

Sivan 5782

***Sivan in Hebrew means – “Their Covering.”**

Month of Sivan (May/June)/Linked with the Tribe of Zebulun which means “habitation”. This was the month of giving of the Torah (the Laws of life) and giving back to GOD through our sacrifices and offerings. It is the businessman’s month, and the month of alignment with the Holy Spirit, it is a time to set our boundaries and align with our walk for the future, Exodus 20-26 and Acts 2. Therefore, we get, “The Covering of Their Habitation”.



The fire of the Holy Spirit fell upon those who waited and became their “Covering”.

The Season of Shavuot

By Roger Waters

It was the 3rd day of the week, and Jacob was just waking up, as he looked across the room at his brother Jeremiah who was still sleeping sound. Jacob wondered about this day, for it was the 5th of Sivan, the day known as the Feast of Weeks, or Shavuot. There is school today down at the community schoolhouse, but no classes tomorrow.

Jacob is just 12 years old, but he is learning so much these days, not to mention there is unrest in the land, as this guy Yahushua is running around healing people on the Sabbath, and the Sanhedrin and Sadducees don't want anyone his age following this man, as he is considered a rebel, and a lawbreaker.

Jacob walked out of his room and went to get something to eat before school, and as he walked into the eating area, there was dad, sitting there looking out the window at the people in the streets, walking and celebrating Shavuot on this day. Jacob asked his dad what this feast day was all about, then sat down waiting for dad to begin to tell him all about this Feast of Weeks celebration.

His dad, Ezekiel, told him that on the 6th of Sivan, it was the day that their forefather Moses received the law from on top of Mt. Sinai, it was the birthday of Enoch, the 7th from Adam, and the death of King David. It was also the same day that a Hebrew child who was placed in a basket for safety reasons and was taken by the family of Pharaoh in Egypt, and drawn out of the water on this day, who became the savior of the Hebrew Children.

Jacob looked out the window with his dad and asked, "Are you looking for someone special this day dad?" Ezekiel answered back and said, "Son, this great man called Yeshua is to come through town today, and when he comes, I want to see him, and see if all the stories are true about him. They say he has 12 other men that walk with him, I suppose because there are 12 tribes to Israel, and under law, 12 is the number of the Kingdom."

Wow, said Jacob, 12 means all that? Dad replied and said, Yepper son, and there is more as well. Ezekiel looked at Jacob and said, "I have learned and seen in my life, through the Torah, and through the great teachings of the Prophets that 12 is far more than just a number, it is strength and power, it brings authority, and it stomps out division, and hate, it does major damage to anything against YHVH and it brings in peace."

Jacob looked at his dad and said, "You mean that when I use the number of 12, I can get all that for me, in my life, on any day of my life?" Dad chuckled and said, "Nope not like that, but you can have the understanding that 12 represents the 12 gates at Jerusalem, it is the 12 tribes made up from the seed of our Father Abraham, and it is the number of months in our calendar. Not to mention that it is said that this Yeshua was just 12 years old when he uttered his first words of prophecy inside the temple, that sits inside the 12 gated city, who and where our government sits and rules from."

Jacob looked back out the window and asked, "Can I sit here today and watch for this man Yeshua with you?" Ezekiel look into Jacobs eyes, and said, I would be proud to have my son sit next to me looking for a miracle to happen." That is when it happened, Ezekiel had his eyes fixed on something coming over the hill, and he jumped up from his seat, then ran to the front door.

Jacob yelled out, "What is it dad?" Ezekiel looked back at his son and said, "Son, go get your brother and mother, because our miracle is now walking down the street towards us." Jacob took off, and in just a few minutes, he returned with mom and his brother. Ezekiel told all of them to go outside and wait for this man and his men to come to them.

They all stood at the road and watched as Yeshua, and his men walked towards them. After a few minutes, they got down by Ezekiel and his family. John and Peter, walking closely to each other looked at Jacob, and stopped the Master, and said to him, "Master, look, it's the boy with the fish and bread, he stands with his family.

Yeshua stopped and looked at Jacob, smiled and said, Jacob my friend, how are you doing?" Jacob said, "I am fine Master, this is my dad, he is home because he can't work, he has a bad leg. He was sitting waiting for you to come by, and he told me that he just wanted to meet you, because you are here on a mission, to save all of us."

Yeshua was so astonished to hear those words come out of a young man, that he took a step closer to Ezekiel and said to him, "My friend, the Son of Adam has come to you this day to sit with you, to commune with you, and to heal your body, because of your faith, and your son's faith, this day you are healed."

Yeshua looked down at Jacob and laid his hand on his shoulder, and Jacob just moved closer to Yeshua, and that is when they heard Yeshua say, "Any man who hurts one of my little ones, well, it would be better if a huge millstone were tied to his neck and thrown into the deepest sea."

Jacob looked at his father, then his mother and then he said to his brother, Yeshua is our friend. Dad took a step like normal, and it hurt, he then took a step normally, like

he had not done for years, and then smiled and said, "I am healed, I am healed, Yeshua has healed me."

As the group of 12 with Yeshua were walking away down the street, Peter turned and looked at Ezekiel and shouted out, "Remember what Isaiah said, **by his stripes we are healed.**" Ezekiel looked at Jacob and said, today we have seen a miracle." Jacob looked back at his dad and said, "Well dad, it is the season of Shavuot isn't it?"

Chaplain Wade Butler

As each month comes around, I have been giving spiritual insight to what our LORD is showing us for the NOW! This month is no different.

Unfortunately, the war hasn't lessened but as Chuck Pierce prophesied increased. I'm seeing it on every front. Personally, everyone is involved at home, work, in recreation and more so, the church. Our enemy knows how to attack us on every front.

Thankfully the LORD is sending HIS TROOPS to assist us. Let me tell you of a recent encounter. Several of us were praying to come up higher and allow us to see what HE was saying, and we invited into HIS presence. A Psalm 91 Angel (For He will give His angels [especial] charge over you to accompany and defend and preserve you in all your ways [of obedience and service]) escorted us on the Mountain of the LORD. He was enormous and carried in his right hand a flaming sword and in his left a scale which had the words Justice on one side and HIS LOVE on the other. As we followed the Angel, we were led into an elaborate hall with a table looking like the knights of the round table where we were told to sit down. There was an additional circular table inside of it with a column rising up beyond the ceiling in its center. The column contained the SPIRIT of the LORD, Father, Son and Holy Spirit appearing as if banners of color, gold, teal, and royal blue. We at first thought we column was spinning when we were actually circling it counterclockwise as the inner table turned clockwise. It was like a wheel within a wheel. I asked the Spirit of the LORD what did this mean.

He replied, "I'M TURNING BACK THE CLOCK FOR MY CHILDREN TO RECOVER ALL THEY HAVE HAD STOLEN OR LOST. TIME STILL CONTINUES, BUT ITS TIME TO RECOVER ALL!" Next the voice of the trinity came from the column saying, **"I AM SENDING MY ANGELS OF JUSTICE INTO THE EARTH, YEAH THEY HAVE ALREADY BEEN SENT." 'THEY WILL WEIGH THE HEARTS OF MAN TO SEE WHO WILL RECEIVE THE LOVE OF MY SON.' 'THOSE WHO RECEIVE HIM WILL HAVE THE SWORD CUT OFF THE BONDAGE OF SIN AND DEATH AND RECEIVE THE JUSTICE OF MERCY.' 'THOSE WHO DO NOT RECEIVE HIM**

WIL RECEIVE THE SWORD OF THE WRAFT RESERVED FOR THE ENEMIES OF THE LORD YOUR GOD AND THE JUSTICE RESERVED FOR THEM IN THE FIRES OF HELL."

Needless to say, we were all shaken up with this revelation and sat silently as the Angel addressed us as to their assignment which was already released. No nation, leader or person would be exempt from the coming advance. All nations will be shaken.

The times and season we are in cause us to look at each new month of the Hebrew calendar differently from in the past. We are definitely crossing over into new territory yet at the same time we can experience the fullness of the LORDS foundations for the season we are entering.

The month of Sivan is so rich in the Word in who and what it represents for the times we are in, The tribe of Zebulun the **"Businessperson's month", the month of Alignment, the season of Mercy are all around us.** As a nation and the world in general comes out of an international lockdown the businessmen and women are challenged to resurrect from the ashes of destruction. Many will not make it back. As a businessman and minister, it has always grieved me when a business closes from personal failure or national oppression. **It is also the season of "Pentecost" and the birth of the church.**

We just left Issachar, (The Seers and those who understand the seasons) into Zebulun to reorganize and restart the world. We need the leading of the Holy Ghost more than ever. We must re-align to the direction and purposes of the LORD, now! We need HIS Covering and more importantly HIS indwelling.

We are praying for our nation and the LAND. Please consider including these scriptures in your prayers and make request out of each. Example: Father, You have said that you desire not the offerings of grain and lambs, but the sacrifice of obedience through Your Word. We offer up Your Word as we pray for our nation, our leadership and our people.

Each month represents a new opportunity to make a difference, in the kingdom of GOD, in our own lives, our families and those around us. We need to get back to work keeping in mind that our Father orchestrated this lockdown. The enemy planned to destroy the threat of We The People from obtaining our goals of Liberty and Justice for all in his attempt to dominate the world with the one world order taking over.

Our enemy, the devil and his minions are continually on attack trying to wear us down through discouragement, sickness, financial burdens and more. **What makes a difference is our relationship with the Trinity; Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

We are GOD'S warriors that stand between the enemy and our promises. We all have been calling out those promises as we wait on GOD to do the miracles on our behalf. **The truth of it all is HE ALREADY DID.** Every day we battle for hope, direction and relief. Father has given us a President that refuses to allow the attacks on him and his family to stop what GOD has for him to do. It appears to strengthen his resolve. It should be the same for us. During this time and season the Hebrew people counted the days as they waited for the manifestation of GOD's promises. It started in the upper room and manifested on Simon's portico, the porch where Holy Spirit filled the disciples and 3,000 were added. The Harvest is ripe, the vine dresser is doing HIS work and it's time for the harvesters to go into the fields. Isaiah 6:8 Then I heard the voice of the **Lord**, saying, "Whom shall **I send**, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "**Here am I. Send me!**" Are we ready?

We have added teachings, prophetic insight, personal experiences, testimonies and visions of the third Heavens to our mix from our readers as the LORD directs me. I guarantee you will be blessed. The calendar study guide is packed full of; prophesy, sermons, art and background material that most people will never take the time to research on their own nor have the resources of input to obtain as much of the truth as can be found. Often it goes against the grain of conventional churches and denominations because we follow the Hebrew calendar and the prophetic. He never changed HIS timing, we did. I would rather follow HIM and know what I was adopted into. Sometimes authors are used multiple times because they are in what we call the "zone" of the Holy Spirit. In other words, they are hearing from the LORD!

We encourage each person to set the goal of reading the Bible all the way through this year and every year. Each time you read it new revelation will emerge and change your life.

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Be Blessed,

Chaplain Wade Butler

The Biblical Month of "SIVAN"

The Amplified, King James, New American Standard and Passion versions of the WORD of GOD were used in this study. **Biblical Months fall under the Law Form of YHWH (Yahweh) through the revelation of His Word.**

I often ask myself, do the readers understand how to pray after reading a text of prophesy. The answer is to ask the LORD how did this relate in the bible for then and how does it relate now? How would YOU have me to pray Lord?

In developing this calendar prayer guide prophets are used to bring current words from the LORD*. (See last page.) Many Christians do not have access to publications such as the Elijah List, Judaism 101, teachings from Chuck Pierce, Robert Heidler and many other contributing authors which are included.* 1 Thessalonians 5:20 Do not spurn the gifts *and* utterances of the prophets (do not depreciate prophetic revelations) nor despise inspired instruction or exhortation or warning.

It's been three years since we started publishing the Republic Prayer Calendar based on the Hebrew Lunar Cycle so for anyone joining us for the first time, I want to give some background. In Genesis 1:1 the very first words GOD speaks is "In the beginning" and according to Rabbinical teaching, the very first commandment given to the children of Israel while in Egypt was to sanctify the "New Moon". From that point on the nation of GOD was to look at the Moon for the setting of their days and evenings and as a means to reconcile the times and seasons. The Biblical day begins at sundown and ends at sundown the following day. At sundown, it is known as the dawning of a new day.

Genesis 1:5, And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day. Even history is set into motion as God said that the world may be understood as seven 1,000 days with the last 7th, 1,000 year of days would be the time being the Millennial Reign of Christ.

The Lunar cycle has only 29.5 days or 354 days per year whereas the solar cycle has 365 days per year. An additional month is added every 3rd year to coordinate with the solar calendar for agricultural seasons. The reason the numerical date may not look like the previous years is because of this shift. The Month begins with the rising of the "New Moon". The Hebrew year begins in spring every year in the Month of Nissan when Passover occurs. Every month is related to a specific tribe, feast and season.

As we begin the month of Sivan keep in mind that man changed the calendar, GOD didn't.

The church today misses a very important part of their history and understanding. There was never really a new church started. They worshipped and practiced the Hebrew form of worship. The difference was Christ completed the requirements of the Law and made us **"New Men in Him"**. If you think about it we are literally Hebrew as we were adopted or grafted in to the Kingdom. Galatians 3:13-14

With that in mind we will not miss out on what God is doing by honoring the feast or HIS Calendar. When we celebrate the feast, we honor our Lord Yeshua the Christ and we may learn more about our roots.

The Biblical Month of Sivan*, begins this year at sundown on May 20th through June 19th at sunset.

Fast Facts

Tradition teaches that it was on Rosh Hodesh Sivan that the Israelites "camped at the foot of Sinal" in preparation to receive the Torah (Exodus 19:6). The verb used for "camped" in Exodus 19:6 is in the singular. It is taught that at the moment the Israelites determined to receive the Torah, they were united in heart and mind like a single person. Sivan's symbol of the twins—two distinct human beings sharing one womb—can represent the harmony that comes when people celebrate their differences while coming together to work for a common, higher goal, such as receiving and following the Torah.



God the Father called Moses to come upon the mountain to receive the Torah.

Sivan is the third of the twelve months of the Jewish calendar. It is the month in which God descended on Mt. Sinai and gave the Torah to the Jewish people. As noted elsewhere, there are only three months that are referred in the Torah in conjunction with the exodus from Egypt: Nisan, Iyar, and Sivan,¹

The Third Month

In the third month of the exodus from Egypt, they came to the Sinai desert.

All the prophets begin their prophecies with the word "So [says the Almighty]" above and beyond them is Moses who begins with the word "This [is what the Almighty says]."

Robert Heidler states that the voice of God reverberated throughout the world and fire came from the heavens carving the Ten Commandments on the stone tablets.

Shavuot Customs

Studying the WORD, the Torah all night long! It is a tradition (coming from the sixteenth-century mystics) to stay up the entire (first) night of Shavuot studying Torah. Known as *Tikkun Leil Shavuot*, this all-night study session is an opportunity to recommit ourselves to the study of Torah. Tradition teaches that the skies open up during this night for a brief moment, and God favorably answers all prayers. The kabbalists also think of Shavuot as the moment when God and Israel wed; the Torah is the *ketubah* (marriage contract) or written affirmation of the covenant between them.

Reading (The Book of Ruth): Our story begins in the Land of Israel, during the period of the rule of the Judges, leaders of the Jewish People who preceded the Kings. The first characters we encounter in this story are Elimelech, his wife Naomi, and their two sons, Machlon and Kilyon.

Elimelech, Naomi, and their family move to Moav in order to escape the effects of a famine that has broken out in the Land of Israel. Elimelech then dies, leaving Naomi alone with her two sons. As they grow up, each of her sons marries a Moabite woman. One marries Orpah, and the other marries Ruth. After ten years living in the land of Moav, both of Naomi's sons, Machlon and Kilyon, die, leaving the women without husbands or children.

News comes from Israel that the famine has lifted. Naomi decides to return to her home in Israel. Her two daughters-in-law, Orpah and Ruth, tell Naomi that they want to remain with her and return to her land. Naomi discourages them, telling them that they should live their lives fully and not follow this aged woman. She feels that she no longer has anything to offer them.

Orpah eventually decides to leave, but Ruth will not be dissuaded. She says to Naomi, **"Do not urge me to leave you, to turn back and not follow you – for wherever you go, I will go, wherever you lie down, I will lie down. Your people shall be my people, and your God shall be my God."** (Ruth 1:16)

Naomi and Ruth arrive home in Bethlehem. The townspeople hardly recognize Naomi. She says to them, **"Don't call me Naomi (meaning pleasantness), call me Mara (meaning bitterness) because God has made my life bitter."** (Ruth 1:20)

Once settled in the land, Ruth offers to become a gleaner, picking up grain behind the cutting crew in the fields. When Ruth chooses a field to glean in, by chance she chooses the field of Boaz (a relative of Naomi's).

One day, Boaz arrives in the field and his attention is drawn to Ruth. He learns of her identity, and because he has heard of her loyalty to Naomi and the Israelite people, he invites her to remain in his field until the end of the harvest.

Ruth returns to Naomi and informs her of where she has been working. Naomi explains that Boaz is an eligible kinsman to reclaim the family land and to wed Ruth, and she instructs Ruth on how to invite him to become her husband.

Boaz is pleased that Ruth came to him and he tells her that he will work to reclaim the property of Naomi's family and to marry Ruth. Boaz arranges for the necessary permission to acquire the land from a closer kinsman and to marry Ruth. At the city gate, a group of people gather together as witnesses to the marriage and bless the couple. The people give blessings to Ruth that she should be like Rachel and Leah.

At the end of the story, Ruth and Boaz have a son whom Naomi loves like her own child. The women of the town tell Naomi that her new grandson, Obed, will watch over her in old age, and that Ruth, her beloved daughter-in-law, is better to her than seven sons.

Shavuot is known as the **Feast of Weeks** in English and as **Pentecost** in Ancient Greek. It is a Jewish holiday that occurs on the sixth day of the Hebrew month of Sivan.

Shavuot has a double significance. It marks the all-important wheat harvest in Israel (Exodus 34:22), and it commemorates the anniversary of the day when God gave the Torah (the law) to the nation of Israel assembled at Mount Sinai. Pentecost is a Thanksgiving Celebration, praising GOD for HIS covenant, HIS law, HIS blessings and HIS provision.

Tribe: Zebulun

The tribe of Zebulun shared a special bond with the tribe of Issachar. Zebulun and Issachar were born one after another to their mother, Leah. In the Land of Israel, they inherited lands that were adjacent, and temporally, they correspond to the two months Iyar and Sivan that follow one another. But the heart of their bond was in their agreement to support one another. Issachar was a tribe of scholars who excelled in Torah study. Zebulun was a tribe of successful merchants and seafarers. They agreed to split their material and spiritual wealth equally.

As such, we might expect that Issachar would correspond to the month of Sivan, in which the Torah was given and Zebulun to the month of Iyar. But one of the analytic principles of Kabbalah is that the cause is inherently higher than the effect which it causes. Since, at the basic level, Zebulun's willingness to split their material wealth allowed Issachar to devote themselves to the Torah; it is Zebulun that corresponds to Sivan and the giving of the Torah. Zebulun's material sacrifices are what sustain the Torah and therefore, in the end the Torah is in their merit.

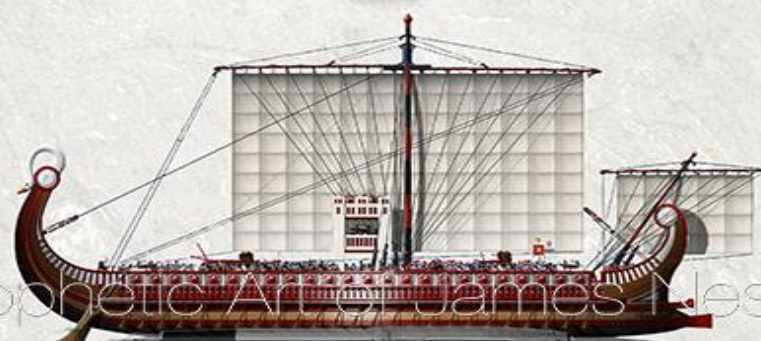
Indeed, the Arizal explains that the origin of the soul of Zebulun is in the *sefirah* of crown, above the *sefirah* of wisdom, which is the origin of Issachar's soul.

SIVAN

THIRD MONTH

GIVING

STONE:
CLEAR QUARTZ



ZEBULUN

THE BUSINESS PERSON'S MONTH

THE MONTH OF RECEIVING YOUR BOUNDARIES

THE MONTH OF ALIGNMENT

THE MONTH TO BE MERCIFUL

CONSTELLATION: GEMINI

(TWO TABLETS)

TORAH GIVEN ON SINAI

PROVERBS 10:9



ZAYIN

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This fact further ties the tribe of Zebulun with the month of Sivan. In spite of their bond with their brethren in Issachar, the Jews of the tribe of Zebulun had to study Torah for themselves too. Since their soul-root is in crown, the Torah that they were particularly connected to is also at the level of crown. This is especially relevant to the giving of the Torah at Mt. Sinai, because the particular level revealed then, the Ten Commandments, is related to the *sefirah* of crown. As noted, the *gematria* of crown is 620, the number of letters in the Ten Commandments.

The Month of Sivan

The month of Sivan is the third month on the Biblical calendar, counting from Nisan. The Bible refers to Sivan as "the third month" (Exodus 19:1-2). However, sometime after Israel's captivity in Babylon, the name was changed. The word Sivan roughly means "season" or "time."

About Shavuot

The Jewish holiday of Shavuot is celebrated on the sixth of Sivan. Shavuot means "weeks" in Hebrew because it took seven weeks for the Israelites to travel from Egypt to Mount Sinai.

Shavuot was originally a harvest holiday called "the Feast of Harvest" (Exodus 23:16) and "the Feast of Weeks" (Exodus 34:22-23). In addition, this feast was one of the three pilgrim festivals (Deuteronomy 16:16). Jewish men were expected to bring the first harvest of their crop to the Temple, in Jerusalem. The Feast of Harvest (Weeks) celebrated the first fruits of the wheat harvest. Moreover, it was a joyous festival and an offering of thanksgiving to God for His provision.

However, after the destruction of the Temple (70 A.D.), the Jews could no longer bring the first fruits of their harvest as offerings. So, the rabbis decided that the focus of Shavuot would be God's giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai.

Today, the Jewish community celebrate Shavuot by attending synagogue services and reaffirming their commitment to obeying God's Law. In addition, some stay up the entire night studying and learning the Torah.

God's Covenant with Israel

On the first day of the month of Sivan, after the Exodus, the Israelites entered the desert of Sinai. Moreover, they made camp there in front of Mount Sinai (Exodus 19:1-

2). A few days later, God commanded Moses to prepare the people for His appearance (vv. 10-11).

On the sixth day of Sivan and after the preparation period, God descended upon Mount Sinai. This was the 50th day after the exodus, according to Jewish tradition. He spoke directly to the Israelite nation and made a covenant with them. In addition, God gave Israel the Torah (His teachings and laws) to guide them (Exodus 20). The Israelites agreed to the terms of God's covenant and promised to obey His laws. As a result, they became a "kingdom of priests and a holy nation," (Exodus 19:6).

