

# *Revelation*

*The visionary account of  
Things which thou **HAS SEEN**  
Things which **ARE**  
And the things which shall be **HEREAFTER***

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*The Revelation of Yahshua the Messiah, which Yah the Father gave unto Him, to show unto His servants things which must shortly come to pass; and He sent and signified it by His angel unto His servant John: who bare record of the word of Yah, and of the testimony of Yahshua the Messiah, and of all things that he saw.*

*Blessed is he that reads, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.*

*Revelation 1:1~3*

## *Preface*

### *The Wonder!*

*This final book of the Holy Bible remains the most controversial, mystical, symbolically imaginative, apocalyptic book of the Bible. Yet when studying Revelation in relation to the rest of the Bible, its twenty-two chapters sweep through creation from before its birth to beyond eternity. It contains the culmination, the divine purpose for life, God's **"Plan of Salvation"** for humanity. These chapters, unlike most books, cannot be read orderly from front to back, one chapter after another, with its purpose and meaning remaining intact. No, Revelation demands time travel, spirit travel to places linking the past to the future and back to the present, centered in the vicinity of God's (Yah's) throne.*

*The Book of Revelation as revealed will challenge many of our most cherished traditional beliefs. Conversely, this book was written to expose untruth as an aid to one's faith by presenting events that will affect every human born or ever to be born.*

*For those that have eyes to see and ears to hear  
Let it be heard and shown, our fate revealed!*

## Introduction

A "**Time Sequence Chart**" is provided to aid the reader in following John's viewing location in time. This position is critical in conveying what John is seeing ergo having revealed as he travels from the **Present**, back to the **Past**, then onto the **Hereafter**, all for the purpose of presenting God's warning in an admonishment for us to change our present ways.

The "**Series of Afflictions**" outline is given to categorize the **7 Seals** unfolding prior to Christ's return which affect one fourth of humanity. They are succeeded by His anger as shown by the **7 Trumpets** causing devastation on a third part of the earth and its inhabitants. This is concluded by **7 Vials**, the finality of His wrath upon mankind for refusing to reverence our Creator as commanded.

All verses in this study of Revelation are taken from the King James Version of the Bible augmented by numerous supporting verses from many other prophets in Scripture. Other non-Biblical, supportive historical data is found in the appendix.

## ***Time Sequence of John's Location in Vision***

*Timing of **Present**, **Past** and **Future**, sequences of John's vision before the Throne of Yah as recorded in the Book of Revelation.*

*First Time Frame: "**Present**" The things which John "**Has Seen**" in vision **On "The Day of the Lord"** at His coming.*

*Second Time Frame: "**Past**" The things which "**Are**" where John is physically, in the year 70 to 90 AD, the current condition of the seven churches in Asia Minor.*

*Third Time Frame: "**Hereafter**" The things which shall be "**Hereafter**" shown to John in vision **After "The Day of the Lord,"** future in time, "**After**" His coming.*

*Two key times to be aware of:*

*"**The Day of the Lord**" - occurring in Rev 6:12, the day that Yahshua returns, the beginning of His wrath.*

*"**It is Done**" - seen in Rev 16:17, the completion of His wrath with the stoning of humanity from heaven.*

<b><i>C h a p</i></b>	<b><i>Visionary Location of John</i></b>	<b><i>Highlighted Events</i></b>
<i>Rev 1</i>	<b><i>Present:</i></b> <i>On the Day of the Lord</i>	<i>John is in vision on "<b>The Day of the Lord</b>" at Yahshua's return. Yahshua reveals Himself to John and instructs him to record the contents of the vision which is about to be revealed.</i>
<i>Rev 2 &amp; 3</i>	<b><i>Past:</i></b> <i>Before the Day of the Lord</i>	<i>John recorded the spiritual conditions of the seven churches in Asia Minor as seen through the eyes of Yah. Yahshua describes them using triplicate symbols as being the seven stars, which are seven angels, which are seven candlesticks.</i>

Rev 4	<b>Hereafter:</b> After the Day of the Lord	Yahshua calls John from Heaven, "Come up," now in the <b>hereafter</b> , after the Day of the Lord, now even further into the future. John is shown Yah the Father with 24 elders present, already redeemed, their raiment made white from Yahshua's blood. This event occurs after the last trump, after the time of Yahshua's coming with His kingdom, after the sky is rolled up and the throne is revealed to humanity as recorded in Rev 6:16. Note: No human is able to be at Yah's throne until all is fulfilled as noted in Rev 15:8.
Rev 5	<b>Hereafter:</b> After the Day of the Lord	John is now having events revealed as recorded in the Scroll having seven seals that precede and occur at His coming. John is brought back in time to be shown activities which already occurred to bring about His coming followed by His wrath.
Rev 6	<b>Past:</b> <b>Before the</b> Day of the Lord	John is at Yah's Throne in the " <b>hereafter</b> " and is now taken back in time before the Day of the Lord to the " <b>Past.</b> " The contents of the scroll with its seven seals are revealed to John one at a time. Their substance reveals the activities that will occur before His coming as a warning to humanity. The first five seals being opened occur prior to Yahshua's return. Concurrently follows the persecution of the saints and the time of the two witnesses finishing their 3½ half year ministry before His coming. As the Sixth seal opens, people see heaven rolled back and view the Throne of Yah and the coming of the wrath of Yahshua beginning. [Note: <b>Revelation 6: 12</b> represents the first <b>bench mark</b> in this Revelation. Up until this verse is the time of tribulation; after this verse depicts " <b>The Day of the Lord</b> " and the beginning of His wrath upon the unrepentant human race.] <b>7 Seals:</b> affect a fourth part of the earth 1 <sup>st</sup> Seal - the white horse with bow to conquer -The Beast of the earth 2 <sup>nd</sup> Seal - the red horse with a sword to kill 3 <sup>rd</sup> Seal - the black horse with the effects of famine and inflation 4 <sup>th</sup> Seal - the pale horse bringing disease and death 5 <sup>th</sup> Seal - the martyring of the Saints 6 <sup>th</sup> Seal - <b>The Day of the Lord:</b> great earthquakes, heavenly signs, the sky is rolled away and Yahshua is revealed.
Rev 7	<b>Present:</b> On the Day of the Lord	After the rolling back of the sky, Yahshua is revealed, known as "The Day of the Lord." This is prior to His wrath which will come, as seen in the "hereafter," He seals the 144,000 faithful saints that are untainted by the world's religion to be witnesses of His wrath.

Rev 8	<b>Hereafter:</b> After the Day of the Lord	<p>After the Day of the Lord, Yahshua reveals the seventh seal which contains the seven trumpet blasts to follow. Yahshua commences with the first four trumpet blasts of seven, bringing Yah's wrath upon mankind directly affecting the environment, indirectly distressing humans.</p> <p><b>7 Trumpets:</b> affect a third part of earth and a third part of humans is killed</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Trumpet - hail &amp; fire cast to the earth, a third part of trees &amp; grass burned</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Trumpet - a great mountain cast into the sea, a third part of sea becomes blood</p> <p>3<sup>rd</sup> Trumpet - burning star falls on rivers, a third part becomes bitter</p> <p>4<sup>th</sup> Trumpet - sun &amp; moon darkened by a third</p>
Rev 9	<b>Hereafter:</b> After the Day of the Lord	<p>Three woes sound the commencement of the remaining three trumpet blasts.</p> <p>5<sup>th</sup> Trumpet - an angel from the bottomless pit is released, 1<sup>st</sup> Woe - torments people with stings like a scorpion for five months</p> <p>6<sup>th</sup> Trumpet - four fallen bound angels are released to command an army</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Woe - 200 million fallen angels kill a third of humanity with fire, smoke &amp; brimstone</p>
Rev 10	<b>Past:</b> Before the Day of the Lord	<p>The revelation is stopped in Chapters 10 ~14 which serve as witnesses for Yah's judgment on humanity as being worthy of death. A "little book" is seen, the Book of Revelation, prophesying the revealed Mystery of Yah to man. At its completion, occurring in Rev 15, the finality of His wrath comes. This information is given to the 7 churches and to mankind as a whole to foretell the future fate of humanity</p>
Rev 11	<b>Past:</b> Before the Day of the Lord	<p>John, in vision, is told to measure the temple, essentially numbering the believers, the called-out ones, left before His wrath on mankind. The angel tells John to rise, bring him to a different time prior to the wrath, before the Lord's Day. John is revealed the timing of the two witnesses, concurrent to the time of the gentile rule of Jerusalem for 42 months by the beast's power controlled by Satan. This time parallels the plagues of Rev 6, the first five seals released on mankind during a 3½ year period. The witnesses are killed and 3½ days later rise correlating to the opening of the six seal, "<b>The Day of the Lord,</b>" as Yahshua returns as King of Kings.</p>



Rev 12	<b>Past:</b> <i>Before the Day of the Lord</i>	<i>John is shown in vision events transpiring before the Day of the Lord prophesying a great wonder, a woman representing Israel married to Yah, also Mary, the mother of Christ, is described about to give birth. Present is a great red dragon, Satan, having 7 heads and 10 horns with the heads equating to empires, and horns to kings. This dragon working through the gentile King Herod seeks to kill the infant, Christ, as Yah provides passageway for Him and His family to flee to Egypt for 3½ years protected from Satan.</i>
Rev 13	<b>Past:</b> <i>Before the Day of the Lord</i>	<i>John, in vision before the Throne of Yah, is revealed events which happened before the Day of the Lord. In vision is seen a great red dragon rising out the sea, referring to people, multitudes, nations and tongues. This 7 headed-beast is representative of all the ruling empires concluding with the last, the 8<sup>th</sup> horn, the Holy Roman Empire, ruled by the papacy that assumed the void left by the fall of the Roman Empire. Also in vision is seen the rise of the false prophet made in the image of the first beast that rises out of the earth extolling its pagan system of false religion revealed as America. The beast and his image, America, the false prophet, promote paganism and its mark is "Sunday."</i>
Rev 14	<b>Present:</b> <i>On the Day of the Lord</i>	<i>John, in vision, sees Yahshua on Mt Zion with the 144,000 redeemed which occurred right after the Day of the Lord, as seen in Rev 7. The great wine press of His wrath is about to come as He sends out the final warning to mankind prior to separating and cutting down with His sickle.</i>
Rev 15	<b>Hereafter:</b> <i>After the Day of the Lord</i>	<i>John, in vision at Yah's throne, is now shown the seventh angel sounding the 7<sup>th</sup> trumpet blast having the seven last plagues contained in seven vials.</i>  <i>7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet - seven angels before Yah have seven last plagues</i> <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Woe – The Wrath of Yah as seen in 7 last vials.</i> <i>A sea of glass is seen mingled with fire denoting trials, symbolizing saints being victorious over the beast, not succumbing to his image or mark. Yet prior to the full wrath of Yah being completed, no one is allowed before Yah's throne as stated in Rev 15:8</i>

Rev 16	<b>Hereafter:</b> After the Day of the Lord	<p>The 7<sup>th</sup> trumpet now fully sounded, reveals seven last vials to be poured out upon humanity.</p> <p><b>7 Vials:</b> affecting all mankind, the beast and the false prophet</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Vial - noisome and grievous sores upon men which have the mark of the beast and upon them which worshipped his image.</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Vial - the sea became as blood: and every living creature died in the sea.</p> <p>3<sup>rd</sup> Vial - the rivers and fountains of waters became blood.</p> <p>4<sup>th</sup> Vial - the sun; was given power to scorch men with fire.</p> <p>5<sup>th</sup> Vial - upon the seat of the beast and his kingdom was full of darkness and they gnawed their tongues for pain.</p> <p>6<sup>th</sup> Vial - upon the great river Euphrates the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared for the final battle.</p> <p>7<sup>th</sup> Vial - there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, <b>“It is done.”</b> And there were voices, and thunders, and lightning’s; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great. And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath. And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. And there fell upon men a <b>great hail out of heaven</b>, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for they were exceeding great.</p> <p><b>“It is done”</b> the Mystery of Yah is finished; the final act of His wrath upon mankind is completed.</p>
Rev 17	<b>Past:</b> Before the Day of the Lord	<p>John in vision is now taken back in time after the completion of Yah’s wrath on mankind being fully completed at the end of Chapter 16. He is shown the whore that rides the beast from its beginning as it wages war against the saints and witnesses, those that keep the commandments of Yah and hold the testament of Yahshua.</p>
Rev 18	<b>Past:</b> Before the Day of the Lord	<p>John, in vision before the completion of Yah’s wrath which culminates at the end of Rev 16 is shown the whore that rides the beast. He is shown its destruction by Yahshua and those that it has affected with its lies. Her reward, denoting her punishment, will be double according to the self-glorification sitting as queen over man ruling as God.</p>

Rev 19	<b>Hereafter:</b> After the Day of the Lord	<i>John, in vision at Yah's throne, is now brought back to the completion of Rev 16 and now is shown the final event that led up to the wedding supper with the Lord. There is one final event that must occur in completing the "Plan of Salvation" and that is <b>Atonement</b>. Here is revealed the fate of the beast and the false prophet as they are taken outside the city gates and destroyed. The event happens just in the exact manner as does the offering on the Day of Atonement.</i>
Rev 20	<b>Hereafter:</b> After the Day of the Lord	<i>The completion of Atonement is seen with the guilty one, Satan, bound and cast out of the kingdom in the same manner as is done to the goat of departure on the Day of Atonement. The last trumpet is heard sounding the release for the Jubilee year, the restoration of His called. Satan is seen rising once again after the restoration, after the 1000 years are completed, rallying his followers to attack the camp of the saints. The conclusion is seen with the White Throne Judgment as the Books of Life and the books of the Bible by which we are judged are opened.</i>
Rev 21	<b>Hereafter:</b> After the Day of the Lord	<i>John sees in vision the earth made anew, with the arrival of the new Holy City coming down from heaven. The size is enormous, 1500 miles cubed, where Yah the Father and Yahshua reside. Its structure adorned with precious stones has 12 gates through which nations are to enter into His presence.</i>
Rev 22	<b>Hereafter:</b> After the Day of the Lord	<i>John sees in vision this newly formed earth with the Holy City having a river of living water. On either side of the river was the Tree of Life, bearing twelve fruits, one variety each month. The fruit and leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations now joined with their God.</i>

## ***Series of Afflictions:***

**7 Seals:** *Affecting a fourth part of the earth.*

*1<sup>st</sup> Seal - the white horse with a bow to conquer -The Beast of the earth.*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Seal - the red horse in which to kill with a sword.*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Seal - the black horse with the affects of famine & inflation*

*4<sup>th</sup> Seal - the pale horse bringing disease and death.*

*5<sup>th</sup> Seal - the persecution of the martyr's (witnessing) and of the Saints.*

*6<sup>th</sup> Seal – "The Day of the Lord" great earthquakes, heavenly signs, the sky rolled away; Yah revealed.*

*The 144,000 are sealed from the wrath to come as witnesses to the world. The occurrence of distress, tribulation and the timing of the two witnesses proclaiming the final warning message to repent are completed.*

*7<sup>th</sup> Seal – Seven trumpets are sounded from the seven angels before Yah.*

**7 Trumpets:** *Affect a third part of earth, a third part of humanity is killed.*

*1<sup>st</sup> Trumpet - Hail & fire cast to the earth; a third part of trees & grass burn.*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Trumpet - A great mountain is cast into the sea; a third part of the sea becomes blood.*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Trumpet - A burning star falls on rivers; a third part of fresh water becomes bitter.*

*4<sup>th</sup> Trumpet- The sun & moon are darkened by a third.*

*5<sup>th</sup> Trumpet - An angel from the bottomless pit is released.*

*1<sup>st</sup> Woe - Humanity is tormented with stings like a scorpion's for five months.*

*6<sup>th</sup> Trumpet - Four bound fallen angels are released to command an army.*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Woe - 200 million fallen angels kill a third of mankind with fire, smoke & brimstone.*

*Declaration reveals the cause of the final wrath to come upon mankind.*

*7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet - Seven angels before Yah have seven last plagues.*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Woe - The Wrath of Yah is seen via the 7 last vials:*

**7 Vials:** *Affect all humankind, the beast and the false prophet*

*1<sup>st</sup> Vial - Noisome and grievous sores upon people having the mark of the beast who worship his image.*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Vial - The sea became as blood and every living soul died in the sea.*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Vial - The rivers and fountains of waters became blood.*

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*7<sup>th</sup> Vial - There came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, "**It is done.**" And there were voices, and thunders, and lightning's and there was a great earthquake such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake and so great. And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath. And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. And there fell upon men a **great hail out of heaven**, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.*



## **Revelation Chapter 1**

*The place is the future into the **hereafter**, as John sees in vision and is revealed the details exposing the wrath of un-repentance and the hope of the Kingdom to come.*

*From this perspective Yah the Father had revealed His plan to Yahshua the Christ who in turn sends His messengers, the angels, to show it to John so he can write to the churches of the glorious end of the matter, instilling hope that lays with those of faith.*

*This study centers on a comprehensive vision of future events given to John, now far advanced in years, as the last remaining of the original disciples of Yahshua. A key in understanding Revelation is the knowledge of when and where John is in time as various events are unfolding. Each chapter begins with a summary to keep the reader focused on what has occurred often relating Revelation to other parts of the Bible before continuing into the next chapter within this remarkable vision. Reading the Book of Revelation without regard to chronology, timing and location, results in profound confusion.*

**Rev 1:1~2 The Revelation of Jesus Christ**, which **God** gave unto him (*Yahshua*), to shew unto his servants (*servants plural, John and others*) things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his **angel** unto his servant John: Who bare record of the **word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ**, and of **all things that he saw**.

*Yahshua reveals what the Father has given Him to show His servant the things to come by way of messages through His angels. All that is seen by John is recorded for a testimony of Yahshua, the word of Yah.*

**Rev 1:3~8** Blessed is he that **readeth**, (*meaning to understand*) and they that **hear** (*denoting doing what it says, take heed*) the words of this prophecy, **and keep** those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand. **John to the seven churches which are in Asia**: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which **is**, and which **was**, and which **is to come**; and from the **seven Spirits which are before his throne**; **And from Jesus Christ**, who is the faithful witness, and the **first begotten of the dead**, and the **prince of the kings of the earth**. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, **And hath made us** (*John includes himself in us*) **kings and priests unto**

**God and his Father;** to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. Behold, **he cometh with clouds;** and every eye shall see him, and they **also** which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which **is**, and which **was**, and which **is to come**, the Almighty.

*John is writing to the seven churches in Asia, and greets them in the name of Yah, the Almighty, which is, and which was, and which is to come, as well as to Yahshua, and the seven spirits or angels before His throne. Note, John includes himself in the “us” as one being washed by the blood of Yahshua and also includes himself as one being made a king and a priest unto Yah, the Father, having been redeemed by our High Priest, Yahshua. Notice the character of Yahshua, as the Faithful Witness, the First Begotten of the dead and the Prince of the kings of the earth. Behold, He comes with clouds and every eye shall see Him including those that pierced Him. They also will see Him, but perchance not all at the same time as others which we will see as events proceed.*

Rev 1:9~11 I John, who also am your brother, and **companion in tribulation**, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ. **I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day**, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet, Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, **What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia;** unto **Ephesus**, and unto **Smyrna**, and unto **Pergamos**, and unto **Thyatira**, and unto **Sardis**, and unto **Philadelphia**, and unto **Laodicea**.

*The voice tells John to “write what he sees” and to send his writings to the seven churches. At the time John is in the spirit on the Lord's Day, referring to the day and times of the Lord's return. The churches would have to be churches in the time of John for him to send a message to them of what he saw. John knew no other proposed churches and none are revealed as future churches to him. Yet the characteristics of the churches do prevail as prototypes into our present time.*

Rev 1:12~18 And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw **seven golden candlesticks;** And in the midst of the



**seven candlesticks** one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire; And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters. And he had in his right hand **seven stars**: and out of his mouth went a sharp two edged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength. And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; **I am the first and the last**; I am he that **liveth**, and **was dead**; and, behold, **I am alive for evermore**, Amen; and have the **keys of hell and of death**.

*The voice is Yahshua's. He holds the keys that locks and unlocks, meaning the grave and everlasting death or separation. He is the **first** and the **last** which lived and was dead and now is alive for evermore. Proceeding on, the words will reveal the meaning of the seven golden candlesticks.*

**Rev 1:19 Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter;**

*There are three different time frames in the prophecy of Revelation to note to avoid confusion. One must be aware where John is and what he is speaking about at all times to understand the message given.*

*The first time frame mentioned here involves the **things which John "Has Seen"** meaning: the vision seen of the **Day of the Lord** at His coming.*

*The second time frame involves **the things which "Are"** meaning where John is at the moment, in the year AD 70~90, his present day, in which he is having this future vision of the Day of the Lord. John's present describes the spiritual condition of the seven churches in Asia (Turkey).*

*The third time frame involves **the things which shall be "Hereafter"** denoting after the Day of the Lord, future in time, from where he is at the moment, in the spirit on the Day of the Lord.*

*There are three different times in the prophecy to be aware of as we proceed. We must be aware where John is and what he is speaking*

about at all times of things which he **“Has Seen”** on the Day of the Lord, the things which **“Are”** during the time of John approximately AD 70-90, and the things which shall be **“Hereafter”** future, past the Day of the Lord.

Again to review the timing of this opening chapter in Revelation: John in his present state is in the spirit – dreaming, in a vision and sees the Day of the Lord’s return. He is visualizing the events that occur being shown to him of that day of Yahshua’s return in time. It is from this **future** place in time that John is revealed the state of Yahshua's return, and is shown things of the **past** and things transcending further into time to the far reaching **future**. We must stay with John in this future vision to understand what he is seeing and showing us.

Rev 1:20 The mystery of the **seven stars** which thou sawest in my right hand, and the **seven golden candlesticks**. **The seven stars “are” the angels of the seven churches:** and the **seven candlesticks which thou sawest “are” the seven churches.**

*The mystery or meanings of these symbols are revealed: the seven stars **are** the seven angels of the churches, and the seven lamp stands **are** the seven churches. Again, John is instructed to write **“the things which Are”** meaning - present day, the spiritual condition of the seven churches in Asia at the time in which he is living, some 40 years after Christ’s death and after the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in 70 AD.*

## **Revelation Chapters 2 and 3**

*The Seven Churches of Revelation:*

*In Rev 1:19 John is instructed to write the things **which he “Has Seen,”** signifying the things seen on the Day of the Lord and **the things which “Are,”** meaning present day, the spiritual condition of the seven churches in Asia, and **the things which shall be “Hereafter,”** denoting after the Day of the Lord, future in time from where he is at the moment in the spirit on the Day of the Lord.*

Rev 1:20 The mystery of the **seven stars** which thou sawest in my right hand, and the **seven golden candlesticks**. **The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches:** and **the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.**

*Thus as stated, the mystery or the meaning of these symbols is revealed. The seven stars **are** the seven angels of the churches, and the seven lamp stands **are** the seven churches. John is instructed to write of "**the things which Are,**" in the present day of John, referring to the spiritual condition of the seven churches in Asia.*

*There are three different groups of churches listed: (1) those that have positive remarks, (2) those that have both positive and negative remarks and (3) those that have only negative remarks.*

*The churches of Philadelphia and Smyrna have positive remarks of being faithful with His patience and with tribulation.*

*The churches of Ephesus, Pergamos & Thyatira have positive remarks of charity, labor, and patience accompanied by negative ones such as loss of their first love and their following the doctrines of Nicolaitans, Jezebel & Balaam.*

*The churches of Sardis & Laodicea have negative remarks of being alive in name only but in actuality are dead, not cold or hot but lukewarm.*

*The beginning of each letter starts with a positive affirmation, followed by a rebuke of correction, finishing with positive encouragement to achieve their reward to be had. In the improved churches, the letters*

*stay positive while with the churches exhibiting great error, the letters emphasize the negative. All letters conclude with a reward of being in the kingdom...if pursued with diligence. **If**, what a big little word!*

## **Church of Ephesus**

Rev 2:1~7 Unto the angel of the church of **Ephesus** write; These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks; I know thy **works**, and thy **labour**, and thy **patience**, and how thou **canst not bear them which are evil**: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles (*tested, examined their fruit*), and are not, and hast found them liars: And **hast borne**, and **hast patience**, and for my name's sake **hast laboured**, and **hast not fainted**. Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because **thou hast left thy first love**. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the **first works**; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent. But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the **Nicolaitans**, which I also hate. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

*Ephesus was a principle city in the Roman province of Asia, but it was not the capital, that was Pergamos. It had a fine harbor and a strong commercial center. Ephesus was a pagan religious center dedicated to Artemis (Diana). Recorded in the book of Acts are Paul's travels and preaching there. Acts18:18~20:38*

*The church is acknowledged for its positive works: labor, patience, and stamina that have not fainted. Yet despite these virtues, the church has not been spiritually devoted to what should be its first duty: loving and serving Yah. To its credit, this church tested, examined the fruit of those claiming to be apostles, and had proved them to be liars and false prophets.*

*See the church of Pergamos for the definition of "Nicolaitans."*

### **Lost first love:**

*Love is like a tool for the artist to express the inexpressible. When we are born (called) we are each given tools (talents, His Holy Spirit) to create a life of beauty. These same tools when **not used** show forth*

*ugliness and death, the state before our calling. Through His Spirit we understand, at some point, to reflect beauty or remain mired in idol worship of self, the choice always being ours. Remember, we are called to be a born anew person, reflecting Yah, not merely the old self with a new cover. Thus repent first and then be baptized, reflecting a life of love that lasts forever.*

*Love - Strong's #26 agape: affection or benevolence; charity, acting charitably, dear, love. Passionate affection and desire felt for another.*

*At the beginning when two people are in love, the relationship normally would be at its most passionate, most self-sacrificing state. In fact, many a couple long to somehow recapture that time when they first met and fell madly in love. The same principle holds true in the Spirit, first the Physical then the Spiritual. When a person is first called by God and led to repentance and baptism, he or she is usually ecstatic, caught up in the excitement of God's Word, basking in the many revelations of truth, wanting opportunity of meeting brethren of like mind, etc.*

*Recall former days: When your spiritual love was hot and passionate, you would do virtually anything to please God, pulling out all the stops to serve, allowing no hurdle or barrier to inhibit you! You were a walking billboard for Yah, declaring your loyalty to Him. In those days, you always found time to study the Scriptures diligently and were excited over discovering new gems of spiritual truth. When you prayed, you did so fervently with fasting. Your zeal was perhaps at a fever pitch. Your desire to fellowship with God's people was insatiable - you just couldn't get enough! Your level of commitment and involvement was probably at an all time high.*

*Ah, those were the days...the blush of your first spiritual love! That feeling of intimacy and closeness, of intensity, focus and urgency, it is that zeal of the **first works** that precisely captures what God desires from each one of us today.*

*This very problem as we walk through this life is growing tired and lethargic, losing our former zip and zeal in practicing Yah's ways. His truth and our relationship with Him become taken for granted allowing things to just gradually slip away which is the first and perhaps foremost identifying characteristic of a falling away.*

Heb 10:32~39 But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ye were illuminated (*called and baptized*), ye endured a great fight of afflictions; Partly, whilst ye were made a gazingstock (*billboard*) both by reproaches and afflictions; and partly, whilst ye became companions of them that were so used. For ye had compassion of me (*Christ*) in my (*His*) bonds, and took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, knowing in yourselves that ye have in heaven a better and an enduring substance. Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward. For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry. Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

*There was a time when many, if not all of us, would have literally given our lives for the sake of Christ, so great was our faith and enthusiasm, so fervent was our zeal. We would have willingly endured anything, suffered all for the glory of Yah. But somehow that commitment tended to slip away as we settled down into the routine of life. We begin to fall into the carnal patterns of life so that the routine puts us to sleep, the fire dies down and our relationship with Yah begins to cool.*

Jerm 2 :1~5 Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying, Go and cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying, Thus saith the LORD; I remember thee, the kindness of thy youth, the love of thine espousals, when thou wentest after me in the wilderness, in a land that was not sown. Israel was holiness unto the LORD, and the firstfruits of his increase: all that devour him shall offend; evil shall come upon them, saith the LORD. Hear ye the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel: Thus saith the LORD, What iniquity have your fathers found in me, **that they are gone far from me**, and have walked after vanity, and are become vain?

*Yahweh of the Old Testament was actually married to the nation of Israel, but something happened. His beautiful bride **LEFT HER FIRST LOVE!** Unfaithful Israel also let the former things slip away. The fire went out; her passionate relationship with God vanished.*

*Also stated in the book of Ezekiel, Chapter 16:1~34*

*What caused Israel to lose her first love? Surely it wasn't Yah; He was the perfect husband. The answer relates directly to the church of Ephesus and our own spiritual relationship as well. **Israel began to take her beauty, her blessings, her high standing and special calling for granted!** As this change occurred, the desire to be special for Yah began to lose its luster. **She started trusting in herself more than in God (Yah)** and that led to her becoming a friend and lover to the world around her. Gradually the fire of her first love subsided. She probably was not completely aware of the erosion taking place thinking all along that she was pleasing Yah by going through the motions. Can we see ourselves here in our relationship with Yah?*

*Can we see the present parallels for spiritual Israel are true with the church today? When Christ warned the Ephesian church of leaving its **first love**, He Himself was recalling the bitter days of old, when physical Israel fell out of love with Him causing Him to divorce her. Now again He is declaring that this same situation is continuing in the Church of Ephesus, and assuredly in the Church today!*

*Yahshua desperately wants His people today to see just how far they have strayed and to return to Him with great repentance and fervor. We must search and seek for God (Yah) just like someone dying in a desert searches for water. If we don't, we will surely perish. We must **desire** Yah our God: His ways, His mind and His righteousness. But more than the thought of desire is required. Thought must seamlessly merge into actions, works that **show** forth love.*

Isa 26:8~9 Yea, in the way of thy judgments, O LORD, have we waited for thee; the desire of our soul is to thy name, and to the remembrance of thee. With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early: for when thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.

Ps 63:1~8 O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is; To see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen thee in the sanctuary. Because thy loving kindness is better than life, my lips shall praise thee. Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name. My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness; and my mouth shall praise thee with joyful lips: When I remember thee upon my bed, and meditate on thee in the night watches.

Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice. My soul followeth hard after thee: thy right hand upholdeth me.

*What is lost in our love for Yah is our **first works**. Once again it is time to examine ourselves and our actions or lack thereof. **Love is an action word**; to say it and not show it, is to not mean it at all.*

### **Church of Pergamos:**

Rev 2:12~17 And to the angel of the church in **Pergamos** write; These things saith he which hath the sharp sword with two edges; I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas was my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth. But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there **them** that hold the **doctrine of Balaam**, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication. So hast thou also **them** that hold the **doctrine of the Nicolaitans**, which thing I hate. Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.

*Pergamos was a newly acquired Roman city made a **capital** in the province of Asia. The city was located high on a mountain spur. Parchment was developed there. As the new Roman city, temples were erected to worship the reigning Emperor. The dwelling where Satan's seat is applies to the seat of emperor worship. The **capital**, composed of citizens, refers to Satan's evil control of humankind. The place in which they lived was that of a world power similar to any type of government from that time until today not under Yah's law. The doctrines of Balaam and Nicolaitans plagued the church from members that fell under those doctrines' of control, ergo causing Yah's rebuking the whole church. When coexisting with sin, a little leaven, leavens all.*

1Cor 5:4~6 In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, when ye are gathered together, and my spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ, To



deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus. Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?

***The doctrine of Balaam:***

*Balaam was a heathen diviner, a Midianite, who was hired by Balak, king of Moab, to curse his enemy Israel after the Israelites' stunning military success against the Amorites. Balaam's self-exalting fame preceded him causing him to become conceited and covetous. Three times Balaam attempted to curse Israel, only to be thwarted by God and forced to pronounce only blessings, using words Yah commanded him to say, recorded in the book of Numbers, Chapters 22~24.*

*As stated in Rev 2: 14, the **doctrine of Balaam** who taught the teachings "**Balac**" caused a **stumbling block** before the children of Israel, **to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication**. In Numbers Chapter 25:1~26:4 this is also recorded for our reference.*

Nu 25:1~3 And Israel abode in Shittim, and the people began to **commit whoredom** with the daughters of Moab. And they called the people unto **the sacrifices of their gods:** and **the people did eat**, and bowed down to their gods. And Israel joined himself unto Baalpeor: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel.

*Moses later accused Balaam of **teaching** King Balak to corrupt the people of Israel. He could not successfully curse them, so he instructed King Balak to lure them into fornication with the Moabite prostitutes. Nu 31:1~20*

2 Pe 2:1~3 But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable **heresies**, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious (*lascivious*) ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.

Rev 2:15 (Those) which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, **following the way of Balaam** the son of Bosor, who loved the **wages of unrighteousness;**

Jude 3~13 Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, **turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness**, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ. I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not. And the angels which kept not their first estate, (*Fallen angels*) but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day. Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire. Likewise also these filthy dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities. Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee. But these speak evil of those things which they know not: but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves. Woe unto them! for they have gone in the **way of Cain**, and **ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward**, and perished in the **gainsaying of Core**. These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear: clouds they are without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, **without fruit**, twice dead, plucked up by the roots; Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever.

*The "doctrine of Balaam" anciently involved seducing the Israelites to commit fornication, to intermix with heathenism, to abandon Godly separation and a single-minded character in favor of conformity with the world. One must consider this fatal point VERY SERIOUSLY!! To commit spiritual fornication is to merge the ideas of paganism and the carnal world to supplant the truth of God.*

*The Church, through its corrupt leadership, has compromised and weakened the Word of God and caused its members to err and sin. Today in the churches the doctrine of Balaam is actually being embraced by many.*

*The doctrine of Balaam states “**covetousness makes merchandise of you who love the wages of unrighteousness.**” In Balaam worship, corrupt leadership preaches reward, whether in money, recognition or fame. They covet or want these items, even at the price of preaching heresies, lies and deception to get these coveted rewards. The people that follow such doctrines are the ones being merchandised at **their own expense**, at the cost of their own salvation: “**through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you.**” This merchandizing is accomplished through false teaching, “**turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness.**”*

***Lasciviousness** - Strong's #766: from a compound of I (me, myself & I) (as a negative particle) derivation, but apparently meaning (in) continence; licentiousness, sometimes including other vices, filthy, wantonness. Examples: Mk 7:22, Ro 13:13, 2Cor 12:21, Gal 5:19, Eph 4:19, 1Pe 4:3 and 2Pe 2:7 &18*

*The doctrine promotes one's self at the cost of others. Grace is God given not taken. In our own walk we can see false doctrinal errors that allure the masses for the gain of wealth, the prestige of a following, fame, etc. Some paramount doctrinal errors include: the Trinity, marriage outside the faith, faith without works, doing away with the law, sanctioning divorce for virtually any reason, denying the Sabbath and the Holydays. All these errors are promoted in an attempt to gain the favor of both secular and religious communities of the world at the expense of our salvation.*

*Thus we are where Satan's seat is in his world being merchandized by him through his stewards, wanting all that we have: our attention, loyalty, money, and time to exalt him at our expense. The same merchandizing occurs in the church, first having the physical stolen from the world, then the spiritual taken from the church. He is both merchant and thief... Satan!*

### **The Nicolaitan doctrine:**

*The word "Nicolaitan" is a cryptic designation, rather than the name of a particular group or sect. In other words, it is a symbol. "Nicolaitan" is the result of the play on the Hebrew name of Balaam (lord of the people), which was then rendered into the Greek as "Nika" ruler, and "Laon" of the people, meaning; He has conquered the people, or is **ruler of the people**. Correctly understood, the term "Nicolaitan" refers*

*to the problem of priests, ministers, elders and leaders "lording it over" ruling the flock of God, a practice condemned by the Bible.*

Mt 20:25~28 But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. **But it shall not be so among you:** but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; And whosoever will be chief among you, **let him be your servant:** Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

1Pe 5:1~4 The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed: Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind. Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but **being examples to the flock.** And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

*Conceivably the evil "deeds of the Nicolaitans" is the reason they are mentioned in the letter to Ephesus.*

Rev 2:2 I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them, which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, **and are not**, and hast found them liars:

*They are being connected with those who claimed to have been apostles, but were proven to be liars.*

Rev 2:6 But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

*Remember that the beginning of each letter starts positive, and then follows with a rebuke or correction, and finishes with encouragement as it started. The same subject is stated first, and then repeated at the conclusion: the deeds of the said apostles and the deeds of the Nicolaitans... one in the same.*

Jer 5: 25~31 Your iniquities have turned away these things, and your sins have withholden good things from you. For among my people are

found wicked men: they lay wait, as he that setteth snares; they set a trap, they catch men. As a cage is full of birds, so are their houses full of deceit: therefore they are become great, and waxen rich. They are waxen fat, they shine: yea, they overpass the deeds of the wicked: they judge not the cause, the cause of the fatherless, yet they prosper; and the right of the needy do they not judge. Shall I not visit for these things? saith the LORD: shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this? A wonderful and horrible thing is committed in the land; **The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means; and my people love to have it so:** and what will ye do in the end thereof?

*Undue ministerial control and domination over members has always plagued the Church of God. In some cases, it has taken the form of a heavy-handed, rod-of-iron-type dictatorship. In other instances, a more subtle form of mind game control has prevailed. The problem has been and remains a very real and painful one for many of God's people, who by lacking conviction **allow it to happen to them.** We have but one mediator, and that is Christ. We are the ones allowing it to happen because we relinquish control over our desire to be independent thinkers loyal to one. In surrendering to Yah, it is honorable... in the case with man, it is inexcusable! We are free moral agents to give our worship as we choose. Choose Yah and you choose life!!!*

*Examples: Ezk 34:1~16 and Jerm 23:1~40*

### ***Church of Thyatira:***

Rev 2:18~26 And unto the angel of the church in **Thyatira** write; These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet are like fine brass; I know thy **works**, and **charity**, and **service**, and **faith**, and thy **patience**, and **thy works; and the last to be more than the first.** Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because **thou sufferest that woman Jezebel**, which calleth herself a prophetess, **to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.** And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not. Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds. And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which

searcheth the reins and hearts: and **I will give unto every one of you according to your works**. But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as **have not this doctrine**, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden. But that which ye have already hold fast till I come. And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father. And I will give him the morning star. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

*Thyatira was located on a main highway where two valleys met providing it with ample trade. Madder root grew nearby providing merchants with a bright red dye known in ancient times as purple. See Acts 16:11~15*

*The church was commended for its works of charity, service, faith, patience with their later works being more than their first. This church was showing zeal, its first love, in contrast to the church of Ephesus. But just because one has the zeal of one's first love does not mean one is immune from error. Zeal and truth are not the same. The church was rebuked for coexisting with the teachings of Jezebel causing church members through her **teaching** to seduce Yah's servants into committing fornication and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.*

### **Teachings of Jezebel:**

*Her name means "Baal lives." Jezebel taught the children of Israel to serve Baal. She had her own prophets who took over the temple service and through this usurpation became the enemy of the prophet Elijah. Jezebel thus became synonymous with **FALSE RELIGION** in Israel. She polluted Yah's (God's) people and His truth. This same wicked woman is mentioned as a prototype of **False Teaching** that would be present within the churches at the time of the end! She was present in the early apostolic church and she is present today--- the Church being **Poised From Within!!!***

*In the days of Jezebel, Israel was seduced. Only 7000 faithful Israelites were able and willing to stand up and be counted for the truth of God. Only 7000 faithful Israelites steadfastly refused to bend their knees or otherwise bow down to Baal, even though their very lives were at stake! Elijah himself ran to save his life from her attack. 1Kg 17, 18 &19*

*Can one recognize a parallel between physical Israel under the sway of the original Jezebel and spiritual Israel under the seductive influence of a modern-day Jezebel? Each involves a woman depicting false teaching that comes into the church poisoned from the inside with error. Although zeal may be alive in high profile, truth is not present. Remember this church is said to be alive **with works of charity, service, faith, patience and has works at the end greater than the first.** But as the saying goes, the fact that “the road to hell is paved with great intentions” doesn’t make them right. All of the world’s churches are an example of this principle: zeal with error.*

**Fornication** - Strong’s #4203. *Porneuo; to act the harlot, literally indulge unlawful lust (of either sex), or figuratively practice idolatry.*

1Cor 6: 12~20 All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any. Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body. And God hath both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us by his own power. Know ye not that your bodies are the members of Christ? shall I then take the members of Christ, and make them the members of an harlot? God forbid. What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh. But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit. **Flee fornication.** Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body. What? know ye not that **your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit which is in you,** which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God’s.

*Both the physical and the spiritual can involve fornication in that one must separate the self from spiritual fornication, false beliefs, in the same manner as one should flee physical lust. False belief in either case leads to the worship of false gods, ergo idols, and the partaking of their worship, in this specific case, eating things sacrificed unto idols. Food is physical, thoughts and beliefs, spiritual.*

1Cor 10: 6~14 Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to

eat and drink, and rose up to play. Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it. Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry.

Re 18:4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her, my people**, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

*How dangerous, perhaps even fatal, it is for any of us to become mesmerized by the sameness of each passing day, each passing event. Such an approach lulls us to sleep allowing human beings to repeat past mistakes, seldom learning real lessons. Scripture verses as stated above are our examples for all that have eyes to see. This complacent condition brought to light ought to constitute a profound warning to us rather than putting us to sleep!*

Ro 13:11~14 And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to **awake out of sleep**: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof.

Isa 40: 27~31 Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from the LORD, and my judgment is passed over from my God? Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? **there is no searching of his understanding**. He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: **But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew**



**their strength;** they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

*We started this study stating there are three different groups of churches listed: those that have positive remarks, those that have both positive and negative remarks and those that have only negative remarks.*

*To review: The churches of Ephesus, Pergamos & Thyatira have positive & negative remarks of charity, labor, patience...loss of first love and the doctrine of Nicolaitane, Jezebel & Balaam. We now move onto the churches of Smyrna and Philadelphia: called on to be faithful to the point of death, showing faithfulness with His patience through tribulation.*

### ***Church of Smyrna:***

Rev 2:8~11 And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write; These things saith the first and the last, which was dead, and is alive; I know thy works, and **tribulation**, and **poverty**, (but thou art rich) and I know the **blasphemy** of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan. Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, **that ye may be tried**; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: **be thou faithful unto death**, and I will give thee a crown of life. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.

*The city of Smyrna was located north of Ephesus on an inlet of the Aegean Sea. Under the name Izmir, Smyrna still survives today as the third largest city in Turkey. Smyrna was plagued with the martyrdom of saints who were persecuted by the Roman Empire. One such saint was Polycarp who was given the choice: either denounce Christ or be fed to the lions. It is reported that he was burned to death.*

*The angel's message to this church starts in the same way as the others, first mentioning their positive works then a rebuke followed by encouragement to continue onto obtain their reward. The works (the actions) of this church are different from the others being those of **tribulation, poverty, and blasphemy**, the slander of those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan. Their works*

*consist of faith under pressure. Their walk was difficult, and through it they are encouraged to hang on, be faithful even to death. Truly this church is showing by its ACTION that it is DOING, LIVING their faith, **the action of their belief**. Their reward will be a crown of life, quite the opposite from what their physical and spiritual walk is now. They are engaged in warfare fighting for life, far different from what we have experienced or would like to experience.*

2Cor 10: 3~6 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.

*Actions speak louder than words. Though not recorded as being wealthy, this church is rich in the spirit because they are DOERS of the word not just hearers, the seed indeed finding fertile ground. One must remember that all that one experiences is for our good, and comes from Yah. Each tribulation comes into our lives for a reason: sometimes **to His glory**, others **for our correction**. Experiences should become our teachers instructing what to do and showing us what not to do. He gave us two eyes to see, two nostrils to smell and two ears to hear, all to absorb information. It is up to us to use them wisely having gained wisdom through their application or if not to suffer correction by the rod of life's consequences.*

### ***Church of Philadelphia:***

Rev 3: 7~13 And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth; I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an **open door**, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a **little strength**, and hast **kept my word**, and hast **not denied my name**. Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee. **Because thou hast kept the word of my patience**, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, **to try them** that

dwell upon the earth. Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown. Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

*The city of Philadelphia was located southeast of Sardis on a broad hill between two fertile valleys. Philadelphia means brotherly love named by King Attalus II of Pergamos in memory of his older brother King Eumenes II. After numerous earthquakes, residents mostly lived humbly in tents and huts in the surrounding fields during the long periods of aftershocks.*

*The angel's message to this church starts in the same way as the others in first mentioning their positive works, yet with no rebuke given, followed by encouragement to continue onto their reward. The church's works (their actions) are described as having **little strength** but **keeping His word, not denying His name** who has kept the word of **my patience**. This church differs from the church in Smyrna in that it walked in the word with the **patience of Yah**. Note it is not their patience, but Yah's patience.*

**Patience** - Strong's #5281. Upomonh: meaning, cheerful or hopeful, endurance, constancy: enduring, patient continuance, and waiting.

*Cheerfulness is having an upbeat demeanor, proud to be called by Yah and demonstrating it by living as Yah, in His likeness, in His patience, walking with head held high all day long. Not an easy thing to do, even for Yahshua, knowing the walk He was called to do. Walking in His patience requires foresight, courage, single mindedness, and **strength of character**.*

*Could that "**little strength**" mentioned make the difference between the two churches? The Philadelphia church walked imitating Christ with **joy, cheerfully**, not in a despondent, long faced, begrudging attitude, but **joyfully** doing the will of the Father, **not just getting through it**. The Smyrna church, had to deal with **tribulation, poverty, and blasphemy challenging** their faith while the Philadelphia church, facing the same trials, including those pitted against their faith, was*

*given an open door for their works, their faith...**the action of their belief.***

*An open door was given to come right in and sup with your Lord. The key is; not only knowing what to do but how you do it. One could follow the commands of the law with the wrong ATTITUDE that is not pleasing to Yah or joyful, as made in His image. One could be the most talented worker, yet if one had the wrong ATTITUDE, the on-the-job atmosphere and life in general for that worker would become a miserable existence.*

*Yah wants us to be there with Him with a smile on our faces despite our having to endure a few self-deserved corrective bruises on the way. The walk and lessons are for us. Get wisdom, pay attention, it may cost you all that you have.*

***Worship that is genuine is given of its own free will... verses having it taken away at one's own cost.***

*To review: There are three different groups of churches; those that have positive remarks, those that have both positive and negative remarks and those that have only negative remarks.*

*The churches of Ephesus, Pergamos & Thyatira which have positive & negative remarks of charity, labor, patience...loss of first love and the doctrine of Nicolaitane, Jezebel & Balaam have been addressed. As were the churches of Philadelphia and Smyrna: The former has positive remarks of being faithful with His patience, the latter is shown needing to be faithful through tribulation, even to the point of death.*

*We now move onto the churches of Sardis & Laodicea: having negative remarks of being alive in name only but in actuality dead, being not cold nor hot but lukewarm.*

### ***Church in Sardis:***

Rev 3: 1~6 And unto the angel of the church in **Sardis** write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that **thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead.** Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, **that are ready to die:** for I have not found thy works perfect before God.

**Remember** therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, **and repent**. If therefore thou shalt **not watch**, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee. Thou hast **a few** names even in Sardis, **which have not defiled their garments**; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy. He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

*This city considered itself impregnable because of its location perched atop a mountain some 1000 feet above the valley. Because of its renowned fortifications, kings stored their wealth there. Coins were first minted in Sardis. Thus this city was captured twice, both times by invaders secretly scaling its walls and opening the city gates **from within while the city slept**.*

*Note the message unto the angel for this church starts with the recognition, "I know your works," but fails to mention any positive attributes, "**Because there are none.**" Only negative remarks are presented, "**thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead,**" therefore "**be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain that are ready to die.**" This church probably thought itself to be alive but having no real spirit, just **in name only**, was in reality dead in works, in the **DOING**. Also note that the church was told to **watch**, or He would come on it as a thief in the night, referring to how the city was previously captured **from the inside as they (we) sleep**. Yet despite most members being dead, some are hanging on, holding fast in vigilant faith.*

### ***Self-righteousness:***

*Self-righteousness is; perceiving to be righteous with the absence of good works. One may think one is doing good works but if so-called works have no associated action they are fruitless. Thinking we are righteous when we are not is being self-righteous. Reviewing the works of the other churches listed, notice works of charity, of service, of faith, and patience by those being doers of the word, not just hearers. Righteousness incorporates **DOING**, action to accomplish what is right.*

*Just about everyone lives each day in the same old routine. We need to break that routine - crack that mold!! We need to act on changing our lives to receive a true spiritual awakening, stirring up the gift of the Holy Spirit within ourselves to reach that state where we are genuinely spiritually ALIVE, spiritually AWAKE, spiritually AWARE! As long as we are spiritually lethargic, our experience with God will never be genuine.*

*We have listened to many sermons, read many articles, watched many telecasts and movies to what affect? What we really need is that great spiritual breakthrough where we come to apply the imperative to actualize our calling.*

***It is in the DOING, not the hearing.** The works recorded are the **DOING** of our faith. To bear fruits of the spirit is to **DO** according to His will. Are we **DOING** or just sitting? In so many cases we are just sitting because we are simply too close to the world to discern the difference. Many prefer this status quo: continued coziness with the world!*

*Being immersed in the world has made it increasingly difficult to discern what is wrong with the Church or the world around us or even within our own lives. Unfortunately, many of our favorite activities and attitudes, even our conversations, are strongly influenced by the world. Instead, we should be **COMING OUT** of that system! But on too many occasions, we much prefer to keep one foot firmly embedded in the world, continuing to kid ourselves that everything is just fine...no one sees me, does He?*

**Jm 1:22~25** But be ye **doers of the word**, and not hearers only, **deceiving your own selves**. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a **doer**, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a **doer of the work**, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

*Compare, if you dare, the time spent watching TV and movies, visiting or entertaining family and friends, playing, attending or otherwise being involved in worldly activities, engaging in social outings, reading frivolous magazines or other such material or just wasting time in any*

*countless ways. Compare time spent in the above mentioned activities with actual time spent in diligent Bible study, in effectual prayer to Yah (God), and in actual **ACTIVE SERVICE** to others.*

*Are we really satisfied that we have our priorities in the right order? Does the content of our life truly reflect the fact that we have been given the rarest, most precious, possible calling from the very Creator of the universe? Are we **EXAMINING** ourselves whether or not we are even in the faith, a faith proven by our **actions, our fruits**? First consider if there are any, and if so how is each fruit doing any good? We might want to know about the seven churches listed in Revelation, but do not want to relate seeing ourselves in them.*

2 Cor 13:5 **Examine yourselves**, whether ye be in the faith (*the action of your belief*); prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, **except ye be reprobates**?

*Are we willing to go further - beseeching Yah Himself to search our heart and try us.*

Ps 139:23~24 Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

*May Yah help each of us to wake up and prove where we stand with Him and prompt us to genuinely start **DOING** something about it!*

### ***Church in Laodicea:***

Rev 3:14~22 And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God; I know thy works, that **thou art neither cold nor hot**: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art **lukewarm**, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth. **Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing**; and knowest not that thou art **wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked**: I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

*Laodicea's wealth came from commercial and banking interests. Expensive black wool was marketed as well as garments and rugs. Laodicea was also famous for medical schools, bubbling hot springs in surrounding hills and eye ointments. By the time the water flowed down into the city, the water was lukewarm. This church was big and it was rich. It placed great emphasis on material wealth and considered the accumulation of wealth as the measure of their good standing with God.*

*This angel's message is not different from that of Sardis with the recognition of "I know your works." It does not mention any positive attributes, fruitless of good works. Only negative remarks are given for us to read: **"thou art neither cold nor hot...lukewarm. Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing"** you are in reality **"wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked."** The attribute of being lukewarm connotes being right in the middle. Not a positive or a negative, right in the middle, a **ZERO**. The arrogance of this church to equate their many material blessings as proof that they were rich in the spirit being right with God was bluntly rebuffed by the angel's charge: You're **wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked**. Thinking one is righteous when not, is factual self-righteousness. To be in the middle not engaged in **DOING** anything is called complacency.*

### **Complacency:**

*Being lukewarm, seemingly at ease and calling oneself rich, is the result of a disproportionate interest in physical things. Living large as it's called in an easier laid-back lifestyle, causes one to back slide spiritually. Today's focus on the physical comforts and blessings of this life has made most of us spiritually soft. Not everyone is in great physical shape, but we all should be in excellent spiritual condition. The desire for an easier lifestyle, a less complicated, less challenging, less confrontational way of living has been promoted by the world's value system for years.*



*Covetousness, a major component of this value system, is an abomination that poisons everyone that gladly follows it. The Church has become a carbon copy, a mirror image, reflecting this permissive world attitude that has inflicted drastic changes to lifestyle and morality.*

*A Church (we) that is spiritually dead having **NO WORKS**, visible signs of actions, having gone to sleep spiritually, does not **SACRIFICE** putting self out to serve, does not spend quality time in fervent prayer, does not apply lessons to overcome self, seeks to avoid recognition and repentance of any hard, difficult, sinful factors. Instead, it compromises the truth of their sinful reality in order to sidestep any possible persecution, retribution or embarrassment. This church's knowledge and understanding in the Word does not produce wisdom. **ACTION** has come to a virtual standstill!! Being complacent, lukewarm, produces a zero, they have wasted their God given talent.*

**Mt 25:14~18** For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them **his goods** (*His Holy Spirit*). And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey. Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents. And likewise he that had received two, he also gained other two. But he that had received one went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money.

*Like those in Laodicea, we today assume that we are spiritually rich serving God. But we the Church are fat and complacent – just as are the world's churches from whom we take too much likeness, being at ease, complacent to the real danger of spiritual death.*

**Amos 6:1~7** Woe to them that are at ease in Zion (*the church*), and trust in the mountain of Samaria, which are named chief of the nations, to whom the house of Israel came! Pass ye unto Calneh, and see; and from thence go ye to Hamath the great: then go down to Gath of the Philistines: be they better than these kingdoms? or their border greater than your border? Ye that put far away the evil day, and cause the seat of violence to come near; That lie upon beds of ivory, and stretch

themselves upon their couches, and eat the lambs out of the flock, and the calves out of the midst of the stall; That chant to the sound of the viol, and invent to themselves instruments of musick, like David; That drink wine in bowls, and anoint themselves with the chief ointments: but they are not grieved for the affliction of Joseph. Therefore now shall they go captive with the first that go captive, and the banquet of them that stretched themselves shall be removed.

*Unfortunately after completing this study of the churches, one finds one's life more in line with their negative attributes, rather than those having righteousness. But thanks to Yah, for He has enlightened us again to the urgency of repentance in these end times.*

## **Revelations Chapter 4**

*We left off with the revelation given to John about the physical and spiritual condition of seven churches during his time 70~90 AD which is a prototype of their present condition at Yahshua's (Christ's) return.*

*As stated, the seven stars **are** the seven angels or messengers to the churches, and the seven lamp stands **are** the seven churches. John is instructed to write of **the things which "Are,"** in the present day of John, referring to the spiritual condition of the seven churches in Asia.*

*There were three different groups of churches listed: those that have positive remarks, those that have both positive and negative remarks and those that have only negative remarks. The churches of Philadelphia and Smyrna have positive remarks of being faithful with His patience and faithful with tribulation. The churches of Ephesus, Pergamos & Thyatira have positive remarks of charity, labor, patience and negative remarks of a loss of their first love and of following the doctrines of Nicolaitans, Jezebel & Balaam. The churches of Sardis & Laodicea have negative remarks of being alive in name only but actually dead, not cold or hot but lukewarm.*

*After this revelation about the churches, the prophecy continues revealing messages to the seven churches, to those that have ears to hear.*

**Rev 4: 1~7 After this ...I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven:** and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, **Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.** And immediately **I was in the spirit:** and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne. And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald. And round about the throne were **four and twenty seats:** and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, **clothed in white raiment;** and they had on their heads crowns of gold. And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were **seven lamps** of fire burning before the throne, **which are the seven Spirits of God.** And before the throne there was a **sea of glass like unto crystal:** and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind. And the

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

*After this...meaning after being present on the Day of the Lord and seeing Yahshua on that day, and having been given the words to bring to the **seven churches**, a new thing is revealed to John who once again is in the spirit. A door to heaven is opened to John and Yahshua calls him from heaven, saying; “**Come up hither.**” John is about to be shown things which must take place **Hereafter** the Day of the Lord, meaning even further in the future, the **Hereafter...after the Day of the Lord’s return.***

*When John is shown the **Hereafter**, he sees the throne of Yah the Father and 24 elders clothed in white raiment. The 24 elders have **white raiment** because they were (past tense) redeemed or made white by the blood of Yahshua, Rev 5:9.*

*Their wearing white raiment confirms they must have already been redeemed **after** their resurrection, changing **after the last trump**. Ergo, the Lord had returned already, and this event must be **after** the time of His coming. These 24 elders are redeemed from earth and are in the presence of Yah, the Father, and Yahshua **after** the throne of Yah is revealed to man. This event occurs in the **Hereafter**, after the return of Yahshua and His kingdom to come starting in Rev 6:16. This same event is mentioned in Rev 15.*

Rev 15:1~4 And I saw **another sign in heaven**, great and marvelous, seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God. And I saw as it **were a sea of glass** mingled with fire: and **them that had gotten the victory** over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the **sea of glass**, having the harps of God. And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvelous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints. Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? For thou only art holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest.

Rev 15: 5~8 And **after that I looked**, and, behold, the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened: And the seven

angels came out of the temple, having the seven plagues, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles. And one of the four beasts (creatures) gave unto the seven angels seven golden vials full of the wrath of God, who liveth for ever and ever. And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; **and no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.**

*Note that **no man** was able to be in the presence of Yah at his throne in the temple "until" all is fulfilled. Thus the 24 elders at the altar in Yah's presence in Rev 4:4 must be happening **after** the plagues of the wrath of God. Again, Rev 4:1 states: **After this I looked, and behold a door was opened in heaven:** and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me which said, "**Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be Hereafter.**" This is referring to a future time after the Day of the Lord.*

*Also these verses state that there are seven lamps before the throne. The lampstands or candlesticks symbolize the churches, each having many lamps on them, referring to the saints that glorify or shine for His glory. The seven lamps are also the seven spirits or as shown to be seven mighty angels that minister for Him before His throne.*

*Before the throne there was a **sea of glass like unto crystal**, denoting people seen before His throne in Rev 6:9~11 and again in Rev 7:9~17 and also in Rev 15:1~4, people who have died for the word of Yah and the testament of Yahshua. We would be quite blessed to find ourselves here!!!*

Rev 4:6~7 and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind. And the first beast (*creature*) was like a lion, and the second beast (*creature*) like a calf, and the third beast (*creature*) had a face as a man, and the fourth beast (*creature*) was like a flying eagle.

*The appearance of these beasts / creatures are very similar to those noted in Ezk 1:4~14 and Isa 6:1~4.*

Ezk 1: 4~14 And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire infolding itself, and a brightness was about it, and out of the midst thereof as the colour of amber, out of the

midst of the fire. Also out of the midst thereof came the likeness of **four living creatures**. And this was their appearance; **they had the likeness of a man**. And every one had four faces, and every one had four wings. And their feet were straight feet; and the sole of their feet was like the sole of a calf's foot: and they sparkled like the colour of burnished brass. And they had the hands of a man under their wings on their four sides; and they four had their faces and their wings. Their wings were joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward. As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a **man**, and the face of a **lion**, on the right side: and they four had the face of an **ox** on the left side; they four also had the face of an **eagle**. Thus were their faces: and their wings were stretched upward; two wings of every one were joined one to another, and two covered their bodies. And they went every one straight forward: whither the spirit was to go, they went; and they turned not when they went. As for the likeness of the **living creatures**, their appearance was like burning coals of fire, and like the appearance of lamps: it went up and down among the **living creatures**; and the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning. And the **living creatures** ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning.

Isa 6:1~4 In the year that king Uzziah died I saw (*Isaiah in vision*) also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple. Above it stood the **Seraphims**: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory. And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

Rev 4:8~11 And the four beasts (*creatures*) had each of them six wings about him; and they were **full of eyes** within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which **was**, and **is**, and **is to come**. And when those beasts (*creatures*) give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever, The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

*Notice the 4 creatures or beasts, living things, had 6 wings each full of eyes within, as seen on the inside of their wings. This is similar in appearance to peacock feathers that have look-a-like “eyes” on their feathers. Perhaps the peacock provides an example for us to better relate to these remarkable divine creations. Four creatures each with 6 wings equal 24 wings. Yah has a reason for everything created; as we become in His likeness we can understand His reasoning.*

*Note in verse 8 that it is stated the Lord God Almighty which **was**, and **is**, and **is to come** sits on the throne. “**Is to come**” would refer to Yah, the Father, **to come in the future**, stating that He had not yet come to be all in all. We are in the **Hereafter**, **after the Day of the Lord**, **after the day the Lord comes**. Yet Yah Himself, the Father, is not seen cohabiting with man on the new earth. He is yet to become all in all.*





## Revelation Chapter 5

*John is at the throne of Yah the Father as stated in Rev 4:1: **After this I looked, and behold, a door was opened in heaven** and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me which said, **“Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be Hereafter.”** He is about to see in vision the events that will take place at that time in the future. We must stay with John in the future to view the **Hereafter** events to happen, **after** the Day of the Lord from which we started.*

Rev 5:1~5 And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals. And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof? And **no man in heaven**, nor in earth, neither under the earth, **was able** to open the book, neither to look thereon. And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon. And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, **hath prevailed** to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.

*What is man doing in heaven? Scripture states no man has ascended to heaven. Thus the time mentioned here must be **after** the Day of the Lord, after the 24 elders have been redeemed by the blood of Yahshua. Redeemed and made white refers to spirit beings standing in the presence of Yah through the work of Yahshua. This time is **after** redemption, **after** the last trump, **after** their resurrection.*

*Now the question: How could the elders know that Yahshua prevailed to open the book, and indeed did loosen the seven seals thereof unless those events already happened and that Yahshua was in fact ruling? The answer: John is being shown an event that had already occurred, for the 24 elders are before the throne of Yah. For in order to be redeemed by Christ before the throne of Yah, one must have had to die, be resurrected and changed into a spirit being, all which is to happen **"after"** at the last trump. Once again, this is **after** His coming, **after** He is ruling as King of Kings. As stated to John in vision; **“come up to heaven and I will show you things which must be in the Hereafter.”** Rev 4:1.*

*Notice that John sees a book written on both sides having seven seals. One could not know if this or any book, scroll is written on both sides unless it was opened. Nor would one know if there were seven seals unless all the seals were broken and opened to be seen. Logic dictates that this book, scroll was already opened and read and is now being shown to John. Remember the time setting is in the **Hereafter**, "after" the Day of the Lord at the throne of Yah, being shown things that led up to this time.*

Rev 5: 6 And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts (*creatures*), and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it **had been slain**, having **seven horns** and **seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God** sent forth into all the earth.

*In the midst of the throne and elders stands Yahshua who **has been slain** as a lamb. The seven (ministering) spirits being sent forth to the earth are the seven angels full of eyes as described in Rev 4:6~7. The angels convey the message of His word and also have seven horns representing the strength of the Lord through these angels as ministers of His will.*

Rev 5:7~10 And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne. And when he had taken the book, the four beasts (*creatures*) and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints. And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, **and hast redeemed us to God** by thy blood out of **every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation**; And hast made **us** unto our God **kings and priests**: and **we shall reign on the earth**.

*Note the things here mentioned. Yahshua is the only one qualified to take the book from the hand of the Father who sits on the throne. Again, the lamb was slain...Christ was killed as an offering to redeem us from our sin, a past event. The 24 elders are said to come from (or represent) every kindred, tongue, people, and nation, not just the 12 tribes of Israel. Also the 24 elders are redeemed, pertaining to an event once again occurring "after" the last trump at His coming and further stating they are to reign **on earth as kings and priests**. At the moment, however, John sees the elders before the throne of Yah*

wearing crowns **but** not on earth ruling or judging. Thus John's vision is of the **Hereafter**, as it will be **after** having been completed.

Remember the time context previously started in Rev 4:1 as to where we are: **"After this"** I looked, and behold, **a door was opened in heaven** and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me which said, **Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be "Hereafter."** The Book of Revelation is a mixture of events seen from different times and positions. One must be in the right position and in the proper time, meaning: present, past or future to understand the event being shown.

Rev 5:11~14 And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts (*creatures*) and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands; Saying with a loud voice, **Worthy is the Lamb** that was slain **to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.** And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne (*Yah the Father*), and unto the Lamb (*Yahshua*) for ever and ever. And the four beasts (*creatures*) said, Amen. And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever.

Note that it states, *worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing.* Worthy to receive, refers to something that has happened. John hears all creation in the heavens and earth and under the earth including those held by the grave praising Yah and Yahshua. Truly John is hearing this praise in the **"Hereafter,"** after Yahshua comes and sets up His Kingdom.

Notice the similarities in the statement at the time of his coming, as stated at the end of the 6<sup>th</sup> seal seen in Rev 6:16: **Fall on us, and hide us from "the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb."** This event could only happen **after** the sky is rolled back and the throne of Yah is seen on high. Yet in Rev 6:16 there is no one mentioned worshipping Him at His coming, except for the fear of His wrath.

*Could this scene above be from heaven shown to John as our Lord Yahshua initiates ruler ship over his creation that Yah created through Him? Truly that would be the day of honor for our Lord.*

*Before venturing further into Revelation, let us review what John has been given to show us.*

*Rev 1:10 **I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet, saying; I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia.***

*Rev 1:19 Write the things which thou **"Has Seen,"** and the things which **"Are,"** and the things which shall be **"Hereafter."***

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

*Remember what John saw was a book written on both sides having seven seals. No one could know if that book, scroll was written on both sides unless it had been opened. And one would not know if there were seven seals unless all the seals were broken and opened. Thus this book had been already opened at the time John sees it at the throne, as stated:*

*Rev 5:5 Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, **hath prevailed** to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.*

*We now **step back in time**, yet still in the future, when the seals were opened and their substance shown to John while he is before the throne of Yah. John has the writings of the book now revealed to him that led up to this time as we enter Chapter 6. We must stay with the John as he moves to different time settings to understand what is being revealed.*

*A defining principle is emerging: Every time John moves in the prophecy, he is taken to a different time. When John moves physically, he is really moving spiritually to a different time era, meaning present,*

*past, or future for the purpose of being shown a different event or aspect in the “**Hereafter.**”*

*The “**KEY**” in understanding John’s recorded visions is the knowledge of when and where John is in time as various events are unfolding. Reading the Book of Revelation without regard to chronology, timing and location results in profound confusion.*



## Revelation Chapter 6

As the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter opens, John sees the lamb, referring to Yahshua, open the book which was written on both sides that was sealed with seven seals. Now the context is revealed. To fully understand what is being shown we must know where we are in time.

John starts this vision given to him as stated in Rev 1:10, **“I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day,”** and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet, saying; I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last and **“What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia.”** John is instructed by Yahshua in Rev 1:19 to write the things **which he “Has Seen”** and the things **which “Are”** and the things **which shall be “Hereafter.”**

There are three different time frames in the prophecy of Revelation. One must be aware where John is and speaking about at all times to understand the message given. The first time frame involves the things **“which John Has Seen”** meaning **present**: the vision seen of the day of the Lord at His coming. The second time frame involves **“the things which Are”** meaning **past**; where John is at the moment, in the year AD 70~90 his present day, in which he is having this future vision of the day of the Lord. John describes the spiritual condition of the seven churches seen by Yah and Yahshua. The third time frame involves **“the things which shall be Hereafter”** denoting the **future** after the day of the Lord, future in time, from where he is at the moment, in the spirit on the day of the Lord.

Three time period's in the prophecy to be aware of the **present, past and future**. We must be aware where John is and speaking about at all times of things **which he “Has Seen”** on the day of the Lord, the **things which “Are”** during the time of John approximately AD 70~90, and **the things which shall be “Hereafter,”** future, past the Day of the Lord.

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

John proceeds to enter heaven in vision and appears at the throne of Yah. He is shown a book, scroll written on both sides having seven

seals. No one could know if that book was written on both sides unless it had been opened. And one would not know if there were seven seals unless all the seals were broken and opened. Thus this book was already opened at the time John sees it at the throne as stated: Rev 5:5, **“Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to lose the seven seals thereof.”**

*It is at this time that John "steps back in time" from where he is at the throne in the future, to a time when the seals were opened and their substance exposed. John is now revealed the writings of the book that led up to this time as we enter Chapter 6. We must stay with John as he moves to different time settings to understand what is being revealed.*

*The key principle of understanding: Every time John moves in the prophecy, he is taken to a different time. When John moves physically he is really moving spiritually to a different time era, meaning present, past or future for the purpose of being shown a different event or aspect in the **“Hereafter.”***

Rev 6: 1~2 And I saw **when** the Lamb opened **one of the seals**, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, **one of the four beasts** (creatures) saying, **Come and see**. And I saw, and behold a **white horse**: and he that sat on him had a **bow**; (*toxon*) and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth **conquering**, and **to conquer**.

***Bow** - Strong's #5115 Toxon from the base of 5088; a bow, to produce (from seed, as a mother, a plant, the earth, etc.), literally or figuratively: to bear, be born, bring forth, be delivered, be in travail. The Greek word toxon is the root of the word, know as toxic or poison.*

*The American College Dictionary:*

**Toxic** : pertaining to, affected with, or caused by a toxin poison. Poisonous (toxicus) poison, from the Greek: toxikon (pharmakon) literally poison **pertaining to the bow**, especially **poison used on arrows**.

*So the white horse has a bow with which to conquer, wears a crown, denoting having kingship or dominion as Satan has over the earth to conquer by use of the bow that contains poison as a toxin causing deception and untruth.*



Lk 4:4~8 And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God. And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it. If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Get thee behind me, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

*From the time of Yahshua's death until now a false belief system has dominated the world in the form of a look-a-like truth, as a seed of poison known as Christendom, wearing white, known as the good guy, yet teaching paganism behind the mask of Christ.*

**Conquer** - Strong's #3528 *nikao*; to subdue (literally or figuratively): to conquer, overcome, prevail, get the victory.

*Notice also that one of the living creatures/beasts says to John, "come and see." Why? Where does this angel, called a living creature, take John from the presence before the throne of Yah? Where???*

Rev 6:3~4 And when he had opened the **second seal**, I heard the **second beast** (creature) say, **Come and see**. And there went out another horse that was **red**: and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should **kill** one another: and there was given unto him a great **sword**.

*The red horse has a sword of power to take peace from the earth by killing...war. Once more from before the time of Yahshua's return, war has prevailed imposing the conqueror's belief system upon their victims. Again note that the second of the living creatures/beasts says to John, "come and see."*

Rev 6: 5~6 And when he had opened the **third seal**, I heard the **third beast** (creature) say, **Come and see**. And I beheld, and lo a **black horse**; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand. And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine.

*The black horse has a pair of balances, a measuring device. He is measuring wheat and barley which are foods, the lack of which can cause famine and inflation on the earth. One is already aware how the food supply is dwindling by the hand of Yah through natural disasters.*

*Also note that the third one of the living creatures/beasts says to John, “**come and see,**” meaning not here, but directing him to somewhere else, why?*

Rev 6:7~8A And when he had opened the **fourth seal**, I heard the voice of the **fourth beast** (*creature*) say, **Come and see.** And I looked, and behold a **pale horse**: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him.

*The pale horse follows having a name of death referring to the grave, representing the final effect originating from disease and pestilence-like plagues, deadly viruses, and hell. Notice again, the fourth one of the living creatures/beasts says to John... **come and see,** why?*

Rev 6:8B And power was given unto **them** over the **fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword**, and with **hunger**, and with **death**, and with the **beasts of the earth**.

*Notice that these four revealed horsemen have power over **one fourth of the earth**: the **red horse** to kill with the **sword**, the **black horse** to kill with **hunger**, the **pale horse** to kill with **disease**, and the **white horse** to kill by the power of **the beasts of the earth** with the bow of toxic poison. This declaration informs us that the **white horse represents the beast of the earth** for which much is written.*

*Why is it that the four creatures all call John to “**come and see**” the first 4 seals being opened? Could it be that the openings don’t take place in front of the throne **at that time**? Had they already taken place? Are the four angels called creatures taking John “**back in time**” to see the first four seals being opened? In other words, these first 4 seal openings would have taken place prior to the assembling of the 24 elders appearing before the throne, and prior to the statement “he is worthy to receive power, honor etc...” to have been spoken. To be at the throne, all these events would have happened with Yahshua ruling. Remember, John was taken from the Day of the Lord, the day*

*that Christ starts to rule, forward in time into the "**Hereafter**" to see the throne of Yah.*

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

*Again Chapter 6 begins with John at the throne of Yah in the **Hereafter** as Yahshua is about to reveal the contents of the book that was sealed with seven seals. The four creatures call John to "**come and see**" the first 4 sealed prophecies being opened. **Why?** Because those seal openings **did not** occur in the **Hereafter where John is at the throne.** They occurred prior to this event at the throne, back in time, "**before**" the Day of the Lord. Again, **why?** Because for one to get to this place in time in the **Hereafter** at the throne, **after** the Day of the Lord, the book or scroll containing their sealed prophecies must have been opened and had to have occurred first. And it is the contents of this sealed book revealing prophecy that the 4 creatures want to show John.*

*To further clarify: Note that when the four living creatures call John to "**come and see,**" there is no mention of the 24 elders being present because the scene when the seals are opened takes place **before** the Day of the Lord. The 24 elders are nowhere to be seen in Chapter 6. These events show that they occur **before** the Day of the Lord with no person redeemed as of yet standing before the throne of Yah.*

Rev 6: 9~11 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: 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? And **white robes** were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should **rest yet for a little season**, until their fellow servants also and their brethren, that **should be killed as they were**, should be fulfilled.

*Did you notice that there wasn't any angel revealing this fifth seal event to John as was found in the first 4 seals? John saw this event standing before Yah's throne because that is where this event is happening. Yet John sees those slain under the altar not in front of or before the altar where he was with the 4 creatures and 24 elders*

*moments ago. He hears those under the altar asking, "How long do we wait here until you judge and avenge us?" for all must die once, then the judgment. Those slain are not asking for their judgment, but for the Lord's judgment on those on earth to avenge their death. The event documents that our Lord has not come into full power, nor has redeemed those slain for the word of Yah. This event seen before the throne under the altar happens before the Day of the Lord. Christ is not yet ruling; man is not yet redeemed.*

*John's message reveals to us that before the Day of the Lord, those under the altar will be joined with their fellow servants and brethren in like manner. And that manner is the martyrdom of the saints. Something to look forward to!!!*

*Remember that the first seals reveal four horsemen that bring hardship to a **fourth part of the earth** before the Day of the Lord. This hardship could represent the end time ruling power that forces its system or the effects of its dominion upon the world. Why would there be a concurrent great killing of the saints at this time?*

*Could it be that the two witnesses of Revelation, Chapter 11 are also preaching simultaneously before the Day of the Lord bringing plagues and holding back the rain causing disease, famine, inflation and death to those that refuse the truth as stated in Rev 11:6. This is the same scenario as stated in the third and fourth seals of Rev 6. For the saints alienate themselves with them, approving and supporting the words that the two witnesses speak.*

*Yet false teaching goes out via the white horse, the first seal, to turn the world against truth and honor as proclaimed by the two witnesses. Instead, the white horse fights against truth and honor along with the false savior, the anti-Christ, using poison against them as the red horse makes war and kills in the name of false religion. These events have to occur in order to bring about this last ruling power which calls itself god.*

Rev 6:12~17 And I beheld when he had opened the **sixth seal**, and, lo, there was a **great earthquake**; and the **sun became black as sackcloth of hair**, and the **moon became as blood**; And the **stars of heaven fell unto the earth**, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. And the **heaven departed as a scroll** when

it is rolled together; and **every mountain and island were moved out of their places**. And **the kings of the earth**, and the **great men**, and the **rich men**, and the **chief captains**, and the **mighty men**, and **every bondman**, and **every free man**, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and **hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb**: For the **great day of his wrath is come**; and who shall be able to stand?

*As this event happens the people of the earth see heaven opened to them and now both fear the face of Yah that sits on the throne and the wrath of Yahshua's coming. This is the time...the Day of the Lord's return that starts with a great earthquake and heavenly signs. This is the same time, at the end, that the two witnesses are seen finishing their 3½ year ministry which also is stated to end with a great earthquake and the return of Christ as stated in Rev 11.*

Rev 11:11~13 And after three days and an half the Spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them which saw them. And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither. And they ascended up to heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them. And the same hour was there a **great earthquake**, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, **and gave glory to the God of heaven**.

*After the two witnesses complete their evangelistic mission, the remnants who were affrighted on earth give glory to the God of heaven. The heavenly throne is seen unobstructed because the sky is rolled away. All can see His coming! But it's only a remnant, a small minority, that understands this event happening.*

*Now it's a little late to be reconsidering changing your walk, time is up... this is it:*

***“The Day of the Lord!”***

*Are we ready for it???*

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## Revelation Chapter 7

Let us review for a moment to understand where John has been as he reveals this prophecy given to him by the messengers of Yah through Yahshua. John starts this vision given to him as stated in Rev 1:10, **"I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day,"** and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last, and **"What thou sees, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia."** John is instructed in Rev 1:19: to write the things which thou **"Has Seen"** and the things which **"Are"** and the things which shall be **"Hereafter,"** referring to the present, past, and future. As recorded in Rev 4:1: **After this I looked, and behold a door was opened in heaven** and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me which said, **"Come up hither,"** and **"I will shew thee things which must be...Hereafter."**

John proceeds to enter heaven in vision and appears at the throne of Yah. He is shown a book, scroll written on both sides having seven seals. The book is seen as being opened and the seals broken, thus implying the content had already been read prior to being revealed to John at the throne. It is at that time the living creatures call John to **"come and see"** allowing John to **"step back in time"** from where he is at the throne in the **Hereafter**, to a time prior to when the seals were opened and their substance exposed. John now has the writings of the book revealed to him, the contents that led up to **"the Day of the Lord."**

We must stay with John as he moves to a different time setting to understand what is being revealed. As John moves physically in vision, he is also moving literally in time, seeing different events occurring at different times of the prophecy: in the present, past and future.

Rev 7:1~3 And **after these things** I saw **four angels** standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the **four winds** of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree. And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the **seal of the living God**: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to **hurt the earth** and **the sea**, Saying, Hurt not the **earth**, neither the **sea**, nor the **trees**, till we have **sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads**.

*After these things, referring to after the rolling back of the sky, the revealing of our Lord, and the beginning of His wrath, the four angels are seen holding back the winds in the four corners of earth. The effect is thus world wide, not just limited to the Promised Land. Also the focus of the angels' wrath is directed to the earth, involving seas and trees in order to harm the environment which directly affects humankind. We will read details about this wrath in Rev 8. But first comes the sealing of His elect from the wrath to come in the same manner as Yah sealed the Israelites for protection from the plagues upon the Egyptians prior to the wrath of the death angel at Passover.*

Rev 7:4~8 And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand **of all the tribes of the children of Israel**. Of the tribe of **Juda** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Reuben** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Gad** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Aser** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Nephtalim** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Manasses** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Simeon** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Levi** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Issachar** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Zabulon** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Joseph** were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of **Benjamin** were sealed twelve thousand.

*Note: Unknown by this writer, the tribe of Dan is not mentioned while the tribe of Joseph receives a double portion...Ephraim and Manasses.*

*Who are the 144,000? What makes them so special? Revelation, Chapter 14 gives definite information about the 144,000.*

Rev 14:1~5 And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an **hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads**. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and **no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand**, which were **redeemed** from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were **redeemed** from among men, being the **firstfruits**



unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God.

*These verses state that the 144,000 are virgins meaning, pure, undefiled by woman, spiritually protected from any exposure to false religion. They have never defiled themselves by having had fictitious beliefs, being in Yah's truth from their birth through to His coming. They are first fruits, redeemed from among men. These 144,000 are with Christ on Mount Zion at His return. They compose a most select group being only 144,000 on earth that upon hearing voices from heaven singing a new song are able to learn its words, a true sign they are His.*

Rev 7:9~12 **After this I beheld**, and, lo, a **great multitude**, which no man could number, of **all nations**, and **kindreds**, and **people**, and **tongues**, stood **before the throne**, and before the Lamb, **clothed with white robes**, and palms in their hands; And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our **God which sitteth upon the throne**, and unto the Lamb (*Yahshua*). And all the **angels** stood round about the throne, and about the **elders** and the **four beasts** (*living creatures*), and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, Saying, Amen: **Blessing**, and **glory**, and **wisdom**, and **thanksgiving**, and **honour**, and **power**, and **might**, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

*After this John beheld a great multitude from all nations, kindreds, peoples and tongues standing before the throne. Yah has collected people from throughout the world, not just Israel. Also note that they are clothed in white, meaning **redeemed**, resurrected or changed after the last trump. And they stand before the throne of Yah with the elders and the four living creatures. Notice the similarities with Rev 6:9~11 when they were under the altar. Also note that they are before Yah's throne, something that does not occur until all is made new. Rev 15:1~8 records the same event.*

Rev 15:8 And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; **and no man was able to enter into the temple**, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.

*Explicitly stated; no man was able to enter into the temple **until all is fulfilled**. If that statement is true, it follows that being before the throne of Yah must occur "**after**" the Day of the Lord as stated in Rev*

15, *after the wrath is completed as confirmed by John: “after this I beheld...the Hereafter.”*

Rev 7:13~17 And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, **What are these which are arrayed in white robes?** and whence came they? And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, **These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.** Therefore are **they before the throne of God**, and serve him day and night **in his temple**: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne **shall feed them**, and shall lead them unto **living fountains of waters**: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

*Two questions are now presented: **Who** are they and **where** did they come from? They are the saints that have washed their robes in the blood of the lamb having endured tribulation and suffering for the word of Yah and the testament of Yahshua. There is no event called “The Great Tribulation” found anywhere in The Word. The definition of “great tribulation” is: big, exceedingly, high, large, loud, mighty; pressure, affliction, anguish, burdened, persecution, trouble.*

*John sees the saints now before the throne of Yah. No longer are they either waiting under the altar or suffering as fellow brethren being taken as the tribulation is fulfilled. But now all are seen being nourished, being fed, from the living fountains of waters. This same event is recorded in Rev 22:1~5.*

Rev 22: 1~5 And he showed me **a pure river of water of life**, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manners of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: **and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.** And there shall be no more curse: **but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him: And they shall see his face;** and his name shall be in their foreheads. And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.

Once again, John is showing the time after the Day of the Lord, after Yah the Father is present with mankind as the 24 elders are also present. This is in the **“Hereafter,”** the end of the matter when the new King and His kingdom have come.

This place in the **Hereafter** is what John saw in vision exposing the hope of the Kingdom. From this perspective Yah had revealed it to Yahshua, who in turn sends His messengers, the angels, to show it to John so he can write to the churches of the glorious end of the matter, instilling hope that lays with those of faith.

Why is the prophecy told from the throne of Yah? Because from that vantage point, the hope, and the future that one has to look forward to is shown as the ultimate place of perfection: Yah’s perfect love before His throne...forever! Like all prophecy from Yah rooted in punishment and wrath to the nation of Israel there is also the reward and restoration awaiting His people when they repent before Yah, coming back to the truth. He always shows them the beauty that they will have...**If they repent!**

For this reason the 24 elders and the saints are always seen before the throne in this prophecy for that is their reward in the **“Hereafter”** when His kingdom comes. **Yah sees things as they will be**, not as they are...totally optimistic, thinking positive, looking forward.

*Halleluyah, Halleluyah,  
Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power,  
Be unto Yah that sits upon the throne,  
And unto Yahshua forever and ever  
Amen.*

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## **Revelation Chapter 8**

*Revelation, Chapter 8 follows the events of Rev 6:12~17, the opening of the 6<sup>th</sup> seal which is “**the Day of the Lord.**” Yahshua is revealed from heaven with a great earthquake, with the sun becoming black, with the moon becoming as blood, with the stars falling unto the earth and the heaven departing as a scroll when it is rolled together, with every mountain and island moved out of their places. These cataclysmic events are finally acknowledged with words of fear: “hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: For the **great day** of his wrath is come and who shall be able to stand?”*

*From these events, scripture continues into Rev 7 describing the sealing of the 144,000 in their foreheads from the wrath to come as stated:*

**Rev 7: 1~3** And **after these things** I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the **earth**, nor on the **sea**, nor on any **tree**. And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the **seal of the living God**: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have **sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads**.

*“**After these things**” refers to **after** the rolling back of the sky and the revealing of our Lord and the beginning of His wrath. Note the four angels are holding back the winds in the four corners of earth, not just in the Promise Land, so the effect is worldwide. Also the focus of the angels’ wrath is directed to the **earth, seas and trees** in order to harm the environment which in turn would affect humankind. This is the wrath that we are about to read, that comes **after** the rolling back of the sky with Christ revealed, and **after** the sealing of the 144,000 elect from His wrath.*

**7 SEALS:** over a fourth part of the earth

*1<sup>st</sup> Seal - the white horse with bow to conquer (the beast of the earth)*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Seal - the red horse in which to kill with a sword*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Seal - the black horse with the effects of famine and inflation*

*4<sup>th</sup> Seal - the pale horse bringing disease and death*

*5<sup>th</sup> Seal - the martyring of the Saints*

*6<sup>th</sup> Seal - **The Day of the Lord**; Great earthquakes, heavenly signs, the sky is rolled away, Yah is revealed.*

*The 144,000 are sealed from the wrath to come as witnesses to the world.*

*7<sup>th</sup> Seal – seven trumpets sounded from the seven angels before Yah*

Rev 8: 1~6 When He opened the **seventh seal**; there was **silence** in heaven for about half an hour. And I saw the **seven angels** who stand before God, and to them were given **seven trumpets**. Then another angel, having a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne. And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, ascended before God from the angel's hand. Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and threw it to the earth. And there were noises, thunderings, lightnings, and an earthquake. So the seven angels who had the **seven trumpets** prepared themselves to sound.

*Notice the 24 elders are not present at the opening of the seventh seal, as they were not present for the first six seals that were opened, because these openings occurred before the resurrection, the redeeming of the saints. John views this event before the throne where it is happening, where John stands at the moment, showing our Lord has not yet come into the power of His Kingship. This event initiates the beginning of Yahshua's coming to establish His Kingship. The Day that the Lord **starts** to rule by retaking His kingdom left to his servants is revealed through His wrath. This is similar to the parable in Mt 21:33~44.*

*Christ reveals His presence by the rolling back of the heavens and selecting His 144,000 elect to be with Him, and then proceeds to open the seventh seal.*

*There is silence, a void that brings fear and expectation for something to occur. Also notice that after His appearance to the world with the heavenly signs, Christ proceeds to announce His soon coming Kingdom and ruler ship of the earth and its inhabitation by proclaiming a*

conquering assault with **trumps**. This strategy is no different from any war maneuver preceding a charge with the blowing of trumps to sound the assault. The trump blasts may also serve as warnings to us who are about to be assaulted with the wrath of Yah!

Rev 8:7 The **first angel** sounded: And hail and fire followed, mingled with blood, and they were thrown to the earth. And a **third** of the trees were burned up, and all green grass was burned up.

*The first trump blast sounds and hail, likened to a massive meteor shower, red hot, the color of blood, sets a third of the trees and grass on fire.*

Rev 8:8 Then the **second angel** sounded: And something like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea, and a **third** of the sea became blood. And a third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed.

*The second trump blast sounds like a volcano erupting, referred to as a great mountain coupled with an earth quake spewing incalculable amounts of red-hot lava into the sea killing a third of its creatures and those in the environment around it. This event could bring about a tsunami effect, causing all that live in the surrounding sea coast to be affected, ergo the ships being destroyed.*

Rev 8:9 ~11 Then the **third angel** sounded: And a **great star** fell from heaven, burning like a torch, and it fell on a **third** of the **rivers** and on the **springs of water**. The name of the star is Wormwood. A third of the waters became wormwood, and many men died from the water, because it was made bitter.

*The third trump blast sounds, likened to a star being casted down from heaven falling on rivers and natural water springs making a third of their water bitter. The word "wormwood" in Russian is "Chernobyl," the place where their nuclear reactor failed with radiation poisoning the water and a large surrounding area, desolate to this day. This event could be similar to what is being said here, a poisoning of the drinking water. (Spiritually this trump in the past has been referring to a fallen star, Satan that causes men to die by the drinking of the poison word, a corruption of the water of life.) The fact that all these other events are physical in nature would lead one to conclude this*

*happening is also a physical one. Satan's time to deceive is over at this point in time, Yah's wrath has come.*

Rev 8:12~13 Then the **fourth angel** sounded: And a **third** of the sun was struck, a **third** of the moon, and a **third** of the stars, so that a **third** of them were darkened. A **third** of the day did not shine, and likewise the night. And I looked, and I heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, "**Woe, woe, woe** to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!"

*The fourth trump blast brings about a third less light to shine upon the earth. Once again, another event originates heavenly from above, from beyond the solar system, where Yah lives. With a third of light gone, the darkness is likely augmented from atmospheric particle fallout from the three preceding events: the hail of meteors, the volcanic mountain eruption and the falling stars poisoning the fresh waters. This darkness brings about colder weather, less sun light for plant growth, again affecting humankind via the environment.*

*Note that all these events affect a third of the world's resources, causing indirect suffering from the lack of natural supplies. None of the events at this time in Yah's wrath are intentioned against humans directly; we are only affected by the deficiency caused by its effects. Even though many died because of these trumpet blasts, humans from an ungodly world's perspective see these events as merely "NATURAL DISASTERS" having no relationship to God's wrath. Though destructive and worldwide as natural disasters are, society continues to justify their cause and effect happenings as planetary solar stuff, "Mother Nature," never as acts initiated by our soon coming King. Remember, these trumpet blasts sound warnings of coming events, take heed...repent!*

*The last warning is given: "**Woe, woe, woe** to the inhabitants of the earth because the **remaining trumpet blasts** of the three angels that are **about to sound**".*

**Woe** - Strong's #3759. Ouai; a primary exclamation of grief; "woe" as alas, unfortunately, regrettably, sad.



*At this turning point, a **WOE** is given, a stepped up warning is made known. The intensity of the remaining trumpet blasts is forecasted. Four trumpet blasts have passed...three to follow of the seven trumps.*

*Yah proceeds and now starts to get to the heart of the matter: correcting His creation...**you and me** made in His likeness.*



## **Revelation Chapter 9**

*Revelation, Chapter 9 builds upon the actions within Chapter 8, after the events of Rev 6:12~17, the opening of the 6<sup>th</sup> seal which is “**the Day of the Lord.**” Yahshua is revealed from heaven with a great earthquake, with the sun becoming black, with the moon becoming as blood, with the stars falling unto the earth and the heaven departing as a scroll when it is rolled together, with every mountain and island moved out of their places. These cataclysmic events are acknowledged with words of fear: “hide us from the face of Him that sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb for the **great day** of his wrath is come and who shall be able to stand?”*

*From these events scripture continues into Rev 7 describing the sealing of the 144,000 in their foreheads from the wrath to come as stated:*

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

*“**After these things**” refers to **after** the rolling back of the sky and the revealing of our Lord and the beginning of His wrath to be felt worldwide. Note at that time the focus of the angels’ wrath is directed to the **earth, seas and trees** in order to harm the environment which in turn would affect humankind.*

*In Chapter 8 we read of the first four trumpet blasts which brought about Yah’s wrath upon humankind by the effects of the:*

*1<sup>st</sup> Trumpet -hail & fire cast to the earth, third part of trees & grass  
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becomes blood*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Trumpet - burning star falls on rivers and springs of water, third  
part becomes bitter*

*4<sup>th</sup> Trumpet - sun & moon darkened by a third*

*All these effects were warnings of the events to follow with the last warnings given: “**Woe, woe, woe** to the inhabitants of the earth because of the **remaining trumpet blasts** of the three angels who are **about to sound.**” At this turning point, a **WOE** is given, warning of the intensity of the remaining trumpet blasts to follow. Woe is an*

*exclamation of grief; as alas, an unfortunate, regrettable, sadness is to come.*

*Four trumpet blasts have passed...three remaining of the seven trumps to follow.*

Rev 9: 1~11 Then the **fifth angel** sounded: And I saw a **star** fallen from heaven to the earth. To him was given the key to the bottomless pit. And he opened the bottomless pit, and smoke arose out of the pit **like** the smoke of a great furnace. So the sun and the air were darkened because of the smoke of the pit. Then out of the smoke locusts came upon the earth. And to them was given power, **as the** scorpions of the earth have power. They were commanded not to harm the **grass** of the earth, or **any green thing**, or **any tree**, but only those **men** who **do not have the seal of God** on their foreheads. And they were not given authority to kill them, but to **torment** them for five months. Their torment was **like** the torment of a scorpion when it strikes a man. In those days men will seek death and will not find it; they will desire to die, and death will flee from them. The shape of the locusts was **like** horses prepared for battle. On their heads were crowns of something **like** gold, and their faces were **like** the faces of men. They had hair **like** women's hair, and their teeth were **like** lions' teeth. And they had breastplates **like** breastplates of iron, and the sound of their wings was **like** the sound of chariots with many horses running into battle. They had tails **like** scorpions, and there were stings in their tails. **Their power was to hurt men five months.** And they had as **king over them** the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon, but in Greek he has the name Apollyon.

*The fifth trump blast is the first of the three **woes**. Here an angel leaves the presence of heaven and is given a mission having the key to the bottomless pit. This angel is not a fallen angel like Satan but a servant of Yah. This is the same angel seen coming down from heaven mentioned in Rev 20:1 with the assignment to bind Satan with a great chain. Remember from the time of Christ's victory over sin by His sacrifice, Satan has fallen, no longer allowed in Yah's presence in heaven to accuse believers of sin.*

*Ref: Lk 10:17~21, Jn 12:27~32, Jn 41:30 & Rev 12:7~11*

*Here John relates seeing a pit being opened with smoke arising **like from a furnace**. Smoke from a furnace for John to use as a familiar reference would be black, white or a mixture, gray in color. From the smoke of the pit, locusts emerge. John does not say they **look like locust** (as he does when describing the smoke) **but that they are locust**. One must be careful not to add or subtract from the words given. John describes smoke rising out of the pit darkening the air and blocking the sun with the locust coming out from that darkening smoke. These locusts have power **as do scorpions** of the earth have power. Once again John is using a similarity to describe the nature and appearance of the locust. They were commanded not to harm the grass, or any green thing, including any tree, all comprising their natural diet, but were specifically directed to harm people not having the seal of Yah, (God) on their foreheads. Recall, what was previously stated that the seal of Yah was only given to the 144,000 in Rev 7. The locusts were given to torment people for five months with a torment **like** a scorpion. This first woe effect is opposite to those of the first four trumpets in that humans have now become the chief target with the environment no longer being exclusively harmed.*

*Read carefully how John describes the locust's appearance: The shape of the locust was **like horses** prepared for battle. A horse prepared for battle would have leather armor on its chest and decorated headgear that matched that of the helmet of his soldier rider. Remember, John is living during the Roman Empire and would be describing their likeness to familiar images. Note the similarities: heads were crowns of **something like** gold, faces were **like** those of men, hair **like** women's hair, and teeth **like** lions' teeth, having breastplates **like** those of iron, their wings sounded **like** chariots with many horses running into battle. They had **scorpion-like** tails with stingers and power to hurt humankind five months. All these similarities compile the appearance of a majestic horse decorated to intimidate its victims while attacking.*

*The locust have a king over them named **Abaddon**, in Hebrew, **Apollyon**, in Greek who is the fallen angel of the bottomless pit, meaning the pit is his domain or residence. This is the pit that holds the fallen angels until their time for judgment occurs.*

***Abaddon** - Strong's #3 ab-ad-dohn'; of Hebrew origin meaning a destroying angel.*

**Apollyon** - Strong's #623 *ap-ol-loo'-ohn*; a destroyer, Satan.

*Our creator ironically uses the same object to instruct and correct us that got us into trouble in the first place. Here Yah uses the destroying angel, the tempter of sin, to punish humans for following the lies of that angel. Notice in this end time of the coming judgment, Yah is releasing and utilizing the fallen angel and his army for the work to administer punishment for the sinful deeds of humankind as each one should be taking responsibility for one self's own actions. Thus through Yah's instruction using firsthand experience based on the cause and effect of our actions, the fallen angel can see and be held personally responsible.*

Rev 9: 12 One **woe** is past. Behold, still two more **woes** are coming after these things.

*Surely the first woe was not pleasant and should cause one to truly think and reflect upon the need to change. Yet at this juncture there is no recording in scripture of any cries of repentance reaching the ears of Yah.*

Rev 9: 13~15 Then the **sixth angel** sounded: And I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar, which is before God, saying to the **sixth angel** who had the trumpet, "**Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates.**" So the **four angels**, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, **were released to kill a third of mankind.**

*The sixth trump blast is the second of the three **woes**. Once again remember that John is before the throne of Yah seeing these events unfold. This sixth angel is given the task to release the four angels **that are bound**. Scripture relates these **four angels** have fallen, bound in bondage for their actions until the Day of Judgment.*

2Pe 2:4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell (*the pit*), and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;

Jude 1:6 And the angels which kept not their first estate (*in heaven*), but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness (*in the pit*) unto the judgment of the great day.

*In the same manner as the fifth angel releases a **bound angel** named Abaddon /Apollyon from the bottomless pit to command the armies of locust, these four bound angels released from bondage are given authority of this army. Once again He is using the agent causing the error to now administer the punishment. Such utilization by Yah is justice: the creator of evil and his angels must destroy what they have birthed. Likewise, humans giving birth to sin must see and feel the wrath of following error.*

**"Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates."** *The great river Euphrates was the eastern most edge of the Promised Land given to Israel.*

**Euphrates** - Strong's #2166; of foreign origin, a river of Asia, also Strong's # 6578 Perath, from an unused root meaning to break forth, rushing. *Here are seen the four **bound angels** who are about to **kill a third of humankind** bound at the outer edge of the Promised Land where enemies of the called lived.*

Rev 9:16~19 Now the number of the army of the horsemen was **two hundred million**; I heard the number of them. And thus I saw the horses in the vision: those who sat on them had breastplates of fiery red, hyacinth blue, and sulfur yellow; and the heads of the horses were like the heads of lions; and out of their mouths came **fire, smoke, and brimstone**. By these **three plagues** a third of mankind was killed--by the **fire** and the **smoke** and the **brimstone**, which came out of their mouths. For their power is in their mouth and in their tails; for their tails are like serpents, having heads; and with them they do harm.

*The horses are 200,000,000 strong with riders that are described as wearing colored breastplates of red, blue and yellow. There isn't any other description given of the riders other than what they are wearing. The horses are described as having heads as lions, similar to the mane of a lion, denoting long hair. And out of the horses' / lions' mouths come forth fire, smoke and brimstone. The tail hairs of the horses were tipped with serpent-like heads. As stated, a third of humankind is killed by the fire, smoke and brimstone that come out of their mouths. There is no reference indicating thus far of Yah pitting individual against individual as an instrument of His end time wrath; all has been accomplished by Him supernaturally. For His wrath is upon all*

*mankind for their sins against Yah's laws. There is no special group singled out; all have fallen short of the glory of Yah.*

*Picture a horse with the appearance of a rider wearing a colored breastplate of red, blue and yellow spewing fire (red), smoke (blue) and brimstone (yellow) from its mouth. The horse emanates colors of death from its mouth. Recorded in the Book of Enoch, the fallen angels that mingled with woman were said to have their private parts like horses. Perchance that is where we get the saying, "hung like a horse." Mythology also references demonic beings having the appearance of half man half beast. The spiritual reality of four living creatures, beasts or Seraphims, each hung with 6 wings before the throne of Yah would rival any Hollywood depiction.*

*By these **three plagues a third of humankind was killed**--by the **fire** and the **smoke** and the **brimstone** which came out of their mouths. Recall in Rev 6:8B that a fourth part of the **earth** was affected by the four horsemen: the white, red, black and pale horses before the Day of the Lord.*

*Thus Yah releases and sends the four **bound angels** to control an army of 200,000,000 horse-like creatures to punish humankind for refusing to acknowledge Him and His ways.*

Rev 9:20 ~21 But the rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, **did not repent** of the works of their hands, that they should not **worship demons**, and **idols** of gold, silver, brass, stone, and wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk. And they **did not repent** of their **murders** or their **sorceries** or their **sexual immorality** or their **thefts**.

*Please notice the insanity: the rest of humankind not killed by these plagues "**did not repent!**" There is no mention of any followers of Yah other than the 144,000 previously sealed present at this time. All other followers (saints) of Yah completed their walk at the end of the 5<sup>th</sup> seal in Chapter 6. Again, the only other group mentioned was those who failed to repent of their sinful ways on earth. Also be aware of the fact that Yahshua has only used natural events orchestrated by the super natural to punish humankind for sinning. Mankind will later gather an army in an attempt to fight against this new King which uses powers far superior to any human ability.*



The seventh trumpet which is the **third woe** does not sound until Chapter 15:1. There is however ample information detailing events to this point in time. Please note Chapters 10 thru 14 are inserts in the time line providing valid witnesses for the cause of the judgment seen thus far and for judgment to come. Before condemning a wrong and applying punishment, **two or three witnesses are required** to convict the evildoer of a sin.

De 17:6 At the mouth of **two witnesses**, or **three witnesses**, shall he that is **worthy of death be put to death**; but at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death.

Chapters 10~14 provide their respective roles as witnesses. Remember, John is before the throne seeing these events unfold. He is told to write down what he sees to share it with the seven churches. To restate: The story sequence is halted to provide witnesses for the cause of these judgments upon humankind by Yah through His son Yahshua for the purpose of substantiating a valid judgment worthy of death.

#### TRUMPETS:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Trumpet - hail & fire cast to the earth, third part of trees & grass burn
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Trumpet - mountain cast into the sea, third part of sea becomes blood
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Trumpet - burning star falls on rivers, third part becomes bitter
- 4<sup>th</sup> Trumpet - sun & moon darkened by a third
- 5<sup>th</sup> Trumpet – an angel from the bottomless pit released,
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Woe - torments humans with stings like a scorpion for five months
- 6<sup>th</sup> Trumpet - four fallen angels bound, released to command an army
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Woe - 200 million fallen angels kill a third of humankind with fire, smoke & brimstone



## **Revelation Chapter 10**

*In Chapter 8 we read of the first four trumpet blasts which brought about Yah's wrath upon humankind by the effects on the environment in which we live, as stated:*

- 1<sup>st</sup> Trumpet - hail & fire cast to the earth, third part of trees & grass burn*
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Trumpet – a great mountain cast into the sea, third part of sea becomes blood*
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Trumpet - burning star falls on rivers and springs of water, third part becomes bitter*
- 4<sup>th</sup> Trumpet - sun & moon darkened by a third*

*Chapter 9 reveals the fifth and the sixth trumpet blasts which are more intense, described as a “woe” indicating their severity. Also the venue is changed with the woes. Now the wrath, administered by the fallen angels held in bondage for this day, is directly imposed upon mankind.*

- 5<sup>th</sup> Trumpet – an angel from the bottomless pit released,*  
*1<sup>st</sup> Woe - torment humans with stings as a scorpion for five months*
- 6<sup>th</sup> Trumpet - four fallen angels bound, released to command an army*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Woe - 200 million fallen angels killing a third of humankind with fire, smoke & brimstone*

*The seventh trumpet which is the **third woe** does not sound until Chapter 15:1. There is however ample information detailing events to this point in time. Chapters 10 thru 14 are inserts in the time line providing valid witnesses for the cause of the judgment to come. Before condemning a wrong and applying punishment, **two or three witnesses are required** to convict the evildoer of a sin.*

**De 17:6** At the mouth of **two witnesses**, or **three witnesses**, shall he that is **worthy of death be put to death**; but at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death.

*The story sequence is halted to provide witnesses for the cause of these judgments upon humankind by Yah through His son Yahshua for the purpose of substantiating a valid judgment worthy of death. Chapters*

*10~14 provide this role as witnesses of the sins committed. John is before the throne seeing these events unfold. He is told to write down what he sees and to share it with the seven churches.*

Rev 10: 1~4 And I saw another **mighty angel** come down from heaven, **clothed with a cloud**: and a **rainbow was upon his head**, and **his face was as it were the sun**, and **his feet as pillars of fire**: And he had in his hand a **little book open**: and he set his **right foot** upon the **sea**, and his **left foot** on the **earth**, And cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roareth: and **when he had cried**, seven thunders uttered their voices. And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and **write them not**.

*This **mighty angel**, meaning a messenger of Yah, clothed as Christ, has the same appearance seen in Rev 1:12~15 as being like unto the Son of man.*

Rev 1:12~15 And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks; And in the midst of the seven candlesticks **one like unto the Son of man**, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and **his eyes were as a flame of fire**; And **his feet like unto fine brass**, as if they burned in a furnace; and **his voice as the sound of many waters**.

*He is standing on the **sea**, meaning over people and nations as noted in Rev 17.*

Rev 17:15: And he saith unto me, The **waters** (*meaning the **sea***) which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

*The **sea** would then correlate as the source from where the beast rises out of, meaning coming from the people as noted in Rev 13, Jerm 51 and Isa 60:*

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

Jerm 51:13 O thou that dwellest upon **many waters**, abundant in treasures, thine end is come, and the measure of thy covetousness.

Isa 60:5 Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the **sea** shall be converted unto thee, **the forces of the Gentiles** shall come unto thee.

*The sea or water refers to people on which His right foot is planted which is where Yahshua stands to minister. The earth would correlate with the other beast (called the false prophet) coming up out of the **earth** having two horns like a lamb seen in Rev 13.*

Rev 13:11 And I beheld **another beast** coming up out of the **earth**; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.

*In Chapter 13, the **sea** and **earth** will be clarified in detail. Continuing in Rev 10:1~4, Yahshua speaks and seven thunders from heaven utter their voices showing His authority over the angels. Yet what the seven thunders say, referring to the seven angels, John is forbidden to write down. But, whatever was said most likely would have referred to dreadful events to come.*

Rev 10: 5~7 And the angel which I saw stand upon the **sea** and upon the **earth** lifted up his hand to heaven, And swore by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that **there should be time no longer**: But in the days of the voice of the **seventh angel**, when he shall begin to sound, **the mystery of God should be finished**, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

*At the time when the seventh trumpet begins to sound which is the third woe, the last of three “woes,” stating; “**there is time no longer**,” the mystery of Yah is completed... it is **finished**. Remember, it was stated in Rev 9:20~21 that humanity refuses to repent of its sins. From that point on there’s conceivably nothing more that Yah or Yahshua could do to influence humans to change their ways to follow truth. As stated there shall be **no more time, the mystery of Yah (God) is finished**, the mystery meaning; the reason why we are here in the first place: to give glory to Yah our Creator. Note that Yahshua is holding a little book in*

*His hand in verse 2. In the Bible there are only three known books mentioned: The Book of the Law called the Torah by which we are judged, The Book Of Life in which names are written if one is to be His, and the **Revelation of Yahshua**. The Book of Revelation is that little book being mentioned. Once the prophecy within this Book of Revelation has come to fulfillment, the **mystery of Yah shall be finished**; there will be **time no longer** for change.*

Rev 10: 8~11 And the voice which I heard from heaven spake unto me again, and said, Go and take the **little book** which is open in the hand of the angel (*Yahshua*) which standeth upon the **sea** and upon the **earth**. And I went unto the angel, and said unto him, Give me the little book. And he said unto me, Take it, and eat it up; and it shall make thy belly **bitter**, but it shall be in thy mouth **sweet** as honey. And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth **sweet** as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was **bitter**. And he said unto me, **Thou must prophesy again** before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings.

*Once again the voice is heard in a vision to John for him to approach this mighty Angel, referring to Yahshua, with His feet planted upon the sea and upon the earth and take from Him "**The Book**." Stated at the beginning in Rev 1, this is the Revelation of Yahshua, the Christ which **Yah gave unto him** to show his servants things which must shortly come to pass. This is being accomplished by this "mighty angel, Yahshua" Himself signifying it unto Yah's servant John.*

*Note Christ is standing on the **sea** and the **earth**. Rev 13 will interpret these terms the **sea** and the **earth**. As shown earlier, the definitions of words used are always hidden in the latter chapters. Perchance it would be more understandable to read the book backward or at least in its entirety once or 100 times first to gather all the definitions of the words to receive the full impact of its revelation.*

*To review: This "small book" is none other than the Book of Revelation which John is told to write as a witness to us of the events to come. He is told that he must **prophecy again** to peoples, nations, tongues and kings. Notice that it was just stated in Rev 10:6 "**that there should be time no longer**," meaning "**no more time**" as the **seventh trumpet** is about to sound. Therefore, if time has run out, this message to **prophecy again** could not be for people then, "**at the end***

**time**”, but for a witness to all before the Day of the Lord that John is writing to. This book, as previously determined, was to be given to the seven churches foretelling of a future time, until Christ comes!

This book and what it says is described as being **sweet** as revenge is sweet to those that await justice and **bitter** as would be the gory slaughter of flesh during war. Once again, nothing is done until it has been revealed to His servants. Yah always gives a message of warning which must precede events to come because Yah never punishes without cause. Thus this little book is our warning. Venturing forward into the prophecy, Yah will send two end time witnesses bringing forth testimony highlighting humankind’s un-repenting wrong doing.

Let us now review timelines taking note of internal events that are happening. After reading about the six seals in Chapter 6, Yahshua stops the story line after the 6<sup>th</sup> seal **“the Day of the Lord”** in Rev 6:12~17 before proceeding into the 7<sup>th</sup> seal. In Chapter 7, He stopped the storyline to introduce the 144,000 that are to be sealed from the wrath to come, and describes their fate as being witnesses of the event to come before initiating the 7th seal. Note there is a break between the 6<sup>th</sup> seal and the 7<sup>th</sup> seal. These 144,000 will witness the wrath of Yah becoming witnesses to the world separated from the rest of mankind by Yahshua.

Similarly, proceeding further and having read through the first six trumpets, Yahshua stops the story line again at the end of the 6<sup>th</sup> trumpet blast which is the 2<sup>nd</sup> woe in Rev 9:13~21 to once again reveal to us that it is lawful for Him to bring about this judgment. Before proceeding with the 7<sup>th</sup> trumpet blast, He reveals to us His final messengers, **the two witnesses**, who were sent prior to these events, revealing for the last time the cause for the wrath of revenge. Sending two witnesses is purposeful, not a blunder, from someone living by the law. Law is mentioned because to accuse someone of a sin with the penalty of death, one would for a clean conscience have researched all available legal avenues according to the book (the Bible) and would then have proceeded to give ample warning.

*Proceeding further, notice the storyline of this prophecy by Yahshua is broken from the end of the 7<sup>th</sup> seal in Rev 9:13~21 until it's re-established in Rev 15:1. This break allows for the recording of the final two witnesses who were sent before Yah's judgment to fulfill the requirement of the law.*

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## **Revelation Chapter 11**

*Chapter 10 ended with John being given the little book and was instructed, “**Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings.**” That prophecy message is the Book of Revelation which John penned for us to heed it’s warning as a witness of the events to come. Once again, nothing is done until it’s been revealed to His servants. Yah always gives us a message of warning which must precede the events to come; Yah does not punish without cause. Revelation is our warning book showing Yah sending two end time witnesses to bring forth testimony of wrong doing on the part of unrepentant mankind. Chapter 10 thru Chapter 14, as previously stated, are inserts into the story time line validating witnesses for the cause of the judgment that is to come. Before condemnation of a wrong and applying the punishment (death), there is always two or three witnesses required to convict the evildoer of sinning.*

**Rev 11:1~2** And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and **the angel stood**, saying, **Rise**, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, **and them that worship therein**. But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the **Gentiles**: and the **holy city** shall they tread under foot **forty and two months**.

*In the beginning of Rev 11, John is given a reed known as a measuring rod, what would be called a ruler today, and told to measure Yah’s temple, the altar, and most importantly **those that worship therein**. The concern is not the size of the temple structure, but the number of souls that are worshipping therein. Why? Yah is about to bring His wrath upon humankind for their sin, the transgression of His law. He is not concerned with the temple but with the people that worship Him. This is also similar to the vision given to Ezekiel when he was told to measure the temple after Yah returns as related in Ezk 40:1~4.*

*The concern centers on the people that honor Yah, not with the place as it was with Abraham when he asked Yah in Gen 18, “if there be found ten righteous left in the city would He still destroy it?” The principle relates to cause and effect: **no worshiper...no reason to wait!** Also compare this event with a future prophecy given in Zech 2:1~13.*

*John is before the throne seeing these events, as the judgment unfolds. Note that the angel ...stood, meaning; changed his position and says to John, “Rise.” Why does John have to rise and where is he going?*

**Rise** - Strong's #1453 eg-i'-ro; through the idea of collecting one's faculties; to waken, rouse (literally from sleep, from sitting or lying) awake, lift (up), raise, rear up, stand, take up.

*John has been in a vision on the Lord's Day and is being shown Yahshua's return. He was also shown things to occur in the "Hereafter," denoting future in time after the Day of the Lord's return. It is here after the Day of the Lord where John is located moments before the angel told him to “Rise.” John is then taken to a **different time** before the hereafter, prior to the the wrath of Yah, **before** the Lord's return. This was shown earlier in Rev 6, for John to “**come and see**” when he physically moves, he is actually “**moving in time**” as his vision unfolds from the present to the past and unto the future. He is told to measure the number of worshipers of Yah at His temple. Why? Yah is waiting for all those being called to enter His fold. When that calling is finished, Yah is finished waiting and will then proceed to cleanse His earth for His return.*

2 Pe 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, **not willing that any should perish**, but that all should come to repentance.

*John is brought to the time before Yahshua's return, the time of the two witnesses, which is also the time of the Gentiles rule of the Holy City as stated in Rev 11:2. “But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not for it is given unto the **Gentiles**: and the **holy city** shall they tread under foot **forty and two months.**” Note 42 months is the time for the Gentile rule of the Holy City.*

Rev 11:3 And I will give **power** unto my **two witnesses**, and they shall **prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days**, clothed in **sackcloth**.

*The two witnesses provide the last proof to mankind of Yah's wrath, the judgment to come. Notice that they are wearing sackcloth. Sackcloth was worn by those afflicting themselves to petition another for a positive result. Although often seen worn by one petitioning Yah's*

*favor, yet in this case it is worn by the two witnesses petitioning humankind to repent. They are to prophesy for 1260 days which is equal to 42 months, or 3½ years, the same time that the Gentiles are given to tread underfoot the Holy City. Yahshua is preparing for the last showdown. As the Gentiles take hold of the Holy City through the power of the beast, the two witnesses are also giving a concurrent last warning, the final chance to repent.*

De 17:6 At the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, shall he that is **worthy of death** be put to death; but at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death.

Rev 11:4~6 These are the **two olive trees**, and the **two candlesticks standing before the God** of the earth. And if any man will hurt them, **fire proceedeth out of their mouth**, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed. **These have power to shut heaven**, that it rain not **in the days of their prophecy**: and have **power over waters** to turn them to blood, and to **smite the earth with all plagues**, as often as they will.

*Notice the characteristics describing the two witnesses' identity. They are called the **two olive trees** and **two candlesticks** that **stand before Yah**. If they be harmed, fire proceeds out of their mouths and devours their enemy. They have **power** both to **hold back the rain** and to **turn water into blood** and to **smite the earth with plagues**. All these plagues, being physical manifestations through their power, demonstrate they are the two witnesses **prophesying to humans** of their error...and soon coming doom.*

*Let's take a closer look at their characteristics to better understand who they are.*

**TWO OLIVE TREES and the TWO CANDLESTICKS:** (from Rev 11:4~6)

Zech 4:1~14 And the angel that talked with me came again, and **waked me**, as a man that is wakened out of his sleep, And said unto me, What seest thou? And I said, I have looked, **and behold a candlestick all of gold, with a bowl upon the top of it, and his seven lamps thereon**, and seven pipes to the seven lamps, which are upon the top thereof: **And two olive trees by it, one upon the right side of the**

**bowl, and the other upon the left side thereof.** So I answered and spake to the angel that talked with me, saying, What are these, my lord? Then the angel that talked with me answered and said unto me, Knowest thou not what these be? And I said, No, my lord. Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts. Who art thou, O great mountain? before Zerubbabel thou shalt become a plain: and he shall bring forth the headstone thereof with shoutings, crying, Grace, grace unto it. Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house; his hands shall also finish it; and thou shalt know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto you. For who hath despised the day of small things? for they shall rejoice, and shall see the plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel with those seven; they are the eyes of the LORD, which run to and fro through the whole earth. Then answered I, and said unto him, **What are these two olive trees upon the right side of the candlestick and upon the left side thereof?** And I answered again, and said unto him, What be these **two olive branches** which through the two golden pipes empty the golden oil out of themselves? And he answered me and said, Knowest thou not what these be? And I said, No, my lord. Then said he, **These are the two “anointed ones,” that stand by the Lord of the whole earth.**

*Here is seen a candlestick of gold with seven lamps, and two olive trees, one on the right side and the other on the left side of the bowl of oil. Verse 11 in Zechariah asks, "What are these two olive trees upon the right side of the candlestick and the left?" In verse 14 he is answered: "These are the two anointed ones that stand by the Lord of the whole earth." (Anointed ones – Hebrew: meaning sons of oil)*

1Kg 6:15~35 And he built the walls of the house within with boards of cedar, both the floor of the house, and the walls of the ceiling: and he covered them on the inside with wood, and covered the floor of the house with planks of fir. And he built twenty cubits on the sides of the house, both the floor and the walls with boards of cedar: he even built them for it within, **even for the oracle, even for the most holy place.** And the house, that is, the temple before it, was forty cubits long. And the cedar of the house within was carved with knops and open flowers: all was cedar; there was no stone seen. And the **oracle** (*the Holy of Holies*) he prepared in the house within, to set there the ark of the

covenant of the LORD. And the **oracle** (*the Holy of Holies*) in the forepart was twenty cubits in length, and twenty cubits in breadth, and twenty cubits in the height thereof: and he overlaid it with pure gold; and so covered the altar which was of cedar.

Verse 21 So Solomon overlaid the house within with pure gold: and he made a partition by the chains of gold before the **oracle** (*the Holy of Holies*); and he overlaid it with gold. And the whole house he overlaid with gold, until he had finished all the house: also the whole altar that was by the **oracle** (*the Holy of Holies*) he overlaid with gold. And within the **oracle** (*the Holy of Holies*) **he made two cherubims of olive tree, each ten cubits high. And five cubits was the one wing of the cherub, and five cubits the other wing of the cherub:** from the uttermost part of the one wing unto the uttermost part of the other were ten cubits. And the other cherub was ten cubits: **both the cherubims** were of one measure and one size. The height of the one **cherub was ten cubits**, and so was it of the other cherub. **And he set the cherubims within the inner house: and they stretched forth the wings of the cherubims, so that the wing of the one touched the one wall, and the wing of the other cherub touched the other wall; and their wings touched one another in the midst of the house.** And he overlaid the **cherubims** with gold. And he carved all the walls of the house round about with carved figures of cherubims and palm trees and open flowers, within and without. And the floor of the house he overlaid with gold, within and without. And for the entering of the oracle (*the Holy of Holies*) he made doors of olive tree: the lintel and side posts were a fifth part of the wall. The two doors also were of olive tree; and he carved upon them carvings of cherubims and palm trees and open flowers, and overlaid them with gold, and spread gold upon the cherubims, and upon the palm trees. So also made he for the door of the temple posts of olive tree, a fourth part of the wall. And the two doors were of fir tree: the two leaves of the one door were folding, and the two leaves of the other door were folding. And he carved thereon cherubims and palm trees and open flowers: and covered them with gold fitted upon the carved work.

*Within the oracle (referring to the Holy of Holies) he made two Cherubims out of olive tree wood, one on the **right** and one on the **left**, that stood before the Ark of the Covenant, the mercy seat, the throne of Yah. Their wings spanned the width of the chamber.*

Heb 8:1~6 ver 5 Who serve unto the **example and shadow of heavenly things**, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, that thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount.

Heb 9:1~5 Then verily the first covenant had also **ordinances (ceremonies)** of divine service, and a **worldly sanctuary**. For there was a tabernacle made; the first, wherein was the **candlestick**, and the table, and the shewbread; which is called the sanctuary. And after the second veil, the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of all; Which had the golden censer, **and the ark of the covenant** overlaid round about with gold, wherein was the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant; **And over it the cherubims of glory shadowing the mercyseat**; of which we cannot now speak particularly.

*All things duplicated the pattern of the tabernacle in heaven: the mercy seat with cherubim shadowing it, but those in heaven would be live cherubim, elite angels, the two anointed ones not golden replicas.*

Ex 25: 17~21 And thou shalt make a mercy seat of pure gold: two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof. **And thou shalt make two cherubims of gold**, of beaten work shalt thou make them, **in the two ends of the mercy seat. And make one cherub on the one end, and the other cherub on the other end: even of the mercy seat shall ye make the cherubims on the two ends thereof.** And the **cherubims** shall stretch forth their wings on high, covering the mercy seat with their wings, **and their faces shall look one to another; toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims be.** And thou shalt put the mercy seat above upon the ark; and in the ark thou shalt put the testimony that I shall give thee. **And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubims** which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel.

Ex 25:31~40 *One can read of the candlesticks.*

*These scriptures show that the two olive trees refer to the two cherubim's made of olive wood that stand to the left and to the right of the ark. The two candlesticks, as lights for His glory, represent the two*

*anointed cherubim's (anointed ones – in Hebrew sons of oil) standing before Yah.*

**STANDS BEFORE YAH, THE GOD OF THE EARTH:** (*The Creator of the earth from Rev 11:4~6*).

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

Lk 1:5~27 There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judaea, a certain **priest named Zacharias**, of the course of Abia: and his wife was of the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elisabeth. And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless. And they had no child, because that Elisabeth was barren, and they both were now well stricken in years. And it came to pass, that while he executed the priest's office before God in the order of his course, According to the custom of the priest's office, **his lot was to burn incense when he went into the temple of the Lord.** And the whole multitude of the people were praying without at the time of incense. And there appeared unto him an **angel** of the Lord **standing on the right side of the altar of incense.** And when Zacharias saw him, he was troubled, and fear fell upon him. But the **angel** said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard; and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John. And thou shalt have joy and gladness; and many shall rejoice at his birth. For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb. And many of the children of Israel shall he turn to the Lord their God. And he shall go before him in the **spirit and power of Elias**, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; **to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.** And Zacharias said unto the **angel**, Whereby shall I know this? for I am an old man, and my wife well stricken in years. And the **angel** answering said unto him, **I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God;** and am sent to speak unto thee, and to shew thee these glad tidings. And, behold, thou shalt be dumb, and not able to speak, until the day that these things shall be performed, because thou believest not my words, which shall be fulfilled in their season. And the people waited for Zacharias, and marvelled that he tarried so long in the temple. And when he came out,

he could not speak unto them: and they perceived that **he had seen a vision** in the temple: for he beckoned unto them, and remained speechless. And it came to pass, that, as soon as the days of his ministration were accomplished, he departed to his own house. And after those days his wife Elisabeth conceived, and hid herself five months, saying, Thus hath the Lord dealt with me in the days wherein he looked on me, to take away my reproach among men. And in the sixth month the **angel Gabriel** was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

*An angel appears to Zechariah as he enters the inner sanctuary, the Holy of Holies, on the **right side** of the altar. This same altar is a copy of the one in heaven before the throne of Yah. The messenger, the angel, called by the name of **Gabriel** states that "**he stands in the presence of Yah in heaven.**" Also in verse 26 he appears before Mary and reveals himself as **Gabriel**, an angel, sent from Yah with a message.*

Zech 4:1~14 Verse 14 Then said he, **These are the two anointed ones, that stand by the Lord of the whole earth.** (*Anointed ones... in Hebrew: sons of oil*)

*No man has yet ever ascended into heaven to appear before the throne of Yah. That event will only occur after the redemption by Yahshua, at our resurrection and after the putting away of sin completely as stated in Rev 15.*

Rev 15:5~8 And after that I looked, and, behold, the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened: And the seven angels came out of the temple, having the seven plagues, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles. And one of the four beasts gave unto the seven angels seven golden vials full of the wrath of God, who liveth forever and ever. And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; **and no man was able to enter into the temple**, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.

*Only spirit beings such as Yahshua and the angels are able to stand before the throne of Yah in heaven.*



**PROPHESYING TO MANKIND:** (from Rev 11:4~6)

Mal 4:1~6 For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch. But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall. And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the LORD of hosts. ¶ **Remember ye the law of Moses** my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the **statutes** and **judgments**. Behold, I will send you **Elijah** the prophet **before** the coming of the **great** and **dreadful** day of the LORD: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

*Note that there are two days mentioned: **the great day**, referring to the first time of Christ bringing **salvation** through His sacrifice for sin. And the second, **the dreadful Day of Judgment**, the wrath at the end to cleanse the earth of sin and sinners. John the Baptist did prophesy the Elijah message of repentance to set the stage for the **great day** of Yahshua, the gift of salvation. The two witnesses will also set the stage for the **dreadful day** of Yahshua's return and His wrath of judgment. Remember, to prophesy is to witness the words of Yah, to bring the message of life through obedience in **doing**, and death by **disobedience** to His law. As stated in Heb 9:28 and 2Pe 2:9: **first time** for **salvation** then the **second time** for **judgment**.*

Mal 3:1~6 Behold, **I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me:** and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall **suddenly come** to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, (*Yahshua*) whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts. But who may abide the day of his coming? And who shall stand when he appeareth? For he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap: And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify **the sons of Levi**, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness. Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the LORD, as in the days of old, and as in former years. **And I will come near to you to judgment;** and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and

against false swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger from his right, and fear not me, saith the LORD of hosts. For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.

*Yah will send His messenger before the “great day” to prepare the way for the Lord Yahshua’s return. Just as John the Baptist was the messenger at Yahshua’s first coming to prepare the people for salvation through His sin offering, so also is a messenger sent to prepare the way for that “dreadful day” of His wrath. But note, at the first time there was only one Elijah messenger, John the Baptist, for salvation. At that time there was no condemnation, meaning judgment or sentence for not heeding the message. Now at this time, two witnesses are required by law for judgment as stipulated in Dt 17:6 before the sentence of death can lawfully be imposed.*

Dan 8:15~16 And it came to pass, when I, even I Daniel, had seen the vision, and sought for the meaning, then, behold, there stood before me **as the appearance of a man**. And I heard a man's voice between the banks of Ulai, which called, and said, **Gabriel, make this man to understand the vision**.

Dan 9:20~21 And whiles I was speaking, and praying, and confessing **my sin and the sin of my people Israel**, and presenting my supplication before the LORD my God for the holy mountain of my God; Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, **even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning**, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation.

*Daniel sees a vision and hears a voice between the banks of the river (the voice of Yahshua) telling **Gabriel**, His messenger, to reveal the vision to Daniel. And again it’s **Gabriel** whom Daniel had seen in the beginning of the vision who is the messenger of that prophecy to humankind.*

*In Dan 10:5~21 Gabriel is describing the events as he talks to Daniel.*

Dan 10:13 But the prince (*Satan*) of the kingdom of Persia withstood me (*Gabriel*) 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.

Verse 21 But I (*Gabriel*) will shew thee that which is noted in the scripture of truth: and there is none that holdeth with me in these things, **but Michael your prince.**

*Gabriel stated that **Michael**, one of the **chief princes**, helped him. Chief is also translated as meaning first. There is more than one prince, as stated, **princes**. **Michael** is the prince that looked after Israel.*

Dan 12:1 And at that time shall **Michael** stand up, **the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people:** and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

Dan 12: 5~6 Then I Daniel looked, and behold, **there stood the other two, the one on this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river.** And one said to the man clothed in linen (*referring to Yahshua*), **who was upon the waters of the river,** "How long shall it be to the end of these wonders?"

*It is **Michael, the great prince**, who stands up for the children of the people (Israel). In verse 5, Yahshua is standing above the river wearing linen and Daniel sees the two archangels who also speak to him in visions, each standing across from one another on either side of the river. As Yahshua is standing in the middle of the river, one would be on His right side and one on His left side. Left side, right side reference Gabriel and Michael prophesying to Daniel of Israel's fate and the coming Messiah.*

Jude 9 Yet **Michael the archangel**, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee.

*Also remember, Gabriel appeared to Zechariah and prophesied about the birth of his son John the Baptizer; and it was Gabriel who prophesied to Mary about the coming of Yahshua and again to Joseph to flee from Herod's wrath unto Egypt for safety. And let us not forget where we are in the Book of Revelation, being revealed a vision to John by Christ through angel messengers.*

*We have seen this happen before with Yahshua, Yahweh of the Old Testament, being often accompanied by these two angels, as for example when meeting with Abraham to review the conditions of Sodom and Gomorrah.*

Gen 18:1~33 And the LORD appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day; And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, **three men stood by him**: and when he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground, And said, My Lord, if now I have found favour in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant: Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree:

*Verse 2: Three men are seen (Yahshua and the two archangels). In verse 22 the two men are the angels who appear as men.*

*Gen 19:1~29 Verse 1: The **two angels** are seen (now the men are referred to as angels). In verses 5, 8, 10, 11, 12, angels appear as men. In verse 15 **the angels** hastened Lot (now appear as angels).*

*In the New Testament at the sepulcher, the tomb where Christ was laid to rest for three days and nights noted in Mt 28:1~6, references the angel of the Lord attending to His body.*

Mk 16:5 And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a **young man sitting on the right side**, clothed in a long **white garment**; and they were affrighted.

*The angel on the right side would be Gabriel as noted in Lk 1:11 and in verse 19.*

Lk 24:1~5 Now upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain others with them. And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre. And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus. And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, **two men stood by them in shining garments**: And as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead?

*Jn 20:1~14 verses 11&12: But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre, and seeth **two angels in white** sitting, the **one at the head, and the other at the feet**, where the body of Jesus had lain.*

*Two angels appearing as men, wearing white garments that shine, are seen at the head and the foot of the place in the sepulcher where they laid Christ, similar to being at the right side and the left side of Yahshua.*

Act 1:6~11 verses 9& 10: And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, **two men stood by them in white apparel**;

*Mt 20:20~23 records the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons asking Yahshua to grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom. Yahshua replies, "To sit on **my right hand** and on **my left** is not mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father."*

*As shown in all these scriptures, these two angels, Gabriel and Michael, appearing as men, one as a messenger and the other as an adversary of evil, a protector, standing up for Israel. They have appeared as men, yet they are declared archangels. They are at the right and left of Yahshua, and are called chief princes. They are the only angels that are mentioned in the Bible other than Lucifer. Also note all of the angels and those mentioned in the book of Enoch have their creator's logo "EL" imbedded into their name as in: Uriel, Raguel, Sarekiel, Raphael, Phannuel, Michael and Gabriel...all but one angel...Lucifer.*

### **POWER OVER RAIN, WATER AND PLAGUES:**

*(from Rev 11:4~6)*

Rev 11:6 These have power to **shut heaven**, that it **rain not** "**in the days of their prophecy**:" and **have power** over **waters** to turn them to **blood**, and to smite the earth with all **plagues**, as often as **they will**.

*Notice these verses say **they have power**; not that power is given to them, but is **within them**. Compare this state with others who had a*

*similar special status as did Moses in Ex 7:14~21. Yah did the act of turning the waters into blood. And with Elijah in 1Kg 17:1: it was Yah who commanded it not to rain for three years. And as for plagues, I know of no other than Yah to cause plagues upon the earth. Yet here it says “**they have power**” to cause these plagues as often as **they will**. Their character is that of a spiritual being not that of a man.*

*These two witnesses have power to shut the heavens, meaning rain which would bring about drought, which in turn would cause famine, affecting the price of food to increase greatly. This is the same event that the 3<sup>rd</sup> seal in Rev 6:5 does. “And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast (creature) say, Come and see. And I beheld, and lo a **black horse**; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand. And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine.”*

*They also have power to smite the earth with plagues, meaning disease, the cause of death. Again, the same event mentioned in the 4<sup>th</sup> seal in Rev 6:7~8A: “And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, “Come and see”. “And I looked, and behold a **pale horse**: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell (meaning the grave) followed with him.”*

*As was stated earlier in Rev 11: 2 ~3, the two witnesses are concurrently prophesying at the time the beast power (the Gentiles) is treading underfoot the Holy City during the last 3½ years, 42 months or 1260 days. Perchance it is the two witnesses that are fulfilling the works of the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> seal.*

Rev 11:7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the **beast** that **ascendeth out of the bottomless pit** shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

*After the testimony of the two witnesses declaring the final warning for humans to repent, they are killed by the beast that ascends out of the bottomless pit. Note: it is not saying that at that specific moment in time the beast ascends from the pit; it is alluding to his name without actually saying it. For the beast, meaning Satan, does not ascend out of the pit until the 1000 years are completed. Yet Satan here is already demonstrating in this prophecy that he has been ruling through the*

*beast and false prophet for the last 3½ years. Rev 9:1, 17:8 and 20:1~3 confirm it is Satan that ascends from the bottomless pit.*

Rev 9:11 And they had a king over them, which is **the angel of the bottomless pit**, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon.

Rev 17:8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall **ascend out of the bottomless pit**, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

Rev 20:1~3 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on **the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan**, and bound him a thousand years, And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

*Revelation as with other prophecy is better understood when read backwards because often all the clues to the meaning of things are found at or near the end of the prophecy.*

Rev 11:8~9 And their **dead bodies** shall lie in the street of the **great city**, which spiritually is called **Sodom and Egypt**, where also our Lord was crucified. And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their **dead bodies** ...**three days and an half**, and shall not suffer their **dead bodies** to be put in graves.

*Notice that “their **dead bodies** lie in the street” is mentioned three times in this prophecy. Not they themselves - but their **bodies**, why? As spirit beings they had assumed the forms of men to appear before the world as witnesses. Are these two bodies the actual two men or are they merely the shells that held their spirit? Are there scriptural evidences of this happening before...Yesssss. If one would recall, similar evidence of this circumstance is found in the Garden of Eden. An angel takes the form of a snake and appears to Eve as a speaking serpent. And later one reads of an ass inspired to speak to Balaam of his error. Let’s us not forget when Yahshua crossed over into a*

*different area and was met by a man filled with demons that was called Legion. From that man Yahshua cast out those demons which then immediately requested to enter into swine which hurled themselves over a cliff into the sea. Did those demons die with the swine in the sea? No, spirit cannot be killed, whether good or bad, they remain in Yah's hands.*

*Thus the beast rules for the final 3½ years, as the plagues from the seals of Rev 6 are unleashed upon humankind during the same 3½ years. Now as the two witnesses are killed, their dead bodies lie dormant for 3½ days at the place called the **great city**, the Holy city, Jerusalem, where Yahshua was crucified. But note that city is called Sodom and Egypt, both places known for their sinful ways, referring to its end time condition.*

Rev 11:10 And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make **merry**, and **shall send gifts** one to another; because these two **prophets** tormented them that dwelt on the earth.

*To be made **merry** is from Strong's #2165 yoo-frah'-ee-no: to put in a good frame of mind, rejoice, make glad. They are to **send**; Strong's #3992 pem'-po: to dispatch, also to transmit. **Gifts** - Strong's #1435 do'-ron: a present; specially, a sacrifice, offering, to one another. Mankind believes its torment is over, but not for long, for it is only 3½ days until the two witnesses are given life again. "**You just can't keep a good guy down...especially if they are archangels!**"*

Rev 11:11~13 And after three days and an half the Spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and **great fear** fell upon them which saw them. And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither. And **they ascended up to heaven** in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them. And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven.

*Mankind's rejoicing will be short lived, only for 3½ days, before great fear falls upon them. Note the 3½ days correlates to the 3½ years of tormenting from the two witnesses, 42 months or 1260 days of this end time witnessing. How do the two prophets torment those that dwell on*



*the earth? Answer: By the effects of the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> seals, and by their condemnation of the world for its unrighteousness.*

*A great voice from heaven is heard, saying; Come up hither, and **they ascended up to heaven** in a cloud. Again, another characteristic that separates these two witnesses from all others that ever walked this earth: **“they ascend to heaven.”** The scriptures state that no man has ever ascended to heaven, but Yahshua. And it’s only the angels, the messengers of Yah, which have access to heaven and earth. This isn’t the end yet, sin is still not put away, and mankind has not been changed into spirit beings; therefore it cannot be men that ascend, but Spirit.*

**In 3:13 And no man hath ascended up to heaven**, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven.

*Also note that there was a great earthquake at that moment. This is the same event happening after the close of the 5<sup>th</sup> seal, the martyrdom of the saints, followed by the opening of the 6<sup>th</sup> seal in Rev 6:12 which brings about the revealing of Christ’s return.*

Rev 6:12~17 And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a **great earthquake**; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: **For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?**

*So who are these final two witnesses which accomplish the end time prophetic work of Yah? As described by their characteristics, Yah reveals they are none other than the Archangels, the **two olive trees**, the **two candlesticks that stand before Yah**. They have **power to hold back the rain**, **power over the water** to turn it into blood and **power to smite the earth with plagues**. Again, all these plagues by them are physical*

*manifestations of their power substantiating they are indeed the two witnesses **prophesying to mankind.***

*Archangel - Strong's #743. ar-khang'-el-os from 757 and 32; a chief angel.*

**GABRIEL** - Strong's # 1404 gabriy' el from #1397 and #410; man of Yah. Strong's #1397; valiant man or warrior Strong's #410; mighty, great, power, strong.

**MICHAEL** - Strong's #4317 miyka' el from #4310 and #3588 and #410; who is like Yah. Strong's #410; mighty, great, power, strong.

***Unsubstantiated Speculation:***

*Moses and Elijah have also been referred to as the two men for the final witnessing task, yet both have been dead for nearly 3000 years. They both would be out of touch with today's world not comprehending life as lived today. Also note these two prophets finished their respective ministries on a sour note. Recall that it was Moses who denied Yah's glory while striking the rock for water Num 20:7~13. This impulsive act in his ministry cost him the opportunity to enter the Promised Land. Shortly after Yah tells Moses to get his house in order and meet Him on the mountain where Moses died.*

*As for Elijah, he finishes his ministry after mocking the false priests in Yah's name, calling fire down from heaven upon the burnt offering soaked in water and then proceeds to kill the 400 priests of Baal, prompting Jezebel to threaten his life causing him to run in fear. Yah then sent him into the wilderness where he is fed by ravens. It is at this time Yah speaks to Elijah three times to hear "**His quiet still voice,**" yet Elijah can't hear it and repeats his fear of being threatened with death. Yah can't and will not use someone led by fear and in effect relieves Elijah of active duty. After Elijah falls from fear, Yah tells him to find Elisha and anoint him as the new prophet, passing the mantel on to a more fit man. 1Kg 19:1~18.*

*Both Moses and Elijah were great men in their time, but perchance fall short of the crucial work to be done by these two witnesses at the end time. Also note that neither man was a witness to Yahshua.*

Rev 11:3 And I will give power unto **my two witnesses**, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.

**Witnesses** - Strong's #3144. mar'-toos; a witness (literally (judicially) or figuratively (genitive case)); by analogy, a "martyr", sufferer for a cause, record, **eyewitness**.

*Neither man as stated had witnessed Yahshua's life plus Moses never saw Jerusalem. A witness is one that has seen and can testify because of a personal awareness of an event. Yes, they glimpsed upon Yahshua of the Old Testament when he gave His laws to Moses and when Elijah saw the 10 tribes pulled away. But neither saw and witnessed Yahshua's birth, the fulfillment of the prophecy of the Messiah and or His death for our sins, the sign of 3 days in the grave before His resurrection, or witnessed the last 2000 years of idols worshiped, the rise of many false religions including Christianity. Remember, these two witnesses are here to condemn the world of its sin, so one would have to witness the sin to testify according to the law of Yah. DNA is not accepted here!*

*The scriptures tell us that witnesses had to have seen the event. After the death of Judas, the apostle that betrayed Yahshua, the 11 searched for a replacement that **witnessed** all from the beginning to take his place. To be a valid witness one would have had to have been present, seeing the events unfolding from beginning to end. Acts 1:15~26*

*How could one condemn the end time people of the earth while not being present to observe their sin first hand? Such a condemnation would present a miscarriage of justice by presenting false testimony from a witness predicated upon here say evidence whether it originates from humans or Yah. There are only two beings that are recorded as having seen all the events unfolding from the beginning and are still seeing them now as time grows shorter while fulfilling all the other requirements: **His two witnesses**, the archangels at His right and left side. Remember, Yahshua calls them "**my two witnesses**," referring to witnessing His Spirit in humankind.*

*There is also much discussion about the identity of the two figures seen at the transfiguration called Moses and Elijah. Let us take a closer look to see some very curious things.*

Lk 9: 28~31 And it came to pass about an eight days after these sayings, he took Peter and John and James, and went up into a mountain to pray. And as he prayed, the fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment was white and glistening. And, behold, **there talked with him two men**, which were Moses and Elias: Who **appeared in glory**, and **spake of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem**.

*Note that these two men **appeared in glory**. The word **glory** is Strong's #391. dox'-ah from the base of 1380; glory (as very apparent) dignity, glorious, honor, praise, worship.*

*If Moses and Elijah did appear to Christ, would they be glorious in appearance compared to Yahshua? If you remember they ended their ministries on a low note. Furthermore, they spoke to Yahshua about **his decease**, His death. Why would Moses and Elijah be speaking to Yahshua about his death? Would it not make more sense if Yahshua spoke to them about what He was to accomplish by His death in Jerusalem? Everything that Moses and Elijah had knowledge of came from Yah of the Old Testament...meaning Yahshua!!!! Thus they would not likely be **appearing glorious** before their King nor would they be giving their King of Kings any advice. Instead any information given to Yahshua would come from **"The Father"** through His loyal two messengers that Yahshua trusted and gained comfort from the beginning of time as also stated in Rev1:1.*

Rev1: 1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, **which God gave unto him**, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it **by his angel** unto his servant John:

Lk 9:32 But Peter and they that were with him were **heavy with sleep**: and when they were awake, they saw **his glory**, and the **two men that stood with him**.

*Note also that these two men **stood with Yahshua**, yet every other time men were in the presence of His Lord while in a "**glorious state**" they were not standing, as when Moses went up into the mountain and was told that the ground before him was holy ground. And as John and others bowed before the angel messengers sent to them. Yet the two archangels standing on the left and right of Our Lord have appeared to humans in glory as bright light.*

Lk 9: 33 And it came to pass, as they departed from him, Peter said unto Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias: **not knowing what he said.**

*Notice Peter is being recorded stating: “not knowing what he is saying.” Perchance one should take note. And “If” Peter was so befuddled, how could he know these two men were Moses and Elijah? Both would have been dead for some 1000 years by the time of Peter, and without a photo or name tag, how would one determine their identity? Yahshua never divulged who they were and would be the only one that could identify them for He was a **witness** to their lives. Yet perchance he was referring to “**their message**” to Yahshua pertaining to His death. For these two glorified beings appearing with Yahshua were purposed there with a **message from “The Father”** that Yahshua was to fulfill the written word found in the “**laws and in the prophets**” which Moses and Elijah have represented in the past. This is also recorded in Mk 9:6, “**For he wist not what to say; for they were sore afraid.**”*

Lk 9:34~36 While he thus spake, there came a cloud, and overshadowed them: and they feared as they entered into the cloud. **And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.** And when the voice was past, Jesus was found alone. And they kept it close, and told no man in those days any of those things which they had seen.

*Scripture recorded in Mk 9:1~10 and Mt 17:1~13 reveals similar events. But note that immediately after seeing both accounts still fresh in their minds they question, “**Why then say the scribes that Elijah must first come?**” Yahshua answered and tells them, “**Elijah verily cometh first, and restores all things and now it is written of the Son of man, that he must suffer many things, and be set at nought.**”*

*If one of the two men were Elijah, Yahshua had ample time and reason to acknowledