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"Securing a future for the next generation ...but it is not divorced from the past"

There is an attempt to attack, usurp, and circumvent the kingdom of YHWH. In this toral portion we will see how prophecy speaks directly into our present. We serve the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob through which YHWH's covenant oath is fulfilled.

Summaries and Insights by Libby Lingenfelter

Genesis 23

Sarah's Death and Burial

Gen 23:1 And **Sarah lived one hundred and twenty-seven years**, the years of the life of Sarah.

Gen 23:2 And <u>Sarah died in Qiryath Arba, that is Hebron</u>, in the land of Kena'an, and Abraham came to mourn for Sarah and to weep for her.

Gen 23:3 Then Abraham rose up from beside his dead, and spoke to the sons of Ḥěth, saying,

Gen 23:4 "I am a foreigner and a sojourner among you. Give me property for a burial-site among you, so that I bury my dead from my presence."

Gen 23:5 And the sons of Heth answered Abraham, saying to him,

Gen 23:6 "Hear us, my master: You are a prince of Elohim among us. Bury your dead in the choicest of our burial-sites. None of us withholds from you his burial-site, from burying your dead."

Gen 23:7 So Abraham rose and bowed himself to the people of the land, the sons of Hěth.

Gen 23:8 And he spoke with them, saying, "If it is your desire that I bury my dead from my presence, hear me, and approach Ephron son of Tsohar for me,

Gen 23:9 and let me have the cave of Makpělah which he has, which is at the end of his field. Let him give it to me for the complete amount of silver, as property for a burial-site among you."

Gen 23:10 And Ephron dwelt among the sons of Heth. And Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the hearing of the sons of Heth, all who entered at the gate of his city, saying,

Gen 23:11 "No, my master, listen to me! I shall give you the field and the cave that is in it. I shall give it to you in the presence of the sons of my people. I shall give it to you. Bury your dead!"

Gen 23:12 And Abraham bowed himself down before the people of the land,

Gen 23:13 and he spoke to Ephron in the hearing of the people of the land, saying, "If only you would hear me. I shall give the amount of silver for the field, take it from me, and let me bury my dead there."

Gen 23:14 And Ephron answered Abraham, saying to him,

Gen 23:15 "My master, listen to me! The land is worth four hundred sheqels of silver. What is that between you and me? So bury your dead."

Gen 23:16 And Abraham listened to Ephron, and Abraham weighed out the silver for Ephron which he had named in the hearing of the sons of Heth, four hundred sheqels of silver, currency of the merchants.



Gen 23:17 Thus the field of Ephron which was in Makpělah, which was before Mamrě, the field and the cave which was in it, and all the trees that were in the field, which were within all the surrounding borders, were deeded Gen 23:18 to Abraham as a possession in the presence of the sons of Ḥěth, before all who went in at the gate of his city.

Gen 23:19 And after this Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the field of Makpělah, before Mamrě, that is Ḥebron, in the land of Kena'an.

Gen 23:20 Thus the field and the cave that is in it were deeded to Abraham by the sons of Heth as property for a burial-site.

The deeded region [a piece of the future promised land] sold to Abraham has much biblical significance and was a very consecrated area between Abraham and YHWH from the onset of Abram's journey. We can probably only scratch the surface to all the parallel meanings that are connected to this exact region. This deed that Abraham purchased consisted of:

- 1. The **field of Ephron**,
- 2. which was in Makpělah,
- 3. which was **before Mamrě**,
- 4. the **field**
- 5. and the **cave** which was in it,
- 6. and all the **trees** that were in field, [Gen. 13:18 identify the trees as terebinth]
- 7. which were within all the surrounding borders were deeded to Abraham
- 8. Sarah was buried in the cave of the field of Makpelah, before Mamre, that is Hebron, in the land of Canaan [Kena'an].
- 9. Eventually, **Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob** would also be buried there.

Abraham had earlier gained rights to the well he dug in Beersheba (Gen. 21:25–34), but the plot he bought in today's passage was the first property he owned in Canaan. In purchasing this land, he gave an inheritance to his descendants that assured them of the promises for years to come. Are you investing for the future spread of God's kingdom? Consider how you might leave an inheritance for your children and the church to help further the Gospel. https://www.ligonier.org/learn/devotionals/field-ephron/

Gen 13:18 So Abram moved his tent, and went and dwelt by the terebinth trees of Mamrě, which are in Hebron, and built a slaughter-place there to min.

Gen 14:13 And one who had escaped came and informed Abram the Hebrew, for he dwelt by the terebinth trees of Mamrě the Amorite, brother of Eshkol and brother of Aněr, and they had a covenant with Abram.

Gen 18:1 And min appeared to him by the terebinth trees of Mamrě, while he was sitting in the tent door in the heat of the day.

Gen 25:9 And his sons Yitshaq and Yishma'ěl buried him in the cave of Makpělah, which is before Mamrě, in the field of Ephron son of Tsoḥar the Ḥittite,

Gen 35:27 And Ya'aqob came to his father Yitsḥaq at Mamrě, or Qiryath Arba, that is Hebron, where Abraham and Yitshaq had dwelt.

Gen 35:28 And the days of Yitshaq were one hundred and eighty years.

Gen 35:29 So Yitsḥaq breathed his last and died, and was gathered to his people, aged and satisfied of days. And his sons <u>**Ěsaw and Ya'aqob buried him**</u>.

Gen 49:28 All these are the twelve tribes of Yisra'ěl, and <u>this is what their father spoke</u> to them. And he blessed them, he blessed each one according to his own blessing.

Gen 49:29 And he commanded them, and said to them, "I am to be gathered to my people, bury me with my fathers in the cave that is in the field of Ephron the Hittite,

Gen_49:30 in the cave that is in the field of Makpělah, which is before Mamrě in the land of Kena'an, which Abraham bought with the field of Ephron the Ḥittite as a possession for a burial-site.

Gen 50:11 And when the inhabitants of the land, the Kena'anites, saw the mourning at the threshing-floor of Atad, they said, "This is a grievous mourning for the Mitsrites." That is why its name was called Abel Mitsrayim, which is beyond the Yarden.

Gen 50:12 And his sons did to him as he had commanded them,

<u>Gen_50:13</u> for his sons brought him to the land of Kena'an, and buried him in the cave of the field of Makpělah, before Mamrě, which Abraham bought with the field from Ephron the Hittite as property for a burial-site.

Gen 50:14 And after he had buried his father, Yoseph returned to Mitsrayim, he and his brothers and all who went up with him to bury his father.

Genesis 24

Isaac and Rebekah

Gen 24:1 And Abraham was old, advanced in years. And יהוה had blessed Abraham in every way.

Gen 24:2 And <u>Abraham said to the oldest servant of his house, who ruled over all that he had,</u> "Please, put your hand under my thigh,

Gen 24:3 so that I make you swear by יהוה, the Elohim of the heavens and the Elohim of the earth, that you do not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Kena'anites, among whom I dwell,

Gen 24:4 but to go to my land and to my relatives, and take a wife for my son Yitshaq."

Gen 24:5 And the servant said to him, "What if the woman refuses to follow me to this land? Do I then take your son back to the land from which you came?"

Gen 24:6 And Abraham said to him, "Beware lest you take my son back there!

Gen 24:7 "יהוה, Elohim of the heavens, who took me from my father's house and from the land of my relatives, and who spoke to me and swore to me, saying, 'To your seed I give this land,' <u>He sends His messenger before you, and you shall take a wife for my son from there.</u>

Gen 24:8 "And if the woman refuses to follow you, then you shall be released from this oath; only, do not take my son back there."

Gen 24:9 Then the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master,

and swore to him concerning this matter.

Gen 24:10 And the servant took ten of his master's camels and left, for all his master's good *gifts* were in his hand. And he arose and went to Aram Naharayim, to the city of Naḥor.

Gen 24:11 And he made his camels kneel down outside the city by a fountain of water at evening time, the time when women go out to draw water.

Gen 24:12 And he said,

- יהוה", Elohim of my master Abraham, please cause her to meet before me this day, and show loving-commitment to my master Abraham.
- Gen 24:13 "See, I am standing here by the fountain of water, and the daughters of the men of the city are coming out to draw water.
- ♣ Gen 24:14 "Now let it be that the young woman to whom I say, 'Please let down your jar to let me drink,' and she says, 'Drink, and let me water your camels too,' let her be the one whom You have appointed for Your servant Yitsḥaq. And let me know by this that You have shown loving-commitment to my master."

Gen 24:15 And it came to be, before he had ended speaking,

- that see, Ribqah, who was born to Bethu'ěl, son of Milkah, the wife of Naḥor, Abraham's brother, came out with her jar on her shoulder.
- Gen 24:16 And the young woman was very good-looking, a maiden, no man having known her. And she went down to the fountain, filled her jar, and came up.
- ♣ Gen 24:17 And the servant ran to meet her and said, "Please let me drink a little water from your jar."
- Gen 24:18 And she said, "Drink, my master." And she hurried and let her jar down to her hand, and gave him a drink.
- Gen 24:19 And when she had finished giving him a drink, she said, "Let me draw water for your camels too, until they have finished drinking."
- ♣ Gen 24:20 And she hurried and emptied her jar into the trough, ran back to the fountain to draw water, and drew for all his camels.
- ♣ Gen 24:21 And watching her, the man remained silent in order to know whether had prospered his way or not.
- Gen 24:22 And it came to be, when the camels had finished drinking, that the man took a golden nose ring weighing half a sheqel, and two bracelets for her wrists weighing ten sheqels of gold,
- ♣ Gen 24:23 and said, "Whose daughter are you? Please inform me, is there room in your father's house for us to spend the night?"
- Gen 24:24 And she said to him, "I am the daughter of Bethu'el, Milkah's son, whom she bore to Nahor."
- Gen 24:25 And she said to him, "We have both straw and fodder enough, and room to spend the night."

This journey turned out quite well for Abraham's servant and his prayer was answered in alignment to his request. YHWH wasted no time in bringing Rebekah to the servant's attention. Abraham's servant praised and worshipped YHWH.

Gen 24:26 And the man bowed down his head and worshipped יהוה.

Gen 24:27 And he said, "Blessed be יהוה Elohim of my master Abraham, who has not forsaken His loving-commitment and His truth toward my master. As for me, being on the way, יהוה led me to the house of my master's brothers."

Gen 24:28 Then the young woman ran and informed those of her mother's house these matters.

Gen 24:29 And Ribqah had a brother whose name was Laban, and Laban ran out to the man, to the fountain.

Gen 24:30 And it came to be, when he saw the nose ring, and the bracelets on his sister's wrists, and when he heard the words of his sister Ribqah, saying, "Thus the man spoke to me," that he went to the man and saw him standing by the camels at the fountain.

Gen 24:31 And he said, "Come in, O blessed of יהוה! Why do you stand outside? I myself have prepared the house, and a place for the camels."

Gen 24:32 So the man came into the house, while he unloaded the camels and provided straw and fodder for the camels and water to wash his feet and the feet of the men who were with him,

Gen 24:33 and set food before him to eat. But he said, "Let me not eat until I have spoken my word." And he said, "Speak on."

Gen 24:34 And he said,

- "I am Abraham's servant.
- ♣ Gen 24:35 "And יהוה has blessed my master exceedingly, and he has become great. And He has given him flocks and herds, and silver and gold, and male and female servants, and camels and donkeys.
- Gen 24:36 "And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old. And he has given to him all that he has.
- Gen 24:37 "And my master made me swear, saying, 'Do not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Kena'anites, in whose land I dwell,
 - Gen 24:38 but go to my father's house and to my relatives, and take a wife for my son.'
 - Gen 24:39 "And I said to my master, 'What if the woman does not follow me?'
- ♣ Gen 24:40 "But he said to me, 'הוה', before whom I walk, sends His messenger with you and shall prosper your way. And you shall take a wife for my son from my relatives and from my father's house.
- ♣ Gen 24:41 Then, when you go to my relatives, you are to be released from this oath. And if they do not give her to you, then you are released from my oath.'

What a beautiful testimony to the awesome Elohim we serve! He cares about all the details in our lives and he hears our prayers! Abraham's servant continued to be focused on completing the request of Abraham; and before eating, he recounts his mission and the divine events of the day.

Gen 24:42 "And this day I came to the fountain and said, 'הוה, Elohim of my master Abraham, please, if You are prospering the way in which I am going,

Gen 24:43 see, I am standing by the fountain of water, and when the young woman^a comes out to draw water, and I say to her, "Please give me a little water from your jar to drink," Footnote: ^aSee Explanatory Notes: Maiden.

Gen 24:44 and she says to me, "Drink, and let me draw for your camels too," let her be the woman whom יהוה has appointed for my master's son.'

Gen 24:45 "I had not yet ended speaking in my heart, then see, Ribqah was coming out with her jar on her shoulder. And she went down to the fountain and drew water. And I said to her, 'Please let me drink.'

Gen 24:46 "And she hurried and let her jar down from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and let me water your camels too.' So I drank, and she watered the camels too.

Gen 24:47 "And I asked her, and said, 'Whose daughter are you?' And she said, 'The daughter of Bethu'ěl, Naḥor's son, whom Milkah bore to him.' Then I put the nose ring on her nose and the bracelets on her wrists.

Gen 24:48 "And I bowed my head and worshipped יהוה, and blessed, and blessed, Elohim of my master Abraham, who had led me in the true way to take the daughter of my master's brother for his son.

Gen 24:49 "And now, if you are going to show loving-commitment and truth to my master, let me know, and if not, let me know, so that I turn to the right or to the left."

Gen 24:50 And Laban answered – Bethu'ěl too – and said, "The matter comes from , we are not able to speak to you either evil or good.

Gen 24:51 "See, Ribandis before you. Take her and go, and let her be your master's son's wife, as יהוה has spoken."

Gen 24:52 And it came to be, when <u>Abraham's servant heard their words, that he</u> <u>bowed himself towards the earth before יהוה</u>.

Gen 24:53 And the servant brought out ornaments of silver, and ornaments of gold, and garments, and gave them to Ribqah. He also gave costly gifts to her brother and to her mother.

Gen 24:54 And he and the men who were with him ate and drank and spent the night. When they arose in the morning he said, "Let me go to my master."

Gen 24:55 But her brother and her mother said, <u>"Let the young woman stay with us a</u>

few days, at least ten, then you go."

Gen 24:56 And he said to them, "Do not delay me, since יהוה has prospered my way.

Let me go so that I go to my master."

Gen 24:57 And they said, "Let us call the young woman and ask her."

Gen 24:58 **So they called Ribgah and said to her**, "Are you going with this man?" And she said, "I shall go."

Gen 24:59 So they let go Ribqah their sister and her nurse, and Abraham's servant and his men.

Gen 24:60 And they blessed Ribqah and said to her, "Let our sister become the mother of thousands of ten thousands, and let your seed possess the gates of those who hate them."

Gen 24:61 And Ribqah and her young women arose, and they rode on the camels and followed the man. So the servant took Ribqah and left.

Gen 24:62 And Yitshaq came from the way of Be'er Lahai Ro'i, for he dwelt in the South.

BDB Definition: Beer-lahai-roi = "well of the Living One seeing me" 1) a well west of Kadesh, south of Israel

Gen 24:63 And Yitshaq went out to meditate in the field in the evening. And he lifted his eyes and looked and saw the camels coming.

Gen 24:64 And Ribqah lifted her eyes, and when she saw Yitshaq she dismounted from her camel.

Gen 24:65 and she had said to the servant, "Who is this man walking in the field to meet us?" And the servant said, "It is my master." So she took a veil and covered herself.

Gen 24:66 And the servant told Yitshaq all the matters he had done.

Gen 24:67 And Yitshaq brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. And he took Ribqah and she became his wife, and he loved her. Thus Yitshaq was comforted after his mother's death.

What a beautiful story of how YHWH provides, and He keeps His promises.

Genesis 25

After Sarah's death, Abraham takes another wife Keturah [Qeturah]. Therefore, it is very important to communicate which child was born to Abraham <u>by covenant</u>. YHWH's covenant was established through Isaac as recorded in Genesis 17.

Gen 17:19 And Elohim said, "No, Sarah your wife is truly bearing a son to you, and you shall call his name Yitsḥaq. And I shall establish My covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, and with his seed after him.

Gen 17:20 "And as for Yishma'ĕl, I have heard you. See, I shall bless him, and shall make him fruitful, and greatly increase him. He is to bring forth twelve princes, and I shall make him a great nation.

Gen 17:21 "But My covenant I establish with Yitshaq, whom Sarah is to bear to you at this appointed time next year."

Abraham had several children. When speaking of the Elohim of Abraham, identifiers are used by saying, the 'Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.' This leaves no doubt about the covenant righteous lineage that would lead to the Messiah.

Abraham's Death and His Descendants

- Gen 25:1 And Abraham took another wife, whose name was Qeturah.
- Gen 25:2 And she bore him Zimran, and Yoqshan, and Medan, and Midyan, and Yishbaq, and Shuwah.
- Gen 25:3 And Yoqshan brought forth Sheba and Dedan. And the sons of Dedan were Asshurim, and Letushim, and Le'ummim.
- Gen 25:4 And the sons of Midyan were Ephah, and Epher, and Ḥanok, and Abida, and Elda'ah. All these were the children of Qeturah.
- Gen 25:5 Now Abraham gave all that he had to Yitshaq,
- Gen 25:6 but to the sons of the concubines whom Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts while he was still living, and sent them away from his son Yitshaq, eastward, to the land of the east.
- Gen 25:7 And these are all the years of Abraham's life which he lived: **one hundred and seventy-five years.**
- Gen 25:8 And Abraham breathed his last and died in a good old age, aged and satisfied, and was gathered to his people.
- Gen 25:9 And his sons Yitshaq and Yishma'ěl buried him in the cave of Makpělah, which is before Mamrě, in the field of Ephron son of Tsohar the Hittite,
- Gen 25:10 the field which Abraham purchased from the sons of Ḥěth. There Abraham was buried with Sarah his wife.
- Gen 25:11 And it came to be, after the death of Abraham, that Elohim blessed his son

Yitshaq. And Yitshaq dwelt at Be'er Lahai Ro'i.

Gen 25:12 And this is the genealogy of <u>Yishma'ěl, Abraham's son</u>, whom Hagar the Mitsrian, Sarah's female servant, bore to Abraham.

Gen 25:13 And these were the names of the sons of Yishma'ěl, by their names, according to their generations: The first-born of Yishma'ěl, Nebayoth; then Qědar, and Adbe'ěl, and Mibsam,

Gen 25:14 and Mishma, and Dumah, and Massa,

Gen 25:15 Ḥadar, and Tema, Yetur, Naphish, and Qedemah.

Gen 25:16 These were the sons of Yishma'ěl and these were their names, by their towns and their settlements, twelve chiefs according to their tribes.

Gen 25:17 And these were the <u>years of the life of Yishma'ěl: one hundred and thirty-seven years</u>. And he breathed his last and died, and was gathered to his people.

Gen 25:18 And they dwelt from Hawilah as far as Shur, which is east of Mitsrayim as you go toward Ashshur. He settled before all his brothers.

1Kings 1 – The Life of Sarah – Preserving the order of His Word that leads to the life and eternal reign of Yahusha HaMashiach.

David is an archetype of Yahusha. He was a prophet, priest, and king. Melchizedek is kingly and priestly. David's last act was to pass the order to Solomon.

Passing on the Melchizedek Order through David required assistance in 1 Kings 1 which represents all the components of the Melchizedek Priesthood.

Malki - King David

7adik - 7adok

Prophet - Nathan

Ruach HaKodesh – Bathsheba [draws this saga together as the intercessor]

People are falling into the wrong order and the blood of the king runs cold. They end up getting further and further away from YHWH through Hebrew Roots; Karaite Judaism; Chabad Lubavitch; Messianic Judaism, Christian Zionism, Zionist pastors etc. There is ONE NARROW PATH that leads to Life. When someone goes off the narrow path; they should seek the Ruach HaKodesh to lead and guide them to all truth, as a lamp unto their feet and a light unto their path.

There is an ongoing war to usurp the true priesthood and lead others astray. One is true and one is false.

The critical moment of awareness is when our eyes and heart are opened to YHWH's order as His kingdom of priests of every tribe, tongue, people, and nation after the order of Melchizedek. Which priesthood do you belong to? Who is your High Priest?

David in His Old Age

- 1Ki 1:1 And Sovereign Dawid was old, advanced in years. And they covered him with garments, but he could not get warm.
- 1Ki 1:2 So his servants said to him, "Let them seek for our master the sovereign a young woman, a maiden, and she shall stand before the sovereign and be his companion, and shall lie in your bosom, so that our master the sovereign gets warm."
- 1Ki 1:3 And they sought for a beautiful young woman in all the border of Yisra'ěl, and found **Abishağ the Shunammite**, and brought her to the sovereign.
- 1Ki 1:4 And the young woman was very beautiful. And she was a companion for the sovereign, and served him, but the sovereign did not know her.

Abishağ was in essence King David's personal nurse. Prior to being brought to the king's chambers, she lived an obscure life working in the vineyards of Shunem. By comparing 1Kings chapter 1 to Song of Solomon chapter 1, we see that the Shulamite's story parallels the Shunammite's story of Abishağ.

Adonijah Sets Himself Up as King

- 1Ki 1:5 And Adoniyah son of Ḥaggith exalted himself, saying, "I reign." And he prepared for himself a chariot and horsemen, and fifty men to run before him.
- 1Ki 1:6 Now his father had not worried him at any time by saying, "Why have you done so?" He was also very good-looking. And he was born after Abshalom.
- 1Ki 1:7 And he talked with Yo'ab son of Tseruyah and with Ebyathar the priest, and they supported Adoniyah.

To this very day, we continue to see attempts to usurp YHWH's throne; His people [Israel born from above in Yahusha]; and YHWH's land. The counterfeit is always found lacking.

- 1Ki 1:8 But Tsadoq the priest, and Benayahu son of Yehoyada, and Nathan the prophet, and Shim'i, and Rě'i, and the mighty men who belonged to Dawid **were not with Adoniyahu**.
- 1Ki 1:9 And Adoniyahu slaughtered sheep and cattle and fatlings by the stone of Zoḥeleth, which is by Ěn Roḡěl. He also invited all his brothers, the sovereign's sons, and all the men of Yehudah, servants of the sovereign.

1Ki 1:10 <u>But he did not invite Nathan the prophet, or Benayahu, or the mighty men, or Shelomoh his brother.</u>

Adoniyah, son of Haggith, exalted himself saying "I reign." This occurs while his father, King David, is still alive though advanced in years. King David doesn't bother to correct Adoniyah which makes the whole situation continue to escalate.

We can't help but compare Adoniyah with the mindset of Satan. Satan also exalted himself. Satan also built up an entourage around himself by convincing 1/3 of the angelic hosts to follow him.

Adoniyah had made <u>alliances with Joab</u>, the commander of the army; and <u>Abiathar</u> [Ebyathar] priest [Ithamar line].

On the flip side of this coin, Adoniyah was not supported by Zadok the priest [Eleazar line], Nathan the prophet, or Benayahu [Benaiah], or the mighty men, or Solomon his brother.

BDB Definition:

Benaiah = "Jehovah has built" or "Yahweh has built up"

1) one of David's mighty warriors, son of Jehoiada the chief priest, a Levite, set by David over his bodyguard, later having remained faithful to Solomon during Adonijah's attempt on the crown, was raised into the place of Joab as commander-in-chief of the army

Adoniyah makes a great gathering and slaughter at the stone of <u>Zoheleth</u>. This seems fitting since <u>Zoheleth means "serpent</u>." Adoniyah was trying to slither his way into the kingship.

BDB Definition:

Zoheleth = "serpent"

1) a boundary stone near Jerusalem where Adonijah slew sheep and oxen

There can be two High Priests but only **ONE is True**! You cannot serve two masters!

The Torah is known as a crown and today you have the LOWER ORDER trying to usurp the higher order and TELL US how to study Torah; with no Melchizedek anointing. They will lead you to the animal sacrifices. And if they lead you to animal sacrifices, what altar does one find themselves? I would say at the 'stone of Zoheleth!'

People are not going to be 'in the know' of the Melchizedek. There is a scheming deception to keep believers in the 'dark' while all along the enemy is working toward usurping the kingdom.

The critical moment is when the veil is lifted, and one opens up to the order of Melchizedek and understands who they are! These will be positionally close to our Groom and will probably equate to the bride, the set-apart rib taken from the larger body of believers.

Nathan and Bathsheba Before David

1Ki 1:11 Nathan then spoke to Bathsheba the mother of Shelomoh, saying, "Have you not heard that Adoniyahu son of Ḥaggith has become sovereign, and Dawid our master does not know it?

1Ki 1:12 <u>"And now, come let me give you advice, and deliver your own life and the life of your son Shelomoh.</u>

Nathan was very much aware that this was an extremely serious matter. He speaks to Bathsheba and gives her very good advice. Her life and the life of her son Solomon were on the line. Nathan and Bathsheba come together.

Two are better than one and a three stranded cord is not easily broken – David, Bathsheba, and Nathan.

Ecc 4:12 Although one might be overpowered, two withstand him. And a threefold cord is not readily broken.

The proper order of Melchizedek is about our King sharing the kingdom. We are 'one new man' in Him. We consist of many parts with Yahusha as the head, but we are one.

Keeping the power and control is not of the order of Melchizedek but it is of those in the Aaronic Levitical priesthood that continue on beyond their designed purpose.

Where is the power? - Because it is by the power of a transformed life that witnesses to others.

Heb 7:16 who has become, not according to the torah of fleshly command, but according to the power of an endless life,

Rom 1:6 among whom you also are the called ones of יהושע Messiah.

Rom 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the Good News of Messiah, for it is the power of Elohim for deliverance to everyone who believes, to the Yehudi first and also to the Greek.

Act 1:8 "But you shall receive power when the Set-apart Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be My witnesses in Yerushalayim, and in all Yehudah and Shomeron, and to the end of the earth."

1Pe 1:5 who are protected by the power of Elohim through belief, for a deliverance ready to be revealed in the last time.

Bathsheba intercedes:

1Ki 1:13 "Go immediately to Sovereign Dawig and say to him,

- 'Did you not, my master, O sovereign, swear to your female servant, saying, "Certainly, your son Shelomoh shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne"?
- Why then has Adonivahu become sovereign?'

Then Nathan tells her:

1Ki 1:14 "Look, while you are still speaking there with the sovereign let me come in after you and confirm your words."

Bathsheba goes to speak to King David.

- 1Ki 1:15 And Bathsheba went into the room to the sovereign.
- Now the sovereign was very old, and <u>Abishağ the Shunammite</u> was serving the sovereign.
- 1Ki 1:16 And Bathsheba bowed and did obeisance to the sovereign. And the sovereign said, "What do you wish?"

1Ki 1:17 And she said to him,

• "My master, you swore by יהוה your Elohim to your female servant, saying, '<u>Certainly,</u>
Shelomoh your son shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne.'

- 1Ki 1:18 "And now, look! Adoniyah has become sovereign. And now, my master the sovereign, you do not know about it.
- 1Ki 1:19 "And he has slaughtered great numbers of bulls and fatlings and sheep, and has invited all the sons of the sovereign, and Ebyathar the priest, and Yo'ab the commander of the army, but he did not invite Shelomoh your servant.
- 1Ki 1:20 "And you my master, O sovereign, the eyes of all Yisra'ěl are on you, to declare to them who is going to sit on the throne of my master the sovereign after him.
- 1Ki 1:21 "Otherwise it shall be, when my master the sovereign rests with his fathers, that I and my son Shelomoh shall be considered sinners."

To circumnavigate the Melchizedek, the lower priesthood is employed along with animal sacrifices. The lower order of mankind 'determines' who they say are sinners. This lower process is very active today.

Nathan arrives in the king's quarters.

- 1Ki 1:22 And see, while she was still speaking with the sovereign, **Nathan the prophet** also came in.
- 1Ki 1:23 **So they informed the sovereign, saying**, "Here is Nathan the prophet." And when he came in before the sovereign, he bowed down before the sovereign with his face to the ground.

1Ki 1:24 And Nathan said,

- "My master, O sovereign, have you said, 'Adoniyahu shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne'?
 - 1Ki 1:25 "For he has gone down today, and has slaughtered great numbers of bulls and fatlings and sheep, and has invited all the sovereign's sons, and the commanders of the army, and Ebyathar the priest.
 - And look! They are eating and drinking before him. <u>And they say, 'Let Sovereign Adoniyahu live!'</u>
 - 1Ki 1:26 "But he has not invited me, me your servant, nor Tsadoq the priest, nor Benayahu son of Yehoyada, nor your servant Shelomoh.

This message is political. The network of modern-day conferences and radio stations 'control' the message they want to propagate among the populace.

1Ki 1:27 "If this matter is from my master the sovereign, then you did not let your servant know who should sit on the throne of my master the sovereign after him."

Solomon Anointed King

- 1Ki 1:28 And Sovereign Dawid answered and said,
 - "Call Bathsheba to me." So she came into the sovereign's presence and stood before the sovereign.

King David takes an oath before YHWH.

1Ki 1:29 And the sovereign took an oath and said,

- "As יהוה lives, who has ransomed my life out of all distress,
- 1Ki 1:30 even as I swore to you by יהוה Elohim of Yisra'ěl, saying, 'Certainly, Shelomoh your son shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne in my place,' even so I do this day."

1Ki 1:31 And <u>Bathsheba bowed with her face to the earth, and did obeisance to the sovereign, and said, "Let my master Sovereign Dawid live forever!"</u>

The enemy speaks similar words and redefines words.

My LORD the King. -Adonai Ha'Melek

Those against the Melchizedek order speak something similar:

Adoniyahu has become king [usurper from the lower priesthood] - Adonai Ya'Melek

It is our connection to the oath that brings order to the Melchizedek. YHWH does nothing lasting with mankind without a covenant oath. It takes two coming into agreement to walk together as one. This is why the 'Melchizedek blood-ratified covenant confirming' meal was tantamount with His disciples as the Lamb of Elohim and subsequent High Priest.

SHEVAH - to swear an oath – verb – Secures us in Him through the tribulation.

This oath gives witness to David's last will and testament and it SECURES THE Right ORDER. It is the oath that keeps us in His proper order.

Heb 9:15 And because of this He is the Mediator of a renewed [new] covenant, so that, death having taken place for redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, those who are called might receive the promise of the everlasting inheritance.

Heb 9:16 For where a covenant is, it is necessary for the death of the covenanted one to be established.

Heb 9:17 For a covenant over those dead is firm, since it is never valid while the covenanted one is living.

Heb 9:18 Therefore not even the first covenant was instituted without blood.

Heb 9:19 For when, according to Torah, every command had been spoken by Mosheh to all the people, he took the blood of calves and goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and

sprinkled both the book itself and all the people,

Heb 9:20 saying, "This is the blood of the covenant which Elohim commanded you." Exo 24:8.

YHWH Rejects Eli's Household

1Sa 2:27 And a man of Elohim came to Ěli and said to him, "Thus said יהוה, 'Did I not clearly reveal Myself to the house of your father when they were in Mitsrayim in Pharaoh's house,

1Sa 2:28 even to choose him out of all the tribes of Yisra'ěl to be My priest, to offer upon My slaughter-place, to burn incense, and to wear a shoulder garment before Me? And did I not give to the house of your father all the offerings of the children of Yisra'ěl made by fire?

1Sa 2:29 Why do you kick at My slaughtering and My offering which I have commanded in My Dwelling Place, and esteem your sons above Me, to make yourselves fat with the best of all the offerings of Yisra'ěl My people?'

Why do you deal wrongly with My offering and sacrifices? Today we are not to trample on the blood of Messiah. This is a grave error!

1Sa 2:30 "Therefore יהוה Elohim of Yisra'ěl declares, 'I said indeed that your house and the house of your father would walk before Me forever.' But now יהוה declares, 'Far be it from Me, for those who *highly* esteem Me I *highly* esteem, and those who despise Me are lightly esteemed.

Strength is not in intellectual knowledge but the ability to hear Yah's still small voice.

- 1Sa 2:31 See, the days are coming that I shall cut off your arm and the arm of your father's house, so that an old man shall not be *found* in your house.
- 1Sa 2:32 And you shall see an enemy in My Dwelling Place, despite all the good which Elohim does for Yisra'ěl, and there shall not be an old man in your house forever.
- 1Sa 2:33 But any of your men whom I do not cut off from My slaughter-place is to consume your eyes and grieve your life, and all the increase of your house die as men.
- 1Sa 2:34 And this is the sign to you that comes upon your two sons, upon Ḥophni and Pineḥas: in one day they are going to die, both of them.
- 1Sa 2:35 And I shall raise up for Myself a trustworthy priest who does according to what is in My heart and in My being. And I shall build him a steadfast house, and he shall walk before My anointed forever. [Zadok is the faithful priest.]
- 1Sa 2:36 And it shall be that everyone who is left in your house shall come and bow down to him for a piece of silver and a cake of bread, and say, "Please, put me in one of the priestly positions to eat a piece of bread." ' "
- Gal 3:29 And if you are of Messiah, then you are seed of Abraham, and heirs according to promise.
- Heb 6:13 For Elohim, having promised A<u>b</u>raham, since He could swear by no one greater, swore by Himself,^C Footnote: ^C <u>Gen_22:16</u>.
- Heb 6:14 saying, "Truly, blessing I shall bless you, and increasing I shall increase you." Gen 22:18.
- Heb 6:15 And so, after being patient, he obtained the promise.
- Heb 6:16 For men do indeed swear by the one greater, and an oath for confirmation is for them

an end of all dispute.

Heb 6:17 In this way Elohim, resolving to show even more clearly to the heirs of promise the unchangeableness of His purpose, confirmed it by an oath,

Heb 6:18 so that by two unchangeable matters in which it is impossible for Elohim to lie, we might have strong encouragement, we who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the expectation set before us.

Heb 6:19 which we have as an anchor of the life, both safe and firm, and entering into that within the veil.

Heb 6:20 where יהושע has entered as a forerunner for us, having become **High Priest forever** according to the order of Malkitsedeg. <u>Psa_110:4</u>.

Heb. 6:17 the oath secured the future by connecting it to the past.

People are not spending the time in the king's bosom.

But man is busy busy behind the keyboard.

All aspects are represented in this encounter:

- 1. David the King
- 2. Nathan the prophet
- 3. Zadok the priest
- 4. Bathsheba the Ruach Ha'Kodesh
- 5. Abishag is where we should be in the king's bosom.

Enemy hides their plans as we have seen in 'U.S. Education Day' cloaking and concealing the enemy's Noahide Laws.

David again swears his former oath. Yahusha did the same by swearing His former oath Heb 6:14.

Heb 6:14 saying, "Truly, blessing I shall bless you, and increasing I shall increase you." Gen_22:18.

This whole thing was settled by <u>the swearing of an oath</u> that connects our present to the past and secures our future. Declare truth with conviction.

1Ki 1:32 And Sovereign Dawig said, "Call me

- 1. Tsadoq the priest, and
- 2. Nathan the prophet, and

3. Benayahu son of Yehoyada." And they came before the sovereign.

1Ki 1:33 And the sovereign said to them,

- "Take with you the servants of your master, and you shall have **Shelomoh my son ride** on my own mule, and take him down to Gihon.
- 1Ki 1:34 "And there <u>Tsadoq the priest and Nathan the prophet shall anoint him sovereign over Yisra'ěl</u>. And blow the shophar, and say, <u>'Let Sovereign Shelomoh live!'</u>
- 1Ki 1:35 "And you shall come up after him, and he shall come and sit on my throne, and he shall reign in my place.
- For I have commanded him to be ruler over Yisra'ěl and over Yehudah."
- 1Ki 1:36 And Benayahu son of Yehoyada answered the sovereign and said,
 - o "Aměn! So says יהוה Elohim of my master the sovereign.
 - o 1Ki 1:37 "As יהוה has been with my master the sovereign, so let Him be with Shelomoh and
 - o make his throne greater than the throne of my master Sovereign Dawid."

The instructions of King David are carried out as directed.

1Ki 1:38 Then <u>Tsadoq the priest</u>, and <u>Nathan the prophet</u>, and <u>Benayahu</u> son of Yehoyada, and <u>the Kerěthites</u>, and <u>the Pelěthites</u> went down and <u>had Shelomoh ride on Sovereign</u> <u>Dawid's mule, and took him to Gihon.</u>

1Ki 1:39 And Tsadoq the priest took a horn of oil from the Tent and anointed Shelomoh. And they blew with the shophar, and all the people said, "Let Sovereign Shelomoh live!"

A lively celebration follows the anointing of Solomon as king following David.

1Ki 1:40 And all the people came up after him. And the people played the flutes and rejoiced with great joy, so that the earth was split by their noise!

Word reaches Adoniyahu!

1Ki 1:41 And Adoniyahu and all the guests who were with him heard it as they had finished eating. And Yo'ab heard the voice of the shophar, and said, "Why is the city in such a noisy uproar?"

1Ki 1:42 And he was still speaking, then see, Yonathan came, son of Ebyathar [Abiathar] the priest. And Adoniyahu said to him, "Come in, for you are a brave man, and you bring good news."

1Ki 1:43 But Yonathan answered and said to Adoniyahu, "No! Our master Sovereign Dawid has made Shelomoh sovereign,

- 1Ki 1:44 and the sovereign has sent with him Tsadoq the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benayahu son of Yehoyada, and the Kerěthites, and the Pelěthites. And they had him ride on the sovereign's mule.
- 1Ki 1:45 "And <u>Tsadoq the priest and Nathan the prophet have anointed him sovereign at</u> <u>Gihon.</u> And they have gone up from there rejoicing, and the city is moved. This is the noise you heard.
- 1Ki 1:46 "And further, Shelomoh sits on the throne of the reign.
- 1Ki 1:47 <u>"And further,</u> the servants of the sovereign have gone to bless our master Sovereign Dawid, saying, 'Let your Elohim make the name of Shelomoh better than your name, and his throne greater than your throne.' And <u>the sovereign bowed himself on the bed</u>.
- 1Ki 1:48 "<u>And the sovereign also said thus</u>, 'Blessed be יהוה Elohim of Yisra'ěl, who has given one to sit on my throne this day, while my eyes see it!'"

Reality and fear set in among those in attendance to Adoniyahu's gathering and to Adoniyahu himself.

- 1Ki 1:49 And all the guests who were invited by Adoniyahu were afraid, and rose, and each one went his way.
- 1Ki 1:50 And Adoniyahu was afraid of Shelomoh, and rose, and went and **took hold of the horns of the slaughter-place.**
- 1Ki 1:51 And it was reported to Shelomoh, saying, "Look, Adoniyahu is afraid of Sovereign Shelomoh. And look, he has taken hold of the horns of the slaughter-place, saying, 'Let Sovereign Shelomoh swear to me today that he does not put his servant to death with the sword.' "

Adoniyahu had a brief reprieve of safety; as we can correlate to the safety of the womb of Sarah; the life of Sarah.

- 1Ki 1:52 And Shelomoh said, <u>"If he proves himself a worthy man, not one hair of him is going to fall to the earth, but if evil is found in him, then he shall die."</u>
- 1Ki 1:53 And Sovereign Shelomoh sent, and they brought him down from the slaughter-place. And he came and fell down before Sovereign Shelomoh. And Shelomoh said to him, "Go to your house."

We bind ourselves, as living sacrifices to do His will, and go to YHWH's altar outside the gate.

A person must ask themselves to which of the below do they belong to:

Altar – Outside the gate; or the stone inside the gate? Priesthoods – Melchizedek or the Levitical Priesthood Torah – 66 Books or Books with added leaven.

1Kings 2 - Go to 1 Kings 2:28

David's Instructions to Solomon

1Ki 2:1 And the days of Dawig drew near to die, and he commanded Shelomoh his son, saying,

- 1Ki 2:2 "I am going the way of all the earth. And you shall be strong, and be a man.
- 1Ki 2:3 "And guard the Charge of יהוה your Elohim: to walk in His ways, to guard His laws, His commands, His right-rulings, and His witnesses, as it is written in the Torah of Mosheh, so that you do wisely all that you do and wherever you turn;
- 1Ki 2:4 so that יהוה does establish His word which He spoke concerning me, saying, 'If your sons guard their way, to walk before Me in truth with all their heart and with all their being,' saying, 'there is not to cease a man of yours on the throne of Yisra'ěl.'
- **1Ki 2:5** "And also, you know what **Yo'ab** son of **Tseruyah** did to me, and what he did to the two commanders of the armies of Yisra'ěl, to Abněr son of Něr and Amasa son of Yether, that he killed them, and shed the blood of battle in peace, and put the blood of battle on his belt that was around his waist, and on his sandals that were on his feet.
 - 1Ki 2:6 "So act according to your wisdom, and do not let his grey hair go down to She'ol in peace.
- 1Ki 2:7 "But show loving-commitment to the sons of Barzillai the Gil'adite, and let them be among those who eat at your table, for so they came to me when I fled from Abshalom your brother.
- 1Ki 2:8 "And see, with you is Shim'i son of Gěra, the Binyamite from Baḥurim, who cursed me with a grievous cursing in the day when I went to Maḥanayim. But he came down to meet me at the Yarděn, and I swore to him by יהוה, saying, 'I shall not put you to death with the sword.'
 - 1Ki 2:9 "And now, do not leave him unpunished, for you are a wise man and know what you should do to him, and shall bring his grey hair down to She'ol with blood."

King David is giving his final last words of instructions to his son, King Solomon. His instructions are clear, and Solomon knows what should be done. As we proceed, we will see how well all these instructions are carried out.

The Death of David

1Ki 2:10 And Dawig slept with his fathers, and was buried in the City of Dawig.

'Slept' here means David had died. Because of this term, many have developed or have come to believe in a state described as 'soul sleep.' Based on my study of the Scriptures, I disagree with this concept. YHWH is an Elohim of the living; not the dead. It is my understanding and conviction that only the body remains in the grave until the resurrection in the last day when we receive our glorified bodies. He would not leave our soul and His Ruach HaKodesh that dwells in us, in an unclean corpse.

The souls of those that have gone before us are represented and 'housed' by the four living creatures along with the 24 elders praising the Lamb for 'redeeming' them. [Rev. 5:8-12] The four living creatures represent the four 'lead banners' of the encampments around the Dwelling Place in the wilderness. This was an earthly depiction of the heavenly reality. The six wings represent the fact that there were three tribes per quadrant and the 'eyes' represent all the souls of the believers that have gone before us.

Rev 5:8 And when He took the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls filled with incense, which are the prayers of the set-apart ones.

Rev 5:9 And they sang a renewed song, saying, "You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals, because You were slain, and **have redeemed us** to Elohim by Your blood out of **every tribe and tongue and people and nation,** Footnote: CThis fact is given in 6 other texts in the Book of Revelation.

Rev 5:10 and made us sovereigns and priests to our Elohim, and we shall reign upon the earth.

We also see the term 'souls' mentioned in Rev. 6:9.

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

Rev 6:10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?

Yahusha clarifies this term 'sleeping' in the following Scripture:

Joh 11:11 He said this, and after that He said to them, "Our friend El'azar has fallen asleep, but I am going there, to wake him up."

Joh 11:12 Therefore the taught ones said to Him, "Master, if he has fallen asleep he shall recover."

Joh 11:13 But יהושע had spoken about his death, whereas they thought that He spoke of taking rest in sleep.

1Ki 2:11 And the days that Dawid reigned over Yisra'el <u>was forty years</u>. He reigned seven years in Hebron, and in Yerushalayim he reigned thirty-three years.

1Ki 2:12 And Shelomoh sat on the throne of his father Dawig. And his reign was firmly established.

Solomon's Reign Established

1Ki 2:13 And Adoniyahu son of Ḥaggith came to Bathsheba the mother of Shelomoh, and she said, "**Do you come in peace?**" And he said, "Peace."

1Ki 2:14 And he said, "I have a word for you," and she said, "Speak."

1Ki 2:15 And he said,

- "You know that the reign was mine, and all Yisra'ěl had set their faces toward me, that I should reign. But the reign has been turned around, and has become my brother's, for it was his from יהוה.
- 1Ki 2:16 "And now, I am making one request of you, do not refuse me." And she said to him, "Say it."
- 1Ki 2:17 And he said, "Please speak to Sovereign Shelomoh for he would not refuse you to give me Abishaā the Shunammite as wife."

Adoniyahu was a pretty smooth talker. He starts with a very benign statement of facts; then he reveals the target of his agenda – to be given Abishag. Bathsheba, unsuspecting, agrees to speak to Solomon.

1Ki 2:18 And Bathsheba said, "Good, let me speak for you to the sovereign."

1Ki 2:19 And Bathsheba came to Sovereign Shelomoh, to speak to him for Adoniyahu. And the sovereign rose up to meet her and bowed down to her, and sat down on his throne and had a throne set for the sovereign's mother. So she sat at his right hand.

1Ki 2:20 And she said, "I am making one small request of you, do not refuse me." And the sovereign said to her, "Ask it, my mother, for I do not refuse you."

Bathsheba was deceived by Adoniyahu. He had played to her sympathies, but all the while he was making a covert move to mock and diminish the power of Solomon's rule and reign. He was once again trying to usurp the power of the reign and bring along Yo'ab and Ebyathar. Solomon was not fooled and takes swift action.

1Ki 2:21 Then she said, "Let Abishaō the Shunammite be given to Adoniyahu your brother as wife."

1Ki 2:22 And Sovereign Shelomoh answered and said to his mother, "Now why do you ask Abishaō the Shunammite for Adoniyahu? **Ask for him the reign also** – for he is my older brother – for him, and for Ebyathar the priest, and for Yo'ab son of Tseruyah."

1Ki 2:23 And Sovereign Shelomoh swore by יהוה, saying, <u>"Elohim does so to me, and more also, if Adoniyahu has not spoken this word against his own life!</u>

1Ki 2:24 "And now, as יהוה lives, who established me and set me on the throne of Dawid my father, and who has made me a house, as He promised, Adoniyahu shall be put to death today!"

Mark Davidson in his book, 'Becoming the Beloved' Pg 61-63 explains it this way:

Excerpts....

The story of Solomon's bride is actually told in two different stories in two different books of the Bible. The first story is of a woman named Abishab, found in the book of 1Kings. The second story is about a woman called the Shulamite in the Song of Songs. By comparing the lives of these two women, it becomes obvious that they are actually the same person!

Abishag's Story [Excerpts]

During the final days of the life of King David, Abishağ served as his personal nurse. In his advanced age, David was no longer able to retain his body heat. To remedy this, his counselors came up with a rather unique plan. They held a beauty contest and selected a young virgin to sleep with David to keep him warm! Before being selected to serve David, Abishağ lived an obscure life working in the vineyards of Shunem. When we compare the first chapter of 1Kings with the first chapter of the Song of Songs we find that the Shulamite's story perfectly parallels that of Abishağ. She too lived an obscure life as a vine-keeper who advanced from working in the fields to serving the King. In the Song of Songs, we read 1:4b 'the king [David] has brought me into his chambers.'

The young woman was very lovely, and she cared for the king, and served him, <u>but the</u> king did not know [cohabit] her. 1Kings 1:4 (emphasis added)

The Bible provides a plausible reason for why David may have been careful to protect the girl's virginity, and that explanation is found in Psalm 45. Many Bible scholars believe that Psalm 45 is a prophetic vision that David had concerning the wedding of Solomon... it is also viewed as a Messianic vision of the future wedding of Christ and His Bride at the end of time...

1Ki 2:25 And Sovereign Shelomoh sent by the hand of Benayahu son of Yehoyada, and he fell upon him, and he died.

1Ki 2:26 Then the sovereign said to Ebyathar the priest, "Go to Anathoth, to your own fields, for you deserve death. But I do not put you to death at this time, because you did bear the ark of the Master יהוה before my father Dawig, and because you were afflicted in all my father was afflicted in."

1Ki 2:27 So Shelomoh dismissed Ebyathar from being priest to יהוה, to fill the word of יהוה which He spoke concerning the house of Ěli at Shiloh.

Joab's demise.

1Ki 2:28 And news came to Yo'aḇ, for Yo'aḇ had turned aside after Aḏoniyah, though he did not turn aside after Aḇshalom. And Yo'aḇ fled to the Tent of הוה, and took hold of the horns of the slaughter-place.

1Ki 2:29 And the report came to Sovereign Shelomoh that Yo'ab had fled to the Tent of יהוה, and see, he is by the slaughter-place. Then Shelomoh sent Benayahu son of Yehoyada, saying, "Go, fall on him."

1Ki 2:30 So Benayahu came to the Tent of יהוה and said to him, "Thus said the sovereign, 'Come out!' "And he said, "No, for here I die." And Benayahu brought back word to the sovereign, saying, "Thus said Yo'ab, and thus he answered me."

1Ki 2:31 And the sovereign said to him, "Do as he has said, and fall upon him. And you shall bury him, so that you take away from me and from the house of my father the blood which Yo'ab shed without cause. [Cross reference 1Kings 2:5 above]

1Ki 2:32 "Thus יהוה shall return his blood on his head, because he had fallen on two men more righteous and better than he, and killed them with the sword, while my father Dawid did not know it: Abněr son of Něr, commander of the army of Yisra'ěl, and Amasa son of Yether, commander of the army of Yehudah.

1Ki 2:33 "So shall their blood return upon the head of Yo'ab and upon the head of his seed forever. But upon Dawid and his seed, upon his house and his throne, there is to be peace forever from יהוה."

1Ki 2:34 Then Benayahu son of Yehoyada went up and fell upon him and put him to death. And he was buried in his own house in the wilderness.

Solomon is forced to make a clean sweep of those disloyal to his reign.

- Solomon had been made King over Adoniyahu Adoniyahu is put to death.
- Benayahu follows through with the command to kill Yo'ab and he takes his place over the army.
- Solomon dismisses Ebyathar and replaces Tsadog to be priest.
- 1Ki 2:35 And the sovereign put Benayahu son of Yehoyada in his place over the army, and the sovereign put Tsadoq the priest in the place of Ebyathar.
- 1Ki 2:36 And the sovereign sent and called for Shim'i, and said to him, "Build yourself a house in Yerushalayim and dwell there, and do not go out from there anywhere.
- 1Ki 2:37 "And it shall be, on the day you go out and pass over the wadi Qidron, know for certain that you shall die your blood is on your own head."
- 1Ki 2:38 And Shim'i said to the sovereign, "The word is good. As my master the sovereign has said, so your servant does." So Shim'i dwelt in Yerushalayim many days.
- 1Ki 2:39 And it came to be at the end of three years, that two slaves of Shim'i fled to Akish son of Ma'akah, sovereign of Gath. And they informed Shim'i, saying, "See, your slaves are in Gath!"
- 1Ki 2:40 And Shim'i rose up, and saddled his donkey, and went to Akish at Gath to look for his slaves. And Shim'i went and brought his slaves from Gath.
- 1Ki 2:41 And Shelomoh was told that Shim'i had gone from Yerushalayim to Gath and had come back.
- 1Ki 2:42 So the sovereign sent and called for Shim'i, and said to him, "Did I not make you swear by יהוה, and warn you, saying, 'Know for certain that on the day you leave to go anywhere, you shall certainly die'? And you said to me, 'The word I have heard is good.'
- 1Ki 2:43 **"And why have you not guarded the oath of יהוה and the command that I gave** you?"
- 1Ki 2:44 The sovereign also said to Shim'i, "You shall know all the evil that your heart has known, that you did to my father Dawig. And יהוה shall return your evil on your own head.
- 1Ki 2:45 "But Sovereign Shelomoh is blessed, and the throne of Dawig is established before יהוה forever."
- 1Ki 2:46 So the sovereign commanded Benayahu son of Yehoyada, and he went out and fell on him, and he died. And the reign was established in the hand of Shelomoh.

[Cross reference 1Kings 2:8-9 above]

John 4:3-14 but all of chapter 4 is included below.

The Samaritan woman encounters Yahusha at Jacob's well near Shekem and subsequently she, as well as the whole city, witness the Messiah. Shekem was forty miles north of Jerusalem, and was situated between Mount Gerizim and Mount Ebal, the Mounts of Blessing and Cursing (Joshua 8:30-35). The historical biblical significance of this region is great.

Gen 33:19 And he bought the portion of the field where he had pitched his tent, from the children of Ḥamor, Shekem's father, for one hundred qesitah. Footnote: A monetary unit of uncertain value, perhaps in the form of a lamb. Gen 33:20 And he set up a slaughter-place there and called it E Elohe Yisra'el.

Gen 48:22 "And I, I have given to you one portion above your brothers, which I took from the hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my bow."

Jos 24:32 And the bones of Yosěph, which the children of Yisra'ěl had brought up out of Mitsrayim, they buried at Shekem, in the plot of ground which Ya'aqob had bought from the sons of Ḥamor the father of Shekem for one hundred qesitah, and which had become an inheritance of the children of Yosěph. Footnote: A monetary unit of uncertain value, perhaps in the form of a lamb.

Yahusha and the Woman of Samaria

- Joh 4:1 So when the Master knew that the Pharisees had heard that יהושע made and immersed more taught ones than Yohanan –
- Joh 4:2 although יהושע Himself did not immerse, but His taught ones –
- Joh 4:3 He left Yehudah and went away again to Galil.
- Joh 4:4 And He had to pass through Shomeron.
- Joh 4:5 So He came to a city of Shomeron, called Shekem, near the piece of land Ya'aqob gave to his son Yoseph.
- Joh 4:6 And Ya'aqob's fountain was there. So יהושע, being wearied from the journey, was sitting thus at the fountain. It was about the sixth hour.
- Joh 4:7 A woman of Shomeron came to draw water. יהושע said to her, "Give Me to drink."
- Joh 4:8 For His taught ones had gone off into the city to buy food.
- Joh 4:9 The woman of Shomeron therefore said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Yehudi, ask a drink from me, a woman of Shomeron?" For Yehudim do not associate with Shomeronim.
- Joh 4:10 יהושע answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of Elohim, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me to drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."^a Footnote: ^a <u>Jer_2:13</u>, <u>Jer_17:13</u>, <u>Zec_14:8</u>, <u>Joh_7:37-39</u>.
- Joh 4:11 The woman said to Him, "Master, You have no vessel, and the well is deep.

From where, then, do You have living water?

Joh 4:12 "Are You greater than our father Ya'aqob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?"

Joh 4:13 יהושע answered and said to her, "Everyone drinking of this water shall thirst again,

Joh 4:14 but whoever drinks of the water I give him shall certainly never thirst. And the water that I give him shall become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."

Joh 4:15 The woman said to Him, "Master, give me this water, so that I do not thirst, nor come here to draw."

Joh 4:16 יהושע said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here."

Joh 4:17 The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." יהושע said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband,'

Joh 4:18 for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true."

Joh 4:19 The woman said to Him, "Master, I see that You are a prophet.

Joh 4:20 "Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, but you *people* say that in Yerushalayim is the place where one needs to worship."

Joh 4:21 יהושע said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you shall neither on this mountain, nor in Yerushalayim, worship the Father.

Joh 4:22 "You worship what you do not know. We worship what we know, because the deliverance is of the Yehudim.b Footnote: b Psa_147:19, Isa_2:3, Isa_14:1, Isa_56:6-8, Eze_47:22-23, Zec_2:10-11, Zec_8:23, Rom_2:20, Rom_3:2, Rom_9:4, Rev_21:12 and Rev_21:24.

Joh 4:23 "But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father also does seek such to worship Him.

Joh 4:24 "Elohim is Spirit, and those who worship Him need to worship in spirit and truth."

Joh 4:25 The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming, the One who is called Anointed. When that One comes, He shall announce to us all."

Joh 4:26 יהושע said to her, "I who am speaking to you am He."

Joh 4:27 And upon this His taught ones came, and they were marvelling that He was speaking with a woman, however, no one said, "What do You seek?" or, "Why do You speak with her?"

Joh 4:28 The woman then left her water-jug, and went away to the city, and said to the men,

Joh 4:29 "Come, see a Man who told me all that I have done. Is this not the Messiah?"

Joh 4:30 They went out of the city and were coming to Him.

Joh 4:31 But in the meantime His taught ones were asking Him, saying, "Rabbi, eat."

Joh 4:32 And He said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know."

Joh 4:33 Then the taught ones said to each other, "Did anyone bring Him food to eat?"

Joh 4:34 יהושע said to them, "My food is to do the desire of Him who sent Me, and to accomplish His work.

Joh 4:35 "Do you not say, 'There are still four months, and the harvest comes'? See, I say to you, lift up your eyes and see the fields, for they are white for harvest – already!

Joh 4:36 "He who is reaping receives a reward, and gathers fruit for everlasting life, so that both he who is sowing and he who is reaping rejoice together.

Joh 4:37 "For in this the word is true, 'One sows and another reaps.'

Joh 4:38 "I sent you to reap that for which you have not laboured. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labours."

Joh 4:39 And many of the Shomeronim of that city believed in Him because of the word of the woman who witnessed, "He told me all that I have done."

Joh 4:40 Therefore when the Shomeronim came to Him, they were asking Him to stay with them, and He stayed there two days.

Joh 4:41 And many more believed because of His word.

Joh 4:42 And they said to the woman, "We no longer believe because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard, and we know that this is truly the Messiah, the Saviour of the world."

Joh 4:43 And after the two days He left there and went to Galil.

Joh 4:44 For יהושע Himself witnessed that a prophet is without appreciation in his own country.

Joh 4:45 Therefore when He came to Galil, the Galileans received Him, having seen all that He had done in Yerushalayim at the festival, for they also went to the festival.

Yahusha Heals an Official's Son

A nobleman seeks Yahusha to heal his son who is near death. The nobleman was in <u>unbelief</u> yet comes to Yahusha for his son's healing. Yahusha brings his unbelief to light. Later, <u>the nobleman and his</u> household believe after his son's miraculous healing. We should believe by faith.

Yahusha Heals an Official's Son

Joh 4:46 Then יהושע came again to Qanah of Galil where He had made the water wine. And there was a certain nobleman whose son was sick at Kephar Naḥum.

Joh 4:47 When he heard that יהושע had come from Yehudah into Galil, he went to Him and was asking Him to come down and heal his son, for he was about to die.

Joh 4:48 יהושע then said to him, "If you *people* do not see signs and wonders, you do not believe at all."

Joh 4:49 The nobleman said to Him, "Master, come down before my child dies!"

Joh 4:50 יהושע said to him, "Go, your son lives." And the man believed the word that spoke to him, and went.

Joh 4:51 And while he was going down, his servants met him and reported, saying, "Your son lives!"

Joh 4:52 He then asked from them the hour in which he became better, and they said to him, "Yesterday at the seventh hour the inflammation left him."

Joh 4:53 Then the father knew that it was at the same hour in which יהושע said to him, "Your son lives." And he himself believed, and all his household.

Joh 4:54 Again this was the second sign יהושע did, when He had come from Yehudah into Galil.

Additional Reading Isaiah 11-14:

Isaiah 11 & 12

Ecc 1:9 What has been is what shall be, what has been done is what shall be done, and there is no new *matter* under the sun.

Isaiah 11 opens with the prophesy of **Yahusha HaMashiach**. He came the first time to redeem man; to redeem the land; and to redeem all creation. How blessed we are to have entered the New Covenant through the Door, Yahusha; the Tent made without hands. How blessed we are to have Covenant Torah and be out from under the curses of the Book of the Law. How blessed that the Melchizedek Priesthood is inclusive of every tongue, tribe, people, and nation.

- Isa 11:1 And <u>a Rod shall come forth from the stump of Yishai</u>, and <u>a Sprout from his roots</u> shall be fruitful.
- Isa 11:2 The Spirit of יהוה shall rest upon Him the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of יהוה,
- Isa 11:3 and shall make Him breathe in the fear of יהוה. And He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, nor decide by the hearing of His ears.
- Isa 11:4 But with righteousness He shall judge the poor, and shall decide with straightness for the meek ones of the earth, and shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, and slay the wrong with the breath of His lips.
- Isa 11:5 And **righteousness** shall be the girdle of His loins, and **trustworthiness** the girdle of His waist.

How beautiful it is to envision the following verses all made possible through YHWH Yahusha! How can one not rejoice? Predator natures among animals and man are no more. Poisonous venom and savage bites are no more. The danger to newborns of beast and humans are no more! If that is not exciting news, I don't know what is! Rejoice and again I say rejoice! He is coming again!

Isa 11:6 And a wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and a leopard lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together, and a little

child leads them.

Isa 11:7 And cow and bear shall feed, their young ones lie down together, and a lion eat straw like an ox.

Isa 11:8 And the nursing child shall play by the cobra's hole, and the weaned child shall put his hand in the adder's den.

Isa 11:9 They do no evil nor destroy in all My set-apart mountain, for the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of יהוה as the waters cover the sea. ^a Footnote: ^a Hab 2:14.

We should never be too quick to judge the rebellious and complaining generation that came out of Egypt, until we have walked a mile in their shoes. Our exodus opportunity may occur sooner than most think. It is hard to imagine what it is like to be away from the 'creature comforts' most of us have grown very accustom to. This is one very important reason why YHWH wants us to rehearse the festival of Sukkot or booths. He will provide our needs but not necessarily our 'wants.'

Some may say, well I believe we are going to be 'raptured' out of here before times of tribulation. Maybe so, but maybe not. There are plenty of scriptures that speak of the end of days differently. If we follow the pattern of the first exodus, YHWH caused the plagues and then He GATHERED His people out of Egypt; and brought them under His safe keeping in the wilderness. The 'catching away' doesn't necessarily mean that it will be in a vertical direction! It may very well be in a lateral direction!

We should recall the victories and the challenges of the first exodus. We should LEARN from them so as <u>not to repeat the mistakes they made</u>. We should also remember that those that stayed positionally and spiritually close to YHWH fared the best!

In our day, the promise made to Abraham <u>is almost totally complete</u> and YHWH Yahusha continues to gather all that are His; the <u>'living stones' forming the one new man</u>. The one new man is spoken of in Isaiah 11. There is to be <u>a greater Exodus</u> out of our 'Egypt' <u>from all around the world!</u>

Isa 11:10 And in that day there shall be a Root of Yishai, <u>standing as a banner to the people</u>. Unto Him the nations shall seek, and His rest shall be esteem.

Isa 11:11 And it shall be in that day that יהוה <u>sets His hand again a second time to</u> recover the remnant of His people who are left, from Ashshur and from Mitsrayim, from Pathros and from Kush, from Eylam and from Shin'ar, from Ḥamath and from the islands of the sea.

Isa 11:12 And He shall raise a banner for the nations, and gather the outcasts of

Yisra'ěl, and assemble the dispersed of Yehudah from the four corners of the earth.

Isa 11:13 And the envy of Ephrayim shall turn aside, and the adversaries of Yehudah be cut off. Ephrayim shall not envy Yehudah, and Yehudah not trouble Ephrayim.

Once again, the waters shall part and His people will cross over with sandaled feet. Though the children of Israel in the first exodus, were denied passage through territories to reach the king's highway; for us there will be a highway provided by the King of kings himself!

Isa 57:14 And one shall say, "Heap it up! Heap it up! Prepare the way, <u>take the stumbling-block out of the way of My people."</u>

Isa 11:15 And יהוה shall put under the ban the tongue of the Sea of Mitsrayim, and <u>He shall wave His hand over the River with the might of His Spirit, and shall strike it in the seven streams, and shall cause *men* to tread it in sandals.</u>

Isa 11:16 And there shall be a highway for the remnant of His people, those left from Ashshur, as it was for Yisra'ěl in the day when he came up from the land of Mitsrayim.

Isaiah 12 says we shall praise Him! We shall sing songs to Him just like His people did in the first exodus! Songs of thanksgiving for all He has done!

YHWH Is My Strength and My Song

- **Isa 12:1** And in that day you shall say, "I thank You יהוה, though You were enraged with me, Your displeasure has turned back, and You have comforted me.
- Isa 12:2 "See, Ěl is my deliverance, I trust and am not afraid. For Yah, יהוה, is my strength and my song; and He has become my deliverance." Footnote: ^aSee Exo_15:2, Psa_118:14.
- lsa 12:3 And you shall draw water with joy from the fountains of deliverance.
- Isa 12:4 And in that day you shall say, "Praise יהוה, call upon His Name; make known His deeds among the peoples, make mention that His Name is exalted.
- Isa 12:5 "Sing to יהוה, For He has done excellently; this is known in all the earth.
- Isa 12:6 "Cry aloud and shout, O inhabitant of Tsiyon, for great is the Set-apart One of Yisra'ěl in your midst!"

Whenever you are feeling downcast; just read Isaiah 11 & 12 and rejoice! Let Him draw you close to Himself and tell you of the glorious day of new beginnings!

Isaiah 13

Isaiah's prophecies were fulfilled within a few centuries of being spoken, but <u>Isaiah's</u> prophecies also apply to future fulfillments in the end of days. For us, we learn from these times that have passed, as we prepare for the end of days that lay ahead. We know, that in the 7th millennium Yahusha will return; we know the general season, though we do not know the day or the hour. He has not left us without knowledge of what will take place. He has told us so we will not slumber nor be caught off guard.

Isaiah will prophesy Judah's exile to Babylon, but YHWH also wants Judah to know that their enemy will not go unpunished. Here in Isaiah 13, he prophesies that the Medes and Persians will conquer Babylon. In our day, mystery Babylon, will be destroyed likewise. Matter of fact, Isaiah 13 seems to speak more strongly to our time period!

The Judgment of Babylon

- **Isa 13:1** The message concerning Babel which Yeshayahu son of Amots saw.
- Isa 13:2 "Lift up a banner on the high mountain, raise your voice to them; wave your hand, let them enter the gates of the nobles.
- Isa 13:3 "I have commanded My set-apart ones; I have also called My mighty men for My displeasure, My proudly exulting ones."
- Isa 13:4 The noise of an uproar in the mountains, like that of many people! A noise of uproar of the reigns of nations gathered together! יהוה of hosts is gathering an army for battle.
- Isa 13:5 They are coming from a distant land, from the end of the heavens, even יהוה and His weapons of displeasure, to destroy all the earth. ^a Footnote: ^aAlso see Isa 24:1-23, Isa 34:1-17, Isa 63:1-19 and Isa 66:1-24.
- Isa 13:6 Howl, for the day of יהוה is near! It comes as a destruction from the Almighty.
- Isa 13:7 Therefore all hands go limp, every man's heart melts,
- Isa 13:8 and they shall be afraid. Pangs and sorrows take hold of them, they are in pain as a woman in labor; they are amazed at one another, their faces aflame!
- Isa 13:9 See, the day of יהוה is coming, fierce, with wrath and heat of displeasure, to lay the earth waste, and destroy its sinners from it.

The cosmic disturbances in the day of YHWH will be of a magnitude like none other. All His creations in the universe are available and ready to obey His every command.

Isa 13:10 For the stars of the heavens and their constellations do not give off their light. The sun shall be dark at its rising, and the moon not send out its light.

Isa 13:11 "And I shall punish the world for its evil, and the wrong for their crookedness, and shall put an end to the arrogance of the proud, and lay low the pride of the ruthless.

Isa 13:12 "I shall make mortal man scarcer than fine gold, and mankind *scarcer* than the gold of Ophir.

Isa 13:13 "So I shall make the heavens tremble, and the earth shall shake from her place, in the wrath of יהוה of hosts and in the day of the heat of His displeasure.

What part of <u>making earth shake</u> from her place do we not understand? What part of <u>making the heavens tremble</u> do we not understand? Do we comprehend the magnitude of cosmic disturbances coming our way? Do we not ponder the paths of disturbances throughout biblical history, also being associated with such cosmic disturbances? Do we see that other planetary bodies such as Planet 7X have and will cause future disturbances? What else might one propose to make the earth shake from her place? What else might one propose to make the heavens tremble? What would be your answer? YHWH is King of the universe; and as we read in Psalm 65, all creation responds to Him and are at His disposal and at His beckon call. There will ONLY BE SALVATION IN HIM!

- Isa 13:14 "And it shall be as the hunted gazelle, and as a sheep that no man takes up every man turns to his own people, and everyone flees to his own land.
- lsa 13:15 "Whoever is found is thrust through, and everyone taken falls by the sword.
- Isa 13:16 "And their children are dashed to pieces before their eyes, their houses plundered and their wives ravished.
- Isa 13:17 "See, I am stirring up the Medes against them, who do not regard silver, and as for gold, they do not delight in it.
- Isa 13:18 "And bows dash the young to pieces, and they have no compassion on the fruit of the womb, their eye spares no children.
- Isa 13:19 "And Babel, the splendor of reigns, the comeliness of the pride of the Kasdim, shall be as when Elohim overthrew Sedom and Amorah.
- Isa 13:20 "She shall never be inhabited, nor be settled from generation to generation; nor shall the Arabian pitch tents there, nor shepherds rest their flocks there.
- lsa 13:21 "But wild beasts of the desert shall lie there, and their houses shall be filled with owls. And ostriches shall dwell there, and wild goats frolic there.
- Isa 13:22 "And hyenas shall cry in their citadels, and jackals in their pleasant palaces. And her time is near to come, and her days are not drawn out."

Isaiah 14

Isaiah 14 shares powerful, powerful, end-time prophesy. To encamp at this chapter, would be time well invested!

Isa 14:1 Because יהוה has compassion on Ya'aqoḇ, and shall again choose Yisra'ěl,^a and give them rest in their own land. And the strangers shall join them, and they shall cling to the house of Ya'aqoḇ.^b Footnotes: ^aSee <u>Isa 45:17</u>, <u>Jer 30:11</u>, <u>Jer 46:28</u>, <u>Dan 2:44</u>, <u>Amo 9:8</u>, <u>Zec 1:16-17</u>, <u>Zec 2:10-12</u>, <u>Joe 3:16</u>. ^bSee <u>Isa 56:6-8</u> and <u>Isa 60:3</u>, <u>Amo 9:12</u>, <u>Zec 2:11</u>, <u>Zec 8:23</u>, <u>Rom 11:17-24</u>, <u>Rev 21:24</u>.

Isa 14:2 And peoples shall take them and bring them to their own place. And the house of Yisra'ěl shall possess them for servants and female servants in the land of יהוה. And they shall make captives of their captors, and rule over their oppressors.

Jer 46:28 "Do not fear, O Ya'aqob My servant," declares יהוה, "for I am with you. Though I make a complete end of all the nations to which I have driven you, yet I do not make a complete end of you.^a But I shall reprove you in right-ruling, and by no means leave you unpunished." Footnote: ^aSee footnote Jer_30:11.

Isa 56:6 "Also the sons of the foreigner who join themselves to יהוה, to serve Him, and to love the Name of יהוה, to be His servants, all who guard the Sabbath, and not profane it, and are holding onto My covenant –

Isa 56:7 them I shall bring to My set-apart mountain, and let them rejoice in My house of prayer. Their ascending offerings and their slaughterings are accepted on My slaughter-place, for My house is called a house of prayer for all the peoples."

lsa 56:8 The Master יהוה, who gathers the outcasts of Yisra'ěl, declares, "I gather still others to him besides those who are gathered to him."

Rom 11:17 And if some of the branches were broken off, and you, being a wild olive tree, have been grafted in among them, and came to share the root and fatness of the olive tree,

Rom 11:18 **do not boast against the branches**. And if you boast, *remember*: you do not bear the root, but the root *bears* you!

Rom 11:19 You shall say then, "The branches were broken off that I might be grafted in."

Rom 11:20 Good! By unbelief they were broken off, and you stand by belief. Do not be arrogant, but fear.

Rom 11:21 For if Elohim did not spare the natural branches, He might not spare you either.

Rom 11:22 See then the kindness and sharpness of Elohim: on those who fell sharpness, but toward you kindness, if you continue in *His* kindness, otherwise you also shall be cut off.

Rom 11:23 And they also, if they do not continue in unbelief, shall be grafted in, for Elohim is able to graft them in again.

Rom 11:24 For if you were cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and were grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree, how much more shall these who are the natural *branches*, be grafted into their own olive tree?

One day YHWH will give His people rest from sorrow and trouble; then the scripture speaks of a proverb that will come to pass and will be taken up by His people. That proverb is in Isaiah 14:3-23. YHWH exercises His vengeance toward Satan and his followers; and His people and creation rejoice.

Israel's Remnant Taunts Babylon

- lsa 14:3 And it shall be, in the day יהוה gives you rest from your sorrow, and from your trouble and the hard service in which you were made to serve,
- Isa 14:4 that you shall take up this proverb against the sovereign of Babel, and say, "How the oppressor has ceased, the gold-gatherer ceased!
- lsa 14:5 "הוה has broken the staff of the wrong, the sceptre of the rulers,
- Isa 14:6 he who struck the people in wrath with ceaseless blows, he who ruled the nations in displeasure, is persecuted and no one restrains.
- Isa 14:7 "All the earth is at rest and at peace, they shall break forth into singing.
- Isa 14:8 "Even the cypress trees rejoice over you, and the cedars of Lebanon, saying, 'Since you were cut down, no woodcutter has come up against us.'
- Isa 14:9 "She'ol from beneath is excited about you, to meet you at your coming; it stirs up the dead for you, all the chief ones of the earth; it has raised up from their thrones all the sovereigns of the nations.
- Isa 14:10 "All of them respond and say to you, 'Have you also become as weak as we? Have you become like us?
- Isa 14:11 Your arrogance has been brought down to She'ol, and the sound of your stringed instruments; the maggot is spread under you, and worms cover you.'
- Isa 14:12 "How you have fallen from the heavens, O Hělěl, c son of the morning! You have been cut down to the ground, you who laid low the nations! Footnote: CThe Shining One.
- Isa 14:13 "For you have said in your heart, 'Let me go up to the heavens, let me raise my throne above the stars of ĚI, and let me sit in the mount of appointment on the sides of the north:
- Isa 14:14 let me go up above the heights of the clouds, let me be like the Most High.'
- Isa 14:15 "But you are brought down to She'ol, to the sides of the pit.
- Isa 14:16 "Those who see you stare at you, and ponder over you, saying, 'Is this the man who made the earth tremble, who shook reigns,
- Isa 14:17 who made the world as a wilderness and destroyed its cities, who would not open the house of his prisoners?'
- Isa 14:18 "All the sovereigns of the nations, all of them, were laid in esteem, everyone in his own house;
- Isa 14:19 but you have been thrown from your burial-site like an abominable branch, like the garment of those who are killed, thrust through with a sword, who go down to the stones of the pit, like a trampled corpse.
- Isa 14:20 "You are not joined with them in the burial-place, for you have destroyed your

land and killed your people. Let the seed of evil-doers never be mentioned.

Isa 14:21 "Prepare his children for slaughter, because of the crookedness of their fathers, lest they rise up and possess the land, and fill the face of the world with cities."

After Satan's demise is proclaimed, this proverb closes with:

Isa 14:22 "And I shall rise up against them," declares יהוה of hosts, "and shall cut off from Babel the name and remnant, and offspring and descendant," declares יהוה.
Isa 14:23 "And I shall make it a possession for the porcupine, and marshes of muddy water; and shall sweep it with the broom of destruction," declares יהוה of hosts.

Two other oracles from YHWH are spoken in Isaiah 14. One is against **Assyria** and the other against **Philistia (A region in Syria)**. Isa 14:27 "For הזה of hosts has counselled, and who annuls it? And His hand that is stretched out, who turns it back?"

An interesting verse is spoken of against Philistia (Isaiah 14:29). It describes the 'fiery serpents' copper in colored with fiery bites or stings. Previously we discussed that these 'serpents' were defined as nachash that attacked the children of Israel; and in this verse, they are clearly described as flying seraph.

An Oracle Concerning Assyria

Isa 14:24 יהוה of hosts has sworn, saying, "Truly, as I have planned, so shall it be; and as I have purposed, so it stands:

Isa 14:25 "To break Ashshur in My land, and tread him down on My mountains. And his yoke shall be removed from them, and his burden removed from their shoulders.

Isa 14:26 "This is the counsel that is counselled for all the earth, and this is the hand that is stretched out over all the nations.

Isa 14:27 "For יהוה of hosts has counselled, and who annuls it? And His hand that is stretched out, who turns it back?"

An Oracle Concerning Philistia

Isa 14:28 This is the message which came in the year that Sovereign Aḥaz died:
Isa 14:29 "Do not rejoice, all you of Philistia, that the rod that struck you is broken; for out of the serpent's roots comes forth an adder, and its offspring is a fiery flying serpent.

Philistia H6429 p^elesheth *pel-eh'-sheth* From H6428; *rolling*, that is, *migratory*; *Pelesheth*, a region of Syria: - Palestina, Palestine, Philistia, Philistines.

'Fiery flying serpent'

H8314 śârâph saw-rawf' From H8313; burning, that is, (figuratively) poisonous (serpent); specifically a saraph or symbolical creature (<u>from their copper color</u>): - fiery (serpent), seraph.

H5774 'ûph *oof* A primitive root; to *cover* (with wings or obscurity); hence (as denominative from H5775) **to** *fly*; also (by implication of dimness) to *faint* (from the darkness of swooning): - brandish, be (wax) faint, flee away, fly (away -), X set, shine forth, weary.

Note: Fiery hailstones would have fiery looking serpent tales as well as they descend out of the sky.

Isa 14:30 "And the first-born of the poor shall feed, and the needy lie down in safety. And I shall kill your roots with scarcity of food, and it shall kill your remnant.

Isa 14:31 "Howl, O gate! Cry, O city! Melt away, all you of Philistia! For smoke shall come from the north, and there is no stranger in his ranks."

Isa 14:32 And what does one answer the messengers of a nation? "That יהוה has founded Tsiyon, and the poor of His people take refuge in it."

Shabbat Shalom, Libby