The Month of Sivan And the Feast of Pentecost

While the Jewish community celebrate Shavuot, the Christian community celebrate Pentecost. The word Pentecost is a Greek word meaning, "50." This special day is celebrated 50 days after Easter Sunday. In addition, Pentecost commemorates the giving and receiving of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church in the New Testament (Acts 2).

Yeshua directed His disciples to remain in Jerusalem until the Holy Spirit came (Acts 1:3-4). At the same time, Jews from various countries were arriving to celebrate the Feast of Pentecost. It is interesting to note that in the New Testament, the Greek speaking Jews referred to the Feast of Weeks (Harvest) as the "Feast of Pentecost." Acts 2 tells the account of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the 120 disciples and other Jewish believers (Acts 2:1–31). The Holy Spirit convicted the crowd, through their teaching, and a *harvest* of souls (some 3,000) were gathered and added to the church that day (Acts 2:41).

God's New Covenant and the Holy Spirit

God promised the Jewish people a new covenant after they broke the one He gave them through Moses. However, entering into the New Covenant is only made possible by faith in Yeshua Christ, Who shed His blood to take away the sins of the world. In addition, God sent the Holy Spirit to guide them. The New Covenant is written on the hearts and minds of all those who believe in Yeshua Christ, so that we may follow His commandments (Jeremiah 31:31–34; Ezekiel 36:28–30; Hebrews 10:16¹). God's Commandments, written on two stones, give us our boundaries. The Holy Spirit, Who reveals God's truths through His Word, empowers us to stay within those boundaries.

God's Divine Calendar (2022)

God Himself established a Biblical calendar when He commanded Moses to mark the month of Israel's freedom from slavery in Egypt as the beginning of a new year. And, God set the observance of Passover as the time for Israel's release (Exodus 12:12-14). The Lord said in **Exodus 12:2**, **"This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you."** As time went by, the Israelites eventually realized that God wanted them to perpetually observe certain religious events and acts of God in history. So, over a period of time, they created calendars to mark the months in which these events occurred.

God's blessings which were originally meant for Israel can be ours today, through Yeshua Christ. When we study the biblical months, we see that the divine blessings of the holidays and observances point to some aspect of Yeshua Christ. God, in His infinite wisdom, has divinely designed these times to glorify His Son, and we can appropriate the spiritual blessings available to us through Yeshua Christ.

The Month of Sivan According to the Book of Formation (Sefer Yetzirah)

According to Sefer Yetzirah, to each month of the Jewish calendar there corresponds a letter of the Hebrew alphabet, a zodiac sign, one of the twelve tribes of Israel, a sense, and a controlling limb of the body.

The Third Month

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In the third month of the exodus from Egypt, they came to the Sinai desert.

A recurring theme is that the giving of the Torah at Mt. Sinai is intrinsically linked with the number 3. For instance, the sage's state,

Blessed is the Merciful one who gave a threefold Torah⁴ to a threefold people, by the third,⁶ on the third day, in the third month.

In this quote, God is referred to as the "Merciful one." God's attribute of mercy is itself related to the number 3, for it is the third of the seven emotive attributes of the soul

(corresponding in Kabbalah to Jacob, the third of the three patriarchs, "the pillar of the Torah").

When was the first Pentecost Sunday?

Pentecost ("the fiftieth day") is a Christian holiday commemorating the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles on the fiftieth day after the resurrection of Yeshua Christ. The Apostles began to speak in many languages and have received other spiritual gifts. The event was foretold by Yeshua before his Ascension. It is reported by most scholars as 32 AD. What does Ad mean? A.D. stands for the Latin phrase "Anno Domini" meaning "in the year of our Lord (Yeshua Christ)."

In Christian tradition Pentecost is a moveable feast observed exactly seven weeks after Easter Day, i.e. 50 days after Easter (inclusive, 49 + Easter). It always falls on the seventh Sunday after Easter Day. In Eastern churches the date of Pentecost is calculated in the same manner but it usually differs due to the use of the Julian calendar instead of the Gregorian. Pentecost is a holy day of obligation in the Catholic Church.



Pentecost is Sunday May 28, 2023

Pentecost is also called Whitsunday is celebrated on Sunday that falls on the 50th day of Easter. The name is derived from the Greek word "pentekoste" which means fiftieth as Pentecost Sunday takes place on the 50th day of Easter.

Pentecost significance

It is a big festival in the Christian church that observes the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles and other disciples following the Crucifixion, Resurrection, and Ascension of Yeshua Christ. It also marks the beginning of the Christian church's mission to the world, according to the Britannica.

The festival marks an end to the Easter cycle, which starts 90 days before with Ash Wednesday at the beginning of Lent.

When is Pentecost Sunday 2023?

Pentecost is observed on the seventh Sunday after Passover and 10 days after Ascension. As the Sunday is decided according to the date of Passover, this day is a changeable feast.

This year Pentecost Sunday will be observed on Sunday, May 28th.

Why is it called Pentecost Sunday?

Whit Sunday celebrates the Holy Spirit coming in the form of flames to the Apostles and other followers of Yeshua Christ, as recorded in the New Testament in Acts 2:1-31, the fifth book of the New Testament of the Bible. Many Christians recognize the descent of the Holy Spirit as the birth of the Church.

Pentecost is known by Whitsunday in the United Kingdom. "Whitsunday" is usually referred to as the white garments previously worn by the baptism candidates on this feast.

Shavuot – Feast of Weeks – Pentecost 2023 The 4th Feast of the Lord"

Begins sundown on the May 27th – until sundown May 28th.

Perhaps one of the most fascinating Biblical studies is the historic and prophetic significance

of the special Feast days of the Lord. The seven "Feasts of the Lord" are arranged in **Leviticus 23** in two groups. The first four came at the beginning of the Biblical Jewish Year, while the last three came toward the end of the year. That seems it is God's method in revealing future things (compare Luke 1: 31-33). Between these two groups there was a period were no feasts or holy convocations.

The feasts of Passover and Un-leavened Bread - point to Christ's death and burial; to His resurrection; and Pentecost (fifty days later) to His Church. Then there is a space of time representing the long period in which Israel is out of the Land of Promise of blessing, which coincides with the Church Age.



Shavuot is a happy Festival and falls on Sivan 6 and 7 (corresponds to May or early June) in the Jewish calendar. This festival day is also known as the Feast of Weeks (Exodus 34:22), means "weeks."

Shavuot was believed by rabbinic scholars to be the day that God gave Moses the Torah or on Mount Sinai after their exodus from Egypt. On that day God Himself came down in cloud on Mount Sinai in fire and smoke and a blast of God's trumpet, to establish His with His people. Shavuot is therefore commemorated as the biblical birth date of of Israel.

According to tradition on the day of the "Giving" of the Torah (it is not mentioned the "receiving") the Israelites did not have any meat prepared according to the rules of ritual slaughtering. Nor could they slaughter another animal on the day as it was Sabbath, the day when slaughtering was forbidden. So the people were forced to eat simple dairy for the rest of the day. During the Shavuot festival the Jews follow this tradition eating dairy products.

It is believed that Mt. Sinai suddenly bloomed with greenery and flowers in happiness of giving of the Torah. To commemorate this event the Jews decorate their homes and synagogues with flowers and branches. It is also customary at Shavuot to decorate the synagogue with greenery, flowers, and fruit. There are two explanations for doing this at Shavuot:

- It symbolizes the harvest aspect of Shavuot and keeps with the Biblical theme of the feast.
- There is also a rabbinical tradition that even though Mount Sinai was situated in desert, in honor of the giving of Torah, the desert bloomed and sprouted flowers.

It is also known as the Feast of Pentecost, because it falls fifty days after first fruits, and the word Pentecost means "fifty" or "fifty days." God specifically told the Israelites that they were to count seven Sabbaths (seven complete weeks), from First-fruits (Leviticus 23:15; Deuteronomy 16:9), which adds up to 49 days.

God had ordained for Israel a sacred calendar of three major festivals to be observed as "A statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings."

(Leviticus 23:14, 21, 41; Deuteronomy 16:16, 17.)

Important: The three MAJOR feasts are:

1. "Passover, the Feast of Unleavened Bread."

2. "Shavuot / Feast of Weeks" – which is also called "Pentecost," a Greek translation of the Hebrew words meaning, the "fiftieth day" when the Festival was celebrated. (Leviticus 23:15, 16)

3. "The Feast of Tabernacles."

Passover marked the first spring harvest. The first fruits of a sheaf or "omer" of barley was required by the Torah to be presented before the LORD in the House of God, as a

thanksgiving "wave offering." From the next day, seven weeks or forty-nine days were harvest. (Leviticus 23:10, 11)

Then on the day after the seventh Sabbath which was the fiftieth day, they were to bring to the temple "two loaves of bread," specifically commanded to be made with fine flour and baked with leaven (Leviticus 23:17). These two loaves of bread were to be used as a "wave offering" for the people.

What was significant about the two leaven loaves...? Part of the wheat offering was into two loaves of leavened bread - a striking contrast to the matzo a few weeks before! The two leaven loaves became symbolic of sinful mankind - both Jew and Gentile - as the Holy Scriptures state. (Psalm 14:2 – 3; Romans 3:9 - 10, 23)

Why should Christians observe the Feast of Shavuot or Pentecost? Because, a major event in Jewish history which became a universal blessing for all mankind that took place in the Jerusalem Temple during that harvest festival of Shavuot also called Pentecost.

It was on the first day of the week, Sunday, in the Roman Julian calendar, May 24th, in the also the year 3,790 in the Hebrew calendar. Christian scholars mark that historic Pentecost in Jerusalem as the "spiritual birthday of the church." (A.R. Fausset's Bible Dictionary, p. 557)

On the "fiftieth day" ~ "Pentecost" or "Shavuot" - another harvest thanksgiving service was observed in the House of God. This time, from the first fruit of wheat harvest, "two loaves of bread baked with leaven were waved before the LORD," in the act of thanksgiving.

These three festivals marked Israel's history in the process of their redemption. These festivals were also prophetic and typological of the greater redemption which would come through the Messiah.

Pentecost - The Feast of Fulfilment When the day of Pentecost (meaning, Shavuot) came one hundred and twenty disciples – (Acts 1:15) were all together in one place Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak other tongues (or as the NIV interprets, "languages"), as the Spirit enabled them."

(Acts 2:1 - 4 NIV)

Luke further describes the many lands from which the pilgrims came up to the House of

God, the Temple, in Jerusalem. They were "Jews and (Gentile) converts to Judaism."

(Acts 2:8 - 11)

As recorded by Cornelius Tacitus, the Roman historian, The Holy City with a population of about six hundred thousand at that time, exploded with between two and three million, because of the pilgrims. The pilgrims slept on the flat roofs of the houses, camped outside the walls of Jerusalem, were given hospitality by relatives and friends, all within a "Sabbath day's journey" to reach the House of God. Their presence in the Holy City on the three major festivals was in obedience to the Torah as God commanded Moses: "Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which He shall choose . . ."
(Deuteronomy 16:16)

This feast of Shavuot was also a prophecy of the day of Pentecost (Pentecost means fifty) and the coming of the New Covenant. The disciples were commanded to tarry at Jerusalem "for the promise of the Father" (Acts 1:4) which they did. However, they did not have long wait.

The coming of the Holy Spirit occurred on the next Jewish holiday when Jews from different countries came to be in Jerusalem to celebrate the completion of the harvest season. This annual feast was none other than Shavuot or the Feast of Weeks and once more God descended on those first-century believers with a mighty rushing wind, tongues of fire and other demonstrations of the Holy Spirit, once more establishing a covenant with His people.

Shavuot points to Christ the head of the church that came into existence on the Day of Pentecost. The Holy Spirit united the believers in the body and, since then, all true believers in Yeshua, Jewish or Gentile are not only indwelt by the Holy Spirit, but are baptized into the body.

There are many reasons why the Jewish people read the Book of Ruth on the holiday of Shavuot, some of which is listed below:

1. The Torah (5 Books of Moses; Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy) to the Jewish People on this day, the sixth day of Sivan and they believe that just as Torah acquired through pain and poverty, so did Ruth endure poverty and sorrow as she accepted God; the God of Israel.
2. Just as Ruth was accepted by the God of Israel, so too the nation of Israel entered into

covenant with God on this day when they eagerly accepted the Torah.

3. King David was born and seventy years later, died on the holiday of Shavuot. David, the of the Judean Kingdom was Ruth's, great grandchild David (genealogy of Yeshua our Lord Yeshua). Ruth is often referred to as "Em Hamalchut" the Mother of the Kingdom.

4. The central theme of the **book of Ruth** is "**Chesed**" (Mercy). The book shows the loving kindness that Ruth bestowed on her mother-in-law Naomi, and by the people of Bethlehem this is also where the Lord Yeshua (Yeshua) was born) at that time, towards the poor, as well towards Ruth.

5. Shavuot is also call Chag Hakatzir or The Harvest Festival The Book of Ruth; paints a picture of the harvest time in Israel and to treat the poor with loving kindness especially during this harvest.



One of the great heroines in Israel ...Ruth is loved and revered. Ruth, in her modest nature and deeds of kindness, demonstrated what a true friend, a true daughter in law and what a true woman is made of.

Ruth is a beautiful picture of Jew and Gentile as the "ONE New Man." Israel and

the Church! "For He is our peace, He is making us both one, and He has broken down the middle wall of partition between us (Jew and Gentile) so that in Himself He might make the two (Jew and Gentile) into one new man, making peace between them" Ephesians 2: 14 -15

Understanding MERCY in the Hebrew Word "Chesed" Biblical scholars have often complained word "Chesed" in the Hebrew Bible is difficult to translate into English, because it really has no precise equivalent in our language. English versions usually try to represent "chesed" with words as **"loving-kindness," "mercy," "steadfast love,"** and sometimes **"loyalty,"** full meaning of the word cannot be fully conveyed without an explanation: It is one of the in the Psalms (23 times), plus in Hosea 2:19 to translate the Hebrew "chesed" refers to God's love for his people Israel. Otherwise, the use of 'mercy,' 'goodness,' and 'great kindness' in the Psalms for God's attitude to man; and, outside the Psalms, such words as 'mercy,' 'goodness,' 'favor' for God's attitude to man, and 'kindness' for man's attitude to man.

Interesting thought to ponder on Ruth was a Gentile that came from Moab (today situated in Jordan where the ancient city of **Petra** is also situated). And as Ruth and Naomi returned in hardship and a time of famine to Israel so it is believed that in end times when the Antichrist forces the Jewish people out, "they will flee" and take refuge in (Moab) Petra. There are unfulfilled prophecies: Isaiah 16: 2 - 4; Matthew 24: 15 – 22; Jeremiah 30:4 – 8 (Jacob's trouble); Daniel 11: 40 – 44; Revelations 12: 6 and 14.

The basic theme of Shavuot is "the harvest" and thanksgiving to God and Pentecost is the thanksgiving for the "Holy Spirit and Church" But what then is really the spiritual significance? We mentioned an early harvest of first fruits and the feast of weeks - how are they tied together? We read in 1 Corinthians 15:20 that Messiah Himself is the fulfilment of the Feast of First fruits. But where is the Feast of Weeks? Where is the fulfilment of that Feast of the Lord? For that we need to look at Acts 2: 1 – 4.

Have you ever asked what all those people were doing in Jerusalem at the time Pentecost? They were "devout men" - meaning careful to observe all that God commanded - they were there because God commanded them to go up to Jerusalem to observe the feast. As mentioned, there were three times each year appointed by God for His people to come up to Jerusalem to celebrate with Him in His feasts. **Why did God pour out His spirit on them?** the symbol of this harvest of ingathering and to fulfill His prophetic word!

The rabbis tied the Feast of Shavuot to the "giving" of the Torah - but here too are other interesting parallels; When God gave the Torah to His people - all Israel acknowledged

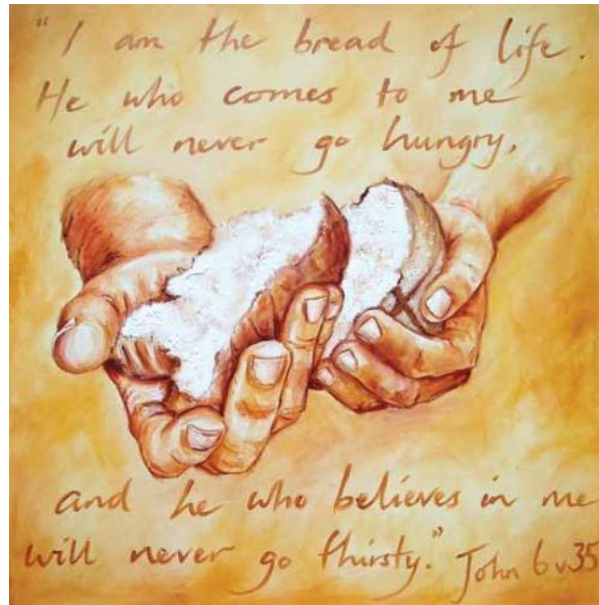
19:8. It wasn't long after that Israel forgot and disobeyed bringing down God's 32:28 and 3,000 of God's people were destroyed. Is it just coincidence anniversary of the giving of Torah - God would as firstfruits have 3,000 - born of life Acts 2:41? It also points to the fulfilment of Ezekiel 36:27 where by the spirit on the Feast day of Shavuot - He would write His Torah on the hearts of His people.

Shavuot (Pentecost) remembers God's people's attitude in first receiving Torah – that the Lord has spoken we will do" Exodus 19:8 and God's intended purpose: rabbis have said that there is no liberty without divine Law and the self-discipline that us. It is said a train must have rails and a river must have banks - so too our lives Bible. After all Yeshua did not say, "Go and do what feels good" or "Go and live you please." He said, "Go and make disciples Teaching them to observe "be observant") all that I have commanded you." (Matthew 28: 19 – 20)

We noted earlier the two loaves (Leviticus 23:17) with leaven, and how they represented people of Israel, in whom there is leaven But **we ask ourselves again why two** it not twelve loaves? (As with the shewbread in the tabernacle with one for each of of Israel).

Some have said the loaves symbolize the two tablets of the Torah, since the Torah was given at Shavuot and therefore a reminder to keep and observe God's commandments. But then there is the problem of the leaven - certainly one would not conclude that God's Torah is sinful – Psalm 19:7 says, the Law of the Lord is perfect converting the soul. Paul speaks of the goodness of the Torah in showing us our own sinfulness. **No!** That does not fit the symbol! Rather it seems they prophetically point to the two leavened people of God - church, who together make up the body of Messiah.

The two loaves of leavened bread have, since that feast of Shavuot some 2000 years ago become joined together to become one people of God. Jews and Gentiles, one in Messiah, are called upon to observe - to be devout about and to keep all things that He has commanded us (Matthew 28:19 – 20). This symbolic message of Shavuot must have been in Paul's mind when he wrote Ephesians 2:11 – 13; 16 – 22.



On Pentecost the God of Israel comes down to His people. God comes down to visit His people, first nationally, (in the Old Covenant), and individually and personally, (in the New Covenant). He reveals Himself to His covenant people in power and great glory. Pentecost unfolds in the Old Covenant as Yahweh God is betrothed to a nation And, as Pentecost unfolds in the New Covenant as Yahweh God is betrothed to individuals personally inside hearts.

The birth of the church at "Pentecost" necessitated all of the above. The divine seed had fall into the ground and die in order to bear fruit and the womb out of which the church came forth was none else but the national frame of Israel. While many acknowledge Israel's physical exile of the last nineteen hundred years only a few recognize that the nation also experienced a spiritual exile as well. As in any birth the intensifying pains, the trauma and the laying down of one's life took their toll. Israel, now an exhausted bloody womb, collapsed and was taken out of the way. The young church vibrant and anointed spread her across the heathen nations, bringing the life of heaven in her wings But what about the old womb? It was not to be forsaken forever, was it...? Romans 11:1 "God has not rejected His people, never be?"

We hope that you enjoy and become more informed by our work. We serve an awesome and we are humbled by this opportunity to bring you this information.

1 Sivan - 2103 B.C.E.: The raging flood waters which covered the face of the earth in the Great Flood of Noah's time, calmed and began to subside at the rate of one cubit every four days, 150 days after the rain stopped falling. (Genesis 8:3).

1 Sivan - 1522 B.C.E.: Jacob departs from Hebron (where his father Isaac and his grandfather Abraham lived) for Egypt to see his son *Yosef* / Joseph.

1 Sivan 2448 - 1313 B.C.E.: Six weeks after their exodus from Egypt, *Bnei Yisrael* arrived at Mount Sinai and camped at the foot of the mountain as one man, with one heart," in preparation for receiving the Torah from Hashem.

1 Sivan 2449 - 1312 B.C.E.: Korach met his end when he was miraculously swallowed up by the earth after leading a rebellion against Moses and his brother Aaron. "The ground split beneath them... And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their houses, and all the men that appertained to Korach, and all their possessions" (Numbers 16:31-32).

1 Sivan 4856 - May 25, 1096: Crusaders reached the city of Cologne in Germany and found the gate to the city closed by order of the bishop. Of all the Jewish communities in the path of the Crusaders, Cologne's Jews were the only ones to escape total destruction.

1 Sivan 5727 - June 9, 1967: Day Five of the Six Day War.



Sivan 1, 5783: Sunday May 21, 2023

There is a specific group of intercessors I meet with three times per week to pray for what the LORD has give us for the times and seasons we are in. Veronika West states it perfectly as to what we have heard for the now season we are in. Wade Butler

Veronika West

"THE DAYS AHEAD ARE DAYS OF A DIFFERENCE THAT WILL REQUIRE THE DEEP DIVERS TO PLUNGE THE DEPTHS OF HIS GLORY FOR SPECIFIC STRATEGIES FOR TAKING DOMINION"!!

Apostles and Prophets Gathered recently to Seek the Lord; there is a Cross Pollination taking place in the Nations like never before, God is doing such a strategic work in this hour it's a time to walk circumspectly, to walk in the Spirit of the Fear of the Lord, " See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil"!

Our Alignments in this Season are key, and as we go forth to engage in new assignments, we are also going to need specific strategies for Victory and Success Father, Today, I pray for the RIGHT ALIGNMENTS AND FOR THE SECRET STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS, Yes, Give us specific Strategies for Victory today! We know that Every assignment demands the right alignments and divine strategies for Victory and Breakthrough!

To take Jericho they required the right strategy; they marched seven times and blew their trumpets, Jehoshaphat required the right strategy; the Worshippers went first, And David required the right strategy and instructions for Victory; Pursue Overtake and you will Recover All, Friends Let us Never assume that the strategy of yesterday is the same as today, or that the alignment of a past season is still the same alignment needed for a new season.

The weapons we wielded and won with in the past season may not necessarily be the same weapons we will use for Victory in a new Season.

We only Move at His Command. We only Advance at His Word

So Let us pray for the Way of Wisdom that we may know the Right Alignments and that we may receive the Specific strategies and weapons for our future assignments so that Victory is secure and assured.

Remember, For every Prophetic assignment there is a Divine Alignment and a specific strategy and way of wisdom required, Father I pray for all of Your Warriors Today, Make known to them the Way of Wisdom, Give to them the right strategy in Warfare for Victory to be made manifest and I pray against every Delilah spirit that would seek to steal the secret strategies for our future assignments, let us guard our hearts and let us be aware of demonic assassins that may try to derail our assignments
I Pray, for Unity, Insight, Revelation, and Wisdom for Your Warriors Today, I pray for the Impartation of the Order of Issachar that they may truly understand the Times and Seasons. AND KNOW WHAT TO DO!

The Holy Spirit continues to speak very specifically to me about things that are coming, the days ahead are going to be "days of a difference" and these days will demand greater levels of Power and Authority TO TAKE DOMINION

Yes! it is time to build, but it is **TIME TO ESTABLISH THE GOVERNMENT OF HEAVEN ON EARTH.**

As I sat before the Lord praying for us praying for the Body of Christ, I heard these words, ***"The Order of Issachar is a deliverance system for success and Victory in the days ahead"*** Ha! Immediately I knew that God was saying that while Discernment is great what lays ahead will take more than discernment it will take the Order of Issachar to reveal the specific strategies for Victory.

Our taking Dominion in the Nations is DEPENDENT not on discernment alone but, in us receiving the RIGHT STRATEGIES FOR WAR.

The men of the bible were men and women that knew that a price had to be paid for receiving the RIGHT Strategy these were men and woman that knew that with a greater level of Authority always required a greater sacrifice of Alignment in order to receive the right strategies that would command, maintain and establish dominion. One size does not fit all, every land, Nation, region and territory will require a SPECIFIC STRATEGY of engagement that will require us to go to greater levels in the Spirit to receive those Warfare strategy for Breakthrough and Victory Friends, We must **DESCEND DEEPER IF WE ARE GOING TO RECEIVE THE RIGHT STRATEGIES TO ASCEND IN GREATER VICTORIES.**

We are called to be as **"THE SONS OF ISSACHAR"**, those who **KNEW THE STRATEGIES FOR ADVANCEMENTDOMINION, ESTABLISHMENT AND VICTORY IN THEIR TIME.**

Warriors. I implore you today to GO DEEPER, that you may learn to truly master the Order of Issachar that you may know and perceive with precision the impulses and movements of the Spirit on another level and dimension of Authority and Power for dark days.

Surely Our Victory ahead is dependent upon the secret strategies of the Spirit, and so we must become DIVERS OF THE DEEPER PLACES IF WE ARE TO TRULY TAKE DOMINION IN THIS NEXT SEASON.

I shared this yesterday in Prayer meeting, an Angel of the Lord appeared to me in my prayer hut yesterday early morning, and as soon as I looked at the Angel I knew by revelation that the Angel was part of the Army of Angels that were Gatekeepers over the Destiny of this land, (that revelation alone was eye opening, I suddenly realized that Nations have Angel Armies specifically assigned to Watch over and to Administer the Government of God over the Destiny of Nations)..

Anyhow, I saw that the Scroll in his hand, it was SEALED the Angel just stood there as if he had been standing there my whole life but I had just never seen him but then I saw that the Angel wore a strange type of uniform can't explain here, but it spoke to a high rank of Authority in the realm of the Spirit and suddenly I felt a shift in the atmosphere and it was as if I was being called to not only go up higher, but that if I was going to be allowed the permission to see what was engraved within the sealed scroll it REQUIRED me to go deeper, so in Order to go from where I was standing to where he was standing it required a new level of Alignment, I felt no pressure to go into that deeper place but there was an Invitation to Go deeper and to Come up higher if I was going to become a Partaker of the Next Move of God in this land,

The secrets and mysteries, **the DIVINE REVELATION AND STRATEGIES FOR THE DAYS AHEAD WERE CONTAINED WITHIN THAT SCROLL BUT, IT REQUIRED, IT DEMANDED THAT I GO DEEPER TO RECEIVE WHAT WAS BEING MADE AVAILABLE FOR THE DAYS AHEAD..!!**

Ps; There are Portals that are being opened over Nations and I see Angels ascending and descending, these are the days where we (Prophets) are going to be partnering with Angels like never before. Angelic activity is ramping up and that I believe is

because there is a Season of Birthing upon us, but the Dragon/Leviathan is circling, we have entered into dangerous days yet days where taking dominion are for those that will GO DEEPER to receive the Right Strategies for Victory.

Sivan 2, 5783: Monday May 22, 2023

Bruce & Linda Dietler - Kansas

Who is Living in *Your* Body?

The Feast of Pentecost (Shavuot) was the first Jewish festival to follow the death, burial, and resurrection of Yeshua. It marks the most important event in the history of the early church - the birth of the church in Jerusalem, which resulted in the subsequent rapid spread of Christianity throughout the known world. The Holy Spirit had been promised to the disciples by the Messiah just prior to His ascension into Heaven (Luke 24:49), and on this day that Spirit descended as a mighty rushing wind into the room in which the 120 were interceding, being manifested as tongues of fire upon the heads of all present. Other devout ones living in and visiting Jerusalem during this feast time became "confounded, amazed, and marveled" as the disciples all spoke in other tongues of the wonderous works of God as the Spirit gave them utterance. Peter then declared to the multitude who had gathered following this marvelous outpouring, **"For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call"** (Acts 2:39). What a sight that must have been as 3,000 souls committed their lives unto the Lord! But glory be to God, the promise was made to us as well! What a privilege is ours, with this being the year of jubilee, to be invited by the Lord to participate with Him in the tremendous latter rain move of His Spirit and in the coming billion soul harvest prophesied years ago by Bob Jones.

The Holy Spirit poured forth on the day of Pentecost to birth the church and empower it with the dunamis necessary to propel it into all the world. But having already done so, what was Yhwh's purpose in giving His Holy Spirit unto us in our day? Was it just so we can say, "We speak in tongues?" Absolutely not! This is a most important part of our **spiritual armor** (Ephesians 6:18), as it was in the early church, to enable us to charge up our spiritual batteries and come against all the works of the evil one. He has come as the **Spirit of Truth** (John 14:17) to abide within and to lead us through all the minefields of disinformation and noise of the world into the fulness of His truth,

and He shall **show us things to come** (John 16:13). He has come as our great **Comforter** (Gk: paraklētos) (John 14:16) – the one called alongside to help, our advocate, our consoler, who would reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness and of judgment (John 16:8). He has come **to give us power** (Gk: dunamis) (Acts 1:8) - (miraculous) power, might, strength, and ability to do wonderful works. He has come that we might glorify Yeshua as effective **witnesses**, literally, “he who testifies for another what he himself has seen or heard or knows to be true.” What an awesome treasure has been bestowed upon us to faithfully steward for the Master!

Following the infilling of the Holy Spirit in the early church, it was said that these followers of Yeshua, through their teaching, preaching and the mighty manifestations of the power of God flowing through them, “turned the world upside down.” So then, a challenging question arises: “What are we doing with this most precious gift?” They were bold, fearless, zealous, walked in the character of their Messiah, and loved not their lives unto death. Are we purposefully being ***continually*** filled with the Spirit (Eph 5:18) such that we, likewise, can be accused of turning our world upside down? If so, it must be because we are walking as did Spirit-filled believers in the early church, in boldness, fearlessness and zeal, continually showing forth the fruit of that same Holy Spirit – love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance. If we are not, then our fruit will be seen as less than appealing, less than appetizing to onlookers.

Are we striving daily to increase in our knowledge of the truth of God’s Word, or are we walking in the wisdom and intellect of the talking heads of this world and of the media in all its various forms?

Are we walking in the power of the Holy Spirit doing wondrous works and abilities through His manifest presence in our life? This would include power for service and compassion for souls; power over temptations of the flesh; power to live a holy life; power to receive God’s revelation knowledge; power to live above defeat as more than conquerors in this life; power to be comforters to others through the peace and joy which abides within and flows through us even in times of trial or distress; and power to manifest the presence of God in every situation we face daily.

Are we seeing, as they did in the Book of Acts, many signs and wonders being done through us by the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit, the name of the Lord being magnified, and the fear of the Lord falling upon on-lookers? Yeshua said that we would be doing the works that He did and ***GREATER*** works as well (John 1:12). Are we doing so? If the answer to any of these questions is “No,” then certainly there exists serious

need for consideration as to why not.

In the Book of Acts, Peter and John prayed, the place was shaken, and people were filled with the Holy Spirit. Ananias and Sapphira died and the fear of the Lord fell upon all. Signs and wonders were wrought and believers were added to the church. Seven sons of Sceva were overcome by the evil spirit they had attempted to cast out; the fear of the Lord fell; the name of God was magnified, and the people burned their books of magic without any consideration for their great monetary value. We need to be seeing these manifestations of the Holy Spirit now, in our day, through our lives!

The "secret" of the early church, and that which explains the miracle-working power of the apostles, was that conscious, tangible, living, abiding, outflowing Spirit of God through those who had entered into blood-washed relationship with Yeshua and the baptism in the Holy Spirit. God gave the power of healing to His body through the Holy Spirit, and as long as they lived under the anointing of the Holy Spirit and exercised the faith of Yeshua in their hearts, that healing power manifested and is still manifest where this condition exists today. The dying world is stretching out her hands for help, and we, the bride of Christ, must be equipped, ready, willing, able, and available to minister to that need through the power of the Holy Spirit. When the Spirit-filled bride of Christ again manifests these gifts, then the dynamic working of Holy Spirit power in and through her would, by itself, condemn all the cults and false religions of the world which, through their vain philosophies attract many to their number.

We, the blood-bought, Spirit-filled bride of Christ must arise in faith knowing that since Holy Spirit dwells within us, therefore His gifts do also, and we must ***exercise*** that faith and ***expect*** to see the demonstration of His power through us. Paul said, **"There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Yeshua who walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit"** (Romans 8:1). "Condemnation" here refers to inward defeat or powerlessness. We can therefore render the verse as, **"There is therefore now no *powerlessness* to those who are in Christ Yeshua, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."** Our power comes from pursuing the Spirit of the Living God and by ***believing*** that power operates in and through us!

Paul continues in Romans 8:11 with the following: **"If the same Spirit which raised Christ from the dead dwells in you, then He shall quicken your mortal body."** "Quicken" means to make alive, as in the fullness of His power, as seeds germinating, springing up, growing. We are meant to grow continually from glory to glory and from faith to faith. Many do, and we can too, if we will! Smith Wigglesworth, Rees Howells,

John G. Lake, Maria Woodworth-Etter and so many others flowed in this power, and it is available to us who believe in similar manner as they did!

Rees Howells, a Bible School director and powerful intercessor living in England during WWII, told of his final surrender to the Holy Spirit, by saying, "When the Divine owner takes possession of a property, He has a twofold objective: intense cultivation and abounding fruitfulness. He'll do it acre by acre." The Lord touched his prayer life, his food habits, his success drive, his pride, and his lack of love for the unlovely. God's power through intercession flowed through Rees Howells in such measure that his prayers literally changed the outcomes of many battles to God's favor during the war.

Through John G. Lake's powerful Spirit-filled ministry in Washington State in the 1920's, God brought over 100,000 medically confirmed healings over the course of just five years! Prior to this success, however, he underwent a heart consecration process like that of Rees Howells. Lake said, "I looked for and prayed and coveted the real power of God for the ministry of healing." [It should be noted here that at this time he was *already* seeing powerful healings transpire!] He said that, "Day by day, for six months following my baptism in the Holy Ghost, the Lord revealed to me many things in my life where repentance, confession and restitution were necessary. Oh! The deep cleansing, the deep revelations of one's own heart by the Holy Ghost." The Lord's dealing with him began with a deep heart searching such as he had never known before, with no rest, until in every instance the blood of the lamb was consciously applied, and his life was set free from that particular thing that God had revealed. From there, the Lord dealt with his need to learn to truly love mankind as he had never experienced before. Only then did the Holy Spirit have a pure vessel through which to operate. Only then came the much sought after manifestation of power, which through Lake's ministry then exploded.

The life and ministry of these and other great heroes of faith demonstrates that it is not sufficient to simply declare oneself "yielded" to the Holy Ghost. ***We must die!*** **The Holy Spirit must live in and through our body.** All the forces of our personality must be subdued unto God in order that He may live through us. Such daily dying to self and living to Christ is not to be considered a loss, but rather, deliverance.

The Bible declares that we are the temple of the Holy Spirit, but can we say without hesitation that He is fully resident in us in all His glory and power, or must we acknowledge that He is presently only sharing the dwelling with other lesser spirits? The Holy Spirit has already been given. We do not need to pray for Him to come or to give us more power. Our need is to fully yield to His presence, to receive His fullness

and all His attributes, to learn to fully love others unconditionally, and then to get our flesh out of His way so that He can work His glorious work through us. Before receiving His power, often, as we see in the case of Rees Howells and John G. Lake, it is necessary to pray out any and every hindrance and replace it with the absolute fullness of God's Spirit.

The world is in undeniably desperate condition. Clearly, there is a necessary mighty work to be done in the world today that only the Holy Spirit can do. He will, however, not intervene in the affairs of men without permission. We are told in **2 Chronicles 16:9**, **"For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him."** What is the "perfect heart"? It is the one which is fully yielded, unreservedly, to God and His purposes in and through the believer's life. Does that describe your heart? Is your heart fully yielded such that He may flow through you unhindered? Are we as His body prepared to demonstrate the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, or are we yet walking in mere head knowledge and intellect rather than complete sanctification and assurance of our faith?

Pentecost is available to us today. It did not end long ago in Jerusalem. Holy Spirit is alive and well, living in us, and He desires to move by His power in and through the life of every fully yielded believer. As we continue to open ourselves up to Holy Spirit and allow Him to fully have His way, God is going to move in such ways as the world has not yet seen and as we have never imagined. The Lord told Johnny Enlow recently, "The whole earth shall be as the Upper Room." All over the world God's Spirit is moving. It is we who must choose to move with Him and allow Him to move through us. Whereas satan has come to steal, kill and destroy the body of Christ and the ultimate plan of God for planet Earth, the Lord through Holy Spirit, is raising up a mighty tsunami of His Glory and His power to overcome all the works of darkness. Let us purpose to catch that wave of His Spirit for His greater glory in all our days ahead!

Sivan 3, 5783: Tuesday May 23, 2023

A New Formation of the Eagles!"

Dontrell Green, Clovis, CA

In a recent vision I saw an eagle. While I was watching, the eagle's wings began to stretch open. I thought to myself, within the vision, "What does this mean, Lord?"

Gathering the Eagles

Then the word of Lord came to me, saying, ***"I shall gather My eagles in this hour from east to west, from left to right. They shall move by the winds of My Spirit. I shall cause My eagles to arise and soar in this hour, as they glow with the radiant glow of My glory! They shall stretch forth their wings during this time to be a sign unto all humanity and cause great reformation in the earth. I will pick them up from the place of obscurity – the ashes of the past – and cause their hope to arise once again, as I the Lord drop them down in various places (the valleys and highways) to do something that has never been done before."***

"But those who wait for the LORD [who expect, look for, and hope in Him] will gain new strength and renew their power; they will lift up their wings [and rise up close to God] like eagles [rising toward the sun]; they will run and not become weary, they will walk and not grow tired." (Isaiah 40:31 AMP)

No More Limitations

"In their wings I've placed another measure of endurance, strength and wisdom that they did not have in the previous seasons. I'm giving them the speed of lightning and mantling them with the mantle of 'NO MORE LIMITATIONS, ' as the eagles of the Lord stretch open their wings. They will mount up in splendor, hitting their targets. Never again shall they be put to shame, as I elevate them, promote them and exalt them for their willingness and faithfulness.

"Haven't I told you before that promotion doesn't come from the east, nor the west nor the south, but it comes from the Lord? Yes, for indeed I will increase the stability, mobility and passion of My eagles as I fortify them and bring them up and built them up among their ranks!"

"For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. But God is the judge: He putteth down one, and setteth up another." (Psalm 75:6-7 KJV)

"As an eagle that protects its nest, that flutters over its young, He spread out His wings and took them, He carried them on His pinions.

"So the Lord alone led him; there was no foreign god with him. He made him (Israel) ride on the high places of the earth, and he ate the produce of the field; and He made him suck honey from the rock, and [olive] oil from the flinty rock." (Deuteronomy 32:11-13 AMP)



A New Formation of the Eagles

Get ready for a reordering and a new formation of the eagles aligning themselves together. The Lord will bring them from the deep pits of affliction and display them as His own. God will recognize them as His new generals in preparation for His end-time army that shall emerge.

Are you ready? As you eagles open up and stretch forth your wings during this season, get ready for a saturation of glory. You will burn even brighter for the King of glory. This is the season and month of the "stretching of the eagles' wings"!

"You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I carried you on eagles' wings, and brought you to Myself." (Exodus 19:4 AMP)

"As often as the trumpet sounds, he says, 'Aha!' And he smells the battle from far away, and senses the thunder of the captains and the war cry. 'Is it by your understanding that the hawk soars, stretching his wings toward the south [as winter approaches]? Is it at your command that the eagle mounts up and makes his nest on high [in an inaccessible place]? On the cliff he dwells and remains [securely], upon the point of the rock and the inaccessible stronghold. From there he spies out the prey; his eyes see it from far away. His young ones suck up blood; and where the slain are, there is he.'" (Job 39:25-30 AMP)

Sivan 4, 5783: Wednesday May 24, 2023

Does God Bring the Moment of Birth and Not Give Delivery?"

Sylvia Neusch, Round Rock, Texas

Our family was blessed recently to welcome our fourth grandchild into the world—a baby boy. Unexpectedly, our daughter had to have an emergency C-section because the baby's umbilical cord was wrapped around his neck several times, causing his heart rate to begin to plummet. We are so grateful that both mom and newborn son came through okay and are both doing well.

Through this whole experience, God began to speak to me about the new things He is birthing in the earth today. **I realized that the enemy always opposes what God is birthing; He wants to abort the plans that God has for revival and harvest in this new era.** But I am reminded of **Isaiah 66:9: "'Do I bring to the moment of birth and not give delivery?' says the LORD..."**

The implied answer is, of course, **"NO!" God's plans and purposes will prevail.**

It's Nesting Time!

Though we never know exactly when a baby will arrive, we always prepare for their arrival. We get the nursery ready and make sure we have everything we will need. Likewise, God gives us a window of time to prepare for the new things He is birthing. This preparation process is part of how we steward the move of God as He births it.



The listening Church may have found herself in the "nesting phase" right now. This is a time of intentionally making things ready for the coming harvest.

The American Pregnancy Association says, "Nesting during pregnancy is the overwhelming desire to get your home ready for your new baby." Just as a newborn's parents ready their home, making sure they have everything

they will need to take care of a newborn, the Church must also ready and position everything to welcome the coming harvest. It is a time of equipping, training, mobilization, and preparation to embrace the newborns of the Kingdom.

A church that is tuned into what God is birthing will be serious about welcoming the harvest and making plans to take care of the new Believers that are coming into the Kingdom. Who will disciple them? Who will help them receive emotional and physical healing? Who will train and equip them? These and other questions need to be carefully considered by those in leadership so that we can steward well the harvest of souls that are so precious to God's heart.

A newborn requires commitment, sacrifice, hard work, and LOTS of unconditional love. The new things that God is birthing will require these things as well—*and more*.

Transition and Transformation

Though there is a corporate birthing process happening right now, there is also a personal birthing process happening in many as well. It has been a great time of sifting, shifting, moving, and transitioning for many of God's people.

We know that the transition phase is the last part of active labor, and the most intense and painful time. The Church has been in this transition phase for some time now, and many have felt and experienced the pressure and squeezing. The pressure is a necessary part of the birthing process, and God uses the pressure and squeezing to conform us into His image and move us to the next phase of where we need to be with Him.

God doesn't always cause the painful pressure we experience, but He does promise to work all things together for our good as we submit to His Spirit. Unneeded things fall off during this phase, and spiritual muscles are developed through perseverance and persistence. He is readying His Church to house and steward well this great outpouring of His Spirit.

We know that a butterfly goes through an amazing transformation process as it is hidden within the chrysalis. Birthing something can be a lonely and sometimes painful process, and it is easy to feel frustrated, hopeless, or even abandoned. But, God is revealing that He has not left us alone, and is intimately involved in our process, overseeing every detail to make sure we emerge beautiful and powerful like the butterfly. God is not just on the other side of our birthing process, but He is right in the trenches with us, cheering us on and giving us whatever we need to see our process through to completion.

Phenomenal transformation takes place within the dark walls of the chrysalis, and any onlooker might say that it looks unimportant and ordinary, but the process occurring inside is anything but ordinary; it is extraordinary. In fact, the word "metamorphosis" (which is used to describe the transformation process) can also be defined as "A change of the form or nature of a thing or person into a completely different one, by natural or supernatural means" (see Lexico dictionary website).

The work God does in the lives of each one of us is beyond our comprehension. I believe He is thrilled to display His glory through each person, as each one reveals a different and unique facet of His Kingdom. But this revealing can take time as God is at work birthing things, both individually and corporately, during this time.

The Time of Birthing Is Upon Us!

What a privilege and honor to be alive "for such a time as this"! We are on the precipice of so many great things, and an outpouring which those who came before us only dreamed of. Though the enemy has pulled out all the stops to attempt to derail and abort the move that God is birthing, I know that God will be victorious! We are about to see Him move in such an epic and glorious way all across the earth. It's time to prepare, Church. The time of birthing is upon us!

Sivan 5, 5783: Thursday May 25, 2023

"Darkness Will Be Expelled and Chased Far Away!"

Donna Rigney, Salt Springs, Florida

Dramatic Worldwide Changes Are Coming!

On **May 1, 2023**, Father spoke a very encouraging word to me about the time we are living in: "These are days like no other – days of fighting the forces of darkness that are attempting to overrun the world, and days where Our great glory is going to cover this world and chase that darkness away."



"There will be great rejoicing when My glory arrives because mankind is learning to recognize evil and hate it as well! Worldwide will this great outpouring of My glory be, because worldwide has the outpouring of wickedness been. I will overcome evil with an abundance of My goodness! I will chase evil far from My children; I will chase it back to Hell, where it came from to invade the earth."

The Lord showed me that what happens worldwide also gets on individuals, like pollen gets on everything in springtime. The pollen of evil gets on us and brings misery and suffering to us, while when the glory is poured out, it will chase that evil way and bring happiness, peace, healing, deliverance and all that is good into our lives as individuals. Many miracles will happen.

Judges Will Be Removed

On **May 2, 2023**, once again, Father spoke to me about His plan for the world: "The days ahead will be awesome for My faithful children, but for the wicked, they will be dreadful. My justice shall be seen; even among those who sat on judgment seats in the courts will My justice fall."

"None will be exempt from the retaliation of a God, who has been mocked by His creation, and who has watched as My innocent ones have been slaughtered, tortured, abused, misled and deceived. The trickery that they heaped upon My

children will be exposed, and all they will reap is shame and dread for the wickedness they sowed."

Your Sin Will Find You Out

On **May 3, 2023**, during my time of prayer, Father declared: "You are living in the hour with the adage 'Your sin will find you out' will be fulfilled. This is a time when secret sins are being exposed, so that those who are sinning will repent or be removed so that their sinful actions will no longer bring destruction and harm My children. This will happen on all levels of society.

"Pray that many repent and turn from their unrighteousness to Us! Pray that the harm their sinful deeds caused will be undone quickly.

"Yes, Our heart is for quick restoration of all – the sinners back to us and the victims totally restored and refreshed. Much harm has been done by satan and his horde of demons manipulating My people. This revival will bring about miraculous restoration and great healing and deliverance like no other in the past. By the outpouring of My glory, this will happen quickly. Suddenly, lives will be restored and rebuilt a new foundation.

"The Solid Rock will undergird lives, churches, institutions – the seven mountains of society! You will see this happen as people outwardly and unashamedly profess faith in My Son! Gratitude for forgiveness and for My grace to overcome will be expressed worldwide, openly. You have seen instances of this happening already, as a precursor of what is to come!"

When Father said this, I thought of the sports broadcasters and newscasters that have prayed openly in the name of Yeshua. Football teams knelt in public during a nationally televised game to pray for a wounded player.

Confirming Scriptures:

"But if you fail to do this, you will be sinning against the LORD; and you may be sure that your sin will find you out." (Numbers: 32:23)

"...Assyria's pride will be brought down and Egypt's scepter will pass away. I will strengthen them in the LORD and in His name they will live securely,' declares the LORD." (Zechariah 10:11-12) (Assyria and Egypt represent oppressors and those who enslave God's children. God's people will be restored and strengthened.)

"It was not by their sword that they won the land, nor did their arm bring them victory; it was Your right hand, Your arm, and the light of Your face, for You loved them. You are my King and my God, who decrees victories for Jacob.

"Through You we push back our enemies; through Your name we trample our foes. I put no trust in my bow, my sword does not bring me victory; but You give us victory over our enemies, You put our adversaries to shame. In God we make our boast all day long, and we will praise Your name forever." (Psalm 44:3-8)

Sivan 6, 5783: Friday May 26, 2023

Pentecost "Shavuot"

**Is a vicarious blood sacrifice the only biblical way
to receive atonement for sins?**

A Hebrew Perspective

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If one asks that question to most Christians, the answer will be in the affirmative with very few exceptions. Christians preach that without accepting and personally appropriating the blood sacrifice of Yeshua Christ as one's atonement for sin, neither Jew nor Gentile can be forgiven and be purified from their iniquities. They base this conclusion on several passages from the NT. Some will add the proviso that they are not anybody's judge because, after all, God is the Sovereign; he is the ultimate judge, and he can do as he pleases. But most don't believe he has offered the Jewish people any other path to salvation since Yeshua's death and resurrection as reported in the NT.

However, asking the same question to a Jew will produce a completely different reply. Faithful Jews believe that a loving and merciful God has always provided a way for those in covenant (contract) with him to receive his forgiveness for sin even without an altar, blood sacrifice or sanctuary. They assert that this redemptive path was available from the time of God's first covenant with Adam and Eve in the Garden into the Covenant of Moses established at Sinai with the twelve tribes of Israel and continues to this day. Many passages in the TaNaKh (henceforth, TNK or OT) reiterate the unique and eternal covenant relationship with Yhwh Elohim (the LORD God) and his willingness to forgive the sincere penitent who returns to "the Way" even without the shedding of blood.

If Graeco-Roman (henceforth, GR) Christian doctrine is correct, the Jewish people have had no way to receive forgiveness for their sins for almost the past two millennia because they did not accept the "new covenant" inaugurated with the blood sacrifice of Yeshua Christ. If the Jews are correct, Christians have misinterpreted the Torah (i.e., the Pentateuch)¹, God's eternal covenants with the Patriarchs, the Covenant at Sinai (Law of Moses) and its subsequent elucidation and validation by the Prophets. The "new covenant" is explained in Jeremiah chapters 30 and 31. This final covenant, alluded to in the Torah (Deut 30:1-10), will see the reunification of the houses of Israel and Judah and the establishment of the Kingdom of God on earth; it will be administered by King Mashiach, the greater son of David (Ezek 37:15-28). It also specifically states the Torah will be written on the hearts of the reunited twelve tribes.

These two conflicting viewpoints are founded on the same Hebrew Scriptures but express two very different understandings of the promised "new covenant." Is there only one "way" for forgiveness of sins or can two redemptive plans run parallel with each other?

Part 1

Were there specific sacrifices for sin from Adam to Moses?

Adam and Eve's redemption from sin

And the LORD God made garments of skin for Adam and for his wife and clothed them. Gen 3:21

Many GR Christian commentators assert that long before the giving of the Law of Moses, God required a blood sacrifice to atone for one's sins. They cite the sin of Adam and Eve that caused them to be expelled from the Garden obliged him to kill one or more animals to provide them with garments of skin to cover their nakedness. Somehow this became the first "blood atonement" for sin by virtue of the slaying of an animal.

This well-known GR Christian doctrine is not taught in Judaism but it is taught in numerous seminaries and churches.

"Until sin entered the world no sacrifices could have been offered; and if, therefore, these were the skins of animals offered in sacrifice, as many suppose, Adam must in some way, immediately after the fall, have been taught that without

¹ The Torah or God's "instructions" is also known as, the "Pentateuch" or "Five books of Moses" and is made up of the first five books of all Jewish and Christian bibles. The "Covenant at Sinai" which is also called, the "Law of Moses" is part of the Torah. The Law of Moses deals only with the Decalogue ("The Ten Words" misnamed "The Ten Commandments") and the subsequent ethical, moral, purity, Feast and Sabbatical laws, commandments and judgments including the sacrificial system that accompanied them.

shedding of blood is no remission of sin, but that God will accept a vicarious sacrifice.” Elliot’s Commentary for English Readers, Vol 1²

Eitan Bar, a prominent Israeli Messianic Jewish-Christian (henceforth, MJC) a prominent leader and author at “One For Israel” Evangelical Ministry, concurs:

“Since the beginning, in Genesis 3, when Adam and Eve sinned against God and just before God banished them from the Garden of Eden, He showed them for the very first time, the principle of blood atonement on which the entire Pentateuch will be based. God kills an animal and from its skin He makes Adam and Eve leather garments, as it is written: “And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them” (Gen. 3:21).”³

Awkwardly, none of the GR Christian or modern MJC commentators can present any actual evidence from the biblical text itself that Adam and Eve’s sin was atoned for by a blood sacrifice when God made them clothes from animal skins. That’s because there is none to offer. The narrative simply states that “the LORD God made garments of skins...” and nothing more.⁴

Even assuming one or more animals had to die to make leather clothes for Adam and Eve. There is nothing to even suggest at that any animals were slaughtered as a ritual blood atonement sacrifice. Furthermore, Adam was never portrayed as serving as a priest or offering blood sacrifices for atonement before or after the fall. In fact, there is no mention at all in this narrative of blood or a sacrificial altar; neither is there a proclamation that blood atonement was necessary in order for God to forgive them of their sin.

“Of beasts slain, either to show them [Adam & Eve] what death is, or rather, as is more probable, in sacrifice to God, to prefigure the great sacrifice which, in the latter days, should be offered once for all.” Benson Commentary on the Holy Scriptures, Vol 1⁵

There is not even one verse offered as evidence to support this allegorical supposition. The opinion merely expresses a common GR Church eisegetical teaching that tries to link the “blood of Yeshua” to the forgiveness of sins by blood sacrifice back to the

² Edited by Charles John Ellicott, D.D., *Elliot’s Commentary for English Readers, Vol 1 of 8*, p.26; Publisher: Cassell & Co., Ltd., London, (original set likely around 1860; Reissued by Zondervan Publishing, Jan 1. 1954)

³ *Refuting Rabbinic Objections to Christianity and Messianic Prophecies*, Chapter 22, “Can Prayer Replace Sacrifice?” Independently Published, Jan 3, 2019

⁴ As will be demonstrated in an upcoming article, the entire Torah is not based on “the principle of blood atonement” as Bar asserts. It is based on the legal principle of “covenants,” an ancient form of “contract law.”

⁵ Dr. Joseph Benson, *Joseph Benson’s Commentary on the Old and New Testament, Vol 1 of 5*, Publisher: Carlton & Phillips; G. Lane and C. B. Tippet, published 1811-1818

Garden of Eden. This type of allegory asserts that the crucifixion was "prefigured" in the Garden. Aren't bible-believing Christians taught to require two or more scriptural witnesses to support the promulgation of a legitimate doctrine? Let's please continue to keep in mind that we are always seeking to know the author's intent (exegesis) when studying the Scriptures and not to simply "read our doctrines into the text" (eisegesis) to validate our own beliefs.

Please understand, I am not denying that the "death of the righteous" may serve as an atonement for sin. I am merely identifying an agenda-driven GR Church eisegetical interpretation that does not have a single supporting TNK or NT verse to attest to its veracity. *Please ponder this question: Where is it written that Yhwh ever offered blood sacrifices to himself?*

Cain and Abel: sacrifices begin

The first animal sacrifice spoken of in the Torah was an offering from Abel of the "firstborn" of his flock (Gen 4:4). The Hebrew word used for "offering" here was "minchah" which means, "a gift, tribute or offering" (Strong's #H4503). A specific category of offering was not identified. The "minchah" in Mosaic Law is a grain offering not an animal offering. Furthermore, the offering for the redemption of the "firstborn male" from the herd or flock "who opened the womb" in the Law of Moses was also not a "minchah" offering (Ex 13:12-15). The precise spiritual significance of Abel's offering is not expressed in the narrative.

Importantly, Cain and Abel's gifts were not "commanded" sacrifices or offerings. They were most likely a type of "free-will" offering, perhaps in the category of what would later be described as a "shelamim" or "toda" ("peace" or "thanksgiving"). Abel "brought of the firstlings of his flock, their fat portions," which meant it was the best he had to offer as a "tribute" or "gift" to God conceivably in recognition for his generosity and blessing (Gen 4:4). Cain's offering fell short. The type of altars, if any, that were used for each offering are not mentioned.

The following is from *Keil and Delitzsch's Commentary on the Old Testament*:

"Cain brought of the fruit of the ground a gift (Heb. minchah) to the LORD; and Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock, and indeed (vav in an explanatory sense, vid., Ges. 155, 1) of their fat," i.e., the fattest of the firstlings, and not merely the first good one that came to hand. [Their] "fats" are not the fat portions of the animals, as in the Levitical law of sacrifice. This is evident from the fact, that the sacrifice was not connected with a sacrificial meal, and animal food was not eaten at this time. That the usage of the Mosaic law cannot determine the meaning of this passage, is evident from the word minchah, which is applied in

Leviticus to bloodless sacrifices only, whereas it is used here in connection with Abel's sacrifice." Keil and Delitzsch⁶

Regardless of what category Abel's offering falls into, it was certainly not a "blood sacrifice" for the atonement of sin.

Noah's sacrifice after being delivered from the flood

When the flood subsided, God commanded Noah and his family to leave the ark and to take all the animals, birds and creeping things with him. Noah did so and then he built an altar to the LORD to show his gratitude for delivering him and his family from the flood; it was the first recorded altar that was used in the Bible. Noah offered burnt offerings of some of every kind of "ritually clean" animal and bird in gratitude to God for delivering him and his family from destruction.

Then Noah built an altar to the LORD and took some of every clean animal and some of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. Gen 8:20

The whole burnt offering is the oldest type of animal sacrifice identified by name in the Torah. In Hebrew, it is called an "olah" which means to "ascend or go up" (Strong's #H5930) and refers to the smoke's ascension or elevation to heaven as a pleasing aroma to Yhwh. The gift was entirely consumed by the fire; in the Mosaic Law, the sacrifice primarily signified the offeror's complete surrender and dedication to God (Lev 1:3-17). Abraham's sacrifice of Isaac was to be a whole burnt offering (Gen 22:8).

Even later Gentiles still knew the efficacy and importance of offering a sacrifice to God for deliverance from mortal danger:

"He (Noah) acted similar to the sailors in the story of Jonah, who after having been saved from a great storm and returned to dry land, immediately offered offerings to G-d for their deliverance. (Jonah 1,16). We learn from here that anyone who has been miraculously saved from dangers beyond his control is expected to offer tangible thanksgiving offerings." Chizkuni Commentary on Genesis (8:20)⁷

Job: the first recorded sin offering in the bible

In rabbinical literature, Job is said to be "pious" and is called one of the prophets of the Gentiles. Most scholars believe that Job and his friends lived sometime after Noah and

⁶ Carl F. Keil and Franz Kelitzsch, *Keil and Delitzsch Commentary on the Old Testament*, Genesis 4:4; William B. Ehdman Publishing Co., Reprint 1982 from text of 1891 original updated; biblehub.com Link

⁷ Commentary on the Torah of Rabbi Hezekiah ben Manoah. Chizkuni, composed in mid-13th century, is actually a compilation of insights culled from the Midrashim, as well as the writings of twenty other Rishonim, including Rashi, Rashbam and Ibn Ezra. Middle-Age France, c.1220 - 1260 CE; sefaria.org Link

likely predated the Law of Moses, although it would not have applied to him as a Gentile anyway. Job's longevity of over 200 years may place him closer to the time of the Patriarchs.

He provides the first biblical example of a likely pre-Mosaic use of the "olah" as a sin offering.

When their time of feasting had concluded, Job would rise early in the morning to send for them and consecrate them to God. He would offer a burnt offering for each one, because Job thought, "Perhaps my children sinned by cursing God in their hearts." Job did this time and again. Job 1:5

When Job's friends spoke wrongly about the LORD (Yhwh), his anger was aroused against them. He spoke to and commanded one of them, Eliphaz the Temanite:

"After the LORD had spoken these words to Job, the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite: "My anger burns against you and against your two friends, for you have not spoken of me what is right, as my servant Job has. Now therefore take seven bulls and seven rams, and go to my servant Job, and offer up for yourselves a burnt offering; and my servant Job shall pray for you, for I will accept his prayer not to deal with you according to your folly; for you have not spoken of me what is right, as my servant Job has done. So Eliphaz the Temanite and Bildad the Shuhite and Zophar the Naamathite went and did what the LORD had told them, and the LORD accepted Job's prayer." Job 42:7-9

Job's three friends had sinned against God. They were commanded "offer up" their burnt offerings and Job acted as a priest who interceded on their behalf. God accepted Job's prayer on their behalf and spared them the just penalty for their sins.

Did the Patriarchs practice blood sacrifices for sin?

There are no examples of God requiring the three primary Patriarchs, Abraham Isaac and Jacob, to make blood atonement sacrifices for any of the sins they committed.⁸

For example, Abraham twice lied when he feared for his life and caused serious troubles because of it. In both cases, powerful rulers wanted to take his wife Sarah for themselves, because he claimed that she was his sister and not his wife. His

⁸ However, sacrifices for making or confirming a covenant with God or between men such as Abram's (Abraham's) Covenant of the Parts or for a burnt offering are mentioned. But specific "blood atonement" sacrifices for the expiation of sin are not cited as a feature or requirement in any of the Patriarchal offerings as the Law of Moses had not yet been given (Gen 8:20-22; 15:1-20; 22:6-14; 31:21-54, etc.).

explanation was that he feared for his life if he had admitted that Sarah was his wife because he probably would have been killed. Please stop for a couple minutes and read these short accounts at Genesis 12:10-20 and Genesis 20:1-18 with the events.

Abraham's deliberate omission endangered the lives of two leaders, their families and kingdoms. Both a Pharaoh (un-named) and King Abimelech believed Sarah to be a single woman. God prevented them both from touching her sexually, but he did afflict Pharaoh and his house with "plagues." And God came to King Abimelech in a dream, threatening to kill him for taking Sarah to be his wife! He also afflicted his household with sickness and infertility.

In the end, God spared the lives of both men. He even told Abimelech in a dream that he knew the king acted "in the integrity of your heart." Abraham did pray to God to heal King Abimelech as well as his wife and female slaves, so they bore children – a problem that originated with him in the first place. God obviously forgave Abraham and still considered him to be the example par excellence of a righteous man of obedient faith and deeds.

"And in your [Isaac's] offspring all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because Abraham obeyed my voice and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws." Gen 26:5

So, God protected Abraham from potential double "bloodguilt" (i.e., a term denoting killing or causing someone's death by any means). If he were under the Law of Moses, he would have been required to make a "sin" or "guilt" ("chatat" or "asham") offering for his deliberate deceptions that caused so much pain and suffering.

Thus, if blood atonement through animal sacrifice was "the principle upon which the entire Pentateuch based," it was not a requirement in God's "commandments, statutes and laws" to Abraham.

Essentially, the same kind of scenario occurred with Isaac and Rebekah while they were travelling, the difference being Rebekah was Isaac's cousin instead of his half-sister (Gen 26:6-35). Interestingly, the term "sister" was once used for close cousins amongst Arameans. The result of the subterfuge was identical, yet there was no blood sacrifice required for Isaac's sin.

Jacob was no exception either (read Gen 27). He deceived his blind father Isaac as well as his brother to get the superior blessing of the firstborn. On advice of his mother Rebekah, who had received a prophecy from God that the older brother, Esau, would serve the younger (Gen 25:21-23), Jacob perpetrated a deception on his father. He put on a disguise and pretended to be his older brother so he would receive the blessing of

the firstborn son in addition to the birthright he had previously acquired for only a bowl of lentil stew (Gen 27:1-40, 25:29-34).

One cannot consider this to be righteous behavior by either our matriarch or our patriarch, Jacob. But the Torah does not record that any blood sacrifices were required of either of them for their sin.

The following two final examples of individual sinning without God requiring a blood sacrifice should suffice to fully make the point:

1. The Jacob family clan was camped near Shechem. The leader of the city was Hamor the Hivite and his son Shechem was the prince of the city. When Shechem saw Dinah, the young daughter of Jacob by Leah, he apparently could not control his lust and he raped her. But he also desperately fell in love with her and wanted her to be his wife. His father made a generous offer to Jacob that publicly honored Dinah. He told Jacob's family they would become equal citizens with all the other members of the city, intermarry and do business with each other.

Two of Dinah's older brothers, Simeon and Levi, made a false truce with Shechem and his father. The brothers told them that, as long as all the men of the town agreed to be circumcised, they would agree to the offer. The Hivites concurred and all the men of the city were circumcised. On the third day, when the men were still recovering, Simeon and Levi murdered them all and looted the city. It appears Jacob knew nothing of their treachery beforehand (Gen 34).

2. Reuben and Judah led a plot of Joseph's ten brothers to kill him. They were jealous of his relationship with and special treatment by their father, Jacob. They also didn't like the fact that Joseph had two dreams which foretold the older brothers would be bowing down to him in the future. When Joseph came to check on his brothers at the command of his father, they threw him into a pit and sold him to a travelling caravan of merchants. They then reported back to Jacob that he was likely dead, showing Joseph's bloody coat that they "found" as evidence (Gen 37). Once again, the Torah does not record any formal sacrificial ritual for atonement that was ever required or made by the brothers.

These examples are not provided to show that people under a covenant (contract) with God can sin with impunity. Adam and Eve certainly paid a price for their disobedience to God's commands. While a loving Creator graciously forgave them their sin, breaking the covenant cost them dearly. Adam and Eve were now assured they would physically die; they were banished from the Garden and could no longer "walk with him" there or enjoy the innocent intimacy of his Presence (Gen 3:16-24).

Abraham doesn't seem to have suffered any punishment for his sins against the Pharaoh and King Abimelech, unless one ascribes God commanding him to sacrifice Isaac and all the anguish that went with that preparation and expectation as being his punishment. But that command was rescinded. Abraham never performed a blood sacrifice for forgiveness of his sins.

If Abraham was not required to make a blood sacrifice, then we can easily accept why Isaac did not appear to be punished for the same sin. Once again, no ritual of a blood sacrifice for sin atonement is recorded in the Torah.

It could be said that Jacob's deception of his father resulted in several duplicitous acts against him. First was by his uncle Laban's substitution of Leah for Rachel in marriage and forcing Jacob to work seven years for Rachel. Then he defrauded him in his wages consistently. Furthermore, Jacob was again deceived by all but one of his sons regarding the faked death of Joseph. Even though he suffered in his lifetime, the Torah does not record Jacob ever being commanded to make an atoning blood sacrifice for his sins.

Joseph's brothers, Patriarchs of the ten northern tribes, certainly ended up paying for their sin against him. They all carried around the guilt they felt for many years for selling their brother. Then they went through a torturous couple of years after having met Joseph as the vice-reagent of Egypt and regarded all their troubles as being a required accounting for their betrayal of him.

Then they said to one another, "In truth we are guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the distress of his soul, when he begged us and we did not listen. That is why this distress has come upon us." And Reuben answered them, "Did I not tell you not to sin against the boy? But you did not listen. So now there comes a reckoning for his blood." Gen 42:21-22

But in the end, they had shown by their actions towards Benjamin their true repentance and spiritual transformation for what they had done to Joseph. They received forgiveness from him and likely from God as well (Gen Ch. 42-46). Where was the ritual of the brothers' sacrificial blood atonement recorded in the Torah? Nowhere.

Therefore, no Patriarch was ever required to make a blood sacrifice to atone for sin.

The first example of forgiveness without sacrifice for the Israelites

Finally, very soon after God had delivered them from Egypt through the ten plagues, Israel rebelled against him. This incident provided the first example of God granting corporate forgiveness to the nation of Israel without requiring a blood sacrifice for their sin.

Just before they crossed the Sea of Reeds, immediately after witnessing the miraculous destruction of Egypt and God's victory over Pharaoh, the Israelites demonstrated their lingering disbelief and lack of faith. This was before the giving of the Ten Words at Mt. Sinai.⁹

As Pharaoh drew near, the Israelites looked back, and there were the Egyptians advancing on them. In great fear the Israelites cried out to the LORD. They said to Moses, "Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us, bringing us out of Egypt? Is this not the very thing we told you in Egypt, 'Let us alone and let us serve the Egyptians'? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness." Ex 14:10-12

Yet, there was still no blood sacrifice required as an atonement for their sin of "rebellion" against Yhwh. They were saved only by God's grace and mercy as well as his decision to protect his "name" (i.e., reputation) and to make his "power" known.

Our ancestors in Egypt failed to grasp the meaning of your wonders. They didn't keep in mind your great deeds of grace but rebelled at the sea, at the Sea of Suf (Reeds). Yet he saved them for his own name's sake, to make known his mighty power. He rebuked the Sea of Suf, and it dried up; he led them through its depths as through a desert. He saved them from hostile hands, redeemed them from the power of the foe. The water closed over their adversaries; not one of them was left. Then they believed his words, and they sang his praise. Ps 106:7-12 (Ex 14:10-31)
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Israel saw the great power that the LORD used against the Egyptians, so the people feared the LORD, and they believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses. Ex 14:31

After their rescue, Israel finally sang their praises to God with the "Song of the Sea." But there was no confession of sin or asking for forgiveness in that song or in any biblical narrative or commentary about the event. And there was no sacrifice or blood atonement required.

Conclusion

The Torah teaches that God can and did forgive the sins of those who were in covenant with him without a blood sacrifice for atonement - at least from Genesis 1:1 to the

⁹ "The Ten Words" (Heb. "devarim," from "davar": "words, sayings" or "things"; Strong's #H1697). "Words" is the literal translation of what are commonly translated as "commandments."

crossing of the Yam Suf (Reed Sea). *Therefore, the belief that "the entire Pentateuch (Torah) is based on the principle of blood atonement," is, prima facie, false.*

But you may be thinking, "What about after the giving the Law of Moses at Sinai? Doesn't Leviticus 17:11 rule all biblical atonement practices from there forward and put to an end the idea that there can be any efficacious acts of bloodless expiation for sin?"

For the life of the flesh is in the blood; and I have given it to you for making atonement for your lives on the altar; for, as life, it is the blood that makes atonement.

We will dive into that next month in Part 2:

"Was there atonement without blood from Moses to Exile?"

Baruch haba b'Shem Yhwh

Blessed in he who comes in the Name of the LORD Reuven.

Sivan 7, 5783: Saturday May 27, 2023

2nd Day of Pentecost Celebration

"IT'S TIME TO LEVEL UP IN MAY"

ANGIE STOLBA, WASHINGTON, IL

"We are convinced that everyone fathered by God does not make sinning a way of life, because the Son of God protects the child of God, and the evil one cannot touch him. We know that we are God's children and that the whole world lies under the influence of the evil one. And we know that the Son of God has made our understanding come alive so that we can know by experience the One who is true. And we are in Him who is true, God's Son, Yeshua Christ—the true God and eternal life! So, little children, guard yourselves from worshiping anything but Him." (1 John 5:18-21, TPT)

In the month of May, we honor and celebrate mothers young and old. A few weeks ago, I wrote a word entitled, "Daughters Arise!" The word was about many of the daughters of God specifically being attacked. I believe wholeheartedly that the reason for this is because God is getting ready to raise up His daughters for such a time as this.

Even as the enemy has attempted to ramp up his attack against you, the Lord says, "Fear not! It's time to level up! You were born for such a time as this! The evil one cannot touch you because the Son of God protects you! It is like gold and fire. When the fire comes, it attacks the gold. The fire does not change, but the gold does change.

It is not destroyed, but rather, purified. The very fire that you were forged in has NOT destroyed you, rather, it has refined you and made you stronger!

"We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed." (2 Corinthians 4:8-9, NIV)

Have you recently been weary, discouraged, or even encountering physical ailments in your body? I see you arising from the very ashes of defeat the enemy has attempted to keep you bound in! Fear is not your portion! Lack is not your portion! Sickness of any kind is NOT your portion! You are IN CHRIST and He has nailed your fear, lack, sickness, and disease on the Cross. In return, He has given you His righteousness, peace and joy! You are whole in Him!

I hear the Father, the Lion of Judah, roaring fiercely over His beloved sons and daughters. He is declaring over you, ***"My blood was enough! You are free! You are healed! Now is your time!"***

"Some time later, Yeshua went up to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish festivals. Now there is in Jerusalem near the Sheep Gate a pool, which in Aramaic is called Bethesda and which is surrounded by five covered colonnades. Here a great number of disabled people used to lie—the blind, the lame, the paralyzed. One who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. When Yeshua saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time, He asked him, 'Do you want to get well?' 'Sir,' the invalid replied, 'I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred. While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me.' Then Yeshua said to him, **'Get up! Pick up your mat and walk.'** **At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked..." (John 5:1-9, NIV)**

Can you imagine the utter joy and freedom this dear man must have experienced as he got up from where he had lain for so many years? Just like the man at the pool, God is encouraging you to get up and "level up!" Truly, this is your time to shine! He has great things in store for you! I want to encourage you, woman of God, no one is capable of fulfilling the unique call and destiny that God has placed inside you, other than you! You are marked. You are cherished. You are chosen for such a time as this. Arise from the discouragement. Sing to Him a new song and level up! Victory is yours!

"He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear the LORD and put their trust in Him." (Psalm 40:3, NIV)

Sivan 8, 5783: Sunday May 28, 2023

Pastor Jim Gregory: (May 13, 2023)

For many of us in the body, we have been serving the Father for years and even decades. We have been engaged in Kingdom business and effectual at our tasks and responsibilities, but even greater than this we have been in preparation. Though we've seen fruit and won battles in the past, the purpose of the trenches we have walked through has been preparation for what is to come.

Father has been telling me of late that He is going to perform an accelerated perfecting work in His remnant. For those that have been faithful through this prolonged season of preparation He is going to quicken His work and the process He is performing in us. He will culminate what must be done so we can enter fully into the new work that is upon us. I believe we are approaching a window of time where this acceleration will take place.

Last night I had a powerful intercessory dream. I stood at the entrance to a large airport hanger and 3 people stood in front of me. The main focus was a faithful warrior and servant of Christ directly in front of me, the 2 people on the sides were to bear witness to what was taking place.

I approached this faithful warrior and started to pray for her. I put my hand to her forehead and released a prayerful word. As I did, she 1st bent over, then went down on one knee, then two knees, then lay prostrate on the ground.

As I prayed, I used very specific words to release the power of God. I ask for and declared that she would experience the fullness of the Spirit, that this infilling would complete the work of preparation. I declared that the GREAT TRANSITION was coming, the GREAT PREPARATION was being completed, the GREAT TRANSFORMATION would now take place. I don't believe my prayer completed the work but rather heralded the work the Father will perform of His own volition. The GREAT PREPARATION, TRANSITION, and TRANSFORMATION would take place INSIDE of her.

As I prayed, I could see that this warrior is winning the fight and being transformed in the process but was annoyed by some of the small things that were getting in the way. She was able to overcome these things on a daily basis but desired to be free of them. Now was the time.

We have all been in such a prolonged season of battle that we may not even fully recognize the difference between the things we battle and things we need to loosen from our soul. We have been focused on our commander and chief and the work He has called us to. The things we battle within our souls are no more vexing than the witchcraft around us or the enemy's powers we take down daily. We move through them and past them one at a time on a daily basis, but now the Lord is going to liberate us of the things within ourselves that try to slow us down.

This infilling and finishing work will be so powerful that the Spirit of God will consume us in a new way. A dramatic infilling is about to take place beyond what we know is possible. We will be so filled with the Spirit that anything contrary in us will be pushed out. We will be consumed with the presence of God and the calling and purpose on our lives so that nothing will stand in our way.

As I prayed, I recognized in the spirit that this time would mark a crossing over point resulting in a FINISHING TRANSITION and TRANSFORMATION for service. What is taking place isn't just another stage of sanctification as glorious as that is. This was a NEW RELEASE for a NEW ERA. The Spirit of God will perform in us beyond what we can comprehend. We will understand the union that will take place only by experience. We will now be ready to enter into the high calling of our preparation.

Sivan 9, 5783: Monday May 29, 2023

People, Places and Things!

By Michael Shuttlesworth

I didn't want this to be about my life, but to rehash some moments or events that have happened to me over the years helps to explain what my article is about. So, has everyone here ever contemplated why certain people, places or things have crossed your path? There have been many things that have happened to me over the years, that when I think back on it, are hard to understand or explain.

Everyone that comes into your life, and everyone who has been called to be in your life is there for a reason. God has a purpose for you and wants to bless you and in so doing he will send a relationship that bears fruit. God will put people into your life at strategic times, because he knows what you need. He can also cause things to happen that

might seem like a tragedy, but this is also because he is trying to teach a lesson or prepare us for something in the future.

There are many examples in my life that just don't seem to make any sense, but God sees the bigger picture.



I can look back and wonder, why did my father leave my mother and leave me and my two younger brothers when I was little. Why was I always small for my age and get picked on in school. Then there was a time when I was coming home from a party in my early 20's and I woke up on the side of the road, sitting perfectly on the shoulder going in the wrong direction, car running and my foot on the brake, as though I had pulled over on purpose. God was in control.

Has something crazy like this ever happened to you?

When I was in the Navy stationed on the USS Midway, we were ported in the Philippines for 2 weeks. During my time there I decided to visit Manilla the capitol and caught a bus, that would take me through the mountains. I was the only American on the bus and as we were driving through a mountain pass, the driver came to a sudden stop. I looked out and saw about 6 -7 men carrying automatic weapons, the driver got out and started talking to them. After 5 long scary minutes the driver got back on the bus and we pulled away. I realized that God was with me that day and kept the band of guerilla soldiers from kidnapping me.

Why did God keep me safe, I was not the good Christian I am now, so what was the purpose? As I mentioned before, GOD see's the bigger picture, he has wonderful plans for us that we cannot see or understand. Unfortunately, Satan can place people or things into our lives as well, in the hopes of steering us away from success, or happiness and ultimately away from God.

It is very important for us to always be in prayer, to ask God to keep us safe and remove us from toxic situations and people. Maybe you have been praying for something lately, something that seems so important to you, but it seems as though God is not listening.

You know, it's really difficult to see what God is doing in your life in the moment. But, if you look back in your life, you would realize that God has been saving you from situations that you didn't take the time to speak to Him about. And situations that the devil has been planning for your defeat.

1 Corinthians 13:9, NLT Now our knowledge is partial and incomplete, and even the gift of prophecy reveals only part of the whole picture!

When I was in law enforcement there were several times that we were in a dangerous situation, but somehow things worked out in our favor, and nobody was hurt. Do you think that maybe God was looking out for me? YES, he was and for some reason he has placed in Angels around me many times for protection from the enemy and even myself.

Back in 2020 I decided to retire and move out west, but the plan that my wife and I had decided on was to purchase an RV and travel some before deciding on a place to live. Before we purchased the RV, we took a vacation to Colorado and stayed at an Air B&B in Durango run by husband and wife. We ended up becoming good friends and this convinced us to move here rather than traveling. After a rental just fell into our laps, we moved in.

One day several months later, I saw a flag in someone's yard that was quite unusual. After passing this place several times, I decided to stop one day and ask about it. This person turned out to be a member of the Republic and this was their flag. In doing so we have become good friends with Jim Carpenter and his wife Laurie! Was this just a coincidence, or was God placing me here on purpose for a bigger and more rewarding purpose?

Isn't it amazing that we serve a God who not only sees where we are but also sees where we can be.

Job 28:24 God looks to the ends of the earth and sees everything under the heavens.

God is faithful and He does answer our requests although it's not always the way we want, but it's always what is best for us.

To make a long story short, my message here is that many of us have gone through trials, tribulations and many hurts. Sometimes we feel lost and confused, that there must be this black cloud just following me around waiting to dump on us. Remember, that Satan is in this game too and he wants nothing more than for you to give up and blame God for your problems, to keep you confused and hopeless.

Place your hopes in Yeshua, Yeshua Christ, and know that he is with you and guiding your steps even though it may seem like your lost in the dark forest. I am a perfect example of this, but through all the tears my faith has never wavered.

Psalm 139:16 says, You saw me before I was born. Every day of my life was recorded in your book. Every moment was laid out before a single day had passed.

I am thankful that God is in control, and he holds my future in his hands!

Sivan 10, 5783: Tuesday May 30, 2023
Inspiration Ministries: The Path of Promise



"The path of promise is one of great faith and trust in Me. It is a path of intimacy and close friendship with Me.

"Now is the time to be steadfast in faith, on all I have spoken. Break off doubt and the lies of the enemy. Wage war with the promises, standing steadfastly on My truth. Allow My word to be louder in your ears than anything the enemy tries to speak.

"Will you believe the report of man or My word? Will you believe what your circumstances speak, or will you believe what I have spoken?

"The path to the promise is one of great value, as I am forging a people who are steadfast in their faith in Me. They will laugh in the face of the enemy and at all reports that speak in opposition to My promises, as they KNOW I am faithful to

bring all I have spoken to pass. They know I watch over My word to perform it. They will partner with Me in standing for the promises. They will stand against the enemy's plans to distort and abort the promise, and they will call in the fullness of the promises I have planned.

"Gift boxes of promise are coming to those who have endured and continued to stand. These ones will see My goodness overwhelm them as I pour out above and beyond what they asked for in this season."

"Then the LORD said to me, 'You have seen well, for I am watching over My word to perform it.'" (Jeremiah 1:12 ESV)

"Let us seize and hold tightly the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is reliable and trustworthy and faithful [to His word]." (Hebrews 10:23 AMP)

Continue to stand for the promises God has spoken, for the Lord is igniting the seed of promise and bringing the promise to fruition. He is roaring over your situation and bringing divine intervention. Release your sound and use your keys of authority to partner with God to unlock the harvest of the promise. The hour of breakthrough and for birthing the promises of God is at hand.

Sivan 11, 5783: Wednesday May 31, 2023
"I Heard the Lord Say, 'Welcome Back!'"
Lana Vawser, Adelaide, South Australia

Feeling Knocked Out?

I heard the Lord speaking over many who have been feeling like they have been experiencing so much warfare, opposition and hardship lately that they've feel like they have been "knocked out." There has been such an attack on the authority of the Believer and on their position in Christ, as well as what the Lord is calling them to build in this hour.

I also saw that there has been such an attack on the area of hearing from the Lord. Many have been left feeling disorientated, confused and under the swirl of warfare. I

saw that many have been feeling like they don't recognize themselves in this season, because they have become so battle-weary under so much opposition.

The Banks Are About to Break

I could hear many crying out to the Lord, feeling like the battle was never going to break. It was then that I heard the Lord speak: "The banks are about to break."

Not only did I see a major shift taking place by the decree of the Lord over their lives to bring them out from this place of feeling stuck in the battle, but I saw the banks that the enemy had put in place to hinder the great outpouring of the Lord suddenly broken. As these banks were suddenly breaking, a huge tidal wave of the Spirit of God – a mighty outpouring – was being released into their lives, and I heard the Lord make a decree. The authority of that decree could have crumbled mountains.

'Welcome Back' and a Divine Comeback

I heard the Lord say, "Welcome back, " and I knew instantly that this was a divine comeback. I saw that many had felt like they were stuck, and in the declaration of the Lord saying, "**Welcome back,**" they were being catapulted into an accelerated advancement.

The enemy had come in so strongly and in so many ways to hinder and delay them, but now they were moving into accelerated advancement with the Lord. They were moving into a time of seeing that which the Lord has called them to build finally being built, and it was being birthed at a more accelerated pace than ever before. I noticed it was not a "building" that came out of striving and rushing ahead of the Lord. This building was based on the declaration that the Lord was coming with – a supernatural empowerment and restoration to bring forth what He had promised. God had invited them to build with Him in a greater and more accelerated way.

I was then surrounded by the sense that despite the battle being so intense and so difficult with so much loss, the Lord was working. What the enemy had meant for their harm, God had turned for their INCREASE.

Then these words surrounded me again: "The banks are about to break, " and I saw provision flowing in abundant acceleration.

The Abundant Provision for the Accelerated Advancement

The Lord spoke again, **"It's the abundant provision for the accelerated advancement."** It was financial provision, but it was also provision in every area the enemy had attacked.

The Lord showed me that the assignment of the Lord had come upon the lives of Believers in this season to build with Him, but the enemy had come to steal, kill and destroy. However, the Lord was bringing forth provision to build with Him in that vision in an accelerated way.

All along, the enemy had come to kill the vision, **but the heart of the Lord was to cause the vision to be extended and increased in greater ways than what had been imagined by these people.**

He spoke again: ***"A mighty outpouring of My Spirit is crashing into these very areas that the enemy has tried to abort, but he has not succeeded. WELCOME BACK."***

Expanding the Vision

As those words, ***"WELCOME BACK, "*** thundered again, I not only saw the divine comeback of these men and women, but it was as if the vision itself heard the decree of the Lord, and it suddenly came to life again. As it came to life again, the tent pegs of the vision were extended further than ever before.



His words surrounded me again: ***"These areas are going to be the areas of the greatest move of My Spirit in this hour. Lean in; be tender and sensitive to My leading, for I am increasing the blueprint of these visions right now to carry more than you have even imagined."***

Words that the Lord had spoken to me many times in the last few years kept resounding loudly in my spirit: "All and more! All and more!" He was restoring ALL and MORE. The boundary lines of the land God had assigned to them to occupy, which the

enemy had tried to steal from them, were not only being restored, but EXTENDED. Increase! ALL AND MORE!

You are not stuck. You have actually moved from the place of feeling stuck in the battle and into a place of breakthrough – into the place of accelerated advancement with God. **You will see the assignment that the Lord has given you flourish with greater increase.**

For many, you have thought in terms of "local, " but the Lord is speaking in terms of "global." You have been looking at the vision before you in 2D, but now the Lord is causing that vision to become 3D. You will see into the vision in deeper and greater ways. It's bigger and greater than you think.

Sivan 12, 5783: Thursday June 1, 2023

Pat Francis: Choose Your God

"If serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your forefathers served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD." Joshua 24:15.

The power of choice is one of your greatest assets. Joshua told the Israelites to make two important choices:

1) Choose your God. You can choose Yeshua Christ as your Savior or live by default for evil power control of your life. The Bible describes two controlling power of every person - God or the Devil. Those who believe in the LORD Yeshua Christ have chosen Him as their Savior, Owner, and His Kingdom of Heaven as their eternal home. Those who ignore Him, despise Him or reject Him has also chosen their eternal future without God. "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16.

2) Choose your family shall serve God. Create a culture of godliness in your family. A family that prays together stays together. Because family is made up of imperfect people, a commitment to God helps to preserve the commitment to each other. A reporter asked an expatriate worker in the Middle East: "What motivate you to

endure all the hardships, discriminations, injustices, and loneliness?" The expatriate answered, "The thought that I'm doing all these for my family!"

God did more than that for His family that includes you. He made an important choice and He died to give you life; He suffered to give you peace; and He lives to give you eternal life with Him forever. God chose you, now you can make the choice to choose Him. "Believe in the Lord Yeshua, and you will be saved - you and your household." Acts 16:31. Your choice today could affect your families for generations.

Pray this simple prayer: "Dear Yeshua, I believe in you. I thank you Yeshua for dying on the cross to save my family and I. Forgive me for all my imperfections and sins. I receive you as my personal Savior and Lord. Amen." Begin to read the Bible and ask Him to lead you to a Church where you can grow strong in the Lord and in His mighty power.

Kingdom Declaration:

I choose Yeshua Christ as my Savior, Lord, and Eternal King.

Read the Bible in One Year: 1 Samuel 19-21; Luke 11:29-54.

Sivan 13, 5783: Friday June 2, 2023 Leaving the Lion's Lair: Nate Johnston

Something else that the Lord began to show me was that for many months now, He has been in protection mode. He has been surrounding His people with His faithfulness and rescuing them from situations that they didn't even know they were stuck in. He has been rescuing them and pulling them out of these situations.

I heard the Lord tell me that in May we're going to see those rescue situations. We're going to see exactly where He's been rescuing us. So many of us have been in situations that have been like lions' lairs, surrounded by situations, problems, circumstances and people that have sought to rob and derail the call of God on our lives. But the Lord, jealously and protectively as a Father, has been leading us out of these situations. **God has been breaking us free from many chains and bondages that we didn't even know we had around our feet.**

I believe May is going to be a month of extreme emancipation. We will begin to feel freedom and life enter us in places where we have felt subtle or unknown bondage, or places that we haven't yet realized, where we have just felt restricted and constricted.

There's going to be a time where God begins to reveal to us the permission and the freedom that we have in order to step into this new season without constantly feeling surrounded by lions and needless warfare.



The Overflow of Oil

I believe May is going to be a month of increased visitation and habitation. For so long, God's people have been seeking oil, but have only found small deposits. It's been a season of having to press in deeply just to experience the Lord, even in small measures. But watch as May begins to shift, because **we're stepping out of the trickle and into a roar.**

I feel like we're about to strike oil, because the Lord knows that the time is at hand. We're going to step into a place of overflow again, because hearts have been depleted and have been dry and thirsty. So get ready for the oil. It's about to overtake your life.

"You'll feel movement in areas you've not felt movement before," says the Lord, "and you will feel an unction where you've not felt an unction before," says the Lord, "and you will feel an anointing – a fresh anointing – begin to flow where you felt powerless and defeated for such a long period of time.

"Watch as My power – as My might – comes upon your life in a fresh way, and you begin to prophesy like in the days of old. This is a Joel 2 moment. This is a time where the Spirit of the Lord will come upon you and blanket you, and you'll begin to move in dimensions and offices you've not known before."

Strategic Birthing

The Lord told me that the month of May was going to be a month of strategic kairos birthing. What is that? It's the birthing of things you've been carrying that

have been preserved and reserved for this time. Maybe you've been carrying something for a long time, wondering why it hasn't come to pass, or when it will come to pass. The Lord has been reserving this for now, for a reason that you won't understand until you begin to see how God uses it.

You've not understood that it has been preserved for a time and a spiritual climate where it will be the most effective. So get ready to see the Lord begin to highlight and open doors for you to step into, places of favor and influence that you have not had in years past.

It's time to see those things birthed. It's time to see the Lord break open the way in areas of your calling that you had begun to feel would never come to pass.

Look and See!

May is the month of *look and see*. I just keep seeing a vision of this plot of land, this empty block of land – a blank canvas. It's a time where the Lord wants us to dream again. It's a time where the Lord is wanting us to cast vision with Him. Again, it's a "stretch forth your tent peg" season, but it's also a season of casting vision. The Lord is wanting us to physically, tangibly and actively pursue the vision that He's given us, and to not hold back. **He's wanting us to begin to plan ahead for the days to come.**

We've been held back in so many areas. There have been such delays in so many areas, but, by faith this month, begin to activate that which has felt impossible to reach, and begin to cast vision with the Lord again. I feel like this vision specifically speaks to those who've been looking for land, those who've been looking to expand their ministries and their dreams by dreaming for locations and regions. The Lord is giving them land.



The Lord said that this will be a time where there's a specific favor on property. There's a very strategic favor on the Lord securing plots of land for His people. Begin to dream with Him, begin to cast vision with Him and watch it come to pass.

Spiritual Territory and Legacy

While I'm on this topic, I must speak into something. I feel the Lord is arming His people for

something in the days ahead, and that is territory. I see mission coordinates being handed out to the Body of Christ – people who will take spiritual dominion and control over locations that have been in the enemy's hands.

This is a time where the Lord is releasing His people to storm the gates and begin to take back that which has been given over to the enemy for such a long period of time. Just as we're believing for the expansion of our ministry and vision, the Lord is wanting us to take responsibility and to occupy that which has not been occupied before in our cities and regions. This will be a time where even the Lord begins to highlight new regions and territories for people to occupy. My advice to you, my encouragement to you, is to occupy.

those regions – to take them for the Kingdom of God and to not hold back. Maybe there are specific mountains of influence and places in culture that you feel are yours to occupy. Occupy them; take them.

May is going to be a significant month of shaking and turnover in the media and entertainment mountains, where we will begin to see those who have been hidden behind the scenes come forth. It's a time where God will begin to reveal to us the movers, the shakers and the reformers, whom God has been planting in these places. We will begin to see that which has been holding these mountains in bondage being evicted from their lofty thrones. **It's a time for God's people to storm the gates and take these regions and places for the Kingdom of God, and not hold back.**

Financial Takeback and Replenishment

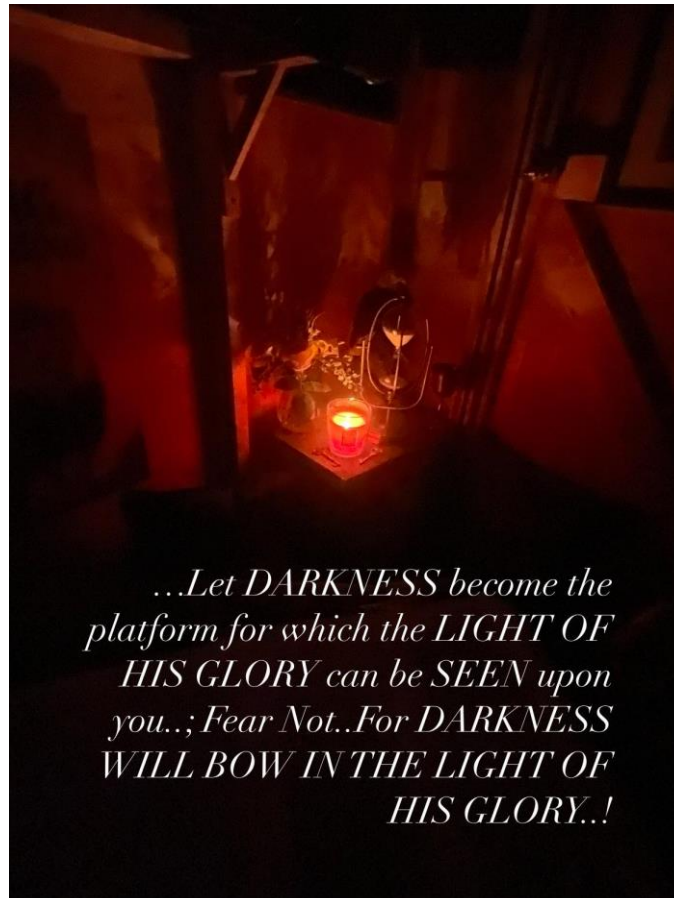
I believe May is going to be a month where we will begin to see the wealth of the wicked coming back to the righteous. I've been seeing this in the spirit for the last two years now. The enemy has been trying to rob God's people. There's been upset and turmoil in the financial market, with interest rates going higher, and it has been impossible to buy homes. **However, the Lord is shifting this for His people.**

Regardless of the market, regardless of what's taking place in the stock exchange and the markets, the Lord is releasing a wave of provision to the Body of Christ for a significant and strategic purpose. It's to fund the harvest that's at hand. Right now, we're in a time of building and a time of increase, but many have been saying, "Lord, how can I move forward when I don't have the provision? Lord, how can I move forward when I don't have the means to be able to build and do what You've told me to build and do? In fact, it feels like things have gone in

reverse. I've been in a season of robbery. I've been in a season where it feels like the locust has been eating away at what You've given me."

Now, watch in May as your banks are replenished. Watch in May as things begin to turn around, as a wave of provision and financial increase comes. This is a time to not be stingy. It's a time to sow. It's time to begin to use your seed powerfully again. The Lord is releasing a wave of prosperity to take you out of the place of limitation and into the place of His unlimited favor, so you can build and plant the things which He called you to build and plant years ago.

Sivan 14, 5783: Saturday June 3, 2023



I HAD AN ENCOUNTER WITH THE LORD AND I HEARD HIS VOICE THUNDER OVER MANY "COME OUT": Lana Vawser

Recently I had an encounter with the Lord, and I heard His voice thunder **"COME OUT"** and I knew that it was a SIGNIFICANT moment of deliverance. As He thundered those words "COME OUT" the sense surrounded me so strongly that NO LONGER would they live under the things that have contained them in this season.

I saw such a mighty deliverance that was taking place. This supernatural sovereign move of the Holy Spirit was moving in such power and force the level of deliverance was on a level I had not seen before. I was so aware of the POWER of His voice and His decree.

I watched in what seemed like a MOMENT many were being delivered from grief, fear, panic, words of others, judgements, containment, lies, pain, trauma and so much more. I watched as the power of the Holy Spirit and the Lord's decree SUDDENLY brought them out. I then watched as the decree of the Lord "COME OUT" was zooming like an arrow back down their timeline and into past seasons. This radical time of deliverance was not only bringing deliverance for recent seasons but the effects of previous seasons, some from long ago. As the decree zoomed back down their timeline, as it turned to return, I knew in the spirit that the Lord was ushering in recompense and the spoils from intense battle filled seasons for many in the past.

This radical time of deliverance was bringing forth a complete severing, a total deliverance, a decree that brought a significant season shift. The decree of the Lord 'COME OUT' did not only speak of the mighty deliverance taking place and the decree of the Lord and the power of the Holy Spirit ferociously cutting off things that have tried to hold His people back, but the decree also spoke to the season.

The decree of "COME OUT" spoke to the season that they were in and supernaturally shifted them into a NEW SEASON. "Come out of the wilderness", "Come out of the hardship, pain, trauma and living under the effects of the past season and come into a NEW SEASON" - the season was shifting at the decree of the Lord.

Not only was the decree of "COME OUT" bringing forth this mighty deliverance and shifting the season, but there was also a COMMISSIONING contained in the decree. Restoration, recompense and healing was all taking place in this radical, powerful time of deliverance, and at the same time the fire of His presence was falling in such intensity that was bringing forth a mighty commissioning into this new season. There was a mighty commissioning into new works with the Lord, a deeper partnership with Him in what He has planned. A deeper partnership in new works of the Lord to see His Glory revealed in all the earth.

I could hear the Lord's voice speaking over these moments of deliverance and commissioning **"This is what it's like to live FULLY ALIVE in Me"** and I knew this

declaration of the Lord was speaking "over the season". This deliverance and commission that was taking place was ushering His people into a time of greater and deeper understanding of what it is like to live FULLY ALIVE in Him (John 10:10).

The Lord spoke again: ***"No longer will you live under the seasons. No longer will you live under the effects of the seasons and the attacks of the enemy. You have entered a new day of understanding your authority and position in Me like never before. I am bringing you further into the days of overcoming, of strength and victory. It's time now for you to arise in Me in your authority in greater ways."***

He voice thundered again: ***"NO LONGER WATERED DOWN but BURNING with My fire and holy desire. No longer will you water yourself down, no longer will you limit your passion, limit your creativity, limit your gifting to fit in or because you have believed you are TOO much. You were BORN to STAND OUT. I am delivering you from insecurity and the fear of man, as the fire of My love and presence MARKS you afresh. A fresh baptism of My fire is being released upon you and you will BURN with my fire and holy desire like never before. COME OUT of the contained places. Come OUT of the contained places even within your own heart and mind as My voice speaking My truth over you brings total transformation. It's TIME TO ARISE and know in greater ways what it means to live FULLY ALIVE as I have created you to be, in Me."***

Sivan 15, 5783: Sunday June 4, 2023

Prophetic Art of James Nesbit



Heavenly Father, thank You for causing us all to remember today, Our faith shelters our soul continually in You Yahweh.

Thank You, for Your Secret Place O Most High!

Yes, our enemies have prepared their traps for us! We see them hiding in their place of darkness and shadows!

How unfortunate to always live, in the place of darkness and shadows, always plotting and scheming!

These pawns of the enemy, twisted backwards in purpose, they've set themselves against all those who live upright lives.

What can the righteous accomplish when truth's pillars are destroyed and law and order collapse? Good question in the hour in which we live!

Yet Yahweh You are never shaken — You are still found in Your temple of holiness, reigning as King Yahweh over all!

You are not wringing Your hands, You've finished the end from the beginning after all! So we will rule from the "Finished Place" with You, under the shadow of Your wings.

You closely watch and examine everything man does. With a glance,
Your eyes examine every heart, for Your heavenly rule have prevailed overall.

THE CROSS DID IT!

Yahweh you test both the righteous and the wicked., and you are testing Now!

Your very soul Yahweh detests lovers of violence. You, by Your own hand, will rain down upon them judgment for their sins. A scorching wind will be their lot in life.

Oh my, my, the way of the transgressor is so, so hard!

But remember this: Yahweh is the Righteous One who loves justice, and every godly one will gaze upon his face!

Father of all mercy, we ask for turning grace to move through our nation today!

For everyone whom there is still a chance turn to before it's too late.

Deliver us from the plots of this evil order.

Of the party of wicked who are opening the flood gates for their replacement population today!

Some men trust in horses, some trust in chariots, and some trust in their ability to manipulate justice and circumvent the Constitution; But we trust in You Yahweh!

Lord Yeshua King of Kings in Your Name we pray!

Pat Francis: Humility Is The Pathway To Greatness

**"But let him who boasts, boast in the Lord. For it is not the one who commends himself who is approved, but the one whom the Lord commends."
2 Cor. 10:17,18.**

Humility is the pathway to greatness. Pride is like cancer of the soul that never stops until it completely destroys a person's respect for others, and reverence towards God. Where there is pride there is no dependence on God or a true perspective about God. John Ruskin said, "I believe the first test of a truly great man is his humility."

The world's philosophy is sometimes contradictory to God's wisdom. The world says, 'Exalt yourself', God says, 'Humble yourself.' The world says, 'Step on others', God says, 'Prefer one another'. The world says, 'Hate your enemies', God says, 'Love your

enemies'. The world says, 'Be ruthless', God says, 'A man reaps what he sows.' If you follow the way of the world, you will come to a dead end. If you follow the way of God, you will find truth on the path of eternal life.

"Humble yourselves before the Lord, and He will lift you up." James 4:10. When God lifts you up, you know for sure that it will not be a 'set up'. The path of humility is true security as God gives more and more grace to His humble servants.

Kingdom Declaration:

Yeshua humbled Himself to lift me up. I humble myself to lift up others.

Read the Bible in One Year: 1 Samuel 25-26; Luke 12:32-59.

The Passionate Love Of Yeshua

"Surely He took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered Him stricken by God, smitten by Him, and afflicted." Isaiah 53:4

We reflect on a tragic Friday over 2000 years ago, when an innocent man called Yeshua was brutally beaten, tortured, and crucified. Yeshua passionately allowed it because of a greater purpose that includes you. Yeshua loves you. The word passion means suffering, compelling, and intense feeling or emotion, a pursuit to which one is devoted; the last suffering and death of Yeshua Christ.

Every bad experience of Yeshua was deliberately allowed with you in mind:

- His torture was for torment.
- His judgment was for every time you are unfairly judged.
- His betrayal was for grace when you are betrayed.
- His desertion by His disciples was for when people you need are not there.
- He was despised for victims of racism, prejudice, poverty, slavery.
- His blood was shed for your sins.
- His wounds were for your sickness.
- His punishment was for your peace.
- His death was to destroy the power of death.

The cross without the resurrection would have meant victory for Satan but the cross was only a journey with great purpose. Because He lives, we too shall live. There is

victory beyond every battle you face and hope beyond all your fears. It was a Good Friday when Yeshua in one blow on the cross conquered death, Satan, and the grave. Hallelujah!

Kingdom Declaration:

The cross of Yeshua is my weapon to destroy all evil.

Read the Bible in One Year: 1 Samuel 17-18; Luke 11:1-28.

Sivan 16, 5783: Monday June 5, 2023

"Ladies Night at the Banquet Table"

Appointment for Destiny: Anne Jackson (Ballard)

"Since ancient times no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides You, who acts on behalf of those who wait for Him." (Isaiah 64:4)



God is working on our behalf to accomplish our purposes on the earth for Him, even when we don't realize it. He is aligning us with people, places, opportunities and connections that are important for the work we are called to do. Watch for sudden appointments to happen! These appointments will even include those that require complex details to suddenly work out. These divine appointments will align you with people

and purposes you're called to. In time, you will see God's hand all over these divine connections and appointments. **Be intentional in building relationships and keeping honor towards all people.**

As opportunities present themselves, step out in faith, and the right doors will open for you. The complexity of the details and how swiftly God works things out may boggle your mind. This will be confirmation that His hand was in it, as there's no other way in the natural that these things could have happened.

This word is for you if you've been seeking an intentional community of people, and intentionally seeking the heart of God for wisdom and answers. Step through the doors that open and the relationships that show up in faith, and follow peace. God is supernaturally orchestrating details and alignments that couldn't have happened without His help.

Sovereign Transition

"The wind blows where it wishes and you hear the sound of it, but do not know where it comes from and where it is going; so is everyone who is born of the Spirit." (John 3:8)

This is a season of transition, and God is orchestrating it! He is moving people's roles, housing and relationships to align them with their purpose at the right place and time. If you feel a nudge to move during this season, pay attention and knock on some doors to see if the Lord is directing you to step out. Sometimes God moves people unexpectedly.

If you are experiencing a sudden unexpected transition (e.g., a forced move), then know that God is doing something intentional. Watch for sudden job changes, promotions, a shift in priorities, new marriages, and even a shift in the housing market that makes *now* the time to buy or sell a house! **God is moving people so they are at the right place for the next chapter in their future.**

You may be facing challenges where you are currently. These may be indications that show you it's time to physically relocate. At the same time, God may be synchronizing things to work in your favor for where He is taking you in this next season. Pay attention if you begin to feel the wind of the Spirit shifting. You may not have the grace or favor you once had where you are currently, and it may be time to see where there is grace and favor. God will lead you if you're paying attention.

God is physically relocating people, whether it is to a different geographical region or simply moving them from the community they have been a part of. He is doing this to align them with the most favor, grace and momentum for their purpose in this next season.

This message is for those who have been feeling a shift, and no longer feel the grace



they once had for where they are now. They may have felt the wind of the Spirit shift direction, just like in nature when the seasons change from summer to fall. Pay attention to the connections, people and opportunities that the Lord is presenting. Observe how you feel in the spirit when you are in different places and with different people. Notice when you feel the most alive and at peace and talk to God about it.

Super Bloom Season

"Then He said to me, 'Prophecy to these bones and say to them, "Dry bones, hear the word of the LORD! This is what the Sovereign LORD says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life."' (Ezekiel 37:4-5)

God is causing things and people to grow supernaturally during this time. It's as if things that didn't make sense before are suddenly snapping into place. Even things that looked dead (relationships, callings, giftings, desires, etc.), God is breathing new life into them. There is a supernatural momentum that is bringing life to the dead places. It is time to live!

There is a phenomenon called "Super Bloom" that takes place in the deserts of California and the southwestern part of the United States. A Super Bloom occurs when a certain series of events happen at once. It occurs after an exceptionally rainy season when the rain falls on dry ground, and, in time, activates the dormant seeds there.

Many things have to line up in order for this rare event to occur, but the result is spectacular growth and abundant color from the wildflowers and plants that are in bloom. This season in the spirit is much like this rare event in the natural realm. God is using what's already there – just like the dormant seeds. Although it may have appeared dead, it simply needed nourishment in order to burst forth into life! Only God can see what lies beneath the surface, or deep within our hearts, and breathe His breath of life. Watch for signs in the natural of expedited growth – for plants that you may have thought were dead to suddenly sprout new leaves, buds or flowers. And pay attention to the areas in your life that suddenly start teeming with life. This represents what is happening in the spirit realm.

God is breathing new life into things and people that have appeared to be asleep or even dead. **Watch as relationships experience rebirth, giftings and callings become rejuvenated, and even desires of the heart, which you had all but given up on, suddenly come to life!** This word is for you if you

have been feeling stagnant, hopeless, forlorn or like your growth has been stunted.

You may feel alone, stuck, despondent or just numb. You may have given up on something very precious to you: a relationship, a desire of the heart, or even something about the way God made you (like a gifting or calling). God has not forgotten! Watch as God breathes fresh life around you. Be observant of nature, as there will be signs if you have eyes to see. Pay attention to the things that make you feel alive, for God is speaking to you through your heart when this happens.

May declarations:

- 1. I am experiencing divine alignment.*
- 2. I am appointed for destiny.*
- 3. God is leading me into beautiful and sacred transitions.*
- 4. I am experiencing expedited and exponential growth!*
- 5. God is bringing to life that which I once thought was dead.*

Sivan 17, 5783: Tuesday June 6, 2023

A Significant Month of Shaking, Turnover, Birthing and More!"

Nate Johnston, Dallas, TX

A few weeks ago, I had a dream where I was sitting by a stagnant pool and heard a voice say, "**It's time to move on from the bitter pools. It's time to leave stagnancy!**" When I woke up, I began to get a download for the month of May. The Lord spoke about some key areas of transition and breakthrough that are coming.

Bitter Waters Will Be Made Sweet

I feel like the most potent part of this dream was the Lord saying that, in May, **He wants to lead those who've been feeling bitter, or potentially bitter, back into sweet waters.**

In Exodus 15:22-25, it reads: "Then Moses led the people of Israel away from the Red Sea, and they moved out into the desert of Shur. They traveled in this desert for three days without finding any water. When they came to the oasis of Marah, the water was too bitter to drink. So they called the place Marah (which means 'bitter').

"Then the people complained and turned against Moses. 'What are we going to drink?' they demanded. So Moses cried out to the LORD for help, and the LORD showed him a piece of wood. Moses threw it into the water, and this made the water good to drink."

I think so many in the Body of Christ are feeling bitter right now. They have been through a long road of feeling poisoned and bitter, because things haven't worked out the way that they thought. Right now, many pioneers and forerunners are wrestling in this tension between the fresh impending birth and the reality of the loose ends of the past season.

The enemy would love to poison them, to keep them in this place of bitterness. But just like in my dream, the Lord is saying, "Leave the stagnant waters. You must come out." Right now, I feel this call. We must leave this place. We must separate ourselves from all the things that are warring against us, trying to keep us chained to what didn't happen, the feeling of abandonment, and the discouragement from the past season. We must move on. We cannot camp here any longer.

Interestingly, this month in the Hebrew calendar is the month of Iyar, which happens to be the exact time when the Israelites came to the same spring – the same stagnant pool. What did God do? He made what was bitter drinkable. After that it says: "After leaving Marah, the Israelites traveled on to the oasis of Elim, where they found twelve springs and seventy palm trees. They camped there beside the water" (Exodus 15:27).

I believe that in the month of May, the Lord is transitioning us away from many situations and circumstances that have kept us continually embedded in bitterness. **He is bringing us into a place where we will discover and experience the sweetness of the call again.**

Breaking Ties with the Stagnant

I believe the second element to this dream is that we must identify and break ties with stagnant places, stagnant alignments and stagnant assignments. This is

something that the Lord has been speaking to my wife Christy and me about since January. The Lord is wanting us to discern the areas that are keeping us stagnant and leading us further into bitterness.

God is wanting us to make sure that the alignments we have are full of life – that they are leading us into a thriving condition full of growth and breakthrough. Any area or any voice that has access to you, and is leading you backward, must be broken and severed.



So many people have been wondering why they're advancing two steps forward and then four steps backward. I feel the Lord on this, and I must say: *Look at the places in your life that are stagnant.* What do you have your feet in right now that is stagnant? You cannot have your feet in both a dead pool and also a pool of life. You must fully step into the place of life. It's time to leave those places behind. It's time to sever the ties. It's time to confront the places that have

been holding you back so that you can step into life again.

The month of May is going to be a time where the Lord brings you your people – a month where the Lord continues to realign. There's been an assignment of division that has tried to stop alignments. There's been an assignment that's been trying to confuse and frustrate divine connections and covenant relationships. In May, God is clearing that out and is leading you to your people.

From Hope Deferred to Trees of Life

"Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but a longing fulfilled is a tree of life." (Proverbs 13:12)

I believe May is a significant month for the shifting of hope deferred. I know that for many years now, the Body of Christ has been in a place of extreme delay. The enemy has played the same card that he played on Daniel. When Daniel asked and inquired of the Lord, it took so many days for the angel to wrestle the Prince of Persia and for the breakthrough to come.

"But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia." (Daniel 10:13)

I believe we've been in this phase in the Body of Christ for many years now. There have been extreme delays on all fronts. The enemy is just trying to hold back his inevitable defeat. Even though he's been trying to hold back the breakthrough, the open doors have been planned and assigned for the people of God.

The problem is that we've been ingesting this hope deferred until it's started to impact and influence the way we think and move as Believers. It has started causing us to hold back and put the red light on things that the Lord is wanting us to move forward in. It has been causing us to begin to act in fear instead of faith, and deep discouragement and disappointment instead of fiery passion and zeal. I believe the month of May is a month where the Lord is clearing away hope deferred out of the hearts and souls of God's people, and reinstating a fiery conviction and a hope that cannot be tarnished. I believe this is going to be a 'Tree of Life' month.

Sivan 18, 5783: Wednesday June 7, 2023

Inspiration Ministries: Generations

"Whenever the LORD raised up judges for them, the LORD was with the judge whenever the judge died, they turned back and were more corrupt than their fathers They did not drop any of their practices or their stubborn ways."—Judges 2:18–19 ESV

It is a pattern repeated throughout the Bible and throughout history, generation after generation. There seems to be something about us that craves independence. We desire to do things our own way. It seems natural to resist the advice of earlier generations, particularly our parents.

We see this when the Israelites were conquering the land. God had given them clear directions. They were not to tolerate the presence of people who occupied the land, for they would corrupt their faith and lead them away from God.

The path to success was clear. They were to serve God, focus on Him, keep His

commandments, and not follow the corrupt influences of the people in the land. If they did these things, He promised to protect them, provide for them, and bless their efforts. But if they failed to do these things, they would experience the consequences, including struggle, failure, and opposition.

The Israelites tried to teach these principles to the next generation. But instead of learning from these experiences, they seemed determined to do what they wanted. In fact, they “were more corrupt than their fathers.”

The Bible is filled with warnings to learn from earlier generations. God designed each of us to be blessed as we apply His principles.

Ask God to help you evaluate your attitude, particularly toward your parents. Seek to be a good listener. Be humble and submissive. Learn from previous generations.

Reflection Question: What have you learned from your parents and grandparents?

Prayer

Father, help me to learn the lessons You taught previous generations. In Yeshua’ name, amen.

Today's Bible Reading

Judges 2

Sivan 19, 5783: Thursday June 8, 2023

Inspiration Ministries: Trust In The Lord Of Hosts

“So he answered and said to me: "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit, ' Says the LORD of hosts. 'Who are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you shall become a plain! And he shall bring forth the capstone with shouts of "Grace, grace to it!" Zechariah 4:6-7.

God gave this word to the prophet Zerubbabel as he was being commissioned to work with God in a project that needed amazing miracles. First, under the kingship of King Cyrus, he led the first group of Jewish captives, who were living in exile, back to

Jerusalem. They also returned with the gold and silver vessels which King Nebuchadnezzar had stolen from the Temple after it was destroyed.

Then, under Zerubbabel leadership, the Jews started to rebuild the Temple that was previously destroyed during the war. The foundation took two years to build and then the construction came to a standstill for 17 years. They faced opposition from settlers in Samaria who disrupted the building project and later suffered court battles which resulted in King Cyrus withdrawing his support.

Zerubbabel, nevertheless, had to encourage himself in the Lord to keep the vision alive. He diligently resumed work on the Temple with a renewed effort by God's Spirit and favor. He grew in favor with God because of his steadfast faith and God made him grow in favor with people. Prophets, Persian kings, and influential people rallied around him in support, prayer, and provision. God's word proved true, and the Temple was rebuilt by the Spirit of God.

It is never easy to do great accomplishments as opposition and trials will always come. Yeshua warns us and encourages us, **"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."** John 16:33. You will overcome.

Kingdom Declaration:

My God will strengthen and help me to overcome by the power of His Spirit.

Sivan 20, 5783: Friday June 9, 2023



Seek Him. Meet Him.
- Psalm 27:4

A WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL FROM SYLVIA GUNTER

Listen to the Word of God for you in Isaiah 61:3. "They will be called ... a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor."

Yeshua quoted Isaiah 61:1-2 as he announced his purpose statement. He said, "The Spirit of the Lord is on me to preach the gospel to the poor, heal the brokenhearted, to set captives free, to open blind eyes, to open prison doors, and to proclaim the favorable year of the Lord." That's not the end of the sentence in Isaiah 61. Isaiah continues that He wants to make a holy exchange with you: His comfort for grief, His crown instead of ashes, His gladness for mourning, and His praise instead of despair. It continues, "You will be an oak of righteousness, a planting of the Lord," and the weight of the entire passage falls on the next words: "for the display of his splendor."

Yeshua came to earth to heal you, set you free, and restore you for a purpose: so that you will display His splendor. You live to show forth His glory; you are called to this. This defines you. God's appointment in you is that people see, feel, and respond to the weight and strength of your life, as you live in the splendor, strength, and weight of the glory of Yeshua.

This is the true meaning of your life. Yeshua said to His Father in John 17:22, "I have given them the glory that you gave me." That glory of Yeshua is who you are. Your life is shining His light, the manifold wisdom of God in you. You are on a journey further into that identity, legitimacy, freedom, and confident hope. It is true of you now, and it is becoming more true of you.

God says in Psalm 8:5 that He crowned you with glory (splendor), honor, and majesty that is unique to you. Shine your unique testimony to the greatness of God. Christ died to bring out the richness of your life as you show forth His

radiance. 2 Corinthians 3:18 says, "We, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit." You are blessed as you receive the light of Yeshua shining in you to shine out of you, so that His beauty and truth will touch and warm the spirit of others.

Paul says in 2 Corinthians 4:4 that the god of this age has a strategy: to blind your mind to keep you from seeing the light of the glory of Christ. Satan is trying to put out your light. He battles to stop you from displaying Yeshua in all His glory.

God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made His light shine in you to give you the light of the glory of God in the face of Christ (2 Cor. 4:6). God in you is bigger than any assault to deaden your heart and your desire, to shut down the glory in your life, to keep you from affirming the splendor that is your inheritance.

Your splendor is seen in the small details of your life ... a hug, a smile, a card you write, a phone call, a kindness. God put you right where you are, in the family, in the marriage, in the valley of decision where you are. He placed you there to let His splendor be seen, to shine the light of His glory through you.

In your Father you have something deep, beautiful, authentic, and powerful for yourself and others. God created you for this very time in your life. It is never too late to accomplish the purpose for which God created you. Your times are in God's hands. Yeshua is at work in you to fill your place in pleasing His heart and to fill the place in the world He designed for you to display Him in the blessing of His presence and strength.

God is doing something in you that is wonderful and unique, something that bonds you to Him with everlasting cords of love.

Be blessed in the name of Yeshua who is the Splendor revealed in you (Ps. 145:5).

Sivan 21, 5783: Saturday June 10, 2023

A Vision of the Tabernacle and the Tent Pegs"

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On April 28, 2023, while in prayer, the Lord took me into a vision. I saw a large tent set up on what appeared to be a barren valley. There was much devastation and debris, as the area had been hit by wave after wave of storms. Unexpectedly, a demonically exacerbated wind picked up, causing the air to be sucked from the lungs, and created a terrible deafening effect in the ears.

As the winds raged, I noticed that some of the tent pegs that were securing the tabernacle were being pulled up out of the ground by the winds. This threatened the integrity of the whole structure as the canopy would then catch the wind and the strength of the other tent pegs in close proximity would have to pick up the slack of the pegs that were failing.

Holding Down the Fort

The Lord spoke to me, "***These tent pegs represent connected leaders in the Body of Christ whose ministries provide widespread apostolic and prophetic covering for My people. They are the remnant warriors who stand in the gap to 'hold down the fort' – connecting the earth with My Kingdom purposes all while faithfully awaiting My return. The attack of the enemy has been to wear and tear them out so that My people are without proper spiritual covering, and thus will be easily exposed to attack.***"

I saw as the demonic swirl pulled on the canvas of the tent and put pressure on the tent pegs. It was a swirl of loss, health issues, demonic chatter, strife in families, false accusations, miscommunications and misunderstandings in key relationships, financial strain, fatigue, confusion, delay, non-stop pressure and feeling overwhelmed.

I could sense that these storms had been intermittent, but unrelenting in their frequency. I could hear these leaders cry out in frustration, "It's like I can't catch a break! It's just one thing right after the other! God, you have to help me! I can't do this anymore!"

Right when it seemed all would be lost, the Lord intervened with reinforcements! I saw the strong hand of God grab the tent pegs that were slipping away and He

securely positioned them. God's Word came down as a hammer over them and began to drive them into a new place in the ground – a place that had not been broken up and compromised from the constant warfare but was fresh and stable.



The Lord walked around the tabernacle inspecting and reinforcing each peg. As He did, I watched as the newly anchored pegs began to sprout roots as if they were trees, and I heard in my spirit **Colossians 2:6-7, "In the same way you received Yeshua our Lord and Messiah by faith, continue your journey of faith, progressing further into your union with Him! Your spiritual roots go deeply into His life as you are continually infused with strength, encouraged in every way. For you are established in the faith you have absorbed and enriched by your devotion to Him!"**

A Voice Like Thunder

I heard the Lord's voice like thunder, as He rebuked the prince of the power of the air that had been behind the onslaught of storms. His voice was like an iron rod, and fire shot out from it into the dark clouds. Suddenly, a vortex opened and I watched as demons, word curses, illnesses, witchcraft and all manner of evil – that had been released in the storms to wear out God's people – were all sucked up and disappeared into oblivion! The valley burst into bloom as the sky cleared and the sun shone bright.

I then looked to see the mountains in the distance and heard the voice of the Lord come to me through 1 Peter 1:22-25, "Now, because of your obedience to the truth, you have purified your very souls, and this empowers you to be full of love for your fellow Believers. So, express this sincere love toward one another passionately and with a pure heart. For through the eternal and living Word of God you have been born again. And this 'seed' that He planted within you can never be destroyed but will live and grow inside of you forever. For: Human beings are frail and temporary, like grass, and the glory of man fleeting like blossoms of

the field. The grass dries and withers and the flowers fall off, but the Word of the Lord endures forever! And this is the Word that was announced to you!"

He is Coming with Reinforcements

After praying into this vision, I feel the Lord is saying to His remnant leaders – the ones who have stood in faithful obedience to His Word, who have been hit with relentless warfare and left reeling from the attack – that God, Himself, is NOW coming to their rescue. He is coming with reinforcements!

The definition of "reinforce" is: "to strengthen or to improve, in order to make more forcible or effective: usually by adding additional material, assistance or support."

What an amazing encouragement, Saints! **Where the enemy has been subtracting, belittling and undermining you, God is coming to strengthen you, add to you and give you additional support to make you more forcible and effective in the days ahead!**

God is coming to lay His hands on you in order to improve and impart His supernatural health, peace, power, comfort, energy, provision, wisdom, perseverance, strength and strategy. He is placing you on solid ground and anchoring you securely in His overwhelming love as you simply rest and rely on Him in faith.

Hammered by God's Outrageous Love

For every place you have taken a hit from the enemy, you will now be hammered by God's outrageous love and goodness toward you! **He is breaking through the confusion and striking down the demonic chatter to give you peace of mind!** A fresh word will be on your lips and burning in your heart!

The weight of God's glory is going to drive you into deeper dimensions of revelation. You will spread your roots out to the left and to the right, expanding your territory and Kingdom influence!

He is giving you grace to increase your capacity to steward at a greater level, in order to continue to serve His House and build up His people into the spiritual



maturity needed for this hour. When you speak into the lives of those who are storm-battered and torn, it will release hope, salvation, healing and deliverance.

Bursting into Full Bloom

Your storm-tossed valley is about to burst into full bloom, as the Son of righteousness arises over you with healing in His wings!

God is re-establishing you in a new position of solid spiritual upgrade, where the warfare from the last season will not leave cracks in your foundation that make you insecure and unstable. Instead, the warfare will be seen as an invaluable opportunity to experience greater joy! The storm sent to take you out only stretched you, creating an increase in your faith, perfecting your inner man with nothing missing and nothing lacking!

Let this be a word of encouragement to the weary ones! **The grass withers and the flowers fade but the Word of the Lord over your life endures forever!** He is not finished with you. His plans and purposes for you shall prevail, and everything the enemy meant for evil WILL, in the end, work for you. Glory to God! Somebody lift up a shout of praise! The Lord of Heaven's armies is coming to reinforce you, and you will come out on the other side more forcible, more effective and more formidable to the hordes of Hell than ever before. HALLELUJAH! We receive it Lord, in Yeshua' name, amen!

"My fellow Believers, when it seems as though you are facing nothing but difficulties, see it as an invaluable opportunity to experience the greatest joy that you can! For you know that when your faith is tested it stirs up in you the power of endurance. And then as your endurance grows even stronger, it will release perfection into every part of your being until there is nothing missing and nothing lacking." (James 1:2-4)

Sivan 22, 5783: Sunday June 11, 2023

"What Is This Phenomenon?"

Tim Sheets and Dutch Sheets

What Is This Phenomenon?



Tim shares: "Acts 2:1-12 gives the account of Holy Spirit's descent upon the apostles and others gathered in the Upper Room on the day of Pentecost. In verse 12 (TPT), Holy Spirit's entrance into that upper room is described as a 'phenomenon,' which is defined as *something impressive or extraordinary; something not fully explainable or understood*.

"A phenomenon began in Acts 2, when an equal member of the Godhead entered the earth realm to be with the born-again heirs and fill them with His omnipresence. He came to be our 'paraclete' (Greek), meaning the One who comes alongside to aid, support, guide and strengthen us.(1) The greatest news of this New Testament event is that while the phenomenon began in the Upper Room, it didn't end there. His extraordinary activity continues, and an even bigger phenomenon is planned in this era. **The Godhead has planned another phenomenal outpouring of power coming upon the Church.**

"Hell cannot stop what God promises when we, His heirs, believe and say what He says. There IS a righteous remnant decreeing what God says, and this is preparing the way for a mighty move of Holy Spirit. I know of no better word to describe what God is doing in our day than phenomenal.

"I recently had a vision regarding this outpouring. I had gone to sleep meditating on Yeshua being King of kings and Lord of lords, picturing Him seated at the right hand of the Father on His beautiful sapphire-blue throne. All around Him was the transparent floor, like a crystal sea. I was envisioning Him seated in glory, regal splendor, reigning over the universe.

Yeshua in Glowing, Magnificent Strength

"When I awakened the next morning, the picture in my mind had changed; I had a different vision of Yeshua. He was now glowing, standing in power and magnificent

strength. His might and power could literally be seen. Everything about Him portrayed strength, power and might. He was also radiant, the aura of His might emanating from and surrounding Him.

"This vision of Yeshua standing in glowing, magnificent strength began speaking deeply to me concerning the era we are now in. There was a strong witness in my heart, and my spirit leapt. I knew a word Holy Spirit had given me years ago was being remembered by the Father. In the remembering, He was releasing power, bringing the word to its fullness of time.

"In this word, years ago, Holy Spirit began teaching me concerning angel armies and how they assist the Ekklesia. Angels are ministering spirits sent to minister to the heirs of salvation. Holy Spirit spoke several things to me during this time that I believe are now being activated:

"The first thing Holy Spirit said was, 'I am coming to lead another campaign for King Yeshua, similar to Acts 2. This time, I will be bringing far more of the angel armies.' Since then, I have had visions of ten or more divisions of angel armies being activated.

Holy Spirit spoke of a Kingdom revival that would go worldwide."

The Greatest Days of Church History

"He talked about the Ekklesia, the ruling and reigning Church that represents Christ's Kingdom government on Earth. **This Ekklesia influences natural governments, societies and cultures for Him.** In a vision, He showed me the Ekklesia as a wagon wheel, with spokes extending from the hub, reinforcing its movement into regions. I began seeing Ecclesia's raised up as hubs from which Christ's influence would reach into regions, territories and nations.

"Holy Spirit branded a phrase in my consciousness which I have declared many times: 'The greatest days in Church history are not in your past; they are in your present and your future.'

"Finally, He spoke to me about an era in which King Yeshua would make a stand with His Ekklesia in unprecedented measures, affecting nations. I began prophesying and declaring the era of the standing King.

"As I said, Holy Spirit spoke these things to me years ago, but just recently I had the aforementioned vision of King Yeshua standing in power. Holy Spirit then whispered to me, 'This has reached its moment.'

"Allow me to define the 'Standing King' anointing. The day of Pentecost, in Acts 2, was coronation day for King Yeshua. On this day, Yeshua sat down on His throne at the right hand of God. At that precise moment, Holy Spirit was dispatched to the earth. Simultaneously, Father God took a ram's horn filled with holy anointing oil and poured it over the head of Yeshua, officially declaring Him 'King of kings and Lord of lords.'

"We know from descriptions of anointing ceremonies in the Old Testament that the oil flowed from the head to all the body (Psalm 133:2). When this was fulfilled in Christ, His anointing oil dripped from His head onto His beard and flowed down to His body, soaking even the edges of His garments and sandals. Ephesians 1:23 (NLT) says, '...the Church is His Body...' The oil flowed down, through Holy Spirit, onto Christ's Body in the Upper Room.

"The same anointing on the Head of the Church was now upon His Body, the Ekklesia. Why? So that we, Christ's Body, could do the same works He did on Earth (John 14:12). We have His anointing, and we minister in His name. This is, indeed, phenomenal!"

A Fresh Pentecost

"Holy Spirit said to me, 'A fresh Pentecost will now be poured upon you. The anointing of Heaven's King, seated at Father's right hand, is now flowing in fresh ways off His head, His Body. It will drip from His chin to the outermost parts of His garment. Soaking for ministry is now being poured forth. The anointing upon the Head of the Church will be upon His Body, enabling them to do the same works He has done.



"You are also entering the season of Acts 7, where the seated King became the standing King. Heaven's King will rise to stand with His Bride, with His royal priesthood. He will stand as Messiah the Breaker, breaking open pathways to victory. There shall be great deliverance for His people as He breaks down barrier walls of Hell with His awesome power, ensuring their overcoming victory. **And through difficult times you, too, will proclaim: 'I see Heaven opened, glory everywhere, and the King coming to stand by me!'**

"The Bible speaks of the 'former' (early) and 'latter' rains which were used to symbolize Holy Spirit outpourings. The phenomenal outpouring of Holy Spirit at Pentecost was the former rain. But His outpouring in the latter rain will be even greater (see Joel 2:23). The heaviest concentration of anointing occurs at the end of the Church age. I believe it is now time for this.

"The posture of our King is changing. This word from Holy Spirit said that we are now entering into a season in which we will shift from Acts 2 to Acts 7. We're moving from the seated King to the standing King. One of the purposes of standing is to move. King Yeshua still has the seat of power, but He is moving in great might. The posture of the Ekklesia is also changing in order to move in greater power and authority with Him.

"Let's agree with what Heaven is saying."

Pray with Me

Prayer from Dutch Sheets: *Lord, release Your anointing upon this word. We pray that the season for which we have been contending will now unfold. We declare that this is the season in which You stand, and Your anointing flowing to us will increase. Pour out Your Spirit, Lord; let Your anointing rain onto us. Make it phenomenal! Bring deliverance, breakthroughs, healings and victories. Manifest Your presence and let revival spread across the earth, reaping the greatest of all harvests. Demonstrate Your splendor and might.*

As was prophesied in Psalm 2, earthly kings and leaders have made a stand against You, declaring You will NOT reign over the earth. Though this rebellion has occurred throughout the ages, it is certainly taking place now, including with many U.S. leaders. They not only oppose You, they mock You. Your Father and ours – the Supreme Judge, Almighty God, the Ancient of Days – warned them in this Psalm, after a laugh of derision, to worship You or receive Your rod of iron. Lord, draw a line in the sand. Force them now to choose submission and honor toward You, or the shattering rod of Your authority. Arise and scatter Your enemies. We ask for these things in Your great name, amen.

Our decree: *A phenomenal outpouring of power is being poured upon the Ekklesia, which will result in a phenomenal harvest.*

Sivan 23, 5783: Monday June 12, 2023

T. & B. Friesen

I had an unexpected and powerful encounter with the Lord last night.

May 13, 2023

For many of us in the body, we have been serving the Father for years and even decades. We have been engaged in Kingdom business and effectual at our tasks and responsibilities, but even greater than this we have been in preparation. Though we've seen fruit and won battles in the past, the purpose of the trenches we have walked through has been preparation for what is to come.

Father has been telling me of late that He is going to perform an accelerated perfecting work in His remnant. For those that have been faithful through this prolonged season of preparation He is going to quicken His work and the process He is performing in us. He will culminate what must be done so we can enter fully into the new work that is upon us. I believe we are approaching a window of time where this acceleration will take place.

Last night I had a powerful intercessory dream. I stood at the entrance to a large airport hangar and 3 people stood in front of me. The main focus was a faithful warrior and servant of Christ directly in front of me, the 2 people on the sides were to bear witness to what was taking place.

I approached this faithful warrior and started to pray for her. I put my hand to her forehead and released a prayerful word. As I did, she 1st bent over, then went down on one knee, then two knees, then lay prostrate on the ground.

As I prayed, I used very specific words to release the power of God. I asked for and declared that she would experience the fullness of the Spirit, that this infilling would complete the work of preparation. I declared that the GREAT TRANSITION was coming, the GREAT PREPARATION was being completed, the GREAT TRANSFORMATION would now take place. I don't believe my prayer completed the work but rather heralded the work the Father will perform of His own volition. The GREAT PREPARATION, TRANSITION, and TRANSFORMATION would take place INSIDE of her.

As I prayed, I could see that this warrior was winning the fight and being transformed in the process but was annoyed by some of the small things that were getting in the way. She was able to overcome these things on a daily basis but desired to be free of them. Now was the time.

We have all been in such a prolonged season of battle that we may not even fully recognize the difference between the things we battle and things we need to loosen from our soul. We have been focused on our commander and chief and the work He has called us to. The things we battle within our souls are no more vexing than the witchcraft around us or the enemy's powers we take down daily. We move through them and past them one at a time on a daily basis, but now the Lord is going to liberate us of the things within ourselves that try to slow us down.

This infilling and finishing work will be so powerful that the Spirit of God will consume us in a new way. A dramatic infilling is about to take place beyond what we know is possible. We will be so filled with the Spirit that anything contrary in us will be pushed out. We will be consumed with the presence of God and the calling and purpose on our lives so that nothing will stand in our way.

As I prayed, I recognized in the spirit that this time would mark a crossing over point resulting in a FINISHING TRANSITION and TRANSFORMATION for service. What is taking place isn't just another stage of sanctification as glorious as that is. This was a NEW RELEASE for a NEW ERA. The Spirit of God will perform in us beyond what we can comprehend. We will understand the union that will take place only by experience. We will now be ready to enter into the high calling of our preparation.

Sivan 24, 5783: Tuesday June 13, 2023
"Writing in Your Family's Book of Remembrance"

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I have been meditating on this powerful encounter and word for a couple of weeks, and it has been building such an anticipation in my spirit for what is to come! The Lord keeps confirming this word through dreams, visions and even ordinary, everyday things. I believe I finally have the fullness of what He wants to say to His Church through this word. I stayed home from church a couple of Sundays ago and watched the service online. At the end of the service, while singing worship songs, I had a powerful encounter with the Spirit of God.

And It Came to Pass in the Year 2023

While I was worshipping, I was overwhelmed by God's presence and in the spirit, I saw a big, open book. I watched as this book slowly came down from Heaven and landed on my dining room table. As I looked at it, I could see that the pages were completely blank and the book seemed old. The pages were slightly yellowed, and the leather cover looked aged. Suddenly, a hand holding a quill appeared and began to write. It wrote: "And it came to pass in the year 2023," and then it stopped.

I asked: "God, what is this book?"



He said: "It is your family's Book of Remembrance. **It looks old because everything you are going to write in it was always meant to happen, written from the beginning of time. I want you to start recording everything I am going to do for you and your family, and I want you to start with, 'And it came to pass in the year 2023'. I want you to record the month and day, and every detail of the events that are**

about to unfold in your life, because starting this year – 2023 – all the words that I have spoken over your life and family will begin to manifest in their fullness. Over the next decade, every word that I have spoken to you – every word that was prophesied over you – every promise in My Word, shall manifest in your life in its entirety as chronos and kairos intersect.

Altars of Remembrance

"These manifestations will be so great that they will have to be recorded and remembered for generations to come! This book will be for your family as the building of altars...a commemoration of all the times I intervened in your impossible situations! **Recording these miracles will be an act of worship and remembrance of My hand moving on your behalf.** Just as an altar was built by placing one stone on top of the other until it became a physical place where one could remember My goodness and worship Me, so this book will be a faith builder for those that are coming after you. By reading this book, their faith will rise, giving them strength and hope to believe for the impossible!

"As you rise from that place in which you have been sitting, waiting for things to come to pass, as you begin to go after what belongs to you and take it by force, you will begin to not only enter the Promised Land, but you will possess it! Your obedience and your unfaltering faith in My promises have made this possible!

"Listen to what I Am telling you today: **Prodigals are coming home, identities are being restored, addictions are being broken, mental health is being restored, bodies are being healed, relationships are being restored, wombs are opening, ministries are being birthed, wealth is being released, businesses are flourishing, court cases are being won, and mega doors of opportunities are opening** – blessing, after blessing, after blessing! You will have so much to write about. Get ready to make room in your library because there are going to be multiple volumes!"

Filling in Your Blank Pages

Hallelujah! We are entering a season of miraculous manifestations, especially starting in May. I have already been seeing the Lord's hand move these past couple of weeks over some of the things I have been believing for. Even though they might be imperceptible to many, and just in the gestational stage, I have already begun to declare and write: "And it came to pass in the year 2023 that..."

Now you fill in the blanks with what you are believing will come to pass. After all, faith is this!

"Now faith is the assurance (title deed, confirmation) of things hoped for (divinely guaranteed), and the evidence of things not seen [the conviction of their reality—faith comprehends as fact what cannot be experienced by the physical senses]. For by this [kind of] faith the men of old gained [divine] approval." (Hebrews 11:1-2 AMP)

"The Just Live by Faith: Then the Lord answered me and said: 'Write the vision and make it plain on tablets, that he may run who reads it. For the vision is yet for an appointed time; but at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.'" (Habakkuk 2:2-3)

"And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God. Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep. Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store. Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out" (Deuteronomy 28:1-6; also read the rest of the chapter for further study).

Sivan 25, 5783: Wednesday June 14, 2023

Nate Johnston

Walking the New Way

For months, I believe the Lord has been speaking to me about May and June being a period of time where the Lord will be leading and guiding His people in the right way – in the new path that He has for them. Since January, we've been in a time where the Lord has been dealing with a lot of the things that have been distracting and robbing us from walking in the right path. But I believe that in May and June, there's going to be a significant grace to begin to move out of 'Ishmael' decisions and circumstances and into places of fruitful, beneficial circumstances. The new paths will be revealed.

The Lord is encouraging us to leave certain methods and ways that we have been walking in, and to begin to walk in new patterns and blueprints that are on His heart for the hour ahead. It's going to be a time where the Lord transitions people quickly into strategic locations and vocations.

The Issachar Uprising

Don't be silent in the month of May. The Lord is unmuzzling those who carry the Issachar anointing in order to lead the Body of Christ forward, releasing them from a place of being silenced and squashed. This is a time where the Lord



is highlighting those who carry the language and blueprints for what's on God's heart. They will lead the Body of Christ out of places of stagnancy and defeat and into an understanding of the mission at hand. They will have the strategic anointing to be able to practically know how to move forward in certain areas where the Church has been stuck.

We're going to see the rise of people who are having dreams and insights about things that we've never heard of or seen before – areas that are going to break the Church free from places of religious bondage. Also, we're going to see the rise of the Issachar anointing, especially for the marketplace – areas where the Church has been behind the ball. We're going to see these Issachar's rise up to lead the charge.

Bulls at the Gates

I believe May is going to be a time where the Lord is unleashing a wild ox anointing upon the Church. It's going to awaken true apostles to their posts. I believe we're going to see the emergence and reactivation of an apostolic anointing that will take charge and reveal signs and wonders to the Church again.

I believe it's going to be a time where the Lord raises up voices who have not compromised, and who will carry influence and an ability to quickly lead the Church out of places of mixture and compromise. These wild oxes – these bulls – are going to rise up quickly. They're going to carry such a favor of movement around them that it's going to begin to rearrange the Body of Christ, and cause the army of God to rise up and to fight where they've been laying low in the battlefield. It's going to unleash such a resurrection anointing that it is going to bring so many back from the brink of death and unbelief.

'Unmantled' and 'Remantled' with Fire

We've been in a period of time where the Lord has been very jealous after His people. He's been removing wrong mantles, wrong associations and everything that would limit His people. So many in the Body of Christ have been under the spirit of Jezebel's influence without even realizing it. They've been wearing Saul's armor without realizing it. There are whole networks and movements that have been silenced because they've been subtly under the suppression of Jezebel's silence and compromise.

Right now, the Lord is breaking the Church free. He's taking those wrong mantles off the Church and saying that the only mantle you need is Isaiah 61. I feel, as I

release this charge of May over you, to release it as a prophetic decree and impartation: ***The Isaiah 61 anointing of Yeshua will rest upon you, and that will be the only mantle that you will carry from this moment forward.***

As I decree this, every wrong mantle and every wrong tie that's been over your life – every demonic influence, every tormenting demon, and every distraction – will break off of you. You will enter May clutter free and ready for the call.

"The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on Me, because the LORD has anointed Me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent Me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, and provide for those who grieve in Zion – to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the LORD for the display of His splendor.

"They will rebuild the ancient ruins and restore the places long devastated; they will renew the ruined cities that have been devastated for generations. Strangers will shepherd your flocks; foreigners will work your fields and vineyards. And you will be called priests of the LORD, you will be named ministers of our God. You will feed on the wealth of nations, and in their riches you will boast.

"Instead of your shame you will receive a double portion, and instead of disgrace you will rejoice in your inheritance. And so you will inherit a double portion in your land, and everlasting joy will be yours.

""For I, the LORD, love justice; I hate robbery and wrongdoing. In My faithfulness I will reward My people and make an everlasting covenant with them."" (Isaiah 61:1-8)

Sivan 26, 5783: Thursday June 15, 2023

Laws of Life Teaching Series

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The Law of Captivity, Deliverance and Restoration

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

2 Chronicles 7:14 KJV

The Laws of Life are Absolute Divine Truth's that govern the consequences of our actions. Everything we do and say activates one or more Laws of Life in either a positive or a negative way. These Kingdom Laws impact everyone the same way and are not respecters of persons. In this article, we will discuss briefly The Law of Captivity, Deliverance and Restoration.

Any sin (disobedience) practice for any length of time will ultimately result in some form of bondage/captivity and the same is true as relates to an individual, group or a nation.

The children of Israel disobeyed the Word of God and thereby found themselves in Babylonian captivity. We all have certain enticements that can draw us into some form of disobedience which will ultimately result in captivity. We must recognize what they are;

For some, it may be coffee, food, tobacco, prescription drugs, alcohol, pornography, illegal drugs, debt, illicit relationships, computers, television, and even excessive work to list a few.

I repeat, any disobedience practiced long enough to God's Word will result in some form of bondage.

When speaking to prisoners, I often say to them "When you formulated the intent to create a certain offense, this is when the captivity took place. Not as assumed by many that the captivity occurred when the cuffs were put on, or you found yourself behind prison bars, but it occurred much sooner." In some instances, it began with the first drink of alcohol, or the initial experiment with drugs, or the petty theft offense. This is when it begins. But the full manifestation may not come about until sometime later.

When a representative group from a nation comes into agreement with any activity that is contrary to the Word of God, that begins the process of being brought into bondage.

When a nation opens a door to sin, whether it be adultery, abortion, assault on the traditional family, sexual perversion, dishonesty, debtor nation, mistreatment of the poor and pride to name a few. This is when captivity begins.

When does deliverance begin for the individual, group, or nation? True repentance and confession begin the process of deliverance and restoration.

We must also recognize that the enemy knows your area or the area of weakness for an individual, group or nation and will endeavor to bring each back into bondage.

Based upon the pattern of scripture, the United States of America and many other nations have done or are doing all that is necessary to bring a nation into bondage.

Father, we repent for the grievous sins our nation has committed against You and the laws you have set forth in scripture. Please guide us back to the path that you want us to be on and destined us for.

In Yeshua's name Amen.

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**"I AM RESTORING YOUR LAMPSTAND"
ALANE HAYNES, SAN DIEGO, CA**

I had a short but significant dream, and the Lord told me to share it, as it is for many others as well.

In the dream, I saw a Jewish man in the streets of an old city. He turned to me and said, "Tell him I am restoring his lampstand." Then, I saw an angel carrying a pure, golden light. I woke up.

As I sought the Lord, I heard the following: "I have heard the cry of your heart, far beneath the surface. I'm moving deeply into your wells, into the center of the heart that I have given you. I am stripping away the collective rabble of trinkets and gaudy, cheap imitations that have filled your time and cluttered the landscape of your life. I am removing the filter of false beliefs that have kept you from seeing the purity of My love and My truth.

"Now, I am restoring what seemed lost. It was not lost, only covered, and hidden from your sight. I am removing the filth of the frayed, tattered fragments of dreams that were not fulfilled, because they were not in line with My will. Even as the loss felt as a bitter pill that you had to swallow, now I am filling your mouth with the bread from

Heaven and the crystal-clear waters from My throne. Your hunger and thirst will be filled by My presence alone.

"You have travailed much in your desire to please Me. Now I say, I have far better for you, My child—covenantal blessings that will satisfy your heart, and from the place of resting in My love, you will bring Me great delight. I will show you treasures from before the beginning of time, when I formed you and said, 'You are Mine.' Your senses are being awakened and you will now begin to see My angels on assignment to assist in divine alignment.

"I am restoring your lampstand and setting you upright, for I declare, you are precious in My sight. The time is now for the revealing of My light."

"Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee." (Isaiah 60:1-2 KJV)

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"Eyes Forward! Deliverance Is Here!"

Dionne White, Waco, TX

The Righteous Judge Is Signing Off on Your Vindication

When we came into 2023, we started a year that marked the beginning of many, many years of deliverance. As the year has gone on, this has only increased. I feel it strongly and can see it coming. We are stepping into many, many, years of deliverance for people from a *multitude* of things. Those who have experienced oppression in several areas of their lives are being brought up out of it. Those who have been delayed, their roadblocks are being removed. Those who have been derailed, they are being put back on track. Those who have been dishonored, honor is being restored to them! That which is due to many of us, is coming to us! The Lord has been examining these things in the spirit and He has been signing off on "vindication judgments" on our behalf.

Recently, when my husband and I were in prayer, going before the Lord and petitioning Him for some things for the future, we received confirmation of this. I had a vision where I saw the righteous Judge sitting at His bench and desk. Before Him was a stack of papers and His gavel. Court was not in session; He was

doing work and looking over papers. I sensed that these were papers He had to approve and sign off on.

As I watched in the vision, I could see His hands tracing the words as He read. Then He would nod His head in agreement with whatever was on the papers, and with a pen in His right hand, He would sign them. I watched as He did this with several papers. After approving and signing them, He would then hand them off to whomever was to His right. We know that Yeshua is seated at the right hand of the Father. So, I believe He was handing them off to Yeshua, and then Yeshua was giving them to the angels as messages to deliver; for it says in Scripture that His angels carry out His word (Psalm 103:20). The Father, our righteous Judge, was giving His approval of these things and releasing them into the earth from Heaven.

Receive Your Marching Orders

I explained to my husband what I was seeing as we had been praying. I said, "I do not feel that these papers are legal opposing cases or accusations. I feel like these are papers that He is examining for evidence of our lives and the lives of others – especially where we have petitioned diligently and are due a reward. I feel He is approving them and signing off on them like they are orders."

Immediately, my husband said, "Like marching orders." My spirit completely lit up, resonating with that, and I said, "Yes, that's exactly what they are!" **We're receiving our marching orders this season!** And at that moment, we began to pray into this, thanking God for what He was doing and releasing to His people (including us) in the earth.

Eyes Forward! Deliverance Is Here!

But then I heard the Holy Spirit release a strong admonition. He said, "When 2023 came in, 2022 closed a door on the past seasons of people's lives." Then He said, "Let it go. Do not look back. Do not long for the former things. Do not look back like Lot's wife. Do not even look back or long in your heart for the things of the past or the people of the past."

Then the Holy Spirit said, so clearly and firmly, "Eyes forward! Eyes forward! Eyes forward! Do not look back. Do not remember the former things!" As He said this, Isaiah 43:18-19 bubbled up in my spirit; it was then – when I read the Scripture – that I realized it was related to deliverance. **For the Lord is making a way out;**

He is making a way of escape out of the wilderness, bringing His streams to many who have been in the desert. *Deliverance is here!*

This is the year of the beginning of many, many years of deliverance. But only those who let go of the past will be able to move forward with the Lord! I was reminded of a phrase He gave me four years ago. He said to me that the rate that someone moves forward with God depends on how quickly they are able to let go of the past.

Letting Go of the Former

Today, I urge you to let go of the former things so you can move forward with God and all He has planned. I urge you, let it go – whatever it is. I urge you, do not look back and be like Lot's wife. I urge you to not remember or recall or ponder on the former things, or long for them in your heart anymore. God has closed that door; do not take the key from Him to open it anymore. Resist the temptation to do this! We all must lay aside every weight that would seek to entangle us and weigh us down, keeping us stuck in the former days – even the former glory. There is a *greater glory* coming, and He desires us to be a part of that outpouring of latter rain.

Turn your eyes forward; set your eyes and your mind on the things above. Look to the Author and the Finisher of your faith, and choose to endure just like Yeshua, for the joy that was set before Him. If we do this, we will go forward to the great and exceeding call and obtain the ultimate prize. **Eyes forward! Eyes forward! Eyes forward! Deliverance is at hand!**

Isaiah 43:18-19:

"Do not remember the former things, Nor consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it?

I will even make a road in the wilderness And rivers in the desert."

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Celebration Is a Weapon of Choice in 2023"

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My friend and I were recently discussing the difference between *worship* and *praise*, and she dropped a line straight from the Holy Spirit: **"Praise is a heart posture of celebration."**

"I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth." (Psalm 34:1 ESV)

To CELEBRATE simply means to give honor or praise publicly. Sometimes, we "celebrate" publicly through holidays and times of remembrance, such as birthday parties or Christmas. The Hebrews were *and are* masters at this, as they diligently and intentionally take time to come together to celebrate all that the Lord has done (see Leviticus 23).

As I chatted with the Lord about this concept of praise and celebration, I went into a vision that brought my heart great encouragement.

Fireworks/Party Popper Vision

In the vision, there was a grand celebration and a gathering of many people of God. The skies were lit up with fireworks, and no expense was spared on these extravagant, colorful explosions. I saw that as the people of God celebrated, fireworks went off, and thus each explosion became a dagger that pinned together the lips of demons in the area, and the voice of the enemy could no longer be heard!

I then saw the people of God grab party poppers and begin to pull the little strings on the poppers, causing the streamers and confetti to exit suddenly. The streamers were not made of paper but made of ABSOLUTE TRUTH and GOD'S GLORY. There were so many party poppers going off under the fireworks that the air was thick with a sound that superseded the soul and emotions of each person at the celebration. The sound of celebration cut through any anxiety or fear in the atmosphere. The ABSOLUTE TRUTH, coming forth from each popper, divided the lies so that the people of God were able to see the external spirits of anxiety and fear that had been assigned to them.



The sound of celebration caused the inner world of these people of God to align with His absolute truth and not be distracted by the external feelings of fear.

The Lord then brought me out of this vision and reminded me of a dream I had last year, where some of my personal items had been bugged. It was as if there were surveilling and

spying spirits in these personal effects, and I never felt safe; yet the Holy Spirit did not allow me to dispose of these items.

In the dream, my husband and I were aware that our things were bugged, but as we began to praise Yahweh and honor Him loudly, our celebration of our Lord was loud enough to drown out the sounds of everything else. The louder and more child-like we praised, the more we noticed that the "bugs" were leaving. This brought great comfort and peace to my heart.

**"Through the praise of children and infants You have established a stronghold against Your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger."
(Psalm 8:2 NIV)**

Celebration Is a Weapon

Celebration is a posture of the heart and also a weapon. It is not in the language of the devil, so it brings intimidation to the enemy's camp.

The Lord brought to my remembrance my pre-teen years playing softball. For several years, I was on a team whose coach took the approach of honoring each team member for even the little, personal victories during games. If we won a game or had a personal victory, the coach would award us a little star that we were to iron onto our uniforms.

We were also taught to encourage one another with our words while on the field, which was very different from the chants of intimidation that came from other teams, and we learned to celebrate the wins even before we had actually won the game. This often-caused great confusion for the rival teams, as we always came with uniforms covered in stars and a great air of celebration – even when we were up against the best rival team in the league. Our team was taught to

celebrate *everything*, so when a curveball would come at us, we were not rocked. Soon we became undefeated in the league because of our confidence and ability to celebrate!

"God's high and holy praises fill their mouths, for their shouted praises are their weapons of war!" (Psalm 149:6 TPT)

I felt an URGENCY on this word that although you may be thrown curveball after curveball over the next few months, and although it feels counterintuitive, it is imperative that you learn to CELEBRATE. Learn to praise. Learn to remember what the Lord has done, and honor Him publicly if necessary. Come what may, there is victory because of Yeshua.

"Now when they began to sing and to praise, the Lord set ambushes against the people of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir, who had come against Judah; and they were defeated." (2 Chronicles 20:22 NKJV)

The Lord's Celebration

I also saw the Lord standing over His people like a proud Father, rejoicing over them. I saw Him handing out stars – better than the ones I would have received in softball; I saw walls of captivity and fear in people's minds and emotions crashing down as they celebrated with Him. His love was quieting His people internally, and they were able to shout His praises externally.

"The Lord your God in your midst, the Mighty One, will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing." (Zephaniah 3:17 NKJV)



"So, the people shouted when the priests blew the trumpets. And it happened when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout that the wall fell down flat. Then the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city." (Joshua 6:20 NKJV)

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Remember Where You Live!

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We live in a world of constant tension. In our lives today we deal with political tension what seems to be growing more intense every day. Tensions politically within our country and tensions with other nations, another "Axis of Evil." We live with financial tensions. How many today we are living from paycheck to paycheck, or even struggling even to do that? We live with interpersonal tensions. It's almost impossible to spend many years on this earth without having to deal in some manner of interpersonal tensions. Husband and wife, parents and children, neighbors, co-workers, traffic. The list could go on and on.

For the believer in Yeshua, we find ourselves living with spiritual tensions. Paul talks about this in Romans chapter 7, the tension between the flesh and the spirit. The tensions between good and evil. Unfortunately, we deal as well with tensions with other believers. In all of this, I talk often about "perspective." Where are we focusing our attention? What is our perspective as we live in this fallen world as citizens of heaven? There is so much that has been and could be written about this subject, but here, I would like to draw our attention to Hebrews chapter 12.

Of course, chapter 12 of Hebrews comes on the heels of what we often call the "Faith Chapter." The writer of Hebrews begins chapter 11 with the challenge, "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." And then in chapter 12, he begins to challenge us to live out that faith in our lives. He begins chapter 12 with

the word, "therefore." Often times when we study the Scriptures, and run across this word, "therefore," we that we need to go back and what this passage is "there for."

This word, "therefore," at the beginning of chapter 12 is there for us to be challenged as he writes, "we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Yeshua, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God"

Part of the endurance, he states is to put ourselves under the discipline of God. If we endure chastening, God deals with us as sons. But now I want to jump to verse 18 and give us the challenge to remember where we live.

Hebrews 12:18 – 24 reads this way:

For we are not coming, as Moses did, to a physical mountain with its burning fire, thick clouds of darkness and gloom, and with a raging whirlwind. We are not those who are being warned by the jarring blast of a trumpet and the thundering voice; the fearful voice that they begged to be silenced. They couldn't handle God's command that said, "If so much as an animal approaches the mountain it is to be stoned to death!" The astounding phenomena Moses witnessed caused him to shudder with fear and he could only say, "I am trembling in terror!" By contrast, we have already come near to God in a totally different realm, the Zion-realm, for we have entered the city of the Living God, which is the New Jerusalem in heaven! We have joined the festal gathering of myriads of angels in their joyous celebration! And as members of the church of the Firstborn all our names have been legally registered as citizens of heaven! And we have come before God who judges all, and who lives among the spirits of the righteous who have been made perfect in his eyes! And we have come to Yeshua who established a new covenant with his blood sprinkled upon the mercy seat; blood that continues to speak from heaven, "forgiveness," a better message than Abel's blood that cries from the earth, "justice."

The author begins with reminding us of a negative, and he builds for us a tension. This tension is between God's dealings with Israel at Mount Sinai, and where we now live. More on that in a bit. He says that we are not like Moses and the Israelites at Sinai where they were before the mountain that "could be touched," a physical mountain, burning with fire and darkness and gloom. The word in the Hebrew has the idea of gloom and is used by Homer to talk about the gloom of the underworld. They heard the

voice of words that sounded like the blasts of trumpets. This description is seen in the book of The Revelation as well. They were so afraid that they did not want any more words to be spoken to them. Even Moses exclaimed, "I am exceedingly afraid and trembling." These are very overwhelming and physical manifestations of the holiness and majesty of YHVH.

Yet, In verse 22 he makes a stark contrast. In The Passion Translation, he says, By contrast." In the Hebrew this has the idea of a "sharp contrast." Paul has contrasted Mount Sinai with Jerusalem above. Paul makes this same contrast in Galatians 4: 21-31 talking about the contrast, or tension if you will, between the Old Covenant and the New Covenant. The writer of Hebrews says, "we have already come near to God in a totally different realm. This is our current residence. We are ALREADY THERE! The Greek verb indicates that the fullness of our salvation and our entrance into God's heavenly realm has already taken place. Consider Romans 8:29, Ephesians 2:6, and Colossians 3:1-4.

Where is this that we now live? Again, from Passion Translation. We have entered the city of the Living God. This is a fulfillment of the vision given to Abraham, referenced in Hebrews 11:10. The New Jerusalem is not only a place. It is a place, but it is also a people who dwell with God in their midst. We are the New Jerusalem, in this sense. He goes on to say that we have joined a festal gathering of myriads of angels in their joyous celebration. Many times, in our times of prayer we call ascension, we are met by, led by, and accompanied by myriads of angels. We are permanent residents, and have our name officially registered as citizens of heaven. We live in Yeshua, who established this new covenant with His blood. And the message of that blood he goes on to say is, "forgiveness," in contrast to the blood of Abel that cried out, "justice."

Where do you live? Maybe another way of asking the question is "Where are you living out your life now?" Are living ensnared by the old way of thinking that we have to work and earn acceptance with God who always requires justice? Or are you living as a registered citizen of heaven? Are living in fear of the forces of darkness, or are you living as one who is living in the midst of myriads of angels? Are you living your life here as a citizen of this earthly realm that will be done away with, or are you living out your life as a citizen of a city that will have no end? Are you listening for the voice of Him who, through the blood of His Son, Yeshua, made you a citizen of this eternal home? Are you living in fellowship with Father, Son and Holy Spirit? Are your thoughts influenced by this "New Jerusalem?"

There is a tension here, but it is not a tension that will overcome us if we keep our focus and our understanding on who God make us, and where He has prepared us to live. Take some time to seriously, before our all-knowing God, and allow Him to show

you any ways in which you are living on the wrong side of this tension, and not living our every part of your life as a citizen of heaven. Don't be deceived by the things and the ways of this world. Live strong. Live in faith. Live as a registered citizen of the New Jerusalem and is only temporarily here. Live as one who walks among the myriads of angels who are ready to help and fight for you, minister to you and encourage you.

Where do you live?



"Study to show yourself approved."

I want to encourage everyone to read the WORD of GOD daily and set a goal to read through the Bible every year, "Study to show yourself approved".

2 Timothy 2:15 Study *and* be eager *and* do your utmost to present yourself to God approved (tested by trial), a workman who has no cause to be ashamed, correctly analyzing *and* accurately dividing [rightly handling and skillfully teaching] the Word of Truth.

CONCLUSION

I encourage everyone to go to the Elijah List website as well as each author to see a complete list of the works of each contributor. The Prayer Guide is just that, a daily devotional consisting of the WORD OF GOD as well as prophetic insight from multiple contributors reposted for HIS Glory. The Republic and Chaplain Wade Butler do not make or receive any compensation for this publication as this work is just passing on the great insight of so many contributors.

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Blessings and enjoy, Dr. Wade K. Butler, Chaplain

A special Blessing



The Holy Shroud Guild Turin: Iuy Mh

The radiation on the shroud imprinted a tridimensional layered spectrum. not even our most sophisticated technology and computers, laser systems included, are able to do that. there is nothing on the planet, even close to something like this. it's the 1 and only case. the blood, the rare type AB negative, the lack of chromosome y found in it, only x [mother] chromosome, the amounts of bilirubin [extreme suffering], the sand particles in the ankle and wound knee area, with specific minerals combination, only found in the Golgotha's path area in the world, the pollen particles, of autochthonous

Jerusalem species, and produced specifically in March-April. the spectrum is not of a laying-on/pressing the cloth, or surrounding the body on it, but of a body suspended in the air, with no pressure, radiating from inside out. vinegar particles on the beard area, close to the mouth. the source of energy also had some of the x-ray properties. in certain areas like the hands, the inner bone phalanges of the fingers, or the teeth under the lower lip, are shown in the three-dimensional spectrum.

during brutal extreme pain the blood doesn't coagulate due to a substance released in such conditions by the body. So, it still bleeds after dead. there is pre-death released blood, and after-dead released blood in the shroud.

the side cut has blood and water released by the lung. the cut has the exact size of the spear head used by the roman army in the first century of which some are kept and shown in archaeological museums.

the roman whips used in the first century had 2 metallic balls in the ends. the slash marks have parallel double incisions, all along back arms and thighs.

the same specific blood, seeds, blood marks and face structure, are found in the 'sudarium of Oviedo' Spain. it is actually a napkin. recently scientists found out the Shroud is not a burial cloth in measurements and shape, but rather a Passover dinner tablecloth the type of rich families with guests would use. like someone gave it to bury Him, to Yeshua's people, in a rush.

in Israel, traditionally the blood of a person, must be buried with their body. even now in Israel when a soldier or civilian is murdered in the street, they wipe the ground and bury this cloth with the body.

John's gospels says that the cloth that had covered Yeshua's head was folded up and lying to the side of the stony grave.

Recently it was found that the sample carbon dated was cut from a corner of the Shroud of Turin, that was damaged and repaired interweaving cotton threads to the lose shroud's linen threads of the damaged area around 1400 AC.
this Man you are contemplating, my Dear Friend, is Yeshua.