful and well-favored, and his idea was to have her for his wife all along. You may ask, "Why would

that be, David?” Well, let me point out something to you about the difference in the two kingdoms. In the Old Testament kingdom, Jacob was the father of the natural man creation. The way Israel passed on its seed was by nature, by the flesh. It wasn’t through a born-again experience. The born-from-Heaven, born-from-above experience came with Jesus. Israel passed-on their seed naturally, but we pass-on our seed spiritually by the Word of God. The Word of God goes into people’s hearts and it recreates in them a born-again spirit, and as they obey that born-again spirit, it recreates in them a born-again soul. Their nature and character, their mind, their will, their emotions, all come into conformity with Jesus Christ. As they walk in the Spirit, as they walk by faith in the promises, they come into the image of Jesus Christ. This was not promised in the Old Testament. As a matter of fact, **(Heb.7:18) *For there is a disannulling of a foregoing commandment because of its weakness and unprofitableness (19) (For the law made nothing perfect), and a bringing in thereupon of a better hope, through which we draw nigh unto God.*** Since the Law could make no one perfect, God sought for a better covenant with better promises that could bring us into the image of Jesus Christ (Hebrews 7:22). And now, because of the sacrifice of the true Lamb of God, **(2Co.3:18) ... we all, with unveiled face beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord the Spirit.** The same image! Now wouldn’t you think God would consider that beautiful? I guarantee you that’s what He was after all along, but, **(1Co.15:46) *Howbeit that is not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; then***

***that which is spiritual.*** First is the natural, then the spiritual, and every parable is that way, folks. The parable is fulfilled in the natural; the interpretation is in the Spirit. Paul said, ***(2Co.3:6) Who also made us sufficient as ministers of a new covenant; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.*** “The letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.” If we look at the parable and not the letter, we understand that God loved us from the foundation of the world. We understand that we weren’t an afterthought. We are actually the ones who are chosen.

I’m not taking anything away from natural Israel; the natural promises that God gave to natural Israel are theirs. The Church doesn’t even want them. When we see what’s given to us in the Spirit, we desire that. Their kingdom was a natural kingdom. They had a natural king. They had a natural city, Jerusalem. They had a natural land that they had to conquer and the way the Old Covenant people made converts was by the sowing of the flesh. We’re totally different from that. We have a spiritual Kingdom, a spiritual King David and a spiritual Jerusalem. And we walk in our Kingdom, which is totally contrary to this world. The Jews’ kingdom was not contrary to this world. They were still wrestling with flesh and blood, which spiritual people do not do. ***(Eph.6:12) For our wrestling is not against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world-rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual [hosts] of wickedness in the heavenly [places].*** The Jews didn’t fight with principalities and powers, they fought with men and they were men. All that is a type and shadow for us to see and to apply to our lives. Remember that the letter kills, but the

spirit gives life, and so when we read this, we're looking at a parable. When we interpret the parable, it's awesome to see that God loved us from the beginning. The spiritual, born-again man, New Testament spiritual Israel, was in God's heart from the very beginning. New Testament spiritual Israel was in Jesus' heart from the very beginning, but He had to fulfill the natural first.

So now we have two examples, two witnesses, that prove this interpretation for first-born and second-born is correct. There's the example of Esau from before this time of Jacob and there's the example of Leah from after this time of Jacob. Remember, Esau was the first-born and the birthright was given unto him. The kingdom belonged to him, but we saw that he sold his birthright and the second-born, who was Jacob, took it. That's the pattern we see going through these pages in Genesis: the second-born picks up what is lost to the first-born. Christians are warned, **(Heb.12:14) Follow after peace with all men, and the sanctification without which no man shall see the Lord** ("Sanctification" is "separation from the world unto God." This is what we seek after when we follow the Lord and put His Words into our hearts. We seek separation from the world unto Him.): **(Heb.12:15) looking carefully lest there be any man that falleth short of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby the many be defiled; (16) lest there be any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one mess of meat sold his own birthright.** He was the first-born, he had the right to the kingdom, he had the right to rule in his father's stead. Yet because he followed after the flesh, he lost that right and it was given to Jacob the second-born. The second-born re-

ceived the first-born's anointing. The second-born got the first-born's double blessing! What we are seeing here follows right in line with the pattern. God said, by the way, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated," and He said this before either one of them had been born. **(Rom.9:11) For the children being not yet born, neither having done anything good or bad, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth, (12) it was said unto her, The elder shall serve the younger. (13) Even as it is written, Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.** "Election" is the word *eklektos* and it means "chosen." Who was chosen between these two sons of Abraham? Obviously Jacob was, but he was the second-born. Inheritance was promised to fall to the first-born, but it didn't. Now, in this case, we're seeing the same thing happen. Inheritance would have fallen naturally to Leah, representing natural Israel the first-born, but Israel rejected the first-born's blessing. When Jesus came, He came to bring Israel that double anointing and when they rejected it, the second-born Rachel, representing spiritual Israel, received it. So who was chosen from the beginning here? "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated." God chose from the beginning the second-born to receive the double-portion, the double-blessing, the anointing, the Kingdom. That's a confirmation that Rachel represents the Church and Leah represents natural Israel. That's a confirmation that God loved Rachel from the very beginning. Although He physically married Leah from the very beginning, He loved Rachel the second-born, He loved the Church from the very beginning.

There's yet another example, a third witness, of this type and shadow from Joseph, who was one of Jacob's sons.

***(Mat.18:16) But if he hear thee not, take with thee one or two more, that at the mouth of two witnesses or three every word may be established.***

You probably know that as Jacob was passing away, he was called upon to bless Ephraim and Manasseh, the sons of Joseph. ***(Gen.48:14) And Israel stretched out his right hand, and laid it upon Ephraim's head, who was the younger, and his left hand upon Manasseh's head, guiding his hands wittingly; for Manasseh was the first-born.*** In other words, Jacob's right hand should have been upon Manasseh as the first-born because he was to receive the double-portion, he was to receive the leadership of the kingdom after his father. But a prophetic mind of the Lord was guiding Jacob. ***(Gen.48:15) And he blessed Joseph, and said, The God before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac did walk, the God who hath fed me all my life long unto this day, (16) the angel who hath redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth. (17) And when Joseph saw that his father laid his right hand upon the head of Ephraim, it displeased him: and he held up his father's hand, to remove it from Ephraim's head unto Manasseh's head. (18) And Joseph said unto his father, Not so, my father; for this is the first-born; put thy right hand upon his head. (19) And his father refused, and said, I know [it,] my son, I know [it]; he also shall become a people, and he also shall be great: howbeit his younger brother shall be greater than he*** (His younger brother,



Ephraim, represents the Church. Manasseh represents the first-born, which was Israel. We know that for a fact because it says here in the text, “his younger brother shall be greater than he.”), ***and his seed shall become a multitude of nations*** (Gentiles). The Hebrew for “multitude” is “fullness”; this is “the fullness of the Gentiles.” Ephraim represents a people who is going to come out of the fullness of the Gentiles. It’s talking about the Church, which is from all nations. So now you see proof once again that the second-born represents the Church and they are the favored of God. God ordained the right-hand anointing to be upon the Church. ***(Gen.48:19) And his father refused, and said, I know [it,] my son, I know [it]; he also shall become a people, and he also shall be great: howbeit his younger brother shall be greater than he, and his seed shall become a multitude of nations.***

Wow! There it is again! We have three types in a row, so we know we’re seeing this correctly. God admitted that Israel is His first-born and that leaves the Church to be the second-born. You see, we’ve been lied to for many, many years by the leaders in Christianity about the real positions of the Church and Israel. Much of the Church practically worships Israel and attempts to emulate them by going back under their laws because they don’t understand that Israel was just the type and shadow. Israel was the parable and we’re the ones in whom God will fulfill it by His grace.

Did you notice that Rachel and Leah both had handmaids? The type is saying that there’s a handmaid for natural Israel, the first-born, and there’s a handmaid for spiritual Israel, the second-born, the Church. That’s exactly what Paul is saying to the Galatian church. They were Gentiles, but their problem was that the Jews were drag-

ging them back under the Law because they thought it was so important. Does that mean the Jews know something about God that we don't know and we should listen to them? No. Their eyes were "weak." They didn't understand that the New Testament fulfills the Law. **(Rom.7:6) But now we have been discharged from the law, having died to that wherein we were held; so that we serve in newness of the spirit, and not in oldness of the letter.** They were under the letter that kills and not under the Spirit that gives life. By the way, when Paul says, **(Gal.4:19) My little children, of whom I am again in travail until Christ be formed in you,** he means the Church was going back under the Law and they were no longer in the image of Christ because they had a wrong relationship with God. Instead, they were attempting to be pleasing unto the Jews. Here Paul is about to explain this parable about the church being in bondage, being held captive by the Law. **(Gal.4:21) Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? (22) For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, one by the handmaid, and one by the freewoman.** The one by the handmaid, by the way, was the first-born. **(23) Howbeit the son by the handmaid is born after the flesh; but the [son] by the freewoman [is born] through promise.** Awesome! **(24) Which things contain an allegory (or "a parable"): for these [women] are two covenants; one from mount Sinai, bearing children unto bondage (That's talking about the Law; the Law bears children unto bondage.), **which is Hagar.** God is calling the Law and the Old Covenant people a "handmaid"!**

Now there were faithful people in the Old Covenant, but



they were still captive to the Law. We have the story Jesus gave us about Lazarus and the rich man. **(Luk.16:19)** *Now there was a certain rich man, and he was clothed in purple and fine linen, faring sumptuously every day: (20) and a certain beggar named Lazarus was laid at his gate, full of sores, (21) and desiring to be fed with the [crumbs] that fell from the rich man's table; yea, even the dogs came and licked his sores. (22) And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and that he was carried away by the angels into Abraham's bosom: and the rich man also died, and was buried. (23) And in Hades he lifted up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. (24) And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame. (25) But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things: but now here he is comforted and thou art in anguish. (26) And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, that they that would pass from hence to you may not be able, and that none may cross over from thence to us.* Sheol was a place where there were two compartments. There was Hades and there was Abraham's Bosom, and there was a gulf fixed between them. When Jesus was resurrected, it was said He had gone and preached to the souls in prison (Ephesians 4:9). To whom was it He preached in prison? Jesus, Who conquered death, went to Sheol and preached to those who were captive to death.

And He took the righteous, who were held in the prison of Abraham's Bosom, back to Heaven with Him. **(Eph.4:8)** *Wherefore he saith, When he ascended on high, he led captivity captive, And gave gifts unto men.* He went there, He preached to them and He took "captivity captive." Now these departed dead are underneath the altar, waiting for their new bodies until the rest of their brethren have finished their course (Revelation 6:11). In the New Testament, to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord (2 Corinthians 5:6,8).

So what did the Lord Jesus preach to those in Sheol? He preached the Gospel to them. **(Joh.3:5)** ... *Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except one be born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. (6) That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. (7) Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born anew. (8) The wind bloweth where it will, and thou hearest the voice thereof, but knowest not whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.* He told us that except a man be born again, he can't enter the Kingdom nor see the Kingdom of God. **(Luk.17:20)** *And being asked by the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God cometh, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation.* Therefore, the Old Testament righteous saints had to be born again through the Gospel and Jesus shared that Gospel with them. They believed it, they received it, they were born again, they entered into the Kingdom. **(1Pe.1:23)** *Having been begotten again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, through the word of God, which*

***liveth and abideth.*** From this example, we see there are some people who were members of Leah, who are no longer members of Leah; they are now members of Rachel. They have entered into the second-born Bride. In fact, John the Baptist said the same of Jesus, when he saw the multitudes following Him. ***(Joh.3:29) He that hath the bride is the bridegroom....*** A remnant of Israel entered into the Rachel company, the New Testament company. They were not only born of Jacob as a natural man, as a natural Israelite, they were now born of the Church, as a spiritual man. The Church is the “called-out ones.” Jesus told a parable about going into the sheepfold and calling His sheep by name. ***(Joh.10:1) Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the fold of the sheep, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. (2) But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. (3) To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. (4) When he hath put forth all his own, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice.*** What was He doing? Jesus was calling them out of apostate Judaism, out from the captivity of the Leah company, to follow Him.

***(Gal.4:25) Now this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia that answers to Jerusalem that now is: for she is in bondage with her children.*** Most of the so-called “church” and their leaders don’t teach that the natural Jew is in bondage. And most of the natural Jews are secular; they don’t even believe in their Old Covenant, which has passed away (2 Corinthians 5:17), so they are doubly in bondage. ***(Gal.4:26) But the Jerusalem that***

***is above is free, which is our mother.*** We're sons of the freewoman, not of the handmaid! Notice the difference between the handmaid and the freewoman. The handmaid was in bondage to the Law. That was true in the Old Testament when most people had only a legalistic relationship with God, but it's also true in the New Testament. Paul's warning the Galatians about having a legalistic relationship with God, rather than being born of the freewoman. Many people have a relationship with God through their religion. They faithfully obey the rules and regulations of their religion, but they don't pay attention to God's Word. You know what they are? Handmaids! ***(Gal.4:28) Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are children of promise. (29) But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him [that was born] after the Spirit, so also it is now. (30) Howbeit what saith the scripture? Cast out the handmaid and her son: for the son of the handmaid shall not inherit with the son of the freewoman. (31) Wherefore, brethren, we are not children of a handmaid, but of the freewoman.*** Paul is trying to convince the Galatians not to go back under the Law. He's telling them, "Don't be a handmaid like natural Israel is. Be a son of the freewoman!" And we're told, ***(Rom.9:6) But [it is] not as though the word of God hath come to nought. For they are not all Israel, that are of Israel: (7) neither, because they are Abraham's seed, are they all children: but, In Isaac (not Ishmael) ***shall thy seed be called.****** Ishmael was the son of the handmaid and would not inherit with the son of the freewoman. "In Isaac shall thy seed be called"; that is, it's not the children of the flesh who are the children of God. Israelites passed on their seed naturally by the flesh

to make their children, but that's not how we make spiritual children in the New Testament. The seed we pass on is the Word. Children of the Kingdom are created through His Word. ***(Rom.9:8) That is, it is not the children of the flesh that are children of God; but the children of the promise are reckoned for a seed.***

***(Gal.4:28) Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are children of promise.*** We are justified through the promises of God, not by the Law, not by the works of man. Many people feel justified today because of what religion they belong to and because they keep the rules and regulations of their religion. It's the same kind of relationship as being under the Law. So you see, both in the Old Testament and the New Testament, God's Leah had a handmaid and God's Rachel has a handmaid, too! We have to be very careful because the handmaid is not going to inherit with the freewoman. The freewoman is the Bride; she's the one who has the relationship with the husband. We know from the parable in Romans that "all Israel" is speaking of the Church. You ask, "How can that be, David?" Well, let's look at it closely. ***(Rom.11:19) Thou wilt say then, Branches were broken off, that I might be grafted in. (20) Well; by their unbelief they were broken off*** (Natural branches of natural Israel were broken off their olive tree. That's what he is talking about.), ***and thou standest by thy faith.*** (He's talking to the Romans and the Romans were a Gentile church. They stand in that same Covenant, in that same "olive tree," by faith.) ***Be not highminded, but fear: (Rom.11:21) for if God spared not the natural branches, neither will he spare thee. (22) Behold then the goodness and severity of God: toward them that fell, severity; but toward thee,***

***God's goodness, if thou continue in his goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.*** Paul is talking to the Gentile church that's been grafted into the olive tree, along with the faithful Old Testament saints who are now Christians because they were born again. They had the Gospel preached to them in Abraham's bosom and Jesus took them with Him when He "led captivity captive." At the time this was written, they knew that Jesus is the Son of God. They knew He is their only Sacrifice and they accepted that sacrifice, so now everybody who is in the olive tree is there through faith, through belief. The unbelievers among the natural Jews have been broken off.

***(Rom.11:23) And they also, if they continue not in their unbelief, shall be grafted in: for God is able to graft them in again. (24) For if thou wast cut out of that which is by nature a wild olive tree, and wast grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree; how much more shall these, which are the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree? (25) For I would not, brethren, have you ignorant of this mystery, lest ye be wise in your own conceits, that a hardening in part hath befallen Israel (that's natural Israel), until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in; (26) and so all Israel shall be saved.*** After all the Gentiles have come in, God is going to graft back in a remnant of natural Israel. Added to the Rachel number is going to be a remnant of the natural Jews who are going to come in through the new birth. They're not going to come in through sacrificing bulls and goats, folks! God has forever rejected that. ***(Isa.1:11) What unto me is the multitude of your sacrifices? saith the Lord: I have had enough of the burnt-offerings of rams,***



**and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of he-goats.** He calls it an abomination. **(Pro.21:27) The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination: How much more, when he bringeth it with a wicked mind!** There is only one sacrifice that pleases God in the New Testament and that is the Holy One of Israel, Jesus Christ. Notice that the olive tree now represents all believers in Jesus Christ. It represents the Old Testament saints who were faithful in Abraham's Bosom and New Testament saints who are believers. Everyone else has been broken off of this olive tree. When Paul says "all Israel," He's talking about the "Israel of God," as they're called in the New Testament. And who is the "Israel of God"? **(Rom.2:28) For he is not a Jew who is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision which is outward in the flesh....** So again, we're not talking about the parable here, we're talking about the fulfillment of it. Circumcision in the flesh was a parable of circumcision of the heart. Circumcision of the heart represents the born-again, New Testament spiritual Jew who is grafted into the olive tree called "all Israel." **(Rom.2:28) For he is not a Jew who is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision which is outward in the flesh: (29) but he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.** In the New Testament, you have to be a Jew in the spirit. The circumcision is not in the flesh; the circumcision is of the heart. Cutting away the flesh of the heart means we don't live after the lust of our flesh, we don't live after the desires of our heart anymore.

That's very interesting because when you look at the

story of Rachel and Leah, you see that most of the children were born of the handmaids and Leah, while Rachel had only two sons. First she had Joseph, who saved God's people during the seven years of famine. Joseph represents the Man-child. The Church is going to bring forth in these days the Man-child, who is to save God's people through the seven years of tribulation. But there was another son born to Rachel, a small child, Benjamin. What did Benjamin represent? Well, when Joseph's brothers came to be preserved by him in Egypt during the time of the famine, he sent them back to bring Benjamin to meet the man-child Joseph. Benjamin represents the remnant of Israel who is going to come to the Man-child because of the seven years of tribulation. Why would the remnant of Israel be born to Rachel, who represents the Church? It's very simple, folks. We've been lied to about what God's going to accept from the Jews in these coming days. Multitudes of Jews may go back to sacrificing, they may do lots of things according to the Old Covenant, but the Old Covenant is not in effect. As Christians, we do not go under a covenant that does not exist, nor a covenant that was only made with natural Israel. If we do, we don't have a covenant with God! The only Covenant in effect today is the New Covenant and it is through the sacrifice of the Lamb, Jesus Christ. The reason that Benjamin was born to Rachel was because he's going to be a member of the Church, just like the Man-child is a member of the Church. The Man-child is the firstfruits to be born of the Church, which is the second wife. He will bring the Church into the wilderness, **(Rev.12:6) ... where she hath a place prepared of God, that there they may nourish her a thousand two hundred and threescore days.** During that time, Benjamin, the second son



of Rachel, is going to come into the Kingdom. Jesus, Who was the Man-child, taught the “woman” in the wilderness. He taught them, He provided for them, He multiplied the foods and so on and so forth. You see, folks, it all fits. This shows God’s great love for His born-again creation.

***(Gen.1:27) And God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.*** Was that the natural man or was he only a type of the image of God? He was only a type of the image of God. First comes the natural, then the spiritual. The born-again man is born from above, he is born from Heaven (John 3:1-8). Jesus is the Father of the born-again creation and He came to bring man into the true image of God. Only according to the natural, only according to the parable, were the Old Testament people in the image of God. The born-again creation is the one God desires. From the very beginning, He has loved those who are born of Him, born in His image. ***(2Co.3:18) But we all, with unveiled face beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord the Spirit.*** And as we’ve studied previously, “from glory to glory” is from star glory, to moon glory, to sun glory. ***(1Co.15:35) But some one will say, How are the dead raised? and with what manner of body do they come? (36) Thou foolish one, that which thou thyself sowest is not quickened except it die: (37) and that which thou sowest, thou sowest not the body that shall be, but a bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other kind; (38) but God giveth it a body even as it pleased him, and to each seed a body of its own. (39) All flesh is not***

***the same flesh: but there is one [flesh] of men, and another flesh of beasts, and another flesh of birds, and another of fishes. (40) There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the [glory] of the terrestrial is another. (41) There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differeth from another star in glory. (42) So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: (43) it is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: (44) it is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual [body]. (45) So also it is written, The first man Adam became a living soul. The last Adam [became] a life-giving spirit. (46) Howbeit that is not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; then that which is spiritual. (47) The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is of heaven. (48) As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. (49) And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.*** These are the three stages of Christian growth that we go through until we come into the image of Jesus Christ. Paul said the Lord Jesus, ***(2Th.1:10) ... shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be marvelled at in all them that believed (because our testimony unto you was believed) in that day.***

Folks, God is truly bringing forth a people in His Own

image, but He's doing it through Rachel. He's doing it through the Church, the "called-out ones." Jesus went to His disciples and He called them out of Judaism to walk in the Spirit of the Word, not the letter. He called them to walk in the fulfillment of the parable, not the parable. This is the awesome thing that God's doing! It was His second Bride whom God loved greatly, not the first bride. We've been fed a lie from the Pharisees of the New Covenant people of God. You and I are not an afterthought. We are going to be in on the fulfillment of God's crowning glory, His crowning creation of a people in His image, who have received new life in spirit, soul and, at the end, body. It was just a fleshly creation passed on by man, with rules and regulations to keep him in line, "until the seed should come." ***(Gal.3:19) What then is the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise hath been made....*** And that "seed" is Christ (Galatians 3:16). As we abide in Christ, we are God's born-again, New Testament spiritual Israel. We are the beloved spiritual Israel He had from the very beginning. God took tiny little Israel to make a parable for a worldwide Church. But everybody is not the Church, everybody is not the "called-out ones." Are you coming out? You can be just as much in bondage as the handmaids. You can be in bondage to the rules and regulations of men, just as they were in the Old Covenant. You can be under the laws that the New Testament Pharisees like to put on you and you will, sure enough, be a handmaid, or you can come out from among them and be separate. The Church is separate from the world, separate from worldly religion, separate from natural Israel. Jesus separated a people from natural Israel. He was separating a people from the parable of the

letter and bringing them into the spiritual fulfillment of the parable.

Glory be to God! God bless you!

## CHAPTER TWO

### *“I Am Become Two Companies”*

Thank you for joining us for this Unleavened Bread Bible Study, brethren; we appreciate you so much. Let's go to the Lord in prayer and ask for His grace and mercy to be upon us. Father, it's a privilege to call You Father, as Jeremiah said we would do in these days. My Father, I thank You so much for Your grace, Your mercy, toward us, toward our brethren. I ask, Lord, that You give grace to be able to get across to our brethren the great love that You have for your New Testament spiritual Israel. I ask that You give eyes and ears, Lord, that we be able to receive what You are trying to share with us. The Church has been in gross darkness, Lord, but we ask You to bring us out of the darkness, to bring us into the light, Father. Reveal to us those things that will make Your Words useful to us, Lord. They will open up the Old Testament to us, especially, Lord, since we are spiritual Israelites and we can receive that Word in the Spirit. We ask Your grace to reveal that to the brethren, Lord, in Jesus' name. Thank You, Father. Thank You for this opportunity, in Jesus' name. Amen!

We have been discovering some wonderful parables in this study and they show that the Church is not an after-thought to God. We were His plan from the very beginning. There never was a “Plan B”; we're still in “Plan A” because God doesn't need any Plan Bs! In Genesis 29 we saw the story of Jacob, his two wives and their father, Laban, and what this actually represents to us. We discovered that Laban, Jacob's father-in-law, as the father of both the first-born bride and the second-born bride, represents

the Father because the Father is the Father of the brides of the Lord, Jesus Christ. As you know, Jacob was the father of the 12 patriarchs of the Old Testament people of God, which we saw were represented by Leah and Leah's handmaid. Not only that, we saw that Jesus Christ is the Patriarch of the spiritual New Testament people of God and He raised up the 12 apostles. So Jacob in this story represents Jesus, Who had a bride in the Old Testament and a bride in the New Testament. God complained that Israel should tell their mother that he was not her husband and that she was not his bride. ***(Isa.50:1) Thus saith the Lord, Where is the bill of your mother's divorcement, wherewith I have put her away? or which of my creditors is it to whom I have sold you? Behold, for your iniquities were ye sold, and for your transgressions was your mother put away.*** We know that God divorced His first-born bride because of her rebellion because she didn't appear before Him when called. ***(Isa.50:2) Wherefore, when I came, was there no man? when I called, was there none to answer? Is my hand shortened at all, that it cannot redeem? or have I no power to deliver?....*** And we can see this in Esther, also. ***(Est.1:12) But the queen Vashti refused to come at the king's commandment by the chamberlains: therefore was the king very wroth, and his anger burned in him.*** So He turned to His second-born bride, in this case, Rachel, and we discovered that Rachel represents the Church, whom Jacob loved from the very beginning. Rachel was his chosen. He loved her; he thought she was beautiful and, yet, because of the father-in-law, he had to marry Leah first and Rachel second. That's the story of the Old Testament people of God

and the New Testament people of God.

Now Jacob served for seven years before having a relationship with Leah and, then, because he complained to Laban, Laban gave him Rachel, if he would serve for another seven years. There's a very interesting point I'd like to make about this. Here we have these two seven-year periods and, in the midst of them, Jacob came to know Leah and then Rachel, and then their handmaids later. Folks, when did God actually come to know and have a relationship with His first Covenant people? It was when Jesus came to call them! It was when He brought the true seed of the Word of God, not the parable of the letter. He had a relationship first with the Old Testament people of God and, then, because many of them blasphemed and turned away, He had a relationship with the New Testament people of God. There was a long period, of course, before this for Israel, and a long period after this for the Church. That's what those two seven-year periods represent and notice how close the parable is to exactly what's happened in history. Also notice that Rachel, the second-born bride, brought forth Joseph, who represents in a type both Jesus and the Man-child in our day. Then one remaining remnant seed, called Benjamin, was the last to come in. Little Benjamin came in to the kingdom when Joseph was ruling during the seven years of famine. That represents a remnant of natural Israel being grafted back in to the Church. Many people think Israel is going to come in under their own Covenant, but that's not the case because Benjamin is a child of Rachel, the Church; Benjamin is a child of the New Covenant.

There's another parable that's a natural follow-up to the one we studied in the previous chapter because, after that parable, we see that Jacob decided to bring his family to



the Promised Land. What do you think that represents? Well, there was an Old Testament people of God who were faithful to what they knew, to what they understood. Those faithful Old Testament saints were not born-again, literally, until the time when Jesus went and preached to the souls in prison after His death. He preached the Gospel to them, ***(Eph.4:8) ... When he ascended on high, he led captivity captive, And gave gifts unto men.*** Everyone who enters the Kingdom, or sees the Kingdom of God, must be born again (John 3:3,5). That includes natural Israel and that includes the Church. Everyone must be born again. Jesus brought in the faithful remnant who was in Abraham's Bosom and now to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. ***(2Co.5:6) Being therefore always of good courage, and knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the lord (7) (for we walk by faith, not by sight); (8) we are of good courage, I say, and are willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be at home with the Lord.*** We see that God is bringing in a Leah and He's bringing in a Rachel, and He's bringing in handmaids, too, but we know that is recognizing only the faithful. Obviously, when Jesus preached to the souls in prison, the unfaithful were left in Hades. The same is going to be true for those people in the New Testament. If they don't prove themselves to be members of the body of Rachel, then they will prove themselves to be members of the body of the Beast.

So let's look at the next parable. Jacob had already raised up his flocks here and he decided to leave that land and go to Canaan, the Promised Land, which represents Heaven. We're going to see the sequence in which Jacob brings



these different corporate bodies into the Kingdom. In fact, there are two parables: one in Genesis 32 and one in Genesis 33, and they repeat one another to make sure that we understand this. ***(Gen.32:1) And Jacob went on his way, and the angels of God met him. (2) And Jacob said when he saw them, This is God's host: and he called the name of that place Mahanaim. Mahanaim means "two hosts" or "two companies." There's more than one revelation to the two companies, but for right now I'm going to deal with just one. These two companies represent the Old and the New Testament companies of believers. (Gen.32:3) And Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother unto the land of Seir, the field of Edom. (4) And he commanded them, saying, Thus shall ye say unto my lord Esau: Thus saith thy servant Jacob, I have sojourned with Laban, and stayed until now: (5) and I have oxen, and asses, and flocks, and men-servants, and maid-servants: and I have sent to tell my lord, that I may find favor in thy sight. (6) And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, We came to thy brother Esau, and moreover he cometh to meet thee, and four hundred men with him.*** That struck fear in the heart of Jacob because he knew the old anger that Esau had toward him might still be there. I feel this is talking about both the time of Jesus for Leah and our day, which is at the end of Rachel's Covenant. At the end of both of those Covenants, there was a problem with the Beast kingdom. But, who is the Beast here? Well, Jacob and Esau were twins, weren't they? And what did they represent? They represented the spiritual man who is born of Heaven and the carnal man who is of the world. ***(Rom.9:13) ... Jacob I***

***loved, but Esau I hated***, the Lord said. That's just one parable, of course, and I know there are other things that can be seen there. And Paul said, ***(Gal.4:29) But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him [that was born] after the Spirit, so also it is now.*** Just as the Roman Empire rose up to put their foot upon the neck of the Jews and bring them into bondage, in these days there will be a world empire raised up to put their foot on the neck of the Christians. So we have this happening two-fold for two companies.

***(Gen.32:7) Then Jacob was greatly afraid and was distressed: and he divided the people that were with him, and the flocks, and the herds, and the camels, into two companies; (8) and he said, If Esau come to the one company, and smite it, then the company which is left shall escape. (9) And Jacob said, O God of my father Abraham, and God of my father Isaac, O Lord, who saidst unto me, Return unto thy country, and to thy kindred, and I will do thee good....*** Jacob had a promise here: "If you return, then I will do you good," and that's over and above anything Esau had planned, over and above anything the Beast can be planning. You know, God is going to do His people good, just as He did in those days. And Jacob had this promise in his mind, but what he was seeing with his eyes was to the contrary. He was seeing 400 men coming at him and he was fearful over why Esau would need 400 men. ***(Gen.32:9) And Jacob said, O God of my father Abraham, and God of my father Isaac, O Lord, who saidst unto me, Return unto thy country, and to thy kindred, and I will do thee good: (10) I am not worthy of the least of all the***

***lovingkindnesses, and of all the truth, which thou hast showed unto thy servant; for with my staff I passed over this Jordan; and now I am become two companies.*** He speaks of himself as a corporate body here, just like the body of Christ is the body of God's servants from both the Old Testament and the New Testament. That's all one body and there is only one body. Those Old Testament saints who were in Sheol became members of our body when they believed the Gospel. They became members of just one body. Ephesians talks about the joining of the two in one New Covenant. ***(Eph.2:11) Wherefore remember, that once ye, the Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called Circumcision, in the flesh, made by hands; (12) that ye were at that time separate from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of the promise, having no hope and without God in the world. (13) But now in Christ Jesus ye that once were far off are made nigh in the blood of Christ. (14) For he is our peace, who made both one, and brake down the middle wall of partition, (15) having abolished in the flesh the enmity, [even] the law of commandments [contained] in ordinances; that he might create in himself of the two one new man, [so] making peace; (16) and might reconcile them both in one body unto God through the cross, having slain the enmity thereby: (17) and he came and preached peace to you that were far off, and peace to them that were nigh: (18) for through him we both have our access in one Spirit unto the Father. (19) So then ye are no more***

***strangers and sojourners, but ye are fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God.***

Yet, even today, Christians want to separate the Jewish Christians from the Gentile Christians and that's not right because we're both under the same New Covenant, folks.

So Jacob said, "I passed over this Jordan; and now I am become two companies." What does "Jordan" represent? "Jordan" represents "death"! I'll give you an example of that type and shadow. Joshua and the children of God came up out of the wilderness in order to enter into the Promised Land, and we know the "wilderness" is the Tribulation (Revelation 12:6,13-17; 17:3-6). They reached the Promised Land after the wilderness, after the Tribulation. And one type you can see about the Promised Land is that it represents the Kingdom of Heaven. Now Joshua had detailed orders from God about the procedure by which they were to cross over the Jordan and go into the Promised Land. ***(Jos.3:11) Behold, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth passeth over before you into the Jordan.*** The Ark of the Covenant was to cross the Jordan and go into the Promised Land first. What does that sound like? The Ark of the Covenant of the Lord of all the earth is the Lord Jesus Christ. He was the Ark of the Covenant. He was the One in Whom the presence of God lived. ***(Jos.3:2) And it came to pass after three days, that the officers went through the midst of the camp; (3) and they commanded the people, saying, When ye see the ark of the covenant of the Lord your God, and the priests the Levites bearing it, then ye shall remove from your place, and go after it. (4) Yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by meas-***

***ure: come not near unto it, that ye may know the way by which ye must go; for ye have not passed this way heretofore.*** He said that the Ark of the Covenant, the Lord Jesus Christ, would go over first and that the people would hold back 2000 cubits before they crossed the river Jordan. Jesus went through death first as a fore-runner for us and He told us to take up our cross and follow Him. Did you know that there are two ways that we go through death? We can go through it physically and we can go through it spiritually. And, folks, we are now about 2000 cubits, or 2000 years, from the time Jesus, the Ark of the Covenant, crossed the river Jordan and went to the Promised Land.

***(Jos.3:15) And when they that bare the ark were come unto the Jordan, and the feet of the priests that bare the ark were dipped in the brink of the water (for the Jordan overfloweth all its banks all the time of harvest,) (16) that the waters which came down from above stood, and rose up in one heap, a great way off, at Adam, the city that is beside Zarethan; and those that went down toward the sea of the Arabah, even the Salt Sea, were wholly cut off: and the people passed over right against Jericho. (17) And the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the Lord stood firm on dry ground in the midst of the Jordan; and all Israel passed over on dry ground, until all the nation were passed clean over the Jordan.*** Did you notice that when God parted that river, He pushed it back all the way to a city called “Adam”? In other words, when Jesus as the Ark of the Covenant of the Lord of all the earth went through death, He pushed death back all the way

to Adam! It's awesome! The waters stood up and pushed back all the way to Adam, the first man God created. So death was destroyed all the way back to Adam when the Ark of the Covenant passed into the Jordan. When Jesus was crucified and when He died, He destroyed death for all mankind. ***(Heb.2:9) But we behold him who hath been made a little lower than the angels, [even] Jesus, because of the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that by the grace of God he should taste of death for every [man].*** It's there for you; whether you take advantage of it or not, that's up to you, but it's there for you.

***(Jos.4:1) And it came to pass, when all the nation were clean passed over the Jordan, that the Lord spake unto Joshua, saying, (2) Take you twelve men out of the people, out of every tribe a man, (3) and command ye them, saying, Take you hence out of the midst of the Jordan, out of the place where the priests feet stood firm, twelve stones, and carry them over with you, and lay them down in the lodging-place, where ye shall lodge this night. (4) Then Joshua called the twelve men, whom he had prepared of the children of Israel, out of every tribe a man: (5) and Joshua said unto them, Pass over before the ark of the Lord your God into the midst of the Jordan, and take you up every man of you a stone upon his shoulder, according unto the number of the tribes of the children of Israel; (6) that this may be a sign among you, that, when your children ask in time to come, saying, What mean ye by these stones? (7) then ye shall say unto them, Because the wa-***



***ters of the Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the Lord; when it passed over the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off: and these stones shall be for a memorial unto the children of Israel for ever. (8) And the children of Israel did so as Joshua commanded, and took up twelve stones out of the midst of the Jordan, as the Lord spake unto Joshua, according to the number of the tribes of the children of Israel; and they carried them over with them unto the place where they lodged, and laid them down there. (9) And Joshua set up twelve stones in the midst of the Jordan, in the place where the feet of the priests that bare the ark of the covenant stood: and they are there unto this day.*** So they took 12 stones out of the middle of the Jordan and carried them with them all the way over to the other side of the Jordan. Then, in the midst of the Jordan, they set up another 12 stones and the Bible says they are there until this day, meaning our day.

The rest of the people passed through the Jordan and into the Promised Land 2000 cubits later, or 2000 years later, and that represents our day, when two things are going to happen: There is going to be the resurrection of the dead, who pass over first, and then "we that are alive, that are left" pass over. ***(1Th.4:14) For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also that are fallen asleep in Jesus will God bring with him. (15) For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we that are alive, that are left unto the coming of the Lord, shall in no wise precede them that are fallen asleep. (16) For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven, with a shout, with***



***the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first; (17) then we that are alive, that are left, shall together with them be caught up in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.*** In type, there were some people who passed right on over into the Promised Land without dying. Others were taken up as “stones” out of the depth of the waters of the Jordan. They had been put to death by the waters of the Jordan, spiritually speaking. Baptism is a representation of bringing to death the old man and bringing to life the new man. ***(Rom.6:3) Or are ye ignorant that all we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? (4) We were buried therefore with him through baptism unto death: that like as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life. (5) For if we have become united with [him] in the likeness of his death, we shall be also [in the likeness] of his resurrection; (6) knowing this, that our old man was crucified with [him], that the body of sin might be done away, that so we should no longer be in bondage to sin; (7) for he that hath died is justified from sin.*** So the parable shows the resurrection of the dead preceding those who are alive, as they pass through the Jordan and into the Promised Land, and from this we can see plainly that the Jordan represents death. We have to go through death to get to the Promised Land. Some went through it and were alive, and some went through it and were dead, represented by the stones. Two companies, Leah and Rachel, have to pass through that river of death to go into the Promised Land.

Returning to our story of Jacob, he said, **(Gen.32:11) Deliver me, I pray thee, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau: for I fear him, lest he come and smite me, the mother with the children. (12) And thou saidst, I will surely do thee good, and make thy seed as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude.** Then we see that Jacob sends a present of goats, sheep, camels, cattle and asses to appease his brother, from verse 13 on down to verse 21. **(Gen.32:22) And he rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two handmaids....** We’ve discovered that the handmaid of Leah and the handmaid of Rachel represented those people who do not have the pure relationship of the wife to the husband. Paul describes the handmaid’s relationship to the husband: **(Gal.4:21) Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? (22) For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, one by the handmaid, and one by the freewoman. (23) Howbeit the [son] by the handmaid is born after the flesh; but the [son] by the freewoman [is born] through promise. (24) Which things contain an allegory: for these [women] are two covenants; one from mount Sinai, bearing children unto bondage, which is Hagar. (25) Now this Hagar is mount Sinai in Arabia and answereth to the Jerusalem that now is: for she is in bondage with her children. (26) But the Jerusalem that is above is free, which is our mother.** That same relationship is also in the New Testament because Rachel had a handmaid who brought forth children, too. You see, there is a large portion of Christianity who have a “Law” relationship with Jesus.

They are back under the Old Testament Law or they are under the law of some New Testament sect of Christianity. In either case, they are in bondage to religion. Instead of having a pure, personal relationship with Jesus Christ, their relationship is through the rules and regulations of a religion. The New Testament people of God have walked lock-step in the same failures as the Old Testament people of God because, **(1Co.10:11) ... these things happened unto them** (speaking of the Jews) **by way of example; and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages are come.** Once we see that this is written to us, it becomes very valuable. But if we think it's a pretty story about the Israelites with a few moral lessons thrown in, then most of it is escaping us. The overwhelming amount of the Bible is in the Old Testament and it is a type and shadow of the New Testament.

So Jacob cried out to the Lord and reminded Him of the promises He had made. **(Gen.32:22) And he rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two handmaids, and his eleven children, and passed over the ford of the Jabbok. (23) And he took them, and sent them over the stream, and sent over that which he had. (24) And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day.** This was an angel of the Lord here. **(25) And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was strained, as he wrestled with him.** You know, the power of God is made perfect in our weakness (2 Corinthians 12:9) and we do wrestle with God, don't we? We demand our rights many times and God tries us by things that appear to be opposing the

promise. Jacob had a promise. The Lord said, "Return with your family and I'll do you good; I'll bless you," but here were Esau and his 400 men, and it didn't look as if Jacob was going to make it to where he was going. Well, that's the way it is. We wrestle with God sometimes as we stand steadfast to the promises God has given to us because we don't walk by sight! Close your eyes sometimes, folks, and just believe what God says. **(Gen.32:26) And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me. (27) And he said unto him, What is thy name? And he said, Jacob. (28) And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel** (Israel means "He will rule as God." Why? He's wrestled with God and has overcome!): **for thou hast striven with God and with men, and hast prevailed. (29) And Jacob asked him, and said, Tell me, I pray thee, thy name. And he said, Wherefore is it that thou dost ask after my name? And he blessed him there. So he wrestled with God and God blessed him. (30) And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel...** Peniel means "The face of God." Wow! He's passing over the Jordan, passing through death, into Canaan, the Promised Land, to see the face of God! That represents God's people passing on at whatever time they do and going to be with the Lord. **(Gen.32:30) And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: for, [said he,] I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.** However, his old life was not preserved because when you see God, the old man dies. Moses went up on the mountain, **(Exo.34:29) And it came to pass, when Moses came down from mount Sinai with the two tables of the testimony in Moses hand,**

***when he came down from the mount, that Moses knew not that the skin of his face shone by reason of his speaking with him.*** The people said, “Don’t let us go on that mountain because we’ll die if we hear His voice.” ***(Deu.5:23) And it came to pass, when ye heard the voice out of the midst of the darkness, while the mountain was burning with fire, that ye came near unto me, even all the heads of your tribes, and your elders; (24) and ye said, Behold, the Lord our God hath showed us his glory and his greatness, and we have heard his voice out of the midst of the fire: we have seen this day that God doth speak with man, and he liveth. (25) Now therefore why should we die? for this great fire will consume us: if we hear the voice of the Lord our God any more, then we shall die. (26) For who is there of all flesh, that hath heard the voice of the living God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as we have, and lived?*** That’s the truth; they would have died to self, if they had gone up on the mountain. The old man can’t live in the presence of God; that’s the whole point. So remember that Jacob came face-to-face with God because we’re going to see it again in type, in the next chapter. ***(Gen.32:31) And the sun rose upon him as he passed over Penuel, and he limped upon his thigh. (32) Therefore the children of Israel eat not the sinew of the hip which is upon the hollow of the thigh, unto this day: because he touched the hollow of Jacob’s thigh in the sinew of the hip.***

Now we have almost the same story here in chapter 33, to confirm what we are saying. ***(Gen.33:1) And Jacob lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, Esau***

***was coming, and with him four hundred men. And he divided the children unto Leah, and unto Rachel, and unto the two handmaids.*** Those are the four groups of the people of God throughout history, up until today. ***(Gen.33:2) And he put the handmaids and their children foremost....*** The handmaids were the people who didn't have that special relationship with God. They didn't have the place of the bride; they didn't have that pure relationship with God. They had that legalistic relationship with God and we're going to see that they passed over to see the face of God first. You know, for about 1700 or 1800 years, the people of God were in a stagnant relationship with the Lord. They didn't really have the relationship of the true Husband until Jesus came. He came to offer the double anointing and the true seed of the Word of God to Leah at the end of that Covenant, and then to Rachel at the beginning of the next. Also, from the beginning of Christianity, we see that Paul spoke about a great falling away and there have been many, many generations of Christians who didn't have a pure relationship with Jesus Christ. We're just now coming back to the place where a remnant of Christians and ultimately a remnant of natural Jews who will become Christians, will have that special relationship with the Lord again.

There have been generations of handmaids who have passed over first to see the face of God, but Jesus gave us a sign about that with the wedding at Cana. ***(Joh.2:1) And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there: (2) and Jesus also was bidden, and his disciples, to the marriage. (3) And when the wine failed, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine. (4)***



***And Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come. (5) His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it. (6) Now there were six waterpots of stone set there after the Jews manner of purifying, containing two or three firkins apiece. (7) Jesus saith unto them, Fill the waterpots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. (8) And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the ruler of the feast. And they bare it. (9) And when the ruler of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and knew not whence it was (but the servants that had drawn the water knew), the ruler of the feast calleth the bridegroom, (10) and saith unto him, Every man setteth on first the good wine; and when [men] have drunk freely, [then] that which is worse: thou hast kept the good wine until now.*** The ruler of the marriage feast said, “You saved the best wine for last!” And it’s true: the best of God’s Old Testament people were last. A great remnant of Leah came into the Kingdom and came to know the Lord in the pure way that God planned for them to know Him, at the end of their Covenant. Now we’ve come to the end of our Covenant and God’s people are crawling up out of the Dark Ages. They’re coming back into the relationship with God that He planned from the very beginning, but for all these past ages the handmaids went first. He saved the best wine for last.

What does the wine represent? They put the water, which represents the Word, into the six stone vessels, which represent the flesh, and Jesus turned it into wine, which represents the blood of Christ. The ruler of the feast



said, "You saved the best wine for last!" The wine represents the nature of Jesus Christ, so we're talking about the nature of Jesus Christ being manifested in His people at the end of the Covenant for both Leah and Rachel. Many handmaids, many people who don't understand, who don't have a pure relationship with God, pass over first. Most people see only in the natural here, when Jacob divided the children unto Leah and unto Rachel and unto the two handmaids, and then he put the handmaids and their children foremost. They say, "Well, Jacob considered these people expendable. He put them out front so that if Esau slaughtered them, the rest could have a chance to escape." But now we can see that there's a spiritual revelation here, too. He put the handmaids and their children foremost because they were the first to pass over. Leah and her children were the next to come into the Kingdom. Then Rachel was last because Rachel represents the Church. The full parable of Joseph, who represents the Man-child, is not represented here because the rest of the story is about how Joseph preserved the people of God through the seven years of famine (Genesis 37; 39-47). Then Benjamin, his younger brother, who represents the Jewish remnant, came into the kingdom where Joseph ruled, which was in Egypt as a type of the world.

***(Gen.33:3) And he (Jacob) himself passed over before them (and that's true), and bowed himself to the ground seven times, until he came near to his brother. (4) And Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck, and kissed him: and they wept. (5) And he lifted up his eyes, and saw the women and the children; and said, Who are these with thee? And he said, The chil-***

**dren whom God hath graciously given thy servant. (6) Then the handmaids came near, they and their children, and they bowed themselves. (7) And Leah also and her children came near, and bowed themselves: and after came Joseph near and Rachel, and they bowed themselves.** This is the exact sequence in which these people of God have gone through the Jordan and into the presence of God. **(8) And he said, What meanest thou by all this company which I met? And he said, To find favor in the sight of my lord. (9) And Esau said, I have enough, my brother; let that which thou hast be thine. (10) And Jacob said, Nay, I pray thee, if now I have found favor in thy sight, then receive my present at my hand; forasmuch as I have seen thy face, as one seeth the face of God (There it is again; this is the same word *Peniel*, or “The face of God.”), **and thou wast pleased with me.** In this instance, God is using Esau to represent the face of God. He hides these parables in the Word. Sometimes they are improbable in the natural, but He hides these things in there so that we can pick them up as He reveals them to us.**

And, as a matter of fact, where did Jacob go next? **(17) And Jacob journeyed to Succoth, and built him a house, and made booths for his cattle: therefore the name of the place is called Succoth.** *Succoth* means “Tabernacles” and it represents the Feast of Tabernacles. The Feast of Tabernacles was when the Israelites each built an individual temporary tabernacle and dwelt in it for seven days. These temporary shelters were made out of both tame and wild olive branches, which represent the Jews and the Gentiles. **(Rom.11:17) But if some of the**

***branches were broken off, and thou, being a wild olive, wast grafted in among them, and didst become partaker with them of the root of the fatness of the olive tree; (18) glory not over the branches: but if thou gloriest, it is not thou that bearest the root, but the root thee. (19) Thou wilt say then, Branches were broken off, that I might be grafted in. (20) Well; by their unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by thy faith. Be not high-minded, but fear: (21) for if God spared not the natural branches, neither will he spare thee. (22) Behold then the goodness and severity of God: toward them that fell, severity; but toward thee, God’s goodness, if thou continue in his goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off. (23) And they also, if they continue not in their unbelief, shall be grafted in: for God is able to graft them in again. (24) For if thou wast cut out of that which is by nature a wild olive tree, and wast grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree; how much more shall these, which are the natural [branches,] be grafted into their own olive tree?*** We were grafted in; the wild olive branches were grafted into the tame olive tree. Well, at the end of the seven days, the Israelites tore down their temporary shelter and went to their permanent home. What does that represent? It represents the seven “days,” that are years, of tribulation, and at the end of that time, these temporary tabernacles made with man’s hands are going to be torn down. We will go to our permanent home, which is the new body that the Lord has prepared for us. It’s not an accident that Jacob comes to tabernacles at this time when he sees the face of God because it’s the

fulfillment of the Feast of Tabernacles.

I want to point out to you the difference between the Jew's natural Covenant and the Gentile's spiritual Covenant. **(Rom.2:28) For he is not a Jew who is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision which is outward in the flesh: (29) but he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.** We're Jews in the New Testament; we're just spiritual Jews. The genealogy of our Forefather Jesus has been passed on to us through the Word because that was His seed and the word for *seed* in the Greek is literally *sperma*. The Word of the Lord has been sown in our hearts. **(Mat.13:3) And he (Jesus) spake to them many things in parables, saying, Behold, the sower went forth to sow; (4) and as he sowed, some [seeds] fell by the way side, and the birds came and devoured them: (5) and others fell upon the rocky places, where they had not much earth: and straightway they sprang up, because they had no deepness of earth: (6) and when the sun was risen, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away. (7) And others fell upon the thorns; and the thorns grew up and choked them: (8) and others fell upon the good ground, and yielded fruit, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.** And it brought forth fruit, 30-, 60- and 100-fold. **(18) Hear then ye the parable of the sower. (19) When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, [then] cometh the evil [one,] and snatcheth away that which hath been sown in his heart. This is he that was sown by**

***the way side. (20) And he that was sown upon the rocky places, this is he that heareth the word, and straightway with joy receiveth it; (21) yet hath he not root in himself, but endureth for a while; and when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, straightway he stumbleth. (22) And he that was sown among the thorns, this is he that heareth the word; and the care of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful. (23) And he that was sown upon the good ground, this is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; who verily beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.***

In the Old Testament, the seed was passed on by flesh. ***(Joh.3:6) That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.*** Jesus was the Patriarch of the new spiritual, born-again creation, the one that God planned from the very beginning, and the one that actually, not in the letter but in the Spirit, was coming into the image of God! ***(Gen.1:27) And God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him....*** He created man in His Own image, folks, and He’s still doing that. He’s in the process now of literally bringing man into His image, creating sons of God. You may ask, “But what about the Jews?” The natural Jews were according to the letter; they were a parable and not the fulfillment of the parable. The New Testament people of God, the Church, is the fulfillment of the parable. God never wanted a man who was born of the earth, born of just the flesh. And it was His plan for the Gentiles also to come into the Kingdom, like the apostles. The apostles

were Jews in the flesh, but they also became Jews in the spirit. They were born again, born from above, born of the Word of God that Jesus spoke to recreate Himself in them. So these apostles and the other people whom they raised up were all natural Jews in the beginning, born of the flesh, but they went on to become born of the spirit. We, as born-again Christians, are Jews in the spirit, not in the natural. We don't care for the promises that were given to the natural Jews in the natural; we care for the promises that were given to us in the spiritual. When we read this story, we see that God is speaking to us. He was speaking to them in the letter, but He is speaking to us in the Spirit. **(2Co.3:6)** ***Who also made us sufficient as ministers of a new covenant; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.*** The letter for them was fine, but we're spiritual, born-again Jews and we have to see this in the Spirit. It's written to us only in the Spirit. The carnal church talks a lot about replacement theology, but folks, we don't want what the Jews had in the letter. We're not replacing anything here. We're not talking about taking their land. We don't want their earthly land! We want the "land" that this represents and we want what the promises that were given to them represent. We don't want the letter because the letter kills the spiritual people. They thrive on the Spirit of the Word. **(Rev.19:10)** ***And I fell down before his feet to worship him. And he saith unto me, See thou do it not: I am a fellow-servant with thee and with thy brethren that hold the testimony of Jesus: worship God; for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.*** "The testimony of Jesus is the Spirit of prophecy"; that's what we desire.



Let's go to the New Testament. **(Rom.9:24) *Even us, whom he also called, not from the Jews only, but also from the Gentiles? (25) As he saith also in Hosea, I will call that my people, which was not my people*** (We've been grafted into the olive tree of Israel.); ***And her beloved, that was not beloved.*** In the Old Testament, for instance, He had only known Leah; now He knows Rachel, the one whom He chose from the beginning. **(Rom.9:26) *And it shall be, that in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are not my people, There shall they be called sons of the living God.*** Now we're sons of God in the spirit. The Jews were sons of God only according to the letter; they hadn't manifested sonship. They weren't born from above; they weren't born of the revelation of the Word of God. They were the parable. They didn't have the revelation of the Word of God and that's why Leah's eyes were weak. **(Rom.9:27) *And Isaiah crieth concerning Israel, If the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, it is the remnant that shall be saved.*** The carnal church has the idea that God is going to usher in all of natural Israel. Nothing could be further from the truth! But He is going to save all of Israel. The Bible is very clear: **(Rom.2:28) *For he is not a Jew who is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision which is outward in the flesh: (29) but he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.*** The flesh must be cut away from the heart and that's talking about the born-again people, who have a new heart for God. Those are the people who have the promise. The people who are born once, born of the world, born of the flesh,



are the Jew. The only hope they have is to be born again. Jesus came to the lost sheep of the house of Israel first because they had the Covenant first. He had to offer to them this finishing of the creation of God in them and all but a remnant refused it. In these days, too, the same thing is going to happen: all but a remnant of the Jews will refuse it. And as Isaiah said, ***(Isa.1:9) Except the Lord of hosts had left unto us a very small remnant, we should have been as Sodom, we should have been like unto Gomorrah.*** In other words, unless God had left them a remnant, they would have been totally wiped out! For 2000 years now, the overwhelming majority of Jews have not received the New Covenant. ***(Joh.8:24) I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for except ye believe that I am [he,] ye shall die in your sins.*** Jesus said, “Except you believe that I am He, you will die in your sins,” yet the Church has thought that these are the chosen people of God. If they are not born again, they are not the chosen people of God. Unless they believe Jesus Christ is their Messiah, they die in their sins like Sodom and Gomorrah! We have to believe the Word of God, folks. It’s the only way we are going to find out the truth. God said, ***(Rom.9:33) ... Behold, I lay in Zion a stone of stumbling and a rock of offence: And he that believeth on him shall not be put to shame.*** You have to believe on Him, but the overwhelming majority of the Jews did not! The disciples in the early Church, who came out of Judaism and believed in Him, stayed in their olive tree and the rest of the Jews were broken off (Romans 11:17-24).

***(Rom.10:19) But I say, Did Israel not know? First Moses saith, I will provoke you to jealousy***

***with that which is no nation, With a nation void of understanding will I anger you. (20) And Isaiah is very bold, and saith, I was found of them that sought me not....*** It was the Gentiles who didn't seek the Lord. They were alienated from the commonwealth of Israel. They were without God and without hope. ***(Eph.2:12) That ye were at that time separate from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of the promise, having no hope and without God in the world.*** They sought Him not, but He drew the Gentiles to come to Him. "I was found of them that sought Me not." ***(Rom.10:20) And Isaiah is very bold, and saith, I was found of them that sought me not; I became manifest unto them that asked not of me.*** He revealed Himself to those who had not been asking. ***(21) But as to Israel he saith, All the day long did I spread out my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.*** He's being very hard on natural Israel here. ***(Rom.11:1) I say then, Did God cast off his people? God forbid. For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin.*** Remember, we saw in Genesis that Benjamin is a type of the remnant, so Paul is saying here, "He didn't cast off His people. He didn't cast me off." ***(Rom.11:2) God did not cast off his people which he foreknew....*** Whom did He foreknow? ***(Rom.8:29) For whom he foreknew, he also foreordained to be conformed to the image of his Son....*** Now you see He's talking about rejecting those Jews who refused to be conformed to the image of His Son, but He accepted those whom He foreknew, such as Paul, who became conformed to the image of His Son. Speaking to the Jews, He

said, (*Joh.8:24*) ... ***ye shall die in your sins: for except ye believe that I am [he,] ye shall die in your sins.*** The New Covenant is to conform to the image of the Son. (*Rom.8:29*) ***For whom he foreknew, he also foreordained to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren: (30) and whom he foreordained, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.*** That's conditional! That doesn't include the natural Jew, unless they are born again, unless they come into the Kingdom.

***(Rom.11:2) Or know ye not what the scripture saith of Elijah? how he pleadeth with God against Israel: (3) Lord, they have killed thy prophets, they have digged down thine altars; and I am left alone, and they seek my life. (4) But what saith the answer of God unto him? I have left for myself seven thousand men (a remnant), who have not bowed the knee to Baal.*** Israel was worshipping a false Jesus, a false god. They had fallen astray. But God had kept a remnant of them who were foreknown, like Paul. (*Rom.11:5*) ***Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.*** What is "election"? It's the Greek word *eklektos* and it means "chosen." Who are the chosen? Well, Paul was the chosen, Elijah was the chosen, the 7000 were the chosen, but all the rest of Israel was not chosen. When Paul said, "Even so then at this present time also," he was including himself as one of those who were chosen. (*Rom.11:6*) ***But if it is by grace, it is no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. (7) What then? that which Isra-***

***el seeketh for, that he obtained not...*** Israel did not obtain the promise and the blessing of Abraham which was given to Abraham and his seed. ***(Gal.3:16) Now to Abraham were the promises spoken, and to his seed. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.*** Everyone who abides in Christ receives that blessing. Israel sought for this and they received it not. They are not the elect! They are not the chosen until they are born again and endure to the end. That's the only way you can prove that you are the elect. ***(Rom.11:7) What then? that which Israel seeketh for, that he obtained not; but the election obtained it, and the rest were hardened.*** All of Israel was hardened, except for a remnant who were foreknown, who were chosen from the foundation of the world. All the rest were hardened and they are hardened to this day. If you go to Israel today, they don't know God. They don't know Jesus. They have rejected Him as their Messiah and they are lost! But an elect remnant from among them will be saved and an elect remnant of the Church will be saved.

May God bless you and go with the Lord, in Jesus' name.

## CHAPTER THREE

### ***“Ye are all one [man] in Christ Jesus”***

God bless you, saints, and thank you for continuing with us in this study. It's really important that the truth of the Lord's Word be here, so we will ask and trust Him to do that for us. Father, in Jesus' name, we pray that You would anoint this teaching, that You would lead us and guide us in all truth, Lord, for the truth will set us free, as Jesus said. So, Father, we are asking You to let this be truth. Let Your grace be upon us. Let our eyes and ears be blessed in the spirit to understand what You are saying, Lord. Thank You, thank You, Father!

Apostle Paul said, ***(Rom.9:23) And that he might make known the riches of his glory upon vessels of mercy, which He afore prepared unto glory, (24) [even] us, whom he also called, not from the Jews only, but also from the Gentiles? (25) As he saith also in Hosea, I will call that my people, which was not my people; And her beloved, that was not beloved.*** Hosea was prophesying of the days when Jesus would come, which is when God would begin to turn away from the Jews and turn to the Gentiles. “I will call that my people, which was not my people, And her beloved, that was not beloved.” God loves the Church, folks. The Church was God's intent from the beginning. ***(Rom.9:26) And it shall be, [that] in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are not my people, There shall they be called sons of the living God.*** Wow! This has two fulfillments because ***(Ecc.1:9) That which hath been is that which shall be; and that which hath been***

***done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.*** Paul is speaking about both the remnant who received the New Testament when Jesus came and a remnant who is going to receive the New Testament in these days. History repeats; the first fulfillment was with Israel, then the next, greater fulfillment will be with the Church because God uses Israel as a parable for the Church. ***(Rom.9:27) And Isaiah crieth concerning Israel, If the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, it is the remnant that shall be saved.*** So out of all those Israelites who heard the Gospel during the time of Jesus, only a remnant was saved and Paul claimed to be among that remnant. And there will be a second fulfillment of that because in these days a remnant of natural Israel is going to come into the Church.

***(Rom.10:20) And Isaiah is very bold, and saith, I was found of them that sought me not; I became manifest unto them that asked not of me*** (that's from Isaiah 65:1). At the time of Jesus, the Gentiles, who didn't know the Lord and had no gift of grace to seek after the Lord, were drawn by God to become the Gentile Church. Then a remnant of Israel was joined together with them. ***(Rom.10:21) But as to Israel he saith, All the day long did I spread out my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.*** God became tired of spreading out His hands to a rebellious people and He turned to the Gentiles and gave them a gift of grace. ***(Rom.11:1) I say then, Did God cast off his people? God forbid. For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin.*** We studied previously that Benjamin is a type of the Jewish remnant. ***(Rom.11:2) God***



***did not cast off His people which He foreknew....***

Yes, God did cast off a people, but He didn't cast off His people whom He foreknew. Paul is saying that he was in that remnant which God foreknew. Remember that we read last time, ***(Rom.8:29) For whom He foreknew, He also foreordained to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.*** Those who are foreknown are foreordained to be conformed into the image of His Son and Paul was foreknown, just as were these Gentiles. They were not a people, but now they had become the sons of the living God. They were not beloved, but now they became beloved. God joined together the first-fruits of the Gentiles and a remnant of Israel. ***(Rom.11:2) God did not cast off his people which he foreknew. Or know ye not what the scripture saith of Elijah? how he pleadeth with God against Israel: (3) Lord, they have killed thy prophets, they have digged down thine altars; and I am left alone, and they seek my life. (4) But what saith the answer of God unto him? I have left for myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to Baal.*** So God had a remnant in that time. All of Israel had turned away, except a remnant of 7000, and Paul's applying that to his situation. There was a remnant left in Israel at that day, too, and God joined them with the first-fruits of the Gentiles. They were His Church, His "called out ones"! They were called out from among the remnant of the Jews and called out from among the Gentiles.

***(Rom.11:5) Even so then at this present time*** (meaning in Paul's day) ***also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.*** At that time, there was



a remnant according to the “election of grace.” The Greek word for “election” is *eklektos* and it means “chosen”! Who was chosen? The remnant was chosen. **(Rom.9:27) ... If the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, it is the remnant that shall be saved.** Who was the chosen? Was all of natural Israel, who had rejected the Lord, chosen? No! They were not chosen. The ones who were chosen were those who were foreknown to be conformed to the image of His Son, those who were foreknown to become Christians. You see, the Lord has made a condition: **(Joh.8:21) He said therefore again unto them, I go away, and ye** (Jesus was speaking to the Jews here.) **shall seek me, and shall die in your sin: whither I go, ye cannot come. (22) The Jews therefore said, Will he kill himself, that he saith, Whither I go, ye cannot come? (23) And he said unto them, Ye are from beneath; I am from above....** What did He mean by that? **(Joh.3:3) Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except one be born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of God. (5) Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except one be born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God! (6) That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. (7) Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born anew. (8) The wind bloweth where it will, and thou hearest the voice thereof, but knowest not whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.** Jesus was born from above, but they were born from beneath; they were of this world. **(Joh.8:23) And he said unto them, Ye are from beneath; I am**

***from above: ye are of this world; I am not of this world. (24) I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for except ye believe that I am*** (Notice that there was no word “He” in the original; it was added in, according to the theology of the translator.) ***[he,] ye shall die in your sins.*** The only Jews who were chosen were the ones who chose Him because He put it in them to choose Him. (***Joh.15:16***) ***Ye did not choose me, but I chose you, and appointed you, that ye should go and bear fruit, and [that] your fruit should abide: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.*** Those were the chosen. The Lord put the choice in them; He gave them a gift of grace, a gift of faith, to come to Him. (***Eph.2:8***) ***For by grace have ye been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; (9) not of works, that no man should glory.*** Today, most Jews still don’t believe “I Am” is Lord. They don’t believe Jesus is the Jehovah of the Old Testament, is the YHWH. They don’t have a gift to believe that and they’re not the foreknown or chosen.

***(Rom.11:7) What then? that which Israel seeketh for, that he obtained not; but the election*** (or “chosen”) ***obtained it, and the rest were hardened.*** So the chosen, the foreknown, obtained it and the rest were hardened and God is going to do the same thing today that He did in Jesus’ day. Back then, He joined a remnant of the first, or Old Covenant, people with the Gentiles. In these days, He’s going to join a remnant of the second, or New Covenant, people with a remnant of the Jews because history just keeps repeating. (***1Co.10:11***) ***Now these things happened unto them*** (that is, the Jews) ***by way of example*** (The Greek word means “type” or “figure.” These

things happened unto the Jews as a parable for us.); **and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages are come.** Just as the Jews failed at the end of their Covenant and only a remnant of them became saved, so also the Gentiles are failing and following them down the same road. If we read the rest of Romans 11, we see that Paul confirms this interpretation of his words. **(Rom.11:17) But if some of the branches were broken off** (That’s talking about the natural branches of the olive tree, the Jews.), **and thou, being a wild olive, wast grafted in among them, and didst become partaker with them of the root of the fatness of the olive tree** (That’s talking about the grafting-in of the Gentiles.); **(18) glory not over the branches: but if thou gloriest, it is not thou that bearest the root, but the root thee. (19) Thou wilt say then, Branches were broken off, that I might be grafted in.** Now, some people say, “Well, David, that sounds like replacement theology.” No, the replacement, folks, is replacement in the Kingdom. We’re not talking about replacement in the world. The New Testament spiritual Jews don’t want the possessions of the physical Jews in the world. What we see here is a replacement in the Kingdom because the Jews rejected the Lord when they were called and the Gentiles didn’t reject the Lord. It’s not replacing them in the letter; it’s replacing them in spirit. We have a spiritual, Heavenly Kingdom; they had a physical, earthly kingdom. They were literal Jews and they passed on their blood by the seed of man. We are spiritual Jews and we pass on Christ through belief and faith in the Word of the Lord.

**(Rom.11:20) Well; by their unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by thy faith.** See, the

only way to stand in this olive tree is to walk by faith. If you walk in unbelief, you're broken off. It doesn't matter if you are a Jew or a Gentile because he's speaking to the Gentile Roman Church here. ***Be not highminded, but fear: (Rom.11:21) for if God spared not the natural branches, neither will he spare thee.*** We are coming to the end of the times of the Gentiles, when the same kind of a falling-away is going to happen. The Jews were the type and the Church is going to be the fulfillment. ***(Rom.11:22) Behold then the goodness and severity of God: toward them that fell, severity; but toward thee, God's goodness, if thou continue in his goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.*** Folks, that's going to be fulfilled and has been fulfilled throughout the centuries. People don't endure in their faith, so they don't get to see the answer. Jesus said, ***(Mat.24:13) But he that endureth to the end, the same shall be saved.*** We have to endure until the end. ***(Rom.11:23) And they also, if they continue not in their unbelief, shall be grafted in: for God is able to graft them in again.*** Once again, we see a remnant is going to be grafted back in. They were in the end of their Covenant and now we're in the end of our Covenant. We're at the same point in time. ***(Rom.11:24) For if thou wast cut out of that which is by nature a wild olive tree, and wast grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree; how much more shall these, which are the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree? (25) For I would not, brethren, have you ignorant of this mystery, lest ye be wise in your own conceits, that a hardening in part hath befallen Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be***

**come in; (26) and so all Israel shall be saved....**

Now who is “all Israel” here? Who is all New Testament Israel here? Well, we just saw a remnant from among the Jews in the days of Jesus and the believing Gentiles being grafted in and a remnant from among the Jews being grafted in in these days. So we have a falling away of natural Israel, but a remnant coming in. And we have a falling away of many Gentiles who have professed Christianity and the Jews replacing them.

Let’s go to where Paul quoted from Isaiah. (**Isa.65:1**) ***I am inquired of by them that asked not for me; I am found of them that sought me not: I said, Behold me, behold me, unto a nation (the Gentiles) that was not called by my name.*** (He revealed Himself to the Gentiles.) ***(2) I have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people (natural Israel), that walk in a way that is not good, after their own thoughts; (3) a people that provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens, and burning incense upon bricks....*** This is a prophecy in Isaiah of the grafting-in of the Gentiles and, as we read this chapter, we can see the same scenario we just saw in Romans chapters 10 and 11. For instance, (**Isa.65:9**) ***And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains*** (Why a seed? Why not Jacob and Judah? It’s because they were not foreknown, but this seed, this remnant, is foreknown.); ***and my chosen shall inherit it....*** There it is again! It’s the remnant who is the chosen. Jesus said, “For many are called, but few chosen” (Matthew 22:14), when He was speaking about calling the Jews to come and partake of the marriage feast. (**Mat.22:2**) ***The kingdom of heaven is likened***

**unto a certain king, who made a marriage feast for his son, (3) and sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the marriage feast: and they would not come. (4) Again he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them that are bidden, Behold, I have made ready my dinner; my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come to the marriage feast. (5) But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his merchandise; (6) and the rest laid hold on his servants, and treated them shamefully, and killed them. (7) But the king was wroth; and he sent his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned their city.** The Jews were too busy with their own business and the Lord was fed up with them, and He turned and called the Gentiles. **(Mat.22:8) Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they that were bidden were not worthy. (9) Go ye therefore unto the partings of the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage feast. (10) And those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was filled with guests.** And so Jesus said, “For many are called, but few chosen.” Well, those who were in the early remnant of natural Israel, they were the chosen of the Lord and they proved it by their actions. They proved it by coming to the Lord, enduring the trials of their faith until the end and manifesting Christ. Remember, the ones He foreknew are the ones He predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son. These are the chosen. When you go out into a field to pick the crop, you’re there to pick the



ripe fruit. You're not there for the plant, you're not there for the overripe fruit, you're not there for the green fruit. You're harvesting the ripe fruit and that's the chosen. The rest is not chosen. **(Isa.65:9) And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains; and my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall dwell there.**

**(Isa.65:10) And Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, and the valley of Achor a place for herds to lie down in, for my people that have sought me. (11) But ye that forsake the Lord, that forget my holy mountain, that prepare a table for Fortune, and that fill up mingled wine unto Destiny; (12) I will destine you to the sword, and ye shall all bow down to the slaughter; because when I called, ye did not answer; when I spake, ye did not hear; but ye did that which was evil in mine eyes, and chose that wherein I delighted not. “When I called, ye did not answer.” There are two fulfillments of that, folks, because remember that Israel is the type and shadow. The Gentile Church is the fulfillment and history is going repeat. The Bible tells us there's a Man-child ministry coming forth in these days like unto Jesus' ministry, except it's going to be worldwide for New Testament spiritual Israel, not for natural Israel (Revelation 12). The type is in the letter, but the fulfillment is in the spirit. We are the spiritual Jews and they are the letter, physical Jews; they were the parable. When Jesus gave a parable, it was literally true, but there was a spiritual fulfillment. So the Lord is going to come in the Man-child ministry to call Israel out of Babylon. I'm talking about New Testament spiritual Israel, the Church. He's coming to tell them, **(2Co.6:17) ... Come ye****



***out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, And touch no unclean thing; And I will receive you.*** Jesus did that. He called His disciples to come out from among them and be separate. He went into the sheepfold, called His sheep by name and led them out (John 10:1-18). The same thing is going to happen when the Man-child ministry begins to send forth the call of the Lord; some are going to come out, others are going to fight, just as they fought against Jesus. History is going to repeat, except on a larger scale because, as you know, the Church is worldwide.

Many years ago, a close friend of mine told me that he asked, "Lord, what's going to happen to the carnal Christians?" God said to him, "Isaiah 65!" And when he turned to Isaiah 65, the Lord highlighted verse 12 for him. ***(Isa.65:12) I will destine you to the sword, and ye shall all bow down to the slaughter; because when I called, ye did not answer; when I spake, ye did not hear; but ye did that which was evil in mine eyes, and chose that wherein I delighted not.*** Well, my friend was asking about the Gentile Church. This was first fulfilled to the Jews, but remember that they are a type and shadow for the Church. So when my friend read this, he understood what the Lord was saying. This was fulfilled around 70 A.D., when the Beast came in and destroyed the Harlot of apostate natural Israel; and in these days, folks, the same thing is going to happen. ***(Rev.17:15) And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the harlot sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues. (16) And the ten horns which thou sawest, and the beast, these shall hate the harlot, and shall make her desolate***

**and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and shall burn her utterly with fire. (17) For God did put in their hearts to do his mind, and to come to one mind, and to give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God should be accomplished.** The end of the Harlot is to be destroyed by the Beast because they apostatized, they turned away from their Lord. They didn't come when He called; they refused to repent. **(Isa.65:13) Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold, my servants shall eat, but ye shall be hungry** (He's talking about those who fell away.); **behold, my servants** (Notice this; He's speaking to natural Israel here and yet He's saying, "My servants"; meaning, of course, that natural Israel was not His servants. It's the same situation today, folks. Who is a servant of the Lord in the Church? They are few and far between.) **shall drink, but ye shall be thirsty; behold, my servants shall rejoice, but ye shall be put to shame; (Isa.65:14) behold, my servants shall sing for joy of heart, but ye shall cry for sorrow of heart, and shall wail for vexation of spirit. (15) And ye** (speaking to natural Israel) **shall leave your name for a curse unto my chosen** (meaning natural Israel was not His chosen); **and the Lord God will slay thee; and he will call his servants by another name.** That was fulfilled in Jesus' day and it's about to be fulfilled again in our day.

How was it that the Jews, who didn't come when they were called, left their name as a curse unto God's chosen? Manasseh is an example. **(2Ki.21:2) And he did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord, after the abominations of the nations whom the Lord cast out before the children of Israel. (10) And the Lord**

*spake by his servants the prophets, saying, (11) Because Manasseh king of Judah hath done these abominations, and hath done wickedly above all that the Amorites did, that were before him, and hath made Judah also to sin with his idols; (12) therefore thus saith the Lord, the God of Israel, Behold, I bring such evil upon Jerusalem and Judah, that whosoever heareth of it, both his ears shall tingle. (13) And I will stretch over Jerusalem the line of Samaria, and the plummet of the house of Ahab; and I will wipe Jerusalem as a man wipeth a dish, wiping it and turning it upside down. (14) And I will cast off the remnant of mine inheritance, and deliver them into the hand of their enemies; and they shall become a prey and a spoil to all their enemies; (15) because they have done that which is evil in my sight, and have provoked me to anger, since the day their fathers came forth out of Egypt, even unto this day. (16) Moreover Manasseh shed innocent blood very much, till he had filled Jerusalem from one end to another; besides his sin wherewith he made Judah to sin, in doing that which was evil in the sight of the Lord.* The Jews used the name “Manasseh” as a curse to describe someone who fell away from the Lord. Natural Israelites who don’t believe that “I Am [He]” (John 8:24) are leaving their name as a curse. There are ignorant Christian leaders out there who are glorifying the natural Jews. They say the Old Covenant is just as valid for them as the New Testament is for the Christians. These apostates are blaspheming the Lord! ***(Joh.8:24) I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for except***

**ye believe that I am [he], ye shall die in your sins.**

There's only one way. They have to believe that Jesus is the Messiah. **(Joh.3:3) ... Except one be born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of God. (5) ... Except one be born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God!** We have to be born from above and it is the Word of God that begets us unto God. We have to believe the Word of God. The Word of God is what recreates the life of Christ in us, in those whom He foreknew. **(Rom.8:29) For whom he foreknew, he also foreordained to be conformed to the image of his Son....**

**(Gal.3:27) For as many of you as were baptized into Christ did put on Christ. (28) There can be neither Jew nor Greek, there can be neither bond nor free, there can be no male and female; for ye all are one [man] in Christ Jesus.** There is only one Covenant and it is in Christ Jesus, so how do we get in Christ Jesus? **(1Jn.2:24) As for you, let that abide in you which ye heard from the beginning. If that which ye heard from the beginning abide in you, ye also shall abide in the Son, and in the Father.** The Bible says, “If that abide in you which you heard from the beginning”; meaning, of course, the New Testament Gospel, “then you abide in the son.” And also, **(1Jn.2:6) He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also to walk even as he walked.** To abide in Christ, we have to believe that He is the Messiah, the Lamb of God, the Savior, and we have to walk in His steps. You are a true disciple, if you are a learner and a follower of Christ. And in this Covenant, it doesn't matter whether you're a Jew or whether you're a Gentile because you are one in Christ Jesus. God joined a

remnant of the Jews and the Gentiles into one Covenant. **(Rom.10:4) For Christ is the end of the law unto righteousness to every one that believeth.** There is only one Covenant. **(Eph.2:4) But God, being rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, (5) even when we** (Paul is speaking both of himself as a remnant of the Jews, and the Ephesians, who are a first-fruits of the Gentiles.) **we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace have ye been saved), (6) and raised us up with him, and made us to sit with him in the heavenly [places,] in Christ Jesus.** They are joined to us in Christ. **(Rom.1:3) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ.** Where are “heavenly places”? Only in Christ! Where can you be in the Kingdom of Heaven and where can you see the Kingdom of Heaven? Only in Christ! Since the overwhelming majority of Jews do not believe in Jesus, are they entering the Kingdom of Heaven? Obviously not! Are they chosen? Obviously not! **(Rom.2:8) For by grace have ye been saved through faith** (meaning both Jews and Gentiles); **and that not of yourselves, [it is] the gift of God; (9) not of works, that no man should glory. (11) Wherefore remember, that once ye, the Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called Circumcision....** Remember that we’re told, **(Rom.2:28) For he is not a Jew who is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision which is outward in the flesh: (29) but he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit not in the letter.** Well,

do we believe the Word of God? Those who are circumcised in flesh are not Jews in this Covenant. Now, of course, we don't have anything else to call them, so we identify them as “Jews,” but not according to the Covenant. You have to be circumcised in heart to be a Jew in this Covenant. We are spiritual Jews, not physical Jews; it's a spiritual Covenant, it's not a letter Covenant. The rules and regulations under the Law were all fulfilled in the New Testament and, as we walk in obedience to the New Testament, they are fulfilled in us.

What does Paul mean when he says, “... who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called Circumcision”? He means those who are circumcised, according to the New Testament, are circumcised in heart. The “flesh” has been cut away from their heart and they no longer walk after the flesh. ***(Eph.2:12) That ye were at that time separate from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel (New Testament, born-again people from among both the Jews and the Gentiles are New Testament Israel.), and strangers from the covenants of the promise, having no hope and without God in the world. (13) But now in Christ Jesus ye that once were far off are made nigh in the blood of Christ. (14) For he is our peace, who made both one....*** That is, He made both Jew and Gentile one; we are no longer two peoples. There are those who like to dissect the New Testament and say, “Oh, that letter is only to the Jews and this one is only to the Gentiles.” Well, then let's look at two examples. Peter, for instance, was an apostle to the Jews, but he was bringing them into the same New Covenant of justification by faith in the blood of Jesus Christ, as Paul was doing with the Gentiles. So even though Peter spoke to the Jews



and Paul spoke to the Gentiles, it makes no difference because they were preaching the same Gospel. Folks, it says here, He made both one: **(Gal.3:28) ... Ye all are one man in Christ Jesus.** There's only one Covenant He accepts. To say that He will accept bulls and goats is contrary. **(Isa.1:11) What unto me is the multitude of your sacrifices? saith the Lord: I have had enough of the burnt-offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of he-goats.** It's an "abomination." **(13) Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; new moon and sabbath, the calling of assemblies,- I cannot away with iniquity and the solemn meeting.** There's only one sacrifice the Lord accepts. There's only one faith. You must believe that Jesus is "I Am" or you will die in your sins. **(Eph.2:14) For he is our peace, who made both one, and brake down the middle wall of partition, (15) having abolished in the flesh the enmity, [even] the law of commandments [contained] in ordinances; that he might create in himself of the two one new man, [so] making peace; (16) and might reconcile them both in one body unto God through the cross, having slain the enmity thereby.** "That he might ... reconcile them both in one body." How many times does He have to say this? You know, folks, when a Jew is accepted by God, it's because he has come into the New Testament and has become a spiritual Jew, a fulfilled Jew, a born-again Jew. God's plan from the beginning was to bring this to all of His people, but when He called the Jews, they didn't come.

**(Eph.2:17) And he came and preached peace to**



***you that were far off, and peace to them that were nigh: (18) for through him we both have our access in one Spirit unto the Father.*** There’s no separation here; we were made one in Christ Jesus, yet you see so many Christians thinking that the Jews have the favor of God and they want to go back under the Jews’ Covenant. They want to go back under the Law; they want to be separated from Christ! ***(Gal.5:1) For freedom did Christ set us free: stand fast therefore, and be not entangled again in a yoke of bondage. (4) Ye are severed from Christ, ye who would be justified by the law; ye are fallen away from grace.*** And they want to start calling God by the Jewish names, when God in the New Testament foresook that. But Paul points out that we are not members of earthly Jerusalem, but members of the Heavenly Jerusalem. ***(Heb.12:18) For ye are not come unto a mount that might be touched ... (22) but ye are come unto mount Zion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable hosts of angels, (23) to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect.*** When Jeremiah spoke of those people, he said they would call the Lord “My Father.” ***(Jer.3:14) Return, O backsliding children, saith the Lord; for I am a husband unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion: (15) and I will give you shepherds according to my heart, who shall feed you with knowledge and understanding. (16) And it shall come to pass, when ye are multiplied and increased in the land, in those days, saith the***

**Lord, they shall say no more, The ark of the covenant of the Lord; neither shall it come to mind; neither shall they remember it; neither shall they miss it; neither shall it be made any more. (17) At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the Lord; and all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the Lord, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any more after the stubbornness of their evil heart. (18) In those days the house of Judah shall walk with the house of Israel, and they shall come together out of the land of the north to the land that I gave for an inheritance unto your fathers. (19) But I said, How I will put thee among the children, and give thee a pleasant land, a goodly heritage of the hosts of the nations! and I said, Ye shall call me My Father, and shall not turn away from following me.** Look in your concordance and you'll find that Jesus and His disciples always called Him "Father" or "My Father." They never used any of His Jewish names. You see, folks, the Church is the one He chose from the beginning to be conformed to the image of His Son and the greatest fulfillment of that is coming in these days. And he says, **(Eph.3:6) [To wit,] that the Gentiles are fellow-heirs, and fellow-members of the body, and fellow-partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.** Folks, we are heirs to the promise, as the Bible says. **(Gal.4:28) Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are children of promise.** And what did he say here about the natural Jew? He said the Jews who are under the Law are children of the handmaid. **(Gal.4:21) Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? (22) For it is writ-**

**ten, that Abraham had two sons, one by the handmaid, and one by the freewoman. (23) Howbeit the [son] by the handmaid is born after the flesh; but the [son] by the freewoman [is born] through promise.** Only we who walk by faith are children of the freewoman. Wow! We thought Israel would represent them and Ishmael would represent the Arabs, but that’s not the case. **(Gal.4:25) Now this Hagar is mount Sinai in Arabia and answereth to the Jerusalem that now is: for she is in bondage with her children.** Paul is saying the children of the handmaid are those who are in bondage under the Law, under the Jerusalem that now is, that’s in bondage with her children.

**(Rom.9:6) But it is not as though the word of God hath come to nought. For they are not all Israel, that are of Israel.** Who is “all Israel”? We just discovered “all Israel” is a remnant of the Jews in Jesus’ day, the Gentiles who were and will be grafted in, and a remnant of the Jews in our day who are and will be grafted back into their original olive tree (Romans 11). **(Rom.11:26) And so all Israel shall be saved....** “All Israel” is the joint Church. “All Israel” is the joining of the born-again Jews and Gentiles in one Church. And here he says, “For they are not all Israel, that are of Israel.” “All Israel” was not talking about natural Israel, folks! **(Rom.9:7) Neither, because they are Abraham’s seed, are they all children** (In other words, just because they are naturally born of Abraham’s seed, that doesn’t make them children of God. We are Abraham’s seed through faith.): **but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called.** Paul said we are the children of promise (Galatians 4:23). **(Rom.9:8) That is, it is not the children of the flesh that are children**

**of God** (in the New Testament); **but the children of the promise are reckoned for a seed.** In other words, we are born of the promises of God. We're not born of the Law, we're born of the promises of God. These are what give us life. When we believe these promises, power comes into us. **(Rom.1:16) For I am not ashamed of the gospel: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.** And those who believe are the sons of Abraham. **(Rom.4:16) For this cause [it is] of faith, that [it may be] according to grace; to the end that the promise may be sure to all the seed** (all Israel); **not to that only which is of the law....** In other words, those who had been the faithful under the Law heard Jesus preach the Gospel to them. **(1Pe.3:18) Because Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God; being put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit; (19) in which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison. (Eph.4:8) Wherefore he saith, When he ascended on high, he led captivity captive, And gave gifts unto men. (9) (Now this, He ascended, what is it but that he also descended into the lower parts of the earth? (10) He that descended is the same also that ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.)** He took captivity captive. He took them to Heaven and they are underneath the altar, waiting for the rest of their brethren to fulfill their course (Revelation 6:9-11.) **(Rom.4:16) For this cause [it is] of faith, that [it may be] according to grace; to the end that the promise may be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is**

**of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all.** Here’s Paul speaking to the Romans and he’s telling them, “Abraham is the father of us all.” You see, we have one Father. Spiritually-speaking, the Jews who are born again and the Gentiles who are born again have one Covenant, one Father.

There’s no foundation for all of these crazy doctrines that say God is really interested in the Jews fulfilling the Old Covenant, when the Bible tells us that it was done away in Christ. The people who don’t understand that are veiled to the truth. **(2Co.3:11) For if that which passeth away** (speaking of the Old Covenant) **was with glory, much more that which remaineth is in glory. (12) Having therefore such a hope, we use great boldness of speech, (13) and are not as Moses, who put a veil upon his face, that the children of Israel should not look stedfastly on the end of that which was passing away** (The Israelites had Leah’s eyes and they couldn’t see him because their eyes were veiled. Moses represented the Law. Christ represents grace.): **(2Co.3:14) but their minds were hardened: for until this very day at the reading of the old covenant the same veil remaineth, it not being revealed to them that it is done away in Christ.** There’s a veil upon the minds of not only the Jews, but the Christians, if they don’t understand that the Old Covenant was done away in Christ. **(Rom.10:4) For Christ is the end of the law unto righteousness to every one that believeth.** Christians who go back under the Law become children of the handmaid! Read Galatians 4 and the beginning of chapter 5. Read Ephesians 2. There’s only one Covenant, not two. There’s only one Gospel for both Jew and Gentile, not two.

We are become one in Christ Jesus. We have to believe that which was spoken from the beginning. **(1Jn.2:24) As for you, let that abide in you which ye heard from the beginning. If that which ye heard from the beginning abide in you, ye also shall abide in the Son, and in the Father.** It's only the true Gospel that causes us to abide in the Son, not Babylonish religion, not the teachings of men. That's nothing but leaven, but it's only the unleavened bread that gives life. Remember what the Lord said to His people about eating leaven during their last seven days in Egypt, the type of the world: **(Exo.12:15) Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel.** We have one more chance to accept what God's Word does say and reject what men say. Jesus warned us, **(Mat.16:6) ... Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees** (representing the Harlot). **(Mar.8:15) And he charged them, saying, Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and the leaven of Herod** (representing the Beast). Beware of their leaven! Don't let them add anything to the Word of God. If you receive their leaven, you will be among those who fall away; you'll be rejected. **(Rev.3:16) So because thou art lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spew thee out of my mouth.** The lukewarm are going to be spewed out of the body of Christ during a great falling away in these latter days.

Folks, we can't afford to make the mistake of going back under the Law. And we can't preach an antichrist gospel



that “God accepts the Jews” even when they stay under the Law, or go back under the Law, or don’t accept grace. We can’t do any of that because **(Act.4:12) ... in none other is there salvation: for neither is there any other name under heaven, that is given among men, wherein we must be saved. In no other name is there salvation.** Our job is to love the Jews into the Kingdom. The Lord Jesus cried over them. He wanted them to come into the Kingdom. **(Mat.23:37) O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, that killeth the prophets, and stoneth them that are sent unto her! how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!** He was the hen. By the way, the Hebrew word for “hen” is *chen* and it’s also translated as “grace.” So He would have gathered them unto grace! He cried for them and He mourned for them, and we should, too. We should mourn for all of them, Jew and Gentile, and even the Gentile so-called “Christians,” who have a name that lives, but they are dead (Revelation 3:1). We should pray for them to come in to the true Kingdom of God, which is to submit to the Word of God and to be disciples of the Word of God.

**(Rev.2:9) I know thy tribulation, and thy poverty (but thou art rich), and the blasphemy of them that say they are Jews, and they art not, but are a synagogue of Satan.** What did Jesus say to the Jews? **(Joh.8:23) ... Ye are from beneath; I am from above: ye are of this world; I am not of this world.** **(44) Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father it is your will to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and standeth not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he**



***speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father thereof.*** Unless a man is born again, he is from beneath, he is of the devil. And the people in the New Testament who worship in synagogues and who claim to be Jews are not Jews according to the Word of God. They are not Jews! They are of a synagogue of Satan. And God reiterates that, ***(Rev.3:9) Behold, I give of the synagogue of Satan, of them that say they are Jews, and they are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.*** Who are the beloved? The Church! Here is the Philadelphia Church, who are the beloved of the Lord in the New Testament. ***(Rom.9:25) ... I will call that my people, which was not my people; And her beloved, that was not beloved.*** And the people who say they are Jews in the New Testament, but they are not, will serve those who are New Testament Jews according to the Word. These are the people who will rule and reign with Christ. ***(Rev.20:6) Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: over these the second death hath no power; but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.*** These are they who are born again, not only born in flesh, but born in spirit, just as Jesus told to Nicodemus: ***(Joh.3:5) ... I say unto thee, Except one be born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God!*** Paul tells us that “water” is the washing of the water with the Word: ***(Eph.5:26) That he might sanctify it, having cleansed it by the washing of water with the word.*** The Spirit, of course, is the Holy Spirit. When we walk by faith, the Holy Spirit takes the water of the Word

and cleanses us. This is the promise of the New Covenant that God said He would make with His people after those days. **(Heb.8:10) For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel After those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, And on their heart also will I write them. And I will be to them a God, And they shall be to me a people.** We are “after those days.” The Covenant that He made was that He would give us a new heart and a new spirit, and He would wash us with clean water. **(Eze.36:25) And I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. (26) A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you; and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh. (27) And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep mine ordinances, and do them.** What is the “clean water”? It’s the Word of God! We have to be born of the water and of the Spirit; we cannot put our trust in men.

Well, brethren, we can understand the Old Testament when we realize that those Jews in the letter were a parable for us as Jews in the spirit, and that **(1Co.10:11) ... these things happened unto them by way of example; and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages are come.** We find that the whole Old Testament begins to open up to us when we see ourselves in those Jews. Remember, “the scripture cannot be broken” (John 10:35), the Word of God cannot be broken. **(Ecc.1:9) That which hath been is that which shall be; and that which hath been done is that**

***which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.*** The letter in the Old Testament will be fulfilled in the Spirit in the New Testament. When we apply this in the Old Testament, we can understand what's really being said there. They didn't see clearly. They were like Leah: their eyes were weak, but we are like Rachel, who have eyes to see. God bless you and thank you for joining us.

## CHAPTER FOUR

### ***“Ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers”***

Father, in the name of Jesus, we come to You today. We ask You, Lord, to continue to open our understanding, to bless us with Your wisdom, to open up Your Word and especially Your Word in the Old Testament. Help us to understand today what You are saying to us there, Lord. Help us to see what hidden manna You have there for your Church, Lord. We ask it in Jesus' name.

We've learned that the Jews, because they were only born from beneath and not born from above, had no chance to follow Jesus into His eternal Kingdom. ***(Joh.8:21) He said therefore again unto them, I go away, and ye shall seek me, and shall die in your sin: whither I go, ye cannot come. (22) The Jews therefore said, Will he kill himself, that he saith, Whither I go, ye cannot come? (23) And he said unto them, Ye are from beneath; I am from above: ye are of this world; I am not of this world.*** Only those who are born from above can follow Him. Those who are from beneath, which is everybody who has been born only once, have no chance to live in, or even to see, the Kingdom of God (John 3:3,5). We know, ***(Joh.3:13) And no one hath ascended into heaven, but he that descended out of heaven, even the Son of man, who is in heaven.*** Those who are going to follow Him into the Kingdom are those who are born again from above. They eat the manna that comes down from Heaven and it goes into them and it becomes their life, it manifests the life of Christ

in them. (*Joh.14:6*) ***Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life: no one cometh unto the Father, but by me.*** Even Nicodemus, who was certainly one of the better Jews because he understood Who Jesus was, couldn't understand what it means to be born again. (*Joh.3:1*) ***Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: (2) the same came unto him by night, and said to him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that thou doest, except God be with him. (3) Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except one be born anew (It literally says, "born from above."), he cannot see the kingdom of God. (4) Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter a second time into his mother's womb, and be born? (5) Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except one be born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God! (6) That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. (7) Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born anew. (8) The wind bloweth where it will, and thou hearest the voice thereof, but knowest not whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit. (9) Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be? (10) Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou the teacher of Israel, and understandest not these things?*** The people to whom Jesus was speaking were born of flesh; they were not yet born of Spirit. They actually were among those of whom He

spoke that, ***(Joh.8:40) But now ye seek to kill me, a man that hath told you the truth, which I heard from God: this did not Abraham.*** They asked, “Will He kill Himself?” But He very prophetically said, “No,” these people were going to be the ones to kill Him. They could not follow Him into the Kingdom. ***(Joh.8:24) I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for except ye believe that I am [he], ye shall die in your sins.*** The word “he” has been added in there by the translators, but in the original it just says, “I am.” “Except ye believe that I am, ye shall die in your sins.” All of the Jews today, folks, every last one of them who is born from beneath, born of this world and who doesn’t believe that Jesus is the “I Am,” all die in their sins. They are not chosen, they are just born of flesh. That which is born of flesh, is flesh; all that flesh can pass on is flesh. He said, “Ye are of this world; I am not of this world.” Only the Spirit of God can pass on in us Who Christ is. We must be born of His Word. His Word must bring new creation life in us.

***(Gal.6:15) For neither is circumcision anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature. (16) And as many as shall walk by this rule, peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. This*** is the Israel of God, folks -- the people who are new creatures. This is the Israel of God. He’s speaking to the Galatian Church here, the Gentile Church, and he says natural circumcision doesn’t mean anything. It was so important to the Jews, but they didn’t understand that it was only a type and shadow of what God wanted to do in the hearts of men in the New Testament. So circumcision or uncircumcision doesn’t mean anything. The only thing that is important in this Covenant is that you are a new creation.

That's the "Israel of God." (**Rom.2:28**) ***For he is not a Jew who is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision which is outward in the flesh: (29) but he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.*** So this new birth, this death, burial and resurrection, this crucifixion of the old man, is what the Lord is after. This circumcision of the cutting off of the flesh in our life and the bringing to life of the new man is what the Lord was after from the very beginning. And in the Jews, God gave us a type and a shadow. (**1Co.10:11**) ***Now these things happened unto them by way of example*** (This is the Greek word for "figure" or "type."); ***and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages are come.***

We are the ones who are being born from above, first in spirit, then soul and, ultimately, in body. We are the Jews, according to the Scriptures in the New Testament, and when we understand that, then we can look in the Old Testament at those types and shadows and see that God is speaking to us in the Spirit. He spoke to the natural Jews in the flesh, but He speaks to us in the Spirit. Jesus always used natural things to be a parable for spiritual things. For instance, when Jesus spoke of sowing the seed (Matthew 13:3-9, 18-23; Mark 4:2-9, 13-20; Luke 8:5-15) or about the wheat and the tares (Matthew 13:24-30), He wasn't talking to farmers about how to plant crops, was He? He was talking about sowing the seed of the Word. He was talking in the Spirit! And, folks, the whole Old Testament is like that. Now let's go to another parable that's hidden in the Old Testament and see how God is really speaking to us as spiritual beings. Beneath the letter, there is this hidden



manna that God has put there to speak to spiritual people. No, the letter people will never understand it nor see it, but when God speaks to His born-again spiritual Jews, they will understand it. **(Eze.36:16) Moreover the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, (17) Son of man, when the house of Israel dwelt in their own land, they defiled it by their way and by their doings: their way before me was as the uncleanness of a woman in her impurity.** What is it that separates us from our own land? It is our rebellious ways and our rebellious doings. You know, Adam was driven from his land when he gave in to the flesh and sinned. Israel was driven from their natural land when they fell into apostasy. The Church has been driven from their land, as the Apostle Paul warned, and there has been a great falling away. **(Act.20:28) Take heed unto yourselves, and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit hath made you bishops, to feed the church of the Lord which he purchased with his own blood. (29) I know that after my departing grievous wolves shall enter in among you, not sparing the flock; (30) and from among your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them.** These are just parallels because history keeps repeating. **(Ecc.1:9) That which hath been is that which shall be; and that which hath been done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.** These letter types are for us in the spirit. And so He says, the thing that defiled their land was their ways and their doings, and, of course, that’s why God drove them out of their land.

He said it was like “a woman in her impurity,” but what

is this saying to us in the spirit? Well, the blood of the woman in her impurity washes away the seeds, so that the seed doesn't bear fruit and bring forth life. ***(Lev.17:11) For the life of the flesh is in the blood; and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh atonement by reason of the life.*** Our blood represents our old carnal nature, that old fleshly life that we lean upon, instead of humbling ourselves to the Word. Our blood represents not letting that seed bear the fruit of Jesus Christ in us. We are like that woman in her impurity. ***(Eze.36:18) Wherefore I poured out my wrath upon them for the blood which they had poured out upon the land, and because they had defiled it with their idols*** (In other words, by giving in to their flesh, they lost their right to live in that holy land. They were separated from it, just as when Adam was driven from the Garden of Eden.); ***(Eze.36:19) and I scattered them among the nations, and they were dispersed through the countries: according to their way and according to their doings I judged them.*** What was God's judgment? It was separation from their land because of their ways and their doings. Is that happening in Christianity? Of course! Christianity was one in the beginning, but there has been a great falling away from the principles and the seed of the Word that was given in the beginning. Human nature, the blood, in other words, washed away that seed. They decided they would rather give in to their flesh and because of their way and their doings they were separated from the land. Separation from the land represents living in the flesh, living after your own way and your own doings. It is the curse to not dwell in God's Promised Land, to not live in His Kingdom. God's

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land in the Old Testament was Israel; it represented the Kingdom of God. To be driven from the land of Israel, to be out in the world in captivity to the nations, represented being ruled by the kingdom of the Beast, instead of being ruled by the Kingdom of God. So we see that God’s judgment was to separate them from their land.

***(Eze.36:20) And when they came unto the nations, whither they went, they profaned my holy name; in that men said of them, These are the people of the Lord, and are gone forth out of his land.*** Our land is Israel, folks! We’ve been driven from our land. Christians all around the world have more affinity for the nation in which they live than they do to the Kingdom and they’re in bondage to the principles of the nation in which they live. ***(1Pe.2:9) But ye are an elect race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for [God’s] own possession, that ye may show forth the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light: (10) who in time past were no people, but now are the people of God: who had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.*** They don’t understand that we are one holy nation according to what God spoke through Peter. We belong to each other as Christians around the world. Our allegiance is not to this world. Early Christians would have rolled over in their graves, if they thought that their spiritual offspring in these days would be pledging allegiance to any nation of this world. God’s people are in bondage to the nations. We have been driven from our land and we have to return. We have to live on the promises of God because we are these Israelites in the spirit, not in the flesh. ***(Eze.36:21) But I had regard for my holy name....*** How did they pro-

fane His holy name among the nations? They did it by living as the world, the same way that Christians today, who live as the world, profane the name of the Lord. The Hebrew word *chahal*, translated as “profane,” means to “wound,” “defile,” “prostitute,” or “pollute.” They profaned the name and *shem*, the word for “name,” means “nature, character and authority.” They misrepresent the nature, character and authority of Christianity among the nations because they are worldly and they have taken on a worldly nature. We don’t represent something separate from the world anymore; instead, we’ve become one with the world. God is calling His people out of captivity to the nations to become one in the land of Israel, which represents the Kingdom of God in Christ Jesus. ***(Eze.36:21) But I had regard for my holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the nations, whither they went.***

***(Eze.36:22) Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord God: I do not this for your sake, O house of Israel, but for my holy name, which ye have profaned among the nations, whither ye went.*** And it’s true; although they are supposed to be one in the land of Israel, one in the Kingdom of God, they have misrepresented and polluted that name in the midst of the world. They have been bought out, so to speak, by the world, by the lusts of the flesh, by their affinity with the world. In wanting to be accepted by the world, they have prostituted the name of Jesus. ***(Eze.36:23) And I will sanctify my great name, which hath been profaned among the nations, which ye have profaned in the midst of them*** (The word “sanctify” means “separated from the world and unto God.” Being called a “Christian” doesn’t mean much anymore because

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Christians live just like the world, but God says He’s going to separate His name from the world.); ***and the nations shall know that I am the Lord, saith the Lord God, when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes.***

When He is sanctified, set apart in us, when we are different because we’re separate from the world, that’s when the Lord is sanctified before the eyes of the nations. How do we separate from the nations? We go back to our own land, which is Heavenly Jerusalem. Paul says, ***(Heb.12:22) But ye are come unto mount Zion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable hosts of angels, (23) to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, (24) and to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant....*** That’s the place of holiness.

You may say, “Well, David, you can’t deny the fact that natural Israel came out of the nations in 1948!” No, I don’t deny that at all, but remember the parable is first fulfilled in the natural. The letter always comes before the spirit. The letter is true in the natural, but the letter won’t put people in the Kingdom of Heaven. What puts people in the Kingdom of Heaven is to be born of Spirit, not born of flesh, not born of the world, not born from beneath. What puts people in the Kingdom of Heaven is to be born from above of the Word of God. Being a natural Jew won’t put anyone in the Kingdom. ***(Eze.36:24) For I will take you from among the nations, and gather you out of all the countries, and will bring you into your own land.*** How is the Lord going to do that? Do you think 1948 for the Jews was the fulfillment of this? How is God

going to bring us out of the nations and into our own land? Well, let's look at the next verse. **(Eze.36:25) And I will sprinkle clean water upon you....** The apostle Paul said, **(Eph.5:26) that he might sanctify it, having cleansed it by the washing of water with the word.** And Jesus said, **(Joh.15:3) Already ye are clean because of the word which I have spoken unto you.** The Word of God cleansed those apostles, cleansed those disciples. It separated them from the world unto Jesus Christ. They were coming out of the nations, even the corrupt nation of Israel. They were called the "Church," the *eklesia*, which means the "called out ones"! We are the called out ones; we are called out of all nations to come back to our spiritual land of Israel, underneath our King David, Who is Jesus Christ. So how is He going to bring us out of the nations and into our own land? **(Eze.36:25) And I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean....** That's the same thing Jesus told those disciples! They listened to the Words of Jesus and He said, **(Joh.6:63) It is the spirit that giveth life; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I have spoken unto you are spirit, and are life.** Those words went into them and recreated in them the life of Jesus Christ. They were born from above. **(Eze.36:25) And I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean....** Did this happen in 1948? No, it did not! Did the Jews turn to the clean water of the Word at that time? No, they did not! Yet many people read this in Ezekiel and they think, "Oh, 1948 was the fulfillment of this." Folks, the letter will never fulfill this! The letter is the parable; the fulfillment happens in the spirit and this is written to us as New Testament spiritual Jews.



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***(Eze.36:25) And I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you.*** Did that happen in 1948? Has it happened in the six-plus decades since that time? No, it has not! For whom is this really happening? It’s happening for God’s people who are born again and are separated from the world by that new life in Christ. ***(Eze.36:26) A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you; and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh. (27) And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep mine ordinances, and do them.*** Has that happened up until this time with natural Israel? No, it hasn’t! Will it happen? Yes, it will, for a remnant. ***(Rom.9:27) And Isaiah crieth concerning Israel, If the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, it is the remnant that shall be saved.*** He was speaking of natural Israel. We know of spiritual Israel, ***(Rom.11:26) ... all Israel shall be saved....*** But of natural Israel we discovered that only a remnant is going to be saved. And He said, ***(Rom.11:27) And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep mine ordinances, and do them.*** Well, for over six decades that hasn’t really happened for Israel, but we know that after the fullness of the Gentiles is grafted into the olive tree, then a remnant of Israel is going to turn and come into the Kingdom (Romans 11). So this is going to be fulfilled for just a remnant of natural Israel, but this is fulfilled for all of spiritual Israel! And who is that? Spiritual Israel is all those who are circumcised in heart. They are

those in whom the flesh has been cut away, those who have been separated from the Beast.

The biggest beast, folks, that you have to deal with, is this old beast in which you live! **(Rom.6:6) *Knowing this, that our old man was crucified with [him,] that the body of sin might be done away, that so we should no longer be in bondage to sin.*** That's the sixth chapter and sixth verse of the sixth book in the New Testament, and it talks about the crucifixion of that old man. It talks about the cutting off of the beast that rules your life. When Jesus came, the Jews wanted Him to cut off the Roman Empire and take over as King of natural Israel, but His purpose was to fulfill that in the spirit. They did not understand that He came to cut off the beast in their life. Why? They were blinded to the parable behind the letter, just as many Christians today are blinded to the parable, so they don't understand this is talking about us. They don't understand this is being fulfilled in us and when a natural Israelite is born again and receives a new heart and a new spirit, they have become one of us. They have entered into the only Covenant that exists. There is no other covenant! **(Jer.31:31) *Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah....*** When you say a "new covenant," it means the old covenant doesn't exist anymore. **(Heb.8:13) *In that he saith, A new [covenant] he hath made the first old. But that which is becoming old and waxeth aged is nigh unto vanishing away.*** So who is this Israel with whom He's making this Covenant? This Israel is all those who accept the New Covenant. The Lord spoke to me many years ago and He told me what Judah represented in Christianity, and

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what Israel represented in Christianity. Judah represents the Spirit-filled people of God, who believe in being filled with the Spirit and in walking as Jesus walked. And Israel, the northern 10 tribes who worshipped the image of the Beast, are the denominations of Christianity that reject the filling and guidance of the Spirit. God will join these two groups of Christians together in the coming days.

***(Jer.31:31) Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: (32) not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers....*** Folks, He is not making that Old Testament Covenant with Jews today; He only made it with their fathers. The Covenant that He is making today is not according to the Covenant He made with their fathers. Don't go back under that Old Testament Covenant which does not exist anymore! Don't let Christian Judaizers bring you back under a Covenant that does not exist and which was never made with you as a Gentile Christian, or with a Christian of any kind in the New Testament. He said, “not according to the covenant I made with their fathers.” God's not going back to that Covenant. There's only one Covenant for all Israelites now and the people who abide by that Covenant are the true Israelites. ***(Jer.31:31) Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: (32) not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt*** (Folks, we're leaving the land of Egypt, which in type is the world.); ***which my covenant they brake, although I was a husband unto them, saith***

***the Lord. (Jer.31:33) But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days*** (What “days” is He talking about? He’s talking about the days of the Old Covenant. After those days, God made His New Covenant with the house of Israel.), ***saith the Lord: I will put my law in their inward parts, and in their heart will I write it; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people: (34) and they shall teach no more every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord; for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the Lord: for I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin will I remember no more.*** That is our New Covenant; that’s the only Covenant and He made it with the house of Israel. It doesn’t matter if you are a natural Jew or a Gentile, we are all joined together, according to what we read in Ephesians in our previous study. ***(Eph.2:11) Wherefore remember, that once ye, the Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called Circumcision, in the flesh, made by hands; (12) that ye were at that time separate from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of the promise, having no hope and without God in the world. (13) But now in Christ Jesus ye that once were far off are made nigh in the blood of Christ. (14) For he is our peace, who made both one, and brake down the middle wall of partition, (15) having abolished in the flesh the enmity, [even] the law of commandments [contained] in ordinances; that he might create in himself of the two one new man, [so] making***

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***peace; (16) and might reconcile them both in one body unto God through the cross, having slain the enmity thereby: (17) and he came and preached peace to you that were far off, and peace to them that were nigh: (18) for through him we both have our access in one Spirit unto the Father. (Eph.3:6) [To wit,] that the Gentiles are fellow-heirs, and fellow-members of the body, and fellow-partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.***

We are all joined together in Jesus Christ in this born-again Covenant. If you are not born again, you are not Israel. If you are not born again, you don't have a Covenant. If a natural Israelite wants a covenant with God, slaughtering beasts will not do it. It will not bring forgiveness and it's an abomination (Isaiah 1:10-13). There's only one way to have a Covenant with God and that is to be born again. Only the people who are born again are true Israel.

***(Eze.36:27) And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep mine ordinances, and do them.*** The born-again life of God in us will cause us to keep His Covenant. We are not to go back under the Law! We are not to go back under the type and shadow! We are not to go back under the parable! We fulfill the parable in the New Testament because of what God has written upon our heart and written upon our mind. This is a gift from God! This is the Good News! The bad news, folks, was the Law. The Law said, “This is what God wants,” and you, of your own old nature, cannot obey it, cannot keep it, and will be a failure all of your life. The Good News is the Lord offers to you His life. He gave it to you through Jesus Christ, if you will accept this gift of God, which is born from above in us through the Word of God.

He recreates His life in us. When we submit to this Word and this old man dies, the life that enters into us is Christ's life. He can live according to the principles of God. He can submit to the statutes of God. He does it in us; that's what the New Testament is all about and that's why it is called the "Good News." ***(Eze.36:28) And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers....*** We're going to dwell in the land that was given to our fathers! If you want to know what real Christianity was in the earth, read the Gospels and the Book of Acts. Our spiritual forefathers lived the power of God as they walked with the Lord. Paul said, ***(1Co.4:15) For though ye have ten thousand tutors in Christ, yet have ye not many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I begat you through the gospel.*** Paul sowed the seed of the Word of God in the hearts of the people; he was a father. Peter was a father. Jesus was the Father of eternity. ***(Isa.9:6) For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.*** They sowed the seed and the seed is bringing forth life. The land that He gave to our fathers is the Kingdom of God! That's where people served God and He was King! ***(Eze.36:28) And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God. (29) And I will save you from all your uncleannesses*** (This is what it is to dwell in the land of Israel; to have this Covenant and be born again is to be saved from all of our uncleannesses.) ***: and I will call for the grain, and will multiply it, and lay no famine upon you. (30) And I will multiply the fruit of the tree, and the***



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***increase of the field, that ye may receive no more the reproach of famine among the nations.*** In other words, to dwell in the land of Israel is to be out from under the curse. So, again, who is New Testament Israel? It’s all those who are circumcised in heart; the flesh has been cut away. ***(Gal.2:19) For I through the law died unto the law, that I might live unto God. (20) I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I (the old man) that live, but Christ living in me (The flesh has been cut away.): and that [life] which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, [the faith] which is in the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself up for me.*** Jesus did this for us. ***(Rom.6:11) Even so reckon ye also yourselves to be dead unto sin, but alive unto God in Christ Jesus.*** In other words, consider it done! That’s what faith does; faith considers it done and God is able to bring it to pass.

There’s another parable from Ezekiel I’m going to share with you. *Ezekiel* means “Strengthened of the Lord.” First, we need to know who Ezekiel represents here and when we go back to the beginning, we find out Ezekiel was caught up to the throne of God. ***(Eze.1:26) And above the firmament that was over their heads was the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone; and upon the likeness of the throne was a likeness as the appearance of a man upon it above.*** Then he received an anointing of the Holy Spirit. ***(Eze.2:2) And the Spirit entered into me when he spake unto me, and set me upon my feet; and I heard him that spake unto me.*** So we see that he represents the first-fruits Man-child and his job is to bring this revelation to Israel. ***(Eze.2:7) And thou shalt speak my words unto***

***them, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear; for they are most rebellious.*** Well, in the valley of dry bones, Ezekiel is faced with a dead Israel, a dead army lying on the ground. ***(Eze.37:1) The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord, and set me down in the midst of the valley; and it was full of bones. (2) And he caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry. (3) And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord God, thou knowest. (4) Again he said unto me, Prophecy over these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. (5) Thus saith the Lord God unto these bones: Behold, I will cause breath (This is the word *ruach* and it's the same word used for "spirit.") to enter into you, and ye shall live.*** So you're dead, until you have the life of God breathed into you by the Spirit. ***(Eze.37:6) And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath (This is the same word *ruach* or "spirit.") in you, and you shall live; and ye shall know that I am the Lord.*** Of course, when God's Spirit enters you, you come to know that He is the Lord! ***(Eze.37:7) So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and, behold, an earthquake; and the bones came together, bone to its bone. (8) And I beheld, and, lo, there were sinews upon them, and flesh came up, and skin covered them above; but there was no breath in them. (9) Then said he unto me, Prophecy unto the wind (By the way, again, that's***

*ruach* or “spirit.” “Prophecy unto the Spirit.”), **prophecy, son of man, and say to the wind** (or “Spirit”), **Thus saith the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath** (or “Spirit”), **and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.** Jesus, as the Man-child, passed on the anointing of the Spirit to His disciples. **(Joh.20:21) Jesus therefore said to them again, Peace be unto you: as the Father hath sent me, even so send I you. (22) And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Spirit.** He raised up the valley of dry bones! He brought to life people who were dead and so it will be in these times, folks. In our days, the ministry of the Man-child (Revelation 12) is to bring the latter rain anointing of the Spirit to God’s people.

**(Eze.37:10) So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army.** This is the army of the Lord, this is the “Israel of God.” Has this happened to natural Israel yet? No! Is it going to happen to a remnant? Yes! We see in the very next chapter the great war against Israel. Again, that’s in the natural because we know the Beast is going to make war on the saints. **(Eze.37:11) Then he said unto me** (I want to point out the timing here is just before Chapter 38.), **Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel....** Go back and re-read Romans 11. In the New Testament, “the whole house of Israel” is the remnant of natural Israel who remained in their olive tree, plus the spiritual Israelites, or Gentiles, who were and will be grafted in through their faith, and the final remnant of natural Israel, who will be grafted back in the end time, after all the

Gentiles have come in. **(Rom.11:26) And so all Israel shall be saved....** Well, here's the whole house of Israel! In the letter, the whole house of Israel is never going to be saved; they're never going to receive the Holy Spirit. If you see this in the letter and you think this is going to be fulfilled for only the letter Jews, you have missed the point! They're never going to be saved! Paul said, quoting Isaiah again, **(Rom.9:27) ... If the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, it is the remnant that shall be saved.** Only a remnant of natural Israel will be saved. All of spiritual Israel who are grafted into the olive tree, all of them will be saved! But if you fall into unbelief, you're broken off. **(Eze.37:11) Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel: behold, they say, Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.** Well, that's in these days and years leading up to Ezekiel 38, which we know is an end-time revelation. "Our hope is lost; we are clean cut off." More and more people are discerning the shaking that's been increasing in the world. Remember that he said, **(Eze.37:7) ... there was a noise, and, behold, an earthquake; and the bones came together, bone to its bone.** God is going to shake this earth (Hebrews 12:26-28) and His people are going to come trembling out of Egypt (Hosea 11:11). They're going to call upon the name of the Lord, but when the shaking begins, the first thing they think is, "We're cut off! We don't know God and we can't go through this wilderness!" They're going to know their need of God because the shaking everywhere is going to put the fear of God back in them.

**(Eze.37:12) Therefore prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God: Behold, I will open**

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***your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, O my people....*** We’re baptized for the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ in our life. “Coming up out of your grave” is talking about resurrection life. You don’t come up out of the water of baptism; Christ comes up out of the water! (***Gal.2:20***) ***I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I that live, but Christ living in me: and that [life] which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, [the faith] which is in the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself up for me.*** It’s no longer I that live, it’s Christ Who lives in me. So “coming up out of your grave” represents the born-again experience; it represents being filled with the Spirit and resurrected into the Kingdom of God. (***Eze.37:12***) ***Therefore prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, O my people; and I will bring you into the land of Israel.*** There it is again! We find that when people come into this Covenant of being born again, they’re entering into the land of Israel! Being born again is not just receiving a new spirit, folks. If you stop at that, you’re an unprofitable servant, cast forth into outer darkness (Matthew 25:30). You receive a new spirit so that you can follow the Holy Spirit. You receive a new spirit so that your soul can be born again unto God, which means your nature, your character, your mind, your will, your emotions, are all coming into alignment with Jesus Christ. His life is now living in you and through you. (***Eze.37:12***) ***... And I will bring you into the land of Israel.*** We are being called out of the land of the nations. We are being separated from this world, sanctified from this world unto God in His Kingdom. (***Eze.37:13***)

***And ye shall know that I am the Lord, when I have opened your graves, and caused you to come up out of your graves, O my people.*** When you first received a new spirit, you knew that God was Who He said He was and then, if you are very blessed, you continued to walk in sanctification. If not, you were captured by a Babylonish religion or you were captured by the nations, instead of going to your Promised Land. You see, this born-again experience doesn't stop with being born again in your spirit. It goes on to being born again in your soul and, because you've borne that fruit, you'll have a born-again body like His body.

***(Eze.37:14) And I will put my Spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I will place you in your own land: and ye shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken it and performed it, saith the Lord.*** Following the Spirit of God is living in the Kingdom of God. That means you are in Israel! ***(15) The word of the Lord came again unto me, saying, (16) And thou, son of man, take thee one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim, and for all the house of Israel his companions: (17) and join them for thee one to another into one stick, that they may become one in thy hand. (18) And when the children of thy people shall speak unto thee, saying, Wilt thou not show us what thou meanest by these? (19) say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God: Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his companions; and I will put them with it, [even] with the stick of***



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***Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in my hand***. Folks, Christianity is greatly divided right now. The filling of the Holy Spirit with the gifts of the Spirit has divided it. There are those who have and there are those who have not. Just like the 10 tribes, who didn't live in or go to worship at the altar in Jerusalem where the presence and the Shekinah glory of God was, the majority of Christians today have not received the Holy Spirit. They have not received the power to come up out of their graves and walk with the Lord (Ezekiel 36:27). God is going to join these two houses together through the great revival that the Man-child ministry will bring. He's going to join together those who have never been filled with the Spirit and those who have been filled but haven't learned to follow the Spirit. He's going to bring these people up out of the grave. ***(Eze.37:21) And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God: Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the nations, whither they are gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land.*** We are one holy nation, one chosen generation; we are one people all around the earth. We don't belong to the nations. We don't worship the nations. We are not a part of them. We are a peculiar people (Exodus 19:5; Deuteronomy 7:6, 14:2, 26:18; Malachi 3:17; Titus 2:14; 1 Peter 2:9). We are different! We are to be sanctified, or “separated,” from the nations. We are called out of the nations to go to Zion and submit in the Kingdom of God to our King, David. And when we dwell in the Kingdom of God, we are one. But a great falling-away happened to Christianity at the time right after the apostles and they were driven from their Israel, their land. Wolves came in to divide the flock (Matthew 7:15; Acts 20:29). They

were not one nation anymore; they were now in bondage to the nations round about. All the sectarian nations and all the sectarian denominations of Christianity have separated the people of God. But God says, “When you come into your own land, you’re going to be one nation.” There will be no more division or strife. What did Paul say about that? ***(Gal.5:19) Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are [these:] fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, (20) idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousies, wraths, factions, divisions, parties, (21) envyings, drunkenness, revellings, and such like; of which I forewarn you, even as I did forewarn you, that they who practise such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. (Act.20:29) I know that after my departing grievous wolves shall enter in among you, not sparing the flock; (30) and from among your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them.*** He said a sect, a denomination, a division, or strife, are all works of the flesh caused by wolves coming in and dividing up the flock. If you come into the Kingdom of God, you will be one with your brother, instead of fighting, striving and competing, which is what the nations do.

***(Eze.37:22) And I will make them one nation in the land, upon the mountains of Israel....*** Notice He brought them from the valleys to the mountains, from the nations to their Promised Land, from death to life, from Babylon to Zion. They’re all the same parable told in many different ways. What are the mountains? That’s where people are above the earth, but the valley is the place of death (Psalm 23:4). These were dead, dry bones; they had

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no life in them and were hugging the earth. The mountains of Israel represent the high places above the world. ***(Eze.37:22) And I will make them one nation in the land, upon the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all; and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all; (23) neither shall they defile themselves any more with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions*** (Leaving their transgressions means they're leaving the nations. They're no longer a part of the world; they are coming out of Egypt.); ***but I will save them out of all their dwelling-places, wherein they have sinned....*** Every nation in which you dwell that's outside of the land of Israel represents that you are not abiding in the Kingdom of God, you are not abiding in Jesus Christ. You are dead in your sins. ***(2Co.6:17) Wherefore Come ye out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, And touch no unclean thing; And I will receive you, (18) And will be to you a Father, And ye shall be to me sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.*** We are to come out from among them and be separate because we are different from the world. We don't pledge allegiance to this world. Our allegiance is to the Kingdom of God. And we don't pledge allegiance, even to that Kingdom, because it's not our power that causes us to walk in the Kingdom of God; it's His power! Our faith is in Him to do this in us; it's not in ourselves. If it were in ourselves, we could pledge, but we are commanded not to do that. ***(Mat.5:34) But I say unto you, swear not at all; neither by the heaven, for it is the throne of God; (35) nor by the***

***earth, for it is the footstool of his feet; nor by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. (36) Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, for thou canst not make one hair white or black. (37) But let your speech be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: and whatsoever is more than these is of the evil [one].*** So, He'll save us out of our dwelling places, all these places where we've sinned. ***(Eze.37:23) Neither shall they defile themselves any more with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions; but I will save them out of all their dwelling-places, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be my people, and I will be their God. (24) And my servant David shall be king over them....*** Well, we know who David represented: David was Jesus. And in these days, once again, Jesus is coming to be manifested in a body of David. It's a worldwide corporate body this time because Israel is now a worldwide corporate body. Jesus is manifesting through a new leadership in the coming days, folks. If you've been studying along with us, you know David represents the Man-child, just as Jesus was the Man-child and the son of David. And when He came to rule over Israel, how many "Israelites" did He rule over? Well, everybody who submitted to Him was an Israelite, but the majority of natural Israel refused Him. ***(Act.4:11) He is the stone which was set at nought of you the builders, which was made the head of the corner.*** He was the stone that the builders rejected. ***(Eze.37:24) And my servant David shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd...*** That's right! Jesus is the head. He might manifest His headship through ministers of different sorts,

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but He is the head.

***(Eze.37:24) And my servant David shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also walk in mine ordinances, and observe my statutes, and do them.*** All of Israel is going to walk in His ordinances, folks! Not natural Israel, that will never happen, but all those Israelites who walk in their Promised Land and stand on their promises, these people “observe my statutes, and do them.” ***(Eze.37:25) And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers dwelt*** (This is speaking of our spiritual fathers, Matthew, John, Peter, Paul and so on.); ***and they shall dwell therein, they, and their children, and their children’s children*** (We are fathers, too. Our spiritual children are the people in whom we sow the seed of the Word. We are fathers, too. And those people who receive the seed will also walk in the Kingdom of God.), ***for ever: and David my servant shall be their prince for ever.*** Forever! That’s a long time! We’re talking about eternal life here. We’re talking about people dwelling in the spiritual Kingdom of Israel. We’ve been called out of the nations and spiritual Israel is all those who are coming out of the nations, but for natural Israel, 1948 didn’t bring any big manifestation of salvation unto them.

***(Jer.3:12) Go, and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, Return, thou backsliding Israel, saith the Lord; I will not look in anger upon you. (14) Return, O backsliding children, saith the Lord; for I am a husband unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion.*** In other words, come out

of Babylon! Come out of bondage to the Beast! Come back to your land! He said in that day they won't think about the Ark of the Covenant anymore; they won't even remember it. ***(Jer.3:16) And it shall come to pass, when ye are multiplied and increased in the land, in those days, saith the Lord, they shall say no more, The ark of the covenant of the Lord; neither shall it come to mind; neither shall they remember it; neither shall they miss it; neither shall it be made any more. (17) At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the Lord; and all the nations*** (“Gentiles”) ***shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the Lord....*** This is talking about the Gentiles’ Jerusalem, the born-again Jerusalem, the city that Paul called “Heavenly Jerusalem.” ***(Heb.12:18) For ye are not come unto a mount that might be touched, and that burned with fire, and unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest, (22) but ye are come unto mount Zion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem....*** No, you can't touch it, but you have come to the Heavenly Jerusalem. They did in that day and, since then, there's been a great falling away to the nations. Now God's people are coming back out of the nations “to the name of the Lord.” The name of the Lord is His nature. We're being gathered back to the real Christianity, the real Christ, not some other Jesus. ***(Jer.3:17) At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the Lord; and all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the Lord, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any more after the stubbornness of their evil heart. (18) In those days the house of Judah shall walk with the house of Israel, and they shall come***



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***together out of the land of the north to the land that I gave for an inheritance unto your fathers.***

God bless you, saints! Thank you for joining us for this Bible study. I hope you are seeing that God is speaking to you out of the Old Testament. Read the parable, folks, and let the Holy Spirit speak to you and tell you what this is really talking about. In the name of Jesus, Father, I ask You to go forth with the brethren, Lord, and to bring them into that land, Father. Amen!

## CHAPTER FIVE

***“In their affliction they will seek Me earnestly”***

God bless you, friends, and thank you for joining us. As we've been studying who “Israel” is in the New Testament, our eyes have been opened to the fact that God is actually speaking to us in the Old Testament. The things He spoke of them, He spoke to us. ***(1Co.10:11) Now these things happened unto them by way of example; and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages are come.*** Everything that happened to them was a type and shadow for us. The Bible also tells us, ***(Ecc.1:9) That which hath been is that which shall be; and that which hath been done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.*** Here's a second confirmation of that: ***(Ecc.3:15) That which is hath been long ago; and that which is to be hath long ago been: and God seeketh again that which is passed away.*** So we see that the Lord shows us truth by what has happened in the past. And once we realize He just keeps repeating history in order that we will know what's going to happen, it's a great blessing to us. It will correct our doctrine, especially the wishful thinking doctrine that we hear nowadays from a lot of preachers. People like to read into the Scriptures whatever suits their own will, but when we find out that what is being taught does not repeat history, we know it's not the Word of God. God can't lie. ***(Num.23:19) God is not a man, that he should lie, Neither the son of man, that he should repent: Hath he said, and will he not do it? Or hath he spoken, and will he not make***

**it good?** In the Old Testament prophecies about Israel, we discovered that God was speaking to the Church, which is worldwide spiritual New Testament Israel. They haven't taken their place, as far as the promises that God gave to the natural Jew in the letter, but they have been grafted into the olive tree called “all Israel” (Romans 11:11-26). And “all Israel,” as we've seen, is everybody who is coming out of the nations and going to their New Testament spiritual Israel. In this chapter, I'd like to share another parable with you that's a little different from the ones we've looked at so far. You know, sometimes we see a type and shadow in the Scriptures and it's more like a snapshot, and sometimes we can see snapshots in the middle of a panorama, but this is more like a panorama.

We saw that Jacob went into the land of his forefathers, married two wives and raised up the 12 patriarchs, but then the day came when the Lord told him to take his family and to go to the Promised Land. At that time, God gave Jacob the name “Israel,” which means “He will rule as God.” That's very interesting because we also have a New Testament “Jacob.” Our “Jacob” is Jesus Christ and He will rule as God. He raised up 12 patriarchs, too. They were His seed and He raised them up from children. He said, ***(Joh.6:63) It is the spirit that giveth life; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I have spoken unto you are spirit, and are life.*** Those words went into the apostles and they recreated Jesus Christ in them. He also led them and the others who followed Him into the Promised Land, exactly as Jacob did with his family. Jesus took them into the wilderness, which is translated “desert” in the New Testament, but the literal word is “wilderness.” That's where He multiplied the fishes and the loaves to

provide for them, just like Moses. Moses was used by God to bring provision to the Israelites during their wilderness journey to the Promised Land. We know you have to be an Israelite to go to the Promised Land, but we learned that, according to the New Testament, **(Rom.2:28) ... he is not a Jew who is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision which is outward in the flesh: (29) but he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.** Even in the book of Hebrews, Paul was not addressing natural Jews, but Christians; they were spiritual New Testament Israelites. These people had been born again and so Paul was speaking to them in the spirit because he was dealing with a spiritual people. **(Heb.12:18) For ye are not come unto a mount that might be touched, and that burned with fire, and unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest.** Why did he say that these Christians had “not come unto a mount that might be touched”? Paul said that because the natural Jews did come to a mount that could be touched; it was physical. This New Testament Kingdom of God is not physical and it can't be touched.

**(Heb.12:21) And so fearful was the appearance, that Moses said, I exceedingly fear and quake: (22) but ye are come unto mount Zion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem....** The early saints were commonly filled with the Holy Spirit. They received the true Word of God from our spiritual forefathers, the 12 patriarchs who were the first apostles, and they came to the Heavenly Jerusalem. They were given faith and they were given power through the Holy Spirit. We discovered in the previous chapter that

God breathed His Spirit into His people when they were nothing but a valley of dry bones. They had no life, but His Spirit raised them up from the valley to the mountains of Israel (Ezekiel 37:1-14). So they were gathered out of the nations and went to the mountains of Israel, and we found out that was a parable for us in our day. We're being delivered from the nations to become one nation in the land of Israel. Obviously, God did not call His people to be sectarian and divided from one another; that's a work of men. Jesus said, ***(Joh.17:20) Neither for these only do I pray, but for them also that believe on me through their word; (21) that they may all be one; even as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be in us: that the world may believe that thou didst send me. (22) And the glory which thou hast given me I have given unto them; that they may be one, even as we [are] one; (23) I in them, and thou in me, that they may be perfected into one; that the world may know that thou didst send me, and lovedst them, even as thou lovedst me.*** It was the wolves who came in and divided up the flock (Matthew 7:15; Acts 20:29). Paul goes on to say here that, ***(Heb.12:22) But ye are come unto mount Zion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable hosts of angels, (23) to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven....*** Of course, the firstborn, in one aspect, is Jesus Christ; but these people, who were following Him at the very beginning of our Covenant, were the firstborn, too. When they came to the Kingdom of God, it had nothing to do with where they were living in the natural because Paul wasn't talking to those who were in

physical Israel. Physical Israel was falling away, persecuting and crucifying the saints of God. They were anything but holy and their city was anything but a Heavenly city. We, as Christians, belong to a New Testament Israel that has a Heavenly city, New Jerusalem, and a Heavenly King David, who is Jesus Christ, in a Heavenly Kingdom on this earth that cannot be seen with natural eyes. **(Luk.17:20)** ***And being asked by the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God cometh, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation: (21) neither shall they say, Lo, here! or, There! for lo, the kingdom of God is within you.***

So Jacob raised up the 12 patriarchs of Israel and he took them to the Promised Land, and Jesus raised up the 12 apostles who were the leadership of Christianity and He took them to the Promised Land. But after Jacob and his family had settled in the Promised Land, God caused a famine that drove them into Egypt (Genesis 41:53-57), where they stayed for 400 years. There's an interesting parallel to that in the New Testament. Shortly after the Church was first raised up by the 12 apostles, the Church also experienced a famine, but it was a "famine" of the Word. And whenever you have a famine of the Word, whenever you depart from the Word, you end up departing from your Kingdom. Adam did that. Adam departed from the commands that were given to him and he was driven out of his kingdom. He came under the curse. The Church, at the beginning of this 2000 years, was driven out of their Kingdom. It was a great falling away and they ended up being in a very dark age. It was a time when the Church didn't even resemble what the Lord Jesus Christ or His disciples rose up. The Church totally departed from the Word of God. It became



just religion and very dangerous at that. People who called themselves “Christians” and were not brought persecution against the saints. Still, all through those dark ages, there were remnants of those who were Spirit-filled, those who believed in everything the Bible said and were doing their best to follow it. They were disciples of Jesus Christ, but they were in the minority. The majority of what was called “Christianity” were antichrist, just as the majority of God’s people when Jesus came were antichrist and of their father, the devil (John 8:44).

So we see the same thing happening with natural Israel and spiritual Israel. The Israelites ended up in Egypt for 400 years and came into bondage, very much like Christianity came into bondage, a bondage to man and a bondage to the flesh. Israel was in bondage to the Egyptians in Egypt and we know what the Egyptian represents: the Egyptian represents the “old man” (Ephesians 4:22; Colossians 3:9). When the Israelites fled the Egyptians, they went through the Red Sea. ***(1Co.10:1) For I would not, brethren, have you ignorant, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; (2) and were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea.*** Baptism represents the death of the old man, so when the Israelites were baptized, the Egyptian, or old man, died in the waters and the spiritual man, or the Israelite, came up on the other side. Now when they were in Egypt and in bondage to the Egyptian, that represents being ruled over by the old man, the flesh, and look at what the Bible says about that: ***(Rom.8:12) So then, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh: (13) for if ye live after the flesh, ye must die; but if by the Spirit ye put to death the deeds of the***

**body, ye shall live.** If we walk after the flesh, we must die! God is working to deliver us from bondage to the flesh so that the spiritual man can be in the lead. **(Rom.8:5) For they that are after the flesh mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. (6) For the mind of the flesh is death; but the mind of the Spirit is life and peace.** God is working to deliver us from bondage to the old Egyptian because, when the spiritual man is in bondage to the Egyptian, it is rebellion against God's Word, it is rebellion against His will for us. And what is the effect of that? The effect of that is the curse (Deuteronomy 28:15-68). God says, if we hearken to His voice, the blessings will be ours (Deuteronomy 28:1-14), and if we don't, all those curses, all these evil things that happen to men, will be ours. While the Israelite, the spiritual man, is in bondage to the Egyptian, we are always under the curse.

But the Israelites in Egypt were in bondage not only to the Egyptian, or flesh, they were also in bondage to the Egyptian Beast. Egypt was the first head of the seven-headed, 10-horned Beast (Revelation 17:7-17). It was the first world-ruling empire and it ruled over the people of God, as did all the other heads in their time, and yet now God's people think for some strange reason that we're going to escape. They think they won't have to go under the dominion of the Beast. Well, just look around you, folks! Many Christians are in bondage to the Beast even now, and to the extent you submit to your old flesh, of course, you are in bondage to the Beast. The flesh is a member of the body of the Beast. **(Rom.8:7) ... the mind of the flesh is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can it be: (8) and they that**

***are in the flesh cannot please God.*** So we see that the Israelites were in bondage to the Egyptian, and they were in bondage to the Egyptian Beast, but there's one more way the Israelites were in bondage. They were in bondage to the Egyptian Harlot. Egyptians worshipped the god Apis, which looked like the golden calf that the Israelites fell away to when Moses was up in the mountain. ***(Exo.32:1)*** ***And when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mount, the people gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and said unto him, Up, make us gods, which shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we know not what is become of him.*** So they made themselves another god that they said brought them up out of the land of Egypt (Exodus 32:2-5). A gifted graphic artist received inspiration from the Lord as to how he could illustrate the Beast for our book, *Hidden Manna*. The god Apis is usually depicted as a bull and in between the two horns there is the sun-disk, but the artist altered the sun-disk and horns to resemble the United Nations' logo, which is a circular map of the earth, with an olive wreath on each side. In the *Hidden Manna* illustration, Aaron is shown bowing down before a golden calf, whose horns are olive wreaths and whose sun-disk is the Earth. He is bowing down to the Harlot! That's so symbolic, folks! The seven-headed, 10-horned Beast of the end times is going to devour the whole earth (Daniel 7:23). In Nebuchadnezzar's dream of the image with the head of gold, the Roman Empire was represented from the legs all the way down to the feet and it devoured the whole earth (Daniel 2). In other words, the whole world became the Beast. And just as Egypt in that day represented the

world, so did each succeeding empire of Assyria, Babylon, Medea-Persia, Greece and Rome. And now, in our day, we're seeing a revived Rome coming forth. Each one of those empires in its time persecuted the saints and was a type of the end-time Beast, just like Egypt, because history keeps repeating.

Well, the Israelites were in bondage to the Beast, the Harlot and their old flesh, and they were crying out in Egypt for deliverance! That's a parable for us, folks. Christians, too, have been sold into bondage in Egypt, so to speak. After leaving their Promised Land, Christians have fallen under the curse and are in bondage to the old man, the Beast and the Harlot. We can see that being spoken of very plainly in Scripture: ***(Rev.17:3) And he carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness: and I saw a woman sitting upon a scarlet-colored beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. (4) And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and decked with gold and precious stone and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations, even the unclean things of her fornication, (5) and upon her forehead a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF THE HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.*** This woman is riding upon a beast that represents the seven world-ruling empires and their seed in our day. It's not just talking about them as having passed away because their seed continued on and now is in the United Nations, a one world order. The 10 horns are the 10 continental divisions of the earth and in the middle of the Tribulation, the government structure will be changed to representation by continental divisions.

The one world order wants to do away with nationalism, to do away with patriotism, to do away with ethnic differences, to do away with religious differences, and so on, because all of those cause wars. Their thinking is, “When we change this, there will be less reason for war.” They believe there will be no one able to make war with the Beast, since the Beast will be a one world government. **(Rev.13:4) And they worshipped the dragon, because he gave his authority unto the beast; and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? And who is able to war with him?** So here we see that in the end times, God’s people are, once again, going to be under the thumb of a worldwide Beast kingdom because God’s people are a worldwide Kingdom now, not just a tiny Middle Eastern Israel. God raised up the Beast to persecute Israel and to bring them to their cross, in order to bring them to repentance and to put the fear of the Lord in them. Well, the Church has done the same thing Israel has done. The Church is in apostasy. It’s gone its own way, done its own thing and has Pharisees for leaders. The Church, which is worldwide spiritual Israel, now needs a worldwide spiritual Beast to do the exact same thing. God is just repeating history, but He’s repeating it on a larger scale.

Many people say, “Oh, David, this ‘mother of the harlots’ is talking about the Catholic Church.” No, it’s not talking about the Catholic Church. The Bible says she “sitteth” on the seven heads and 10 horns. **(Rev.17:9) Here is the mind that hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains** (in type, mountains represent kingdoms), **on which the woman sitteth....** This is present tense. Now we know the Catholic Church didn’t sit on any of these kingdoms until Rome. There was Egypt, As-

syria, Babylon, Medea-Persia, Greece and then Rome, the sixth kingdom, but it says she “sitteth” on all seven heads. And Jesus said that Israel was guilty of the blood of all the saints. ***(Luk.11:49) Therefore also said the wisdom of God, I will send unto them prophets and apostles; and [some] of them they shall kill and persecute; (50) that the blood of all the prophets, which was shed from the foundation of the world, may be required of this generation; (51) from the blood of Abel unto the blood of Zachariah, who perished between the altar and the sanctuary: yea, I say unto you, it shall be required of this generation.*** But Revelation here says the same thing about this “woman”: ***(Rev.18:24) And in her was found the blood of prophets and of saints, and of all that have been slain upon the earth.*** Well, the Catholic Church hasn’t been around that long! The point is, folks, Jesus said Israel was also guilty of the blood of the saints and of the prophets from the blood of Abel unto the blood of Zechariah, and that goes way back even before Egypt. We are talking about a mother of Harlots here. This is a corporate body of all false religion that apostatized and turned away from God from the very beginning. She is called here the “mother of the harlots and of the abominations of the earth,” and that means each individual sect or religion that has been born from her is a harlot, which would be very offensive to an awful lot of Protestants! I’m not denying that the Catholic Church is a mother and that she has seven hills; however, this is talking about seven mountains. She is a lesser type of a greater type. The greater type is the worldwide corporate mother of all Harlots that goes all the way back to when Cain killed Abel and that let’s you know this “woman” here



is a spiritual Harlot. I know that the Catholic Church has birthed the Protestant denominations, which pretty much walk in her steps and have held on to much of that doctrine, but it is still the lesser type of the larger type here. Folks, in the end time, this Harlot is going to be a one world religious order and the saints, who have been brought into bondage, will be crying out to God to be delivered. Look around today; how many Christians do you know who are crying out to God for one reason or another? They're in bondage to some problem, some sickness, some family breakup, some misery, some apostate religion. So many of God's people are in bondage under the curse and they're crying out.

Look at what God said to Moses: ***(Exo.3:1) Now Moses was keeping the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the back of the wilderness, and came to the mountain of God, unto Horeb.*** The mountain of God represents the Kingdom of God. ***(2) And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.*** ***(3) And Moses said, I will turn aside now, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.*** ***(4) And when the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I.*** ***(5) And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground.*** The place of God's presence is holy ground and so He told Moses to take his shoes off because He didn't want him to be separated from holiness. In the world, of course, you want your shoes

on because you want to be separated from the world. You want to wash the “dust” off your feet, like Jesus taught His disciples. ***(Joh.13:3) [Jesus,] knowing that the Father had given all the things into his hands, and that he came forth from God, and goeth unto God, (4) riseth from supper, and layeth aside his garments; and he took a towel, and girded himself. (5) Then he poureth water into the basin, and began to wash the disciples feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded. (6) So he cometh to Simon Peter. He saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet? (7) Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt understand hereafter. (8) Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me. (9) Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head. (10) Jesus saith to him, He that is bathed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all. (11) For he knew him that should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all clean. (12) So when he had washed their feet, and taken his garments, and sat down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you? (13) Ye call me, Teacher, and, Lord: and ye say well; for so I am. (14) If I then, the Lord and the Teacher, have washed your feet, ye also ought to wash one another’s feet. (15) For I have given you an example, that ye also should do as I have done to you.*** We wash one another’s feet spiritually; our walk is separate from this dirty earth. We

are sanctified, we are set apart. If you are on God’s mountain, you’re upon holy ground. You are separated from the world; you are above the world, so to speak.

***(Exo.3:6) Moreover he said, I am the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.*** That sounds like they hadn’t heard much from Him for a long time and, the truth is, we haven’t heard a whole lot from God for a long time, either. The Bible even says that (Hosea 6:3). We haven’t heard from Him the way the early disciples did in the beginning of our Covenant. ***And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God. (Exo.3:7) And the Lord said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people that are in Egypt*** (So far, we’ve seen a perfect parallel between Christianity and the Israelites leading up to this point.), ***and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters....*** Many of God’s people are suffering under the curse of this world because they are under submission to their flesh, which is the old Egyptian. And they are under submission to the Harlot system and they are under submission to the Beast system. They are not walking in holiness in the Kingdom of God. God’s people are living under the curse because they are not separated from the world. They’re crying out to God in bondage, asking “Why me? Why me, Lord? I’m doing the best I can! I’m doing everything my church tells me,” and so on. But the truth is, we need to be disciples of Christ. We need to walk in holiness. ***(Exo.3:7) And the Lord said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people that are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows; (8) and I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the***

**Egyptians** (This is good news! What He is saying here is a parallel to what we're experiencing in our day. The Lord knows our sorrow and He's coming to deliver us.), **and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Amorite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite.** This is the land of Canaan, the beautiful Promised Land! He's bringing them out of bondage and taking them to a holy land, which represented the Kingdom of God. This is a promise for us; this is a type and shadow for us at this time (1 Corinthians 10:11).

***(Hos.5:15) I will go and return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their affliction they will seek me earnestly.*** What did He say back in Exodus 3? "I have surely seen the affliction of my people." In their affliction, God's people are going to do what? They're going to call out to God! Multitudes of Christians are going to cry out to God in their misery! Back in that day, all of Israel was in bondage in Egypt. All of Israel was in bondage to the Harlot, the Beast and the fleshly old man. That sounds like the famine that the Church is experiencing in our day. God seems to have left Christians to their own devices. They decided, "Okay, this is how we are going to serve God," and they haven't listened to His Spirit. Well, it hasn't worked because there isn't anything but a curse for those who walk after the flesh. So He said, ***(Hos.5:15) I will go and return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their affliction they will seek me earnestly.*** You see, this bondage, this time of trouble that the Church is going into now, is going to cause the

Church to seek Him earnestly. That's when He says He's going to answer. ***(Hos.6:1) Come, and let us return unto the Lord...*** Is that the cry we are going to hear very soon? Is that the cry we're hearing from the firstfruits, who are coming out of Babylon right now? Folks, we are seeing a great move of people coming out of the Harlot religions. All of those religions were Harlots in Jesus' day, too, and not one of those Harlot religions followed Him. None of the sects of Judaism followed Him. They all persecuted Him and His disciples, and so it will be in these days, too; don't be deceived. ***(Hos.6:1) Come, let us return unto the Lord; for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he hath smitten, and he will bind us up. (2) After two days (that's 2000 years) will he revive us: on the third day he will raise us up*** (Actually, it says in other places, “at the dawn of morning,” as in Psalm 46:5.), ***and we shall live before him. (Hos.6:3) And let us know, let us follow on to know the Lord: his going forth is sure as the morning*** (Here it is, the morning of the third day.); ***and he will come unto us as the rain, as the latter rain that watereth the earth.*** So the Lord is not coming next in the sky, folks; He's coming as the latter rain. He came as the former rain in Jesus. Jesus was the first to receive the former rain. He was the one who imparted the former rain to the patriarchs, the 12 apostles. ***(Joh.20:21) Jesus therefore said to them again, Peace be unto you: as the Father hath sent me, even so send I you. (22) And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Spirit.*** He was the firstfruits and He received it first.

Well, back in Exodus, we see God calling Moses to deliver His people because His heart was hurting for their suffering

in bondage. They can't deliver themselves; they are totally dependent upon Him as their Savior to deliver them, just as it is in our day. **(Exo.3:8) And I am come down to deliver them....** Notice we just read that He will come on the morning of the third day. The Lord is coming, not in the way people expect, but He is coming. He is coming as the outpouring of the Spirit and He is coming through Moses, in this case, and through the Man-child of Revelation 12, in our case. History is going to repeat. **(Exo.3:8) And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey....** In other words, He is bringing them to a place of abundant provision. When you walk in the spirit and not in the flesh, when you don't let the old man lead, there is a place of abundant provision from God. **(Php.4:19) And my God shall supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.** The Lord provides richly for His people. Am I talking about worldly prosperity or riches of the world? No! The people who are rich in the ways of the Kingdom, people who are rich in the fruit of the Lord, don't have any use for those kind of things. They have a desire to do God's will, not to please their old flesh. They are leading a crucified life. **(Exo.3:8) And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Amorite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite.** These groups all represent the carnal man, the old man who lived in the Promised Land, and



the Israelites had to put these Canaanites to death so they could take their land. Of course, we are that land. The old man has to die for the new man to have life. **(2Co.4:16) *Wherefore we faint not; but though our outward man is decaying, yet our inward man is renewed day by day.*** It's a battle that we will win because God is doing this in us.

**(Exo.3:9) *And now, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: moreover I have seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them.*** We've all felt that, haven't we? We've all felt the burden, the yoke of the old Egyptian on our back. I remember one of the first dreams I had that I knew came from the Lord. I was going down this dusty dirt road and I was actually stirring up little clouds of dust as I walked. I had an old man on my back and I was carrying him piggy-back down this road, and he was a heavy burden, too! Then I came to this lake and I just jumped into that lake with that old man on my back. The old man couldn't swim and he was afraid of the water, very fearful of the water. He kept trying to climb up on top of me and I just kept pushing him off until he drowned. And the Lord interpreted the dream for me. He said the water is the Word of God and the old man is that flesh, that Egyptian, that burden on our back. He's the one who's been ruling over us and basically using us as his donkey, and the water will put him to death. All we have to do is just keep pushing him off, pushing him off, because that water is the water of baptism. It's the water of the Red Sea that puts to death the Egyptian. The Word is deadly to the old man, but it's life to the new man.

**(Exo.3:10) *Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth***

***my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.*** Well, most of God's people don't expect that God is actually going to do the same thing for us, but He is! He is going to send a Man-child ministry that's already been in the wilderness, like Moses. Moses went out into the wilderness first. He learned to live in the wilderness and he met God on top of a mountain, the place of holiness. ***(Exo.3:11) And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh*** (Moses wasn't the self-confident leader that many of the Pharisees were in Jesus' day, or many of them are in our day. Moses had to depend upon the Lord completely and he had no ambition of his own.), ***and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt? (Exo.3:12) And he said, Certainly I will be with thee....*** In other words, "Moses, do you really think I was going to send you to do this?" It's the same thing God told Gideon, who was astonished that God chose him to deliver His people. God said, "Surely I will be with thee," even though the Lord had called Gideon "thou mighty man of valor" (Judges 6:11-15). ***(Exo.3:12) And he said, Certainly I will be with thee; and this shall be the token unto thee, that I have sent thee: when thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain.*** Moses was going to lead the people of God to the same holy mountain upon which he stood. In our day, God is again raising up a Man-child ministry in a corporate "Moses" to lead the people of God out of bondage in the world and to the place of holiness where they can serve the Lord in spirit. Glory be to God! This is good news, folks! History is repeating. God's people are crying out to God day and night, and the Lord is coming! He's coming as the latter rain! He's coming with

the anointing!

The former rain came first in Jesus as the Man-child in His day, and He brought the 12 apostles out of their bondage. They were the Church, or *ekklesia*, meaning the "called out ones." The Harlot was ruling over the people of God, but Jesus as the Man-child called His disciples out of apostate religion. By the way, Jesus Himself said that He was coming again like a man-child born to a woman. ***(Joh.16:17) [Some] of his disciples therefore said one to another, What is this that he saith unto us, A little while, and ye behold me not; and again a little while, and ye shall see me: and, Because I go to the Father? (18) They said therefore, What is this that he saith, A little while? We know not what he saith. (19) Jesus perceived that they were desirous to ask him, and he said unto them, Do ye inquire among yourselves concerning this, that I said, A little while, and ye behold me not, and again a little while, and ye shall see me? (20) Verily, verily, I say unto you, that ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy. (21) A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but when she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for the joy that a man is born into the world. (22) And ye therefore now have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no one taketh away from you.*** He is coming manifested in the firstfruits because, to bear fruit is to bear Jesus Christ. He is the fruit! ***(Rev.12:1) And a great sign was seen in heaven: a woman***

(remember, this is a corporate body) ***arrayed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars; (Rev.12:2) and she was with child; and she crieth out, travailing in birth, and in pain to be delivered. (3) And there was seen another sign in heaven: and behold, a great red dragon*** (This is another corporate body representing the Beast; she is in bondage to the Beast.), ***having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his heads seven diadems. (Rev.12:4) And his tail draweth the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon standeth before the woman that is about to be delivered, that when she is delivered he may devour her child. (5) And she was delivered of a son, a man child, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron....*** Remember that Jacob was called “Israel,” meaning “He will rule as God,” and we see here that a “Jacob” is coming forth. This is not taking anything away from Jesus. The only way someone comes into this position in the New Testament is because Jesus lives in them. Isn’t this the whole point of Christianity? He is “Emmanuel,” “God with us”! He hasn’t left, folks! He’s still being manifested in His saints as they humble themselves to the Word of God, which is the seed of Jesus Christ, according to the Parable of the Sower (Matthew 13; Mark 4; Luke 8). When they humble themselves to that Word, it brings forth His fruit, 30-, 60- and 100-fold in them. This is the great glory that God has planned for His people and there are some at this time who have already received this revelation. They’ve been doing their best to walk through their own wilderness experience and doing their best to be prepared to bring God’s people

through the wilderness, too. These are not people who only have knowledge; these are the people who have stood with God on the mountain of God. They're walking in a holy life; they're walking in the Kingdom of God, like Moses. God told him, "This is holy ground, Moses! Take off your shoes! You have to be holy here!"

***(Rev.12:5) And she was delivered of a son, a man child, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and unto his throne.*** Of course, we know where God's throne was for Israel. It was on the top of Mount Zion, where the man-child David sat on the throne. Jesus was the son of David. Jesus, too, ruled over Israel. Not in the flesh, like the Pharisees did, but in the Spirit, because His Kingdom was a spiritual Kingdom. He did come into the world to be a king, but He didn't mean a kingdom over Rome. ***(Joh.6:15) Jesus therefore perceiving that they were about to come and take him by force, to make him king, withdrew again into the mountain himself alone.*** They didn't understand He meant a Kingdom over the people of God, like David was a king over the people of God. ***(Joh.18:36) Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence. (37) Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end have I been born, and to this end am I come into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.*** In the end time, the Man-child is, in type, David, because the prophecy speaks about

David coming again. **(Act.15:15) And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written, (16) After these things I will return, And I will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen; And I will build again the ruins thereof, And I will set it up: (17) That the residue of men may seek after the Lord, And all the Gentiles, upon whom my name is called, (18) Saith the Lord, who maketh these things known from of old.** These parables are repeated throughout Scripture because history keeps repeating.

David was anointed to rule over the people of God and, Jesus, as the first Man-child, was anointed to rule over the people of God, but when you look at the life of Jesus, He was a humble person. He wasn't looking for physical crowns. People tried to make Him make decisions for them and He refused. **(Mat.12:13) And one out of the multitude said unto him, Teacher, bid my brother divide the inheritance with me. (14) But he said unto him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?** He wasn't seeking a position in the world. The devil offered Him a position in the world, a physical, worldly kingdom and He turned it down. **(Mat.4:1) Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. (8) Again, the devil taketh him unto an exceeding high mountain, and showeth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; (9) and he said unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. (10) Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. (11) Then the devil leaveth him; and behold, angels came and**



***ministered unto him.*** The sad thing is that many of the leaders of Christianity are not turning down the devil. They want a worldly kingdom; they believe that this is God’s will. But Jesus lived a very simple life. ***(Mat.8:20) And Jesus saith unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the heaven have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head.*** He chose totally to become a servant of God and a servant of God’s people. He didn’t even allow Himself the pleasures that normal men do in this life. He had no wife, no children. His “children” were the people in whom He was sowing the seed of God, as a spiritual Father. He chose to give up His life a long time before He went to the cross. The Man-child in the end time is a people who have devoted themselves to the work of God, to the Kingdom of God, and they have given up their life. They are a people who ***(1Jn.2:15) Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.*** They are being called up to the throne. In the time of David, David sat on God’s throne and ruled for Him. ***(1Ch.28:4) Howbeit the Lord, the God of Israel, chose me out of all the house of my father to be king over Israel for ever: for he hath chosen Judah to be prince; and in the house of Judah, the house of my father; and among the sons of my father he took pleasure in me to make me king over all Israel; (5) And of all my sons (for the Lord hath given me many sons), he hath chosen Solomon my son to sit upon the throne of the kingdom of the Lord over Israel.*** So, in type, the Kingdom of God is on the earth, but it’s spiritual and it can’t be seen. ***(Luk.17:20) And being asked by the Pharisees, when the king-***

***dom of God cometh, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation: (21) neither shall they say, Lo, here! or, There! for lo, the kingdom of God is within you. The Kingdom of God is everywhere in your life where God rules.***

***(Rev.12:5) And she was delivered of a son, a man child, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and unto his throne.*** In type, we see the Man-child Moses was caught up to the throne when he went to the mountain of God. Jesus, too, was caught up to the throne when He started His ministry. He was spiritually caught up to the throne and He was given the anointing of the Holy Spirit to be King. When He was asked by Pilate, “Are you a king?” He said, “For this reason have I come into the world.” ***(Joh.18:37) Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end have I been born, and to this end am I come into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.*** Yes, He’s a King! Praise be to God! And you know, the Lord is doing the same thing in our day. Nobody can claim any credit for this. Nobody can be boastful about what the Lord does. It’s a gift of grace. Everything God does is a gift of grace. As Paul said, ***(1Co.15:9) For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. (10) But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not found vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.*** “I am what I am

through the grace of the Lord, Jesus Christ.” He was, arguably, the greatest apostle, and yet he didn’t claim credit for it. He knew that it all came from God, it was God’s choosing, and so it is in our day, folks. God’s people are crying out for deliverance and, just as God sent the man-child to the Israelites when they were in bondage in Egypt, once again, God is sending a Man-child to deliver God’s people out of bondage in the world. The Israelites had served their flesh, the Egyptian Harlot, and the Egyptian Beast for a long time. ***(Exo.12:40) Now the time that the children of Israel dwelt in Egypt was four hundred and thirty years. (41) And it came to pass at the end of four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the Lord went out from the land of Egypt.*** I believe it says 430 years there because it’s going back and counting from the time that Joseph was sold to Potiphar, but in Acts, it says 400 years. ***(Act.7:6) And God spake on this wise, that his seed should sojourn in a strange land, and that they should bring them into bondage, and treat them ill, four hundred years.*** The number 400 and the number 40 both represent tribulation in the world, and at the end of 400 years, the Lord sent the man-child. Well, the Church has been in bondage now for over 2000 years and, once again, God is sending a Man-child to deliver God’s people who are crying out in Egypt.

God’s people don’t know why their religious life doesn’t work for them. You know, folks, Jesus said, ***(Joh.8:31) ... Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make your free.*** If your “truth” is not setting you free, it’s not the truth. That’s the whole point. The Lord, through Jesus Christ, delivered us from the curse. He delivered us

from bondage in Egypt; He delivered us out of the power of our enemies, as Luke plainly says: **(Luk.1:68) Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; For he hath visited and wrought redemption for his people, (69) And hath raised up a horn of salvation for us In the house of his servant David** (There it is again!) **(70) (As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets that have been from of old), (71) Salvation from our enemies....** That's "enemies," plural! So how many enemies are we talking about? When God's people were in bondage in Egypt, we talked about an individual enemy, the Egyptian that represents the old man. Then there was the corporate Harlot enemy and, finally, there was the corporate Beast enemy. Those are the same entities to which God's people were in bondage in Jesus' day. He "wrought redemption for His people" and He calls it, **(Luk.1:71) Salvation from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us.** That goes beyond our physical enemies. It also speaks of our spiritual enemies, the principalities and the powers and the rulers of darkness (Ephesians 6:12). You know, when the Israelites went into the Promised Land and they drove out the Canaanite, in type, what they did was put the old man to death. And they conquered the gods that ruled over the Canaanites, which represent the principalities and powers. **(Luk.1:71) Salvation from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us; (72) To show mercy towards our fathers, And to remember his holy covenant; (73) The oath which he spake unto Abraham our father, (74) To grant unto us that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies Should serve him without fear.** When was this written? This was at the very beginning of Jesus'

ministry, folks! It’s talking about the redemption that the Man-child is going to bring the people of God and the very next chapter is when the Man-child Jesus is born. This is a parallel to our day. We are right here in Luke Chapter 1 and looking forward to Luke Chapter 2, which shows us the time of the covenant between Caesar and the whole world being enrolled and the man-child being born (Luke 2:1-7). We’re right here in Luke Chapter 1 and God is saying to us that He has already wrought our deliverance from bondage. He has delivered us out of the power of our enemies. And where is this deliverance? It’s in the Man-child ministry that God is raising up to lead His people through the wilderness to the Promised Land.

We saw that Moses’ job was to bring His people through the wilderness, where they should have learned to trust in God. Well, some few, some very few, learned to trust in God, and the others died in the wilderness; so it was their fruit that Moses brought into the Promised Land. Joshua and Caleb entered in the flesh and of the rest of all the Israelites, only their children entered in. That’s going to happen again. Multitudes of Christians will die in the wilderness and only their fruit will enter into the Promised Land. But there will be some who will enter into the Promised Land in their bodies because they’re never going to die. ***(1Th.4:15) For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we that are alive, that are left unto the coming of the Lord, shall in no wise precede them that are fallen asleep. (16) For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven, with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first; (17) then we that are alive, that are left, shall together with them be***

***caught up in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.*** So we see the job of the Man-child is to bring about the redemption that the Lord Jesus bought for His people; it's to deliver them from the power of their enemies. ***(Rev.12:6) And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that there they*** (That's the corporate body of the Man-child ministry.) ***may nourish her a thousand two hundred and threescore days.*** Just as Moses was used of God to nourish Israel in the wilderness, and Jesus nourished God's people in the wilderness, the Man-child will nourish the Woman. The Man-child will nourish the Woman with the true Word of the Unleavened Bread. ***(Mat.4:4) ... It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.*** ***(Joh.8:31) Jesus therefore said to those Jews that had believed him, If ye abide in my word, then are ye truly my disciples; (32) and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.*** That's what salvation from our enemies is!

We're looking toward a great time of deliverance for God's people! If you're struggling and straining under the curse of this world, if you're crying out to God for family, for friends, for yourself, for a sickness, for a curse of some kind. If you want to serve God, but you're in bondage to the flesh, lift up your head because "your redemption draweth nigh"! ***(Luk.21:28) But when these things begin to come to pass, look up, and lift up your heads; because your redemption draweth nigh.*** Praise be to God, folks! It's not going to be long now! Keep praying, keep looking up, keep trusting in God because the end is



near. Glory be to God! Father, we thank You, thank You for Your good news that You are showing us in these types and shadows. Thank You for fulfilling it for us. Thank You, Father, in the name of Jesus Christ. God bless you, saints!

## CHAPTER SIX

### “Show the house to the house”

God bless you, saints! Thank you so much for joining us again. I'm going to share a revelation with you here about spiritual Israel and about the real temple of God. There's something being taught by apostate Christianity that's broadly believed among the people of God, but it's wrong, just like anything that's broadly believed among the people of God is always wrong. It's been that way throughout history, so if you are comforting yourself because you're part of the majority of believers in some doctrine, don't! Today, the overwhelming majority of Christianity believes that the Jews have to rebuild a physical temple in the Middle East for the Tribulation to start. One of the Scriptures they use in support of that is, **(2Th.2:3) *Let no man beguile you in any wise: for it will not be, except the falling away come first, and the man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition, (4) he that opposeth and exalteth himself against all that is called God or that is worshipped; so that he sitteth in the temple*** (this is the Greek word *naos*) ***of God, setting himself forth as God.*** Some of you have studied with us long enough and have seen enough proof to know that this is not talking about some individual who's going to show up, called “the Antichrist.” It has already been revealed who this is in the Scriptures. Judas Iscariot was called the “son of perdition” (John 17:12); Judas sat in the temple of God which, of course, was the people of God. We know that because the word for “temple” there, *naos*, is used by the Apostle Paul nine times in the New Testament and not one

time was he talking about a physical temple. According to *Strong’s*, *naos* means “a local church” or “the present body of the individual believer” or “the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb, as the ‘Temple.’” So Paul was talking about the people of God and, in the end time, we’re seeing the son of perdition again. He’s sitting in the temple of God, which is the Church and, of course, he’s his own god. Judas was just that way, folks. He sat in the temple of God, but he was a thief, he was a liar and he was unfaithful to those who took care of him. He ultimately denied the Christ and ended up sending the body of Christ to the cross, which is a spiritual type for these days. The Lord spoke to me about a “son of perdition” who’s coming on the scene; it’s a corporate body of people who are in the body of Christ. They’re in the temple of God but they are Judases and they are going to do the exact same thing that Judas did. If you want to study this in more detail, you’ll see a lot of proof in our book, *Hidden Manna*, under “The Son of Perdition.” You will be totally convinced this has nothing to do with some man called “the Antichrist” sitting in a temple and, if it did, he’s going to be sitting in the wrong temple! This is talking about the body of Christ. So those who are convinced that the Jews are going to rebuild the temple only see Jews in the natural, not in the spiritual, and they only see the temple in the natural, not in the spiritual. Their eyes are full of letter. The letter has deceived them. Then there are those who think that the temple in Ezekiel is the temple that’s going to be rebuilt in the Tribulation or that it will be a Millennial temple. None of those doctrines are the truth and I’m going to share with you Scriptures to prove that.

***(Eze.40:2) In the visions of God brought he me into the land of Israel, and set me down upon a***

***very high mountain, whereon was as it were the frame of a city on the south.*** You may not know this, but there is no very high mountain on the north side of the city, so what high mountain is Ezekiel talking about here? He's talking about the Kingdom of God as being a very high mountain. Daniel spoke about this mountain, which was in the dream God gave to Nebuchadnezzar. ***(Dan.2:34) Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon its feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them in pieces. (35) Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken in pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshing-floors; and the wind carried them away, so that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.*** Out of the top of this mountain would roll a stone that would smite the image of the Beast in the feet and crumble the whole Beast kingdom. This mountain is also spoken of, for instance, in Micah. ***(Mic.4:1) But in the latter days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established on the top of the mountains....*** Can you see that as physical or can you only see that as spiritual? On the top of the mountains symbolizes that the Kingdom of God is above the kingdoms of this world. People out of all the kingdoms of this world will enter that Kingdom and it will be to them ruling over the worldly, natural life. ***(Mic.4:1) But in the latter days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established on the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and peoples*** (that's

a term used for “Gentiles”) **shall flow unto it. (2) And many nations shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, and to the house of the God of Jacob** (Here’s the house of God on the high mountain and it’s on the top of the mountains. No wonder it’s a very high mountain!); **and he will teach us of his ways** (This is what it is to be in God’s Kingdom. He will teach us of His ways.), **and we will walk in his paths** (That’s the only way you can be on that mountain!). **For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of God from Jerusalem; (Mic.4:3) and he will judge between many peoples, and will decide concerning strong nations** (This is probably talking about the great war between the nations.) **afar off: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks....** That’s spoken of the Millennial reign, which comes after the great Armageddon war (Isaiah 2:4; Joel 3:10). Well, here we have this great mountain that nobody has ever seen and it’s setting on top of the mountains of the world. This is a spiritual revelation of the people of God being promoted over the world.

**(Eze.40:3) And he brought me thither; and, behold, there was a man, whose appearance was like the appearance of brass** (this is probably the Lord), **with a line of flax in his hand, and a measuring reed; and he stood in the gate.** That’s the gate of the house of God. **(4) And the man said unto me, Son of man, behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears, and set thy heart upon all that I shall show thee; for, to the intent that I may show them unto thee, art thou brought hither: declare all that thou**

***seest to the house of Israel.*** Throughout this revelation, notice we don't see anybody building this temple! We only see a man of brass going around measuring God's temple and showing these measurements unto Ezekiel. Let me share something with you that the Lord showed me about this. ***(Eze.43:10) Thou, son of man, show the house to the house of Israel...*** Well, the house of God is the people of God, isn't it? The house of God in the New Testament is New Testament spiritual Israel. We are the temple of God! So now He's showing the house, the people of God, what the house is supposed to look like; He's showing them what they're supposed to look like. ***(Eze.43:10) Thou, son of man, show the house to the house of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their iniquities; and let them measure the pattern.*** Now what would cause people to repent? Seeing the pattern of the real house of God would cause people to repent. We've been lied to so much by apostate leadership and religions that we don't know what the house of God is supposed to look like. We don't really know what the temple is supposed to look like until we get into the Word. It is the Word that describes for us what this temple is supposed to look like and some people do come to repentance through reading the Word. Well, that's exactly what this revelation of the temple is all about. The Lord said, "Show this revelation to them and they will repent."

***(Eze.43:11) And if they be ashamed of all that they have done*** (In other words, if they are ashamed of their fake temples they have made.), ***make known unto them the form of the house, and the fashion thereof, and the egresses thereof, and the entrances thereof*** (In other words, the way out and the way in. How do we



get in and out of the temple of God? The Word of God gives us this revelation; the Word tells you what puts you in the Kingdom and what puts you out of the Kingdom.), **and all the forms thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and all the forms thereof, and all the laws thereof; and write it in their sight; that they may keep the whole form thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and do them.** The laws, folks, show us what the temple of God is supposed to look like. They show us whether we are in the temple or whether we are out of the temple. **(Eze.43:12) This is the law of the house: upon the top of the mountain the whole limit thereof round about shall be most holy. Behold, this is the law of the house.** The “law of the house” is the Word of God, folks. The Word of God describes the “house.” God’s people need to know that because they have been sold a pack of lies about what the real temple of God looks like. This revelation of the measurements of the temple shows where the temple stops and the world starts. That’s what the Word of God delineates for us and people need to hear this revelation because it can cause people to repent.

This revelation of the temple of God from the Old Testament is a spiritual revelation to us and the New Testament tells us the same revelation again. **(Eph.2:19) So then ye are no more strangers and sojourners, but ye are fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God, (20) being built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets....** Folks, we need to get back on the foundation. We’ve been building on another foundation for too long. **(Jud.3) Beloved, while I was giving all diligence to write unto you of our common salvation, I was constrained**

***to write unto you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints.*** We need to go back to what we were told in the beginning. ***(Eph.2:20) Being built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the chief corner stone; (21) in whom each several building, fitly framed together, groweth into a holy temple in the Lord*** (So who's building this temple? The Lord is doing this.); ***(22) in whom ye also are builded together for a habitation of God in the Spirit.*** We, corporately, are being put together as the house of God in the New Testament. We aren't concerned about any earthly building that apostate Christianity will claim to be the temple of God.

Let me point out to you something that it says about this "house" in Ezekiel. ***(Eze.43:7) And he said unto me, Son of man, this is the place of my throne, and the place of the soles of my feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel for ever.*** This temple, that they are saying is going to be rebuilt for the Tribulation period, is the place where God's presence is going to be forever! How could that even be possible? Religion has stuck God in a box, folks! But, sad to say, there are many, many Christians who are promoting this silly idea that they are going to rebuild Ezekiel's temple, which is very similar to Solomon's temple. And they say that's where God's going to be in His box forever! Really? ***(Eze.43:7) And he said unto me, Son of man, this is the place of my throne, and the place of the soles of my feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel for ever.*** You know, folks, God has an eternal temple, but this box isn't it! And this is a revelation of that tem-

ple, but building this temple physically on the earth is not what He has in mind. **(Act.7:47) But Solomon built him a house.** Solomon’s temple is very, very similar to the one we’re looking at in Ezekiel. **(Act.7:48) Howbeit the Most High dwelleth not in houses made with hands....** So, if He’s dwelling in this particular house forever and He’s saying here in the New Testament that He doesn’t dwell in a house made with hands, then what difference does it make if the Jews build a physical temple? First of all, they’re not going to build it, but let me just point out to you, that’s not what God is looking for and not what He’s interested in. **(Act.7:48) Howbeit the Most High dwelleth not in houses made with hands; as saith the prophet, (49) The heaven is my throne** (Wait a minute! He said this temple is His throne forever, but now He’s saying the heaven is His throne. Well, this must be a temple in the Kingdom of Heaven and not a physical temple in the world on the earth.), **And the earth the footstool of my feet: What manner of house will ye build me? saith the Lord: Or what is the place of my rest? (Act.7:50) Did not my hand make all these things? (51) Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Spirit: as your fathers did, so do ye.** Is He not rebuking them for the idea of building Him a physical temple on the earth? It is so plain! And He’s also identifying the “stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart” who are on this earth today, isn’t He? The same kind of Pharisees are ruling over Christianity who were ruling over Judaism. They’re blind as bats, folks! No, God’s not building any temple on this earth and He’s not interested in the Jews building one, either, but if they’re going to be ready for the

Tribulation, then they had better start building it because the Tribulation is coming very quickly.

**(Act.15:14) Symeon hath rehearsed how first God visited the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for his name.** Out of the Gentiles will come a people for His name! **(15) And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written, (16) After these things I will return, And I will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen....** The tabernacle, of course, is a mobile, temporary temple, and we know that in these days God is going to raise up David once again -- not a physical David, but a spiritual David, to rule over His spiritual New Testament Israel. Jesus was that David. He was that Man-child in His day. **(Act.15:16) After these things I will return, And I will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen; And I will build again the ruins thereof, And I will set it up** (He didn't say any men were going to build any temple, did He? He said, "I will set it up"!): **(Act.15:17) That the residue (or "remnant") of men may seek after the Lord, And all the Gentiles, upon whom my name is called.** What temple is God building here? It's His mobile temple. It's mobile because God's people are mobile. They are sojourners wandering through a wilderness. The wilderness is the Tribulation and it's about to start. What do you need in the wilderness? What did the Israelites have in the wilderness? In type, they had a mobile temple. They had the Ark of the Covenant in their mobile tabernacle. But God said He was the One who is going to build this New Testament tabernacle of David.

**(Heb.8:1) Now in the things which we are saying the chief point is this: We have such a high priest,**

***who sat down on the right hand of the throne (there it is again) of the Majesty in the heavens, (2) a minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, not man. Here’s the true tabernacle that’s going through the wilderness; it’s God’s people wandering through the wilderness once again (Revelation 12; 17). (Heb.9:11) But Christ having come a high priest of the good things to come, through the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this creation, (12) nor yet through the blood of goats and calves, but through his own blood, entered in once for all into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption. The Bible calls us “priests of God” (Exodus 19:6; 1 Peter 2:9) and, as priests, we have sacrifices to make upon this earth. We have a sacrifice of the old fleshly beast, a burnt-offering, if you will. (Rom.12:1) I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service. So, as priests of God in God’s temple, we have to sacrifice this old life. It’s a continual burnt-offering that the Jews don’t have anymore. Yet, some people say the Jews are going to start up their animal sacrifices again because there has to be a temple and there has to be a man in that temple, and they have to break the sacrifice in the midst of the Tribulation. Folks, I’m going to tell you what breaks the sacrifice for some in the middle and that’s the mark of the Beast. Those who have been committing their life to the Lord, but who take the mark of the Beast, as many so-called “Christians” will do, will give up their sacrifice in the midst of the Tribulation. It’s exactly as the Bible says,***

but people are seeing this in the letter! They're not understanding what the true temple of God is and so they are not seeing the danger of what's really coming. They don't understand that this has more to do with the Christians than it does with the Jews.

Of course, a remnant of Jews are going to be grafted back into their own olive tree and then they will be Christians and they won't be sacrificing bulls and goats. God isn't interested in that; it's an abomination to Him. ***(Isa.1:11) What unto me is the multitude of your sacrifices? saith the Lord: I have had enough of the burnt-offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of he-goats. (12) When ye come to appear before me, who hath required this at your hand, to trample my courts? (13) Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; new moon and sabbath, the calling of assemblies,- I cannot away with iniquity and the solemn meeting.*** You are rejecting the sacrifice of Jesus Christ when you do that. ***(Isa.1:4) Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evil-doers, children that deal corruptly! they have forsaken the Lord, they have despised the Holy One of Israel, they are estranged and gone backward.*** They rejected the Holy One of Israel and then God turned around and told them their sacrifices were an abomination unto Him, to get them out of His sight. Also, we just saw that He said these people were uncircumcised in heart. They were stiffnecked, rebellious people, uncircumcised in heart. Well, who do you think can enter into God's New Testament temple? In the Old Testament, you had to be circumcised to enter into the



temple or else you couldn't go there. And what did God tell Ezekiel about the temple? (**Eze.44:9**) ***Thus saith the Lord God, No foreigner, uncircumcised in heart and uncircumcised in flesh, shall enter into my sanctuary, of any foreigners that are among the children of Israel.*** Wow! No one uncircumcised in heart can enter. What does that mean? That means if you are not born-again, you're not in this temple. So this couldn't be a temple the Jews are building because the overwhelming majority of them are not born-again. And if they went back to sacrificing bulls and goats, you would know they are not born-again, so they're uncircumcised in heart. How in the world could they even enter a temple, if they built it? They couldn't enter it since the only people in this temple are born-again children of God!

You know, there's a natural uncircumcision of flesh and there is a spiritual uncircumcision of flesh. The flesh has to be cut off. When you are baptized, you reckon yourself to be dead unto sin, the old man is cut off. (**Rom.6:3**) ***Or are ye ignorant that all we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? (6) knowing this, that our old man was crucified with [him,] that the body of sin might be done away, that so we should no longer be in bondage to sin; (11) Even so reckon ye also yourselves to be dead unto sin, but alive unto God in Christ Jesus.*** This is not talking about physical Jews because in this temple there are only born-again people. Who is a Jew in the New Testament? (**Rom.2:28**) ***For he is not a Jew who is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision which is outward in the flesh: (29) but he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the***

***heart, in the spirit not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.*** In other words, New Testament spiritual Jews are the only people who are going to be in this temple. This temple doesn't have anything to do with the physical Jews building a physical temple in the Middle East, where they start their sacrifices again and then some man called "the Antichrist" takes it away from them in the middle. That's ridiculous! It's not going to happen! The Bible tells us it's not going to happen and even Jesus said it wasn't going to happen in the story of the woman at the well. ***(Joh.4:7) There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give me to drink. (9) The Samaritan woman therefore saith unto him, How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, who am a Samaritan woman? (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) (10) Jesus answered and said unto unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water. (11) The woman saith unto him, Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep: whence then hast thou that living water? (12) Art thou greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his sons, and his cattle? (13) Jesus answered and said unto her, Every one that drinketh of this water shall thirst again: (14) but whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall become in him a well of water springing up unto eternal life. (15) The woman saith unto him, Sir, give me this wa-***

**ter, that I thirst not, neither come all the way hither to draw. (19) The woman saith unto him, Sir, I perceive that thou art a prophet. (20) Our fathers worshipped in this mountain** (she’s talking about the physical mountain); **and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship. (21) Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when neither in this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, shall ye worship the Father.** He wasn’t giving any credit to any temple they could possibly have there, was He? **(Joh.4:22) Ye worship that which ye know not: we worship that which we know; for salvation is from the Jews. (23) But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and truth: for such doth the Father seek to be his worshippers. (24) God is Spirit: and they that worship him must worship in spirit and truth.** Jesus is saying it isn’t going to have anything to do with either this mountain or the temple in Jerusalem. In the New Testament, it has to do with those who worship Him in spirit and in truth.

We are joined together in one Spirit. The Holy Spirit has one body -- the temple of God. This is the temple that God’s building, according to Ephesians 2. It’s the one that’s a replica of the Ezekiel temple and He called it the “law of the house.” The Lord went around and measured every part of that house and showed those measurements to Ezekiel, but why would He measure a house? It was to show the bounds of the house; it was to show where the house stops and the world starts. What does the Word of God do? It teaches us the bounds of the temple of God. **(1Co.6:18) ... Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he**

***that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.*** What is the body of Christ? It is the temple of God. The Word of God, the “law of the house,” teaches us what is sin and what is righteousness. It teaches us what is worldly and what is Heavenly. God is making it plain to us where the temple ends and where the world starts. This is what God’s people need right now more than anything. And we see that Jesus said the time is coming when God isn’t going to be worshipped either in a physical temple or in a physical city of Jerusalem. God seeks people to worship Him in spirit and in truth. He’s not interested in temples made with man’s hands. There are some who have the opinion that this temple is going to be built in the Millennium and not before the Tribulation, but the Lord himself denies this. ***(Rev.21:1) And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth are passed away; and the sea is no more. (2) And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven of God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband. (10) And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, (22) And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God the Almighty, and the Lamb, are the temple thereof.*** Most people consider this to be the time of the Millennium and John is saying that there’s no temple there, which makes perfect sense because the Bride, the New Jerusalem, is the temple. As a matter of fact, that’s exactly what the Bible says in Jeremiah.

***(Jer.3:17) At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the Lord; and all the nations*** (or “Gen-

tiles”) ***shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the Lord***. Now we know the boundary of the temple: it’s the name of the Lord! The proof of that is in the previous verse, where it talks about the Ark of the Covenant. ***(Jer.3:16) And it shall come to pass, when ye are multiplied and increased in the land, in those days, saith the Lord, they shall say no more, The ark of the covenant of the Lord; neither shall it come to mind; neither shall they remember it; neither shall they miss it; neither shall it be made any more. (17) At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the Lord....*** The Ark of the Covenant sat in the Holy of Holies of the temple and the mercy seat was on top of the Ark. The mercy seat was the throne of the Lord in the Holy of Holies. The Lord was enthroned in the holiest part of the temple, yet here He’s saying that the Ark won’t come to mind and nobody will make it anymore, but Jerusalem will be His throne. Wow! The temple of God has grown and, all of a sudden, this New Testament temple is inhabited by the nations, the Gentiles. And He is the One who will gather them to it, to the name of the Lord. The word for “name” in the Old Testament is *shem* and in the New Testament it’s *onoma*, but they both have the same meaning, which is “nature, character and authority.” This New Jerusalem represents the nature, character and authority of the Lord. ***(Jer.3:17) At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the Lord; and all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the Lord, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any more after the stubbornness of their evil heart.*** Of course not! They are the temple of God. God’s presence is in them and glowing forth from them. ***(Jer.3:18) In those days the***

***house of Judah shall walk with the house of Israel, and they shall come together out of the land of the north to the land that I gave for an inheritance unto your fathers.*** And you know what He said to these people? He said, “Ye shall call me My Father.” (***Jer.3:19***) ***But I said, How I will put thee among the children, and give thee a pleasant land, a goodly heritage of the hosts of the nations! and I said, Ye shall call me My Father, and shall not turn away from following me.*** This is the temple of the Lord. This is New Testament spiritual Israel, New Jerusalem, which is the daughter of physical Jerusalem. New Jerusalem, the Bride, is being created upon this earth now, first in spirit, then soul and then body. Physically, it will be coming down as a body after the end of the Tribulation. (***Rev.21:2***) ***And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven of God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband.*** That’s the throne of the Lord right there! And so, once again, we see that this is not talking about a physical temple that is going to be built. That’s not a temple that God is sanctioning. The temple He is sanctioning is the one He says will convict His people of their sins when they receive a revelation of the Word of God, which is that the Kingdom of God on earth is to walk in the righteousness, the truth and the holiness of the Lord God.

And we’ve seen that the Lord Himself is the One who builds this house. It’s a house made without hands because no man can ever build a house that God’s going to accept. (***Exo.15:17***) ***Thou wilt bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of thine inheritance*** (The mountain is God’s inheritance for His people, spiritually-speaking.), ***The place, O Lord, which thou hast***



***made for thee to dwell in*** (Who’s made it? The Lord made it. God is making this house.), ***The sanctuary, O Lord, which thy hands have established.*** We don’t see men building this Ezekiel temple; we see the Lord Himself with His measuring instruments going around and measuring this temple. This is a temple that’s not made with hands. Its dimensions are prescribed by God and its dimensions are the Word of God, and He is the Word who is measuring this temple. Jesus was speaking about this when He told the Jews, ***(Joh.2:19) ... Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.*** I’m sure they were thinking about the physical temple, but Jesus wasn’t talking about that. He was talking about the temple of His body. ***(Joh.2:20) The Jews therefore said, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou raise it up in three days?*** Folks, “three days” has a double revelation here. ***(1Co.15:22) For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.*** In the loins of Adam, when he fell, all mankind fell into sin, but spiritually in Christ, we were resurrected with Him. Jesus sowed the seed, which brings forth the fruit in His people, and when He was resurrected, all of those who were chosen were resurrected with Him. But there are two resurrections of the third day. On the third day, Jesus was resurrected and all of the Church was resurrected with Him, and now we’ve entered into the third day from the birth of the last Adam, Jesus. ***(2Pe.3:8) But forget not this one thing, beloved, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.*** We’ve come to the end of the second and third millennial day since Christ and we’re at the morning of the third millennial day. ***(Joh.2:19) Jesus answered***

***and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up. (20) The Jews therefore said, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou raise it up in three days? (21) But he spake of the temple of his body.*** And so the Lord says He's going to build this Ezekiel temple in our day. It's going to be made without hands; therefore, it's not a physical temple; it's the spiritual temple about which all the New Testament speaks. It's the one that Paul was speaking about in 2 Thessalonians 2. It's the one into which only those who are circumcised in heart can enter. The Lord Jesus Himself is raising up this temple and He's going to be finished with it very soon. Glory be to God!

Now I'd like to point out to you another revelation found in the Ezekiel temple that also lets us know this temple has nothing to do with any physical temple. ***(Eze.45:21) In the first [month,] in the fourteenth day of the month, ye shall have the passover, a feast of seven days....*** The Feast of Unleavened Bread was those last seven days that God's people were in Egypt and it represents the 70th week of Daniel. At the end of that time, they left Egypt, which was a type of the world. So the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread also represent the Tribulation. During the Tribulation, the Man-child, the two witnesses and the elders whom they raise up are going to be feeding the unleavened bread. Anybody who was found with leaven during those seven days was cut off from Israel. ***(Exo.12:19) Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a sojourner, or one that is born in the land.*** God's peo-

ple are going to be feeding on the real truth of the Word of God for those seven days, which are years. These last seven days are for God to raise up His Church with truth. **(Eze.45:22) And upon that day shall the prince prepare for himself and for all the people of the land a bullock for a sin-offering. (23) And the seven days of the feast he shall prepare a burnt-offering to the Lord, seven bullocks and seven rams without blemish daily the seven days; and a he-goat daily for a sin-offering.** So for the whole seven days, He’s preparing the sin offering, the burnt flesh of the beast. God is going to be burning-up the flesh of the old man. **(Rom.12:1) I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service.** For seven days, God’s going to be doing this. **(Eze.45:24) And he shall prepare a meal-offering, an ephah for a bullock, and an ephah for a ram, and a hin of oil to an ephah. (25) In the seventh [month,] in the fifteenth day of the month, in the feast, shall he do the like the seven days....** So the Lord is going to be sacrificing the flesh of beasts as a burnt-offering through the fiery trial in the wilderness for seven days, according to the sin offering.

**(Eze.46:1) Thus saith the Lord God: The gate of the inner court that looketh toward the east shall be shut the six working days; but on the sabbath day it shall be opened....** Now the six working days are the 6000 years of history leading up to the beginning of this Millennium and the seventh day, the day of the Sabbath is, of course, the seventh millennial day of rest. This is why judgment is coming now because God’s people are

breaking God's Sabbath. The born-again children of God have come to the Sabbath, where God demands that everyone cease from their works. He demands that everyone enter into the rest, where they are to do God's works and not their own. And here we are on the seventh day, but men are still doing their works and so judgment is falling. It's falling exactly as the types and shadows of the judgments upon those who did not keep the Sabbath in the Old Testament. Well, here we see in type that at the end of the seven days of Tribulation, the offerings have all been made and guess who shows up to enter the temple? The King! The Prince! ***(Eze.46:1) Thus saith the Lord God: The gate of the inner court that looketh toward the east shall be shut the six working days; but on the sabbath day it shall be opened, and on the day of the new moon it shall be opened. (2) And the prince shall enter by the way of the porch of the gate without, and shall stand by the post of the gate....*** So the Prince is coming to fully enter His temple. The Bridal ceremony is over and now the consummation is happening. In type, after seven days of Tribulation and all of the sacrifices have been made, the Lord comes. That's exactly what the Scriptures teach everywhere else, but this can only happen in a New Testament spiritual temple, not in a physical temple. Once again, we see that God's not talking about building a physical Ezekiel Temple in the end times for any physical burnt-offerings of flesh.

We know that some Orthodox Jews and many Christians are hoping that the ashes of the red heifer will be found or that they will find a red heifer to sacrifice. But I think they need to have both the ashes from the previous red heifer to cleanse the next offering, as well as a red heifer to sacrifice.

Why do they need to have those? They need them because, if they have a temple, the priests have to be clean and without the water for purification, they can't be clean. So they need the ashes of the red heifer to make the water of purification. If they don't have that, they couldn't enter the temple, even if they had a temple! Well, since we know that the temple is the spiritual Temple of God and only those who are circumcised in heart can enter into it, who do you think the red heifer is? It's Jesus Christ! Very simply and very clearly, it's Jesus Christ! He's the only way we can be cleansed, so that we can enter into the temple, but they're running down every red heifer they can find, looking to see if it is perfect because, according to Scripture, it has to be perfect. ***(Num.19:1) And the Lord spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, (2) This is the statute of the law which the Lord hath commanded, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring thee a red heifer without spot, wherein is no blemish, and upon which never came yoke.*** They're looking for a perfectly pure red heifer. They have American people raising red heifers, too, trying to find one that doesn't have a hair that turns white after she's grown up or some other impurity such as that. But they haven't found a perfect red heifer yet and they never will because there is only one perfectly pure red heifer. Jesus Christ is the One who bore our sins; He's our sacrifice and that's why He is red. ***(Num.19:3) And ye shall give her unto Eleazar the priest, and he shall bring her forth without the camp.... Jesus suffered without the camp. (Heb.13:11) For the bodies of those beasts whose blood is brought into the holy place by the high priest as an offering for sin, are burned without the camp.***

***(12) Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people through his own blood, suffered without the gate. (13) Let us therefore go forth unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach.***

***(Num.19:3) And ye shall give her unto Eleazar the priest, and he shall bring her forth without the camp, and one shall slay her before his face: (4) and Eleazar the priest shall take of her blood with his finger, and sprinkle her blood toward the front of the tent of meeting (that is the tabernacle) seven times.*** That blood cleansing is coming seven times through the seven years of Tribulation. ***(Num.19:5) And one shall burn the heifer in his sight; her skin, and her flesh, and her blood, with her dung, shall he burn: (6) and the priest shall take cedar-wood and all these other things. (9) And a man that is clean shall gather up the ashes of the heifer, and lay them up without the camp in a clean place; and it shall be kept for the congregation of the children of Israel for a water for impurity (In other words, a cleansing for those who are impure.): it is a sin-offering. (Num.19:10) And he that gathereth the ashes of the heifer shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: and it shall be unto the children of Israel, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among them, for a statute for ever.*** Now here's the reason you have to be pure and clean: ***(Num.19:11) He that toucheth the dead body of any man shall be unclean seven days....*** That's the seven last days, folks; that's the Tribulation. So what does it mean to touch "the dead body of any man"? It means you are not sanctified. Sanctification is being separated from the old man because the old



man is dead. (**Rom.6:6**) ***Knowing this, that our old man was crucified with [him,] that the body of sin might be done away, that so we should no longer be in bondage to sin.*** He’s dead. If you’re not separated from him, if you touch him, you are unclean. If you are not separated from the old man, then you’re not separated from his ways, you’re not separated from his sin and you need the water of purification. The water represents the Word, in which the ashes of the red heifer have been placed. Paul called it “the washing of water with the word.” (**Eph.5:26**) ***That he might sanctify it, having cleansed it by the washing of water with the word.*** The sacrifice of Jesus Christ is in this Word. He went through the fiery trial; He has been burned up. And, you know, something that’s burned up is pure, the ashes are pure. (**Num.19:11**) ***He that toucheth the dead body of any man shall be unclean seven days: (12) the same shall purify himself therewith on the third day*** (We’re on the third day. Praise be to God!), ***and on the seventh day he shall be clean*** (If you’re unclean, you’re unclean for seven days. The water of purification was to cause you to be clean for that seventh day.): ***but if he purify not himself the third day, then the seventh day he shall not be clean.*** In other words, there is a point at which you have waited too late to come to the Lord and accept the purification of His water.

***(Num.19:13) Whosoever toucheth a dead person, the body of a man that hath died, and purifieth not himself, defileth the tabernacle of the Lord; and that soul shall be cut off from Israel: because the water for impurity was not sprinkled upon him, he shall be unclean; his uncleanness is***

**yet upon him.** Folks, this is the point He's making: God is going to purify His people through those seven days, but there comes a point when it's too late. These people are going to be cut off. There's also going to be, by the way, a mark of the Beast for all of those who are not pure. The mark of the Beast will identify the people who are members of the body of the Beast because they are impure. They are not separated from the old man; they have not been washed with the water for impurity. **(Num.19:20) But the man that shall be unclean, and shall not purify himself, that soul shall be cut off from the midst of the assembly, because he hath defiled the sanctuary of the Lord: the water for impurity hath not been sprinkled upon him; he is unclean.** The Jews, who take this as nothing but the letter, and most Christians, who take all of this as letter, think that they're going to build a temple and establish a priesthood. There's no possibility of that! They don't understand that this is a parable, a revelation for the end time. Any priests of theirs will be unclean, any temple they could build will be an abomination before God and any physical sacrifices of flesh will be an abomination before God. However, we, who are partaking of the ashes of the red heifer, especially in these days leading up to the Tribulation, will be prepared and will be sanctified because the offerings will have been burned up.

You know, the overwhelming majority of Jews in these days don't want a temple. They're afraid it would cause trouble between them and their neighbors, and they're absolutely right. I don't think there will ever be that temple built over there, but if a temple is built, it won't be Ezekiel's temple because the only people who can enter Ezekiel's temple are born-again people. We are the temple of God.

We are the ones who are washed in the ashes of the red heifer for the water for impurity. We are the ones who are sanctified. The reason that they can't even worry about building a temple is that they have no priests who are clean. What do you think God is showing them? They are all unclean and they've all touched dead men. They are all unclean and they can't enter into the sanctuary because of uncleanness. Do you think that God is now going to give them a sign that they are clean? They're not going to build a temple, but if they build a tabernacle, it's purely a sign, folks. It has nothing to do with reality; it has nothing to do with what we're talking about. They are not priests of God anymore. The Bible teaches that we are the priests of God and we enter into the temple. We have a sacrifice to make before God that is pleasing unto Him (Romans 12:1). What did God call natural Israel? (*Isa.1:4*) ***Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evil-doers, children that deal corruptly! they have forsaken the Lord, they have despised the Holy One of Israel, they are estranged and gone backward. (10) Hear the word of the Lord, ye rulers of Sodom; give ear unto the law of our God, ye people of Gomorrah.*** He's talking to Israel here! (*11*) ***What unto me is the multitude of your sacrifices? saith the Lord: I have had enough of the burnt-offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of he-goats. (12) When ye come to appear before me, who hath required this at your hand, to trample my courts? (13) Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; new moon and sabbath, the calling of assemblies,- I cannot away with iniquity and the solemn***

**meeting. (14) Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth; they are a trouble unto me; I am weary of bearing them. (15) And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you; yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood. (16) Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil.** Folks, that's making it pretty plain that God's not accepting carnal sacrifices anymore. He only accepts the sacrifice of your life. Jesus said, **(Mat.10:39) He that findeth his life shall lose it; and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.** God bless you, saints, in Jesus' name! Amen.

## CHAPTER SEVEN

### *“Waters to swim in”*

Greetings, saints! Thank you for continuing with us in this study. The Lord bless you! Dear Father, we ask for Your grace. We ask You to pour out Your Spirit upon us, Lord. We need Your anointing. Lord, we desire to study Your Word and we need Your Wisdom, Father. Open our eyes and ears to perceive and understand Your Word and to retain it, Lord. Do what You have promised in Your Word, Lord. You said You would bring all things to our remembrance that You have spoken unto us and that’s what we desire, Lord -- a better recall. Let Your Spirit bring things to mind, Lord. Thank You so much, Father, for the Word and we love to put Your Word in our heart. We know it’s the only way to bring forth Jesus Christ. He is the Word made flesh. And, Lord, teach us how to humble ourselves to Your Word and not just to be hearers, but doers of the Word. Thank You so much Lord, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

I want to continue in Ezekiel and I received a prophecy from sister S.H. that ties in with our study, so I’d like to share it with you. She said, *I woke up this morning with the words reverberating in my spirit, “Command the river to flow!” And as I was praying, God spoke to my heart and said to tell you that, as Ezekiel, you have watched the waters flow around your ankles and then to your knees, then to your loins, and you have been in the water this deep for a long time and have wondered, “God, when is it going to overflow the boundaries and become a river to swim in?”* Yes, I have. I’ve prayed for that for a long time. I’ve asked the Lord, “Lord, I need more of Your Spirit, more of

Your Word and more of Your anointing.” She continued, *God says to you, David, “Come again to the river bank because now it is a river that cannot be passed over, waters to swim in.” So, by the power and authority that has been given to me in Jesus’ name, I command the waters to overflow, so that the everlasting Gospel be preached to every nation, kindred, tongue and people. Amen! Thank You, Father! Well, that’s exactly what we desire and I believe you’ll recognize that some of what was written here is straight out of Ezekiel 47. I’d like to look at that and see what the Lord will say to us because I believe that we’re coming to this point right now. God has prepared a wondrous revival! (Eze.47:1) **And he brought me back unto the door of the house; and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house....** Now let me remind you that the “house” here is what many people call “Ezekiel’s Temple.” And we’ve already discovered that Ezekiel’s Temple is not a physical temple anybody has ever built. Some people think it might be built in these days, but I believe they’re totally wrong because I don’t think Ezekiel’s temple has anything to do with a physical building and I’ll tell you why. (Eze.43:5) **And the Spirit took me up, and brought me into the inner court; and, behold, the glory of the Lord filled the house. (6) And I heard one speaking unto me out of the house; and a man stood by me. (7) And he said unto me, Son of man, this is the place of my throne, and the place of the soles of my feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel for ever.** So we are talking about a house here that’s God’s eternal house, where He will dwell in the midst of the people of God for ever. That house is actually the children of New Testament*



spiritual Israel, as we’ve studied. ***And the house of Israel shall no more defile my holy name*** (That’s like eternal righteousness, isn’t it?), ***neither they, nor their kings, by their whoredom.*** This is the eternal house! And God says He will dwell in the midst of this house forever.

We also know from Acts that this is not talking about a physical building. ***(Act.7:48) Howbeit the Most High dwelleth not in [houses] made with hands; as saith the prophet, (49) The heaven is my throne, And the earth the footstool of my feet: What manner of house will ye build me? saith the Lord: Or what is the place of my rest? (50) Did not my hand make all these things? (51) Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Spirit: as your fathers did, so do ye.*** Why is He so hard on them here? Obviously, God was meeting with the same resistance in that day with which He’s meeting in this day. People think that it’s important to have a house made with man’s hands and yet all the way through the Old Testament that was merely a type and shadow of something greater in our day. God Himself is building that house, that eternal Ezekiel temple made without man’s hands. And the only people who are in this temple are the circumcised in heart. But notice we just read in Acts that those people who thought that God needed a physical temple were uncircumcised in heart! ***(Eze.44:9) Thus saith the Lord God, No foreigner, uncircumcised in heart and uncircumcised in flesh, shall enter into my sanctuary, of any foreigners that are among the children of Israel.*** So, who are the circumcised in heart? ***(Rom.2:28) For he is not a Jew who is one***

***outwardly; neither is that circumcision which is outward in the flesh: (29) but he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.*** We're still talking about the circumcision of flesh and we're talking about the cutting away of the flesh from your heart, cutting away the flesh, the old man, the carnal nature, from your heart. This is the temple, or house, that he's speaking about here in Ezekiel 47.

***(Eze.47:1) And he brought me back unto the door of the house; and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward; (for the forefront of the house was toward the east;) and the waters came down from under, from the right side of the house, on the south of the altar. (2) Then he brought me out by the way of the gate northward, and led me round by the way without unto the outer gate, by the way of [the gate] that looketh toward the east; and, behold, there ran out waters on the right side.*** So waters were coming out from under the house, out of the temple of God, out of God's presence, and the rest of the story is about these waters being brought to the desert, to the wilderness. Well, what could this mean? If we're talking about the people of God being the temple of God, what could it mean that the waters are issuing out from under the house? Joel might give us a little bit of an idea here. You will recognize this chapter as the one speaking of the judgment upon the nations, even leading up to the great judgment of Armageddon. ***(Joe.3:14) Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! for the day of the Lord is near in***

***the valley of decision. (15) The sun and the moon are darkened, and the stars withdraw their shining.*** And, of course, leading up to that time, we also see God’s protection of His people. ***(Joe.3:16) And the Lord will roar from Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but the Lord will be a refuge unto his people, and a stronghold to the children of Israel.*** God is going to protect His people, even though there will be great judgment upon the nations in these end times. ***(Joe.3:17) So shall ye know that I am the Lord your God, dwelling in Zion my holy mountain*** (Obviously, we’re talking about the holy Kingdom of God and the holy city, which is the Bride. We’re not talking about any physical, backslidden mountain from the Old Testament.): ***then shall Jerusalem be holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more.*** Once again, we see only born-again people; only those who are circumcised in heart will be in this Jerusalem, in this holy mountain, in the end time. ***(Joe.3:18) And it shall come to pass in that day, that the mountains shall drop down sweet wine, and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the brooks of Judah shall flow with waters; and a fountain shall come forth from the house of the Lord*** (There it is, right there!), ***and shall water the valley of Shittim.*** Well, that’s very interesting. *Shittim* here actually means “acacia” which was the wood used in the Ark of the Covenant. It was used in the altar, it was used in the tabernacle, it was used in the staves that carried the Ark. What does all that represent? It represents the temple of God! And we know people are likened unto trees in the Scriptures, so who are these people? These are the people

who make up the temple of God. We are the temple of God, even to our spirit man, the Holy of Holies, in which rests the Ark of the Covenant. “A fountain shall come forth from the house of the Lord and shall water the valley of Shittim,” means the rivers of living water are going to come forth and bless those people who are the true temple of God. When is this going to happen? This is going to happen in the midst of the great turmoil that we’re reading about in Joel 3. God said He was going to be a protection, a refuge to His people, and these waters, of course, are going to water His people, meet their needs, bless them and so on.

Also, I’d like to point out we have something very similar to this in Revelation. ***(Rev.21:22) And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God the Almighty, and the Lamb, are the temple thereof.*** Of course there’s no physical temple there because God now has become the temple. Jesus said, ***(Joh.15:4) Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; so neither can ye, except ye abide in me. (5) I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same beareth much fruit: for apart from me ye can do nothing. (6) If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and they gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. (7) If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatsoever ye will, and it shall be done unto you. (8) Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; and [so] shall ye be my disciples. (9) Even as the Father hath loved me, I also have loved you: abide ye in my love. (10) If ye keep my commandments, ye shall***

***abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father’s commandments, and abide in his love.*** That’s what true Christianity is all about and the ultimate end of God is that “God may be all in all.” (1Co.15:28) ***And when all things have been subjected unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subjected to him that did subject all things unto him, that God may be all in all.*** So we’re talking about the living temple of God, the real temple to which God is leading us and that all the other temples only foreshadowed. (Rev.21:27) ***And there shall in no wise enter into it anything unclean, or he that maketh an abomination and a lie: but only they that are written in the Lamb’s book of life.*** In other words, only those who are born-again, those who are circumcised in heart, will be part of this temple. (Rev.22:1) ***And he showed me a river of water of life, bright as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb....*** The Lord said, (Joh.7:38) ***He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, from within him shall flow rivers of living water.*** (39) ***But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believed on him were to receive: for the Spirit was not yet [given;] because Jesus was not yet glorified.*** So we see something here about this water; we see Jesus called this water the Spirit, but Jesus also said, (Joh.6:63) ***It is the spirit that giveth life; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I have spoken unto you are spirit, and are life.*** He said the words He spoke were spirit! So now we’re talking about waters proceeding out of the innermost being of the true born-again Christians. We’re talking about “rivers of living water” coming out of their mouth as spirit words and

we'll see the purpose of this as we read on.

***(Rev.22:1) And he showed me a river of water of life, bright as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb, (2) in the midst of the street thereof. And on this side of the river and on that was the tree of life.... We're told, (Pro.15:4) A gentle (This is the Hebrew word *marpe* and it means "health," "healing" or "cure.") tongue is a tree of life; But perverseness therein is a breaking of the spirit. Or, in other words, "The healing of the tongue is the tree of life." So now we have words flowing out of the Word of God that's in your heart and over your tongue, which is the tree of life, in order to bear fruit that will heal the nations. (Rev.22:1) And he showed me a river of water of life, bright as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb, (2) in the midst of the street thereof. And on this side of the river and on that was the tree of life, bearing twelve manner of fruits, yielding its fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. We're talking about quite a revival going forth, coming out of those who are Spirit-filled! (Rev.22:3) And there shall be no curse any more: and the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be therein....*** You see, the one thing that comes out of our innermost being is the same thing that came out of Jesus and that is deliverance from the curse. When Jesus healed, when He cast out demons, when He saved souls, and so on and so forth, that was deliverance from the curse. And God has ordained for His people to do the exact same thing for the healing of the nations. As this river of living water is coming out of the throne of God, it is coming out of us individually and it's



coming out of the body of Christ corporately. **(Eze.47:12) And by the river upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side, shall grow every tree for food, whose leaf shall not wither, neither shall the fruit thereof fail: it shall bring forth new fruit every month** (just like we read in Revelation 22), **because the waters thereof issue out of the sanctuary; and the fruit thereof shall be for food, and the leaf thereof for healing.** We know that this is talking about that same spiritual temple that we just read about because what’s coming forth out of that temple, that living temple of God, is the living water of God. And we’ve already discovered the living water is the Spirit and the Spirit, of course, speaks the Words of God. As a matter of fact, we’re told, **(Eze.43:2) And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east: and his voice was like the sound of many waters; and the earth shined with his glory.** So here you have those “waters” being the voice of God, the Word of God!

**(Eze.47:3) When the man went forth eastward with the line in his hand, he measured a thousand cubits, and he caused me to pass through the waters, waters that were to the ankles.** The name *Ezekiel* means “God will strengthen” and God caused Ezekiel to walk through the waters. In the rest of the text, we see that everywhere the waters flow, they bring life. Well, here we see Ezekiel being the first one to step into the waters, very close to where they begin flowing, but why is Ezekiel the one to step into the waters? He was the first one to step into the waters because a great revival is about to start in our day and it’s going to start the same way it started in Jesus’ day: it’s going to start with the Man-child ministry. And, if we

find out who is represented by Ezekiel, then we will understand exactly why it started here with him in this particular passage. ***(Eze.1:26) And above the firmament that was over their heads was the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone; and upon the likeness of the throne was a likeness as the appearance of a man upon it above. (27) And I saw as it were glowing metal, as the appearance of fire within it round about, from the appearance of his loins and upward; and from the appearance of his loins and downward I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and there was brightness round about him. (28) As the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain, so was the appearance of the brightness round about. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord. And when I saw it, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spake.*** Here's Ezekiel, who has been given a vision of the Lord upon His throne. In other words, Ezekiel has been caught up to the throne of God and what happens to him there? ***(Eze.2:1) And he said unto me, Son of man, stand upon thy feet, and I will speak with thee. (3) And the Spirit entered into me when he spake unto me, and set me upon my feet; and I heard him that spake unto me.*** We see that not only was he caught up to the throne of God, but he was also anointed; the Spirit stood him up! "Standing up" symbolizes something very spiritual in the Scriptures. ***(Rom.14:4) Who art thou that judgest the servant of another? to his own lord he standeth or falleth. Yea, he shall be made to stand; for the Lord hath power to make him stand.*** He is talking about our un-

derstanding, our ability to walk with Him.

Of course, before the anointing of the latter rain comes, the very best of us in these days is pretty feeble compared to what is coming, folks. This Man-child who is about to be raised up is going to have the full anointing of the Lord upon him to be able to stand; he’s going to have the fullness of the Spirit upon him to be able to do the work of God. Praise God! We need it so badly, don’t we? And not only that, we need it through all of the body, don’t we? Well, that’s God’s plan. Remember that God took of the anointing that was upon Moses, to put upon the elders (Numbers 11:25). God is going to do greater than that in our days! Well, this is a very good type of Ezekiel being the Man-child; he was called the “son of man” from here almost to the end of the Book of Ezekiel, much like Jesus, the Man-child, was called the “Son of man.” And so we see that the Man-child was the first one to step into the waters to the ankles. ***(Eze.47:4) Again he measured a thousand, and caused me to pass through the waters, waters that were to the knees. Again he measured a thousand, and caused me to pass through the waters, waters that were to the loins. (5) Afterward he measured a thousand; and it was a river that I could not pass through; for the waters were risen, waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed through.*** Praise the Lord! We see this as a river of the water of the Spirit. These are living waters that are proceeding from God Himself. His Word is being spoken to bring this forth.

When I read this one day, I asked, “Lord, what is the thousand cubits, another thousand cubits, another thousand cubits?” The Lord impressed me to go get a book called

*Theomatics*, written by Lucas and Washburn. It's a very old book and, in fact, it's out of print. *Theomatics* is all about how gematria is used in the Scriptures. Did you know that the Greek letters are also their numbers? Every Greek letter has a specific numeric value and gematria is the study of the numerical value of those letters, words or phrases to get deeper insights into the words and concepts, so let me share a few interesting things found by Lucas and Washburn. Remember that we read there was a thousand, then a thousand, then another thousand, and a final thousand, before Ezekiel reached the waters in which he could swim. Well, in Luke 5:17, the gematria, or the numeric value, for the letters in the word *Lord* is 1000. Some other examples are in 1 Corinthians 1:2 and Acts 5:40, where the gematria for "name of our Lord" is 2000 and the gematria for "name of Jesus" is also 2000. Then "name of the Lord Jesus" has a gematria of 3000. And in Acts 19:17, "and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified" has a gematria of 4000. I'm not saying that's the fullness of the understanding here at all, but notice that the number 1000 has a lot to do with the name of the Lord from the beginning until the end, until His name is glorified. We've learned that word for *name* in both the Old and the New Testament means "nature, character and authority." What the anointing of God is going to do is restore in His people His name. We say we take on His name in baptism, which represents death and burial of the old man, and the resurrection of the new man, who is Christ. When we come up out of the water, it's no longer us, but Christ living in us. ***(Gal.2:20) I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I that live, but Christ living in me: and that [life] which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, [the faith] which is***

***in the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself up for me.*** God is manifesting the Son of God in us. He’s manifesting His name in us, His nature, character and authority. Wouldn’t it be wonderful if all the Church walked in His nature, character and authority? Wouldn’t it be wonderful if we would all walk in that? When Jesus came under the anointing of the former rain, He taught His disciples for three-and-a-half years and then He imparted the former rain to them. ***(Joh.20:22) And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Spirit.*** Now the disciples had the power to walk in that name and they magnified that name. In fact, that name went everywhere! The nature, character and authority of Jesus Christ went everywhere because the anointing of the Spirit was upon them. The words that came out of their mouth manifested Jesus everywhere they went. The name of the Lord was magnified by them when they spoke those healings and deliverances. The name of the Lord was magnified when they spoke the Word of God to save souls. What they spoke went into other people and magnified the name of the Lord in them. We’re not talking about just the Word of God, but the nature of Jesus Christ. He is the Word made flesh. ***(Joh.1:14) And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld his glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father), full of grace and truth.***

I believe this river in Ezekiel represents just that. It represents the fullness of Christ being manifested to His people, being poured out to His people. As a matter of fact, here is Scripture that the Lord also gave to me about the four “one thousands.” I didn’t understand it at first, but I think I do now. ***(Eph.3:14) For this cause I bow my knees***

***unto the Father, (15) from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, (16) that he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, that ye may be strengthened with power through his Spirit in the inward man*** (Why does God want to strengthen us and empower us with His Spirit? Some people say, “Well, it’s to do signs and wonders,” and that’s surely correct. The signs and wonders do spread the Gospel, but here’s another reason.); ***(Eph.3:17) that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; to the end that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, (18) may be strong to apprehend*** (This is not “comprehend,” as some versions say. The Greek word is *katalambano* and it means “to take eagerly; i.e., seize, possess.”) ***with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth***. The last step that Ezekiel took got his feet off the ground. He walked off into the depths until he reached waters to swim in. We want to get into enough of Jesus that our feet are no longer on the earth. We want to be floating in the waters. We want to be floating in the anointing of God and manifesting His name and now we know what it is to manifest His name! It is to “apprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth of” Jesus Christ! ***(Eph.3:14) For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father, (15) from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, (16) that he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, that ye may be strengthened with power through his Spirit in the inward man; (17) that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; to the end that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, (18) may be strong to apprehend with all the saints what***



***is the breadth and length and height and depth, (19) and to know the love of Christ which passeth knowledge, that ye may be filled unto all the fullness of God.*** Wow! There they are; there are the four stages, the four “one thousands” until you’re magnifying the name of the Lord. God’s people are to be the walking name of Jesus Christ; they are to be His nature, His character, His authority, and to apprehend with all the saints all that Christ is. I know that many of you have heard from your own churches that it’s not possible, but let’s just read what it says here: “that ye may be filled unto all the fullness of God.” Do we believe that God is able to do this? Or do we limit God with our mind and our doctrines? God is able to do this. God perfected us. ***(Heb.10:14) For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.*** And we need to walk in the power that the Lord gave unto us.

I believe that this very deep water, “waters to swim in,” represents walking in the fullness of Jesus Christ and we read that the Lord Himself proclaims to be this water. ***(Jer.2:13) For my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters*** (That’s the Lord talking. He says that He is “the fountain of living waters.”), ***and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.*** Think about that! What have we been settling for besides the Lord Himself? How long has it been since the Church has forsaken most of what we call the “fullness of God’s Spirit”? The overwhelming majority of the Church today rejects the fullness of God’s Spirit manifesting through the gifts and the power of God. It’s been that way for almost 2000 years. The Church has replaced the “waters to swim

in” with “broken cisterns”! That’s not living water! What they call “living water” in the Old Testament was running water. It was alive; it was coming from somewhere and it was going to somewhere. Much of the Church today sits in these “cisterns” where the water isn’t going anywhere; it’s not coming in and it’s not going out. What is a “cistern” anyway, but water with a wall built around it. It’s just stagnant! It’s not the pure Word of God; it’s not the pure Spirit and with a wall built around it, that sure sounds like denominationalism, doesn’t it? The Church has settled for broken cisterns that can’t even hold the stagnant water. Also, speaking about this river that issues forth from the threshold, it says, ***(Eze.47:11) But the miry places thereof, and the marshes thereof, shall not be healed; they shall be given up to salt.*** You remember Lot’s wife was given up to salt (Genesis 19:26). He’s saying the stagnant waters, the waters that are not flowing, are not going to give life. What God ordained for every one of us to be, folks, is a river of living water. It’s coming from somewhere and it should be going somewhere. It’s coming from the throne of God and it ought to be coming out of our mouth. It ought to be shared, in other words. People think they’re serving God by just going to Church and listening. They aren’t obeying the great commission! ***(Mat.28:16) But the eleven disciples went into Galilee, unto the mountain where Jesus had appointed them. (17) And when they saw him, they worshipped [him;] but some doubted. (18) And Jesus came to them and spake unto them, saying, All authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth. (19) Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father***

**and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: (20) teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.** They aren't letting the waters flow forth to whomever is downstream! As long as it's coming in, it should be going out. If it is, it's not going to be stagnant. If it is stagnant, you're just a cistern and there's no life in you. What does God say? **(Luk.6:38) Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, shall they give into your bosom. For with what measure ye mete it shall be measured to you again.** Do you think that's true of only physical things? I don't think so! I think as you give, it will be given unto you. It doesn't matter whether it's physical or spiritual. God ordained that we should share the Gospel with one another and with the people who are in desperate need all around us.

**(Eze.47:6) And he said unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen [this?] Then he brought me, and caused me to return to the bank of the river. (7) Now when I had returned, behold, upon the bank of the river were very many trees on the one side and on the other.** The trees on the bank of the river sound a lot like what was said by Jeremiah. **(Jer.17:7) Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose trust the Lord is. (8) For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, that spreadeth out its roots by the river, and shall not fear when heat cometh....** Did you notice that he “shall not fear”? The man who trusts in the Lord has his roots in the water and he will not fear when the heat comes. We have the seven years of famine coming, folks. We have the wilderness coming, folks. You

know a lot of people are going to fear and it's because they don't have their roots in the water. They don't trust in the Lord! We have to get prepared now for this. We need to be feeding on God's Word. We need to be drinking of His river that comes from the throne, not from a cistern, not from muddy puddles some preacher has muddied-up with his own feet. ***(Eze.34:18) Seemeth it a small thing unto you to have fed upon the good pasture, but ye must tread down with your feet the residue of your pasture? and to have drunk of the clear waters, but ye must foul the residue with your feet? (19) And as for my sheep, they eat that which ye have trodden with your feet, and they drink that which ye have fouled with your feet.*** The sheep had to drink that water that the shepherds had walked through and muddied with their feet. What does that symbolize? It symbolizes that the water is polluted because of the life, the walk, of the person who shares it. We have to have the pure river of living water that comes from the throne of God, folks, and God is going to restore that. Praise God! ***(Jer.17:8) For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, that spreadeth out its roots by the river, and shall not fear when heat cometh, but its leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought*** (God's people are going to be bold! They're going to be fearless! They are not going to be walking by sight; they're going to be walking by the Spirit-anointing of the Word of God. Oh, praise the Lord!), ***neither shall cease from yielding fruit.*** The wilderness is going to be a place of yielding bountiful fruit for all the "trees" who have their roots in the rivers of living water.

Remember Jesus told us, ***(Joh.7:38) He that be-***

***lieveth on me, as the scripture hath said, from within him*** (or “out of his innermost being” or “out of his belly”) ***shall flow rivers of living water***. You cannot have living waters without the Scriptures. Paul called the Scriptures the pure water of the Word (Ephesians 5:26). Well, just as when Jesus was leading the disciples and imparted to them the former rain, in our day, folks, the latter rain is going to be poured out first upon the Man-child. That’s why, in type, we see Ezekiel as the Man-child stepping into the waters first. And after the Man-child in our day has trained up apostles, there is going to be an outpouring of that anointing taken off of Elijah and put on Elisha, so to speak. ***(2Ki.2:9) And it came to pass, when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha, Ask what I shall do for thee, before I am taken from thee. And Elisha said, I pray thee, let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me. (10) And he said, Thou hast asked a hard thing: [nevertheless,] if thou see me when I am taken from thee, it shall be so unto thee; but if not, it shall not be so. (11) And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, [there appeared] a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, which parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. (12) And Elisha saw it, and he cried, My father, my father, the chariots of Israel and the horsemen thereof! And he saw him no more: and he took hold of his own clothes, and rent them in two pieces. (13) He took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back, and stood by the bank of the Jordan. (14) And he took the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and smote the***

**waters, and said, Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah? and when he also had smitten the waters, they were divided hither and thither; and Elisha went over.** Wow! So the anointing is going to be passed on. The river goes on downstream. It feeds all the trees and it brings life everywhere it goes.

**(Eze.47:8) Then said he unto me, These waters issue forth toward the eastern region, and shall go down into the Arabah....** The Arabah was Israel's wilderness. You see, folks, we're headed to the wilderness and that's where the anointing is going to flow. It's not going to flow in Babylon! It's not going to flow in the cisterns! It's going to flow in the wilderness and, if we want to be where it flows, we're going to have to be in the wilderness because that's where the life is going to be. **(Eze.47:8) Then said he unto me, These waters issue forth toward the eastern region, and shall go down into the Arabah; and they shall go toward the sea; into the sea....** He's talking about the Dead Sea. And what does the Dead Sea represent? Well, again, it's water that doesn't flow; it's a cistern. It's the deepest hypersaline lake on the planet. Everything drains into it and it's so full of salt and chemicals almost nothing can live there, except a few strains of bacteria and one kind of algae. But the waters that run into the Dead Sea start at Mount Hermon in the far north and go down through the Jordan Valley. Those waters run through Israel's wilderness and what does He say is going to happen to those waters? **(Eze.47:8) Then said he unto me, These waters issue forth toward the eastern region, and shall go down into the Arabah; and they shall go toward the sea; into the sea; [shall the waters go] which were made to**



***issue forth; and the waters shall be healed.*** These waters issuing forth are the waters of the Spirit. They are the waters of the true Word of God, the waters of the name, which is the nature, character and authority of Jesus, but what are these dead waters? Folks, that’s what Christianity has been living in for years! Christianity is living in these dead waters, the dead letter word that doesn’t manifest the name of Jesus. They’ve been living for years in a “word” that doesn’t give life and so now we have a great revival coming, just like they had in Jesus’ day. There were some hungry people waiting on Jesus to show up. There were some sick people waiting on Jesus. There were some demon-possessed people waiting on Jesus. So here we are today in the same situation, folks, and the whole cycle of the Man-child ministry is about to start over. Glory be to God!

***(Eze.47:9) And it shall come to pass, that every living creature which swarmeth, in every place whither the rivers come, shall live; and there shall be a very great multitude of fish*** (Jesus called us to be fishers of men, did He not [Matthew 4:19; Mark 1:17]? Well, here’s a very great multitude of fish.); ***for these waters are come thither, and the waters of the sea shall be healed, and everything shall live whithersoever the river cometh.*** The river is on its way, folks! There are a lot of dead people in dead cisterns and God is about to raise them up. We have a wonderful revival coming! Think about the Dead Sea, folks. ***(Rev.17:15) And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the harlot sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.*** “Seas” are peoples. ***(Eze.47:10) And it shall come to pass, that fishers shall stand by it: from En-gedi even unto En-eg-***

***laim shall be a place for the spreading of nets; their fish shall be after their kinds, as the fish of the great sea, exceeding many.*** There it is again! We're headed toward a great revival, folks, a true revival, because God's going to restore the life and nature of Jesus Christ to His people. Once again, they will be called "Christians" by the world. You know, being called "Christian" doesn't mean much today; it really doesn't. It's a word used very loosely now, but one day, it will mean again exactly what it says, just as it did back in the Book of Acts. ***(Eze.47:11) But the miry places thereof, and the marshes thereof, shall not be healed; they shall be given up to salt. (12) And by the river upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side, shall grow every tree for food*** (Here we see those trees again and they're bringing forth life to the nations. We're talking about the nations of the elect, the people of God, who have been taken captive to all nations, but are going to be restored to their land! We're talking about the New Testament spiritual Israelites.), ***whose leaf shall not wither, neither shall the fruit thereof fail: it shall bring forth new fruit every month, because the waters thereof issue out of the sanctuary*** (Yes, they're coming from God! God is sending these waters out of His sanctuary to touch His people from the beginning of the stream all the way to the bottom of the stream, from En-ge-di all the way to En-eglaim. Praise God!); ***and the fruit thereof shall be for food, and the leaf thereof for healing.*** Praise God! God's people are going to have the joy of the Lord, even in the midst of great tribulation and great trouble. God is going to restore the life and nature of Jesus through this.

I especially like Psalm 46, which also speaks of this riv-

er. ***(Psa.46:1) God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble. (2) Therefore will we not fear, though the earth do change*** (We’re about to see a lot more natural judgments and catastrophes upon the earth, but God’s people will not fear because “He is our refuge.”), ***And though the mountains be shaken into the heart of the seas; (Psa.46:3) Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, Though the mountains tremble with the swelling thereof. (4) There is a river, the streams whereof make glad the city of God*** (Who’s the “city of God”? The city of God is the Bride. We’re talking about New Jerusalem, who’s being birthed on earth today.), ***The holy place of the tabernacles*** (Notice that’s “tabernacles,” plural. Each one of us individually is a tabernacle of God. Out of the holy place shall flow the river of living water to bring healing to the nations.) ***of the Most High. (Psa.46:5) God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved*** (What a blessing!): ***God will help her, and that right early***. The Hebrew here for “right early” is literally “at the dawn of morning.” Wow! This river of water is going to go forth to the tabernacles “at the dawn of morning.” What “morning” are we talking about here? We’re talking about the morning of the third day. ***(Hos.6:2) After two days will he revive us: on the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live before him. (3) And let us know, let us follow on to know the Lord: his going forth is sure as the morning; and he will come unto us as the rain, as the latter rain that watereth the earth.*** That’s when the Lord said He was going to come unto us -- on the morning of the third day. Wow! ***(Psa.46:6) The nations raged, the kingdoms were moved: He ut-***

***tered his voice, the earth melted.*** Where is God going to be uttering His voice? In Ezekiel 47, it was His voice, it was His Word that came out of the temple as a river into which Ezekiel stepped. It kept going on downstream and feeding all the trees downstream, feeding all the fish downstream. “Trees” and “fish,” of course, represent God’s people. So the river brought life everywhere it went. If you are in the life of God, there just isn’t any curse upon you. ***(Psa.46:7) The Lord of hosts is with us*** (The Lord, the Son of God, came in a body of the son of David. We call Him “Jesus” and He was “God with us,” or, “Emmanuel.” And notice here that it’s going to happen again, folks. The Lord is coming to be with us. It was His plan from the very beginning that He would live in His people. It was His plan that He would do the work in His people. And it was His plan that He would spread this wonderful revival. Jesus brought an awesome revival. It spread from the Man-child Jesus to the disciples, to the two witnesses whom Jesus sent forth, and through them to the five-fold ministry and on and on to the people. It spread like a river going downstream. Awesome!

Another verse I’d like to look at is, ***(Isa.30:25) And there shall be upon every lofty mountain, and upon every high hill, brooks and streams of waters, in the day of the great slaughter, when the towers fall.*** You know, the twin towers falling was a sign of the beginning of judgment, but notice it’s also the time of the beginning of the streams of water. ***(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....*** We’ve studied star glory, moon glory and sun glory, the three stages of Christian growth and maturi-

ty. **(1Co.15:40) There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another. (41) There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differeth from another star in glory.** And, of course, **(Col.1:27) ... Christ in you, the hope of glory,** is the manifestation of sun glory. **(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....** That’s those seven last days, folks -- the Tribulation period. Great light is going to be poured out in the Tribulation, just as it was in Jesus’ day. **(Mat.4:16) The people that sat in darkness Saw a great light, And to them that sat in the region and shadow of death, To them did light spring up.** This is talking about the Man-child Jesus! **(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 hurt of his people, and healeth the stroke of their wound.** God is going to restore everything that’s been stolen from His people. Multitudes of people are just waiting on Jesus to come for their deliverance and their healing from all the pain, all the misery, all the curse. Oh, praise God! It’s an awesome miracle we’re looking for here, folks.

**(Isa.55:1) Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.** Well, of course, we do have to buy it, but not with money. We have to give

up something in order to get it. We have to lose our life to get our life, but some people are not paying the price to get into the waters, are they? Is the Word of God important to you? Is seeking the name of Jesus important to you? God likes to give gifts to people who think that they are valuable. God knows who those people are who don't think His gifts are valuable because they don't seek Him, they don't desire Him. The Word of God isn't worth their time! Let God know that these things are valuable to you and they'll be yours. You do have to give something for them. You have to give your time, you have to give your old life. Jesus said, ***(Mat.10:29) He that findeth his life shall lose it; and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.*** We have to give up our life to seek the Kingdom of God. ***(Mat.6:33) But seek ye first his kingdom, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.*** And so what did God say He was going to do? ***(Isa.55:3) Incline your ear, and come unto me; hear, and your soul shall live: and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David. (4) Behold, I have given him for a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander to the peoples.*** God's going to raise up His Davids once again. ***(Isa.55:11) So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.*** Folks, God is sending a great revival and everything it touches is going to be coming to life. All the people who have been sitting in their little cesspools are going to have the rivers of living water flooding through there. Glory to God! Praise God!



Father, we thank You, in Jesus' name. We thank You for this great work You're sending. We believe it, Lord! We trust You for it, Lord. We need it so badly, Lord! We want Your living water to flow out of us to the nations, Lord. Let it be, in Jesus' name. Amen.



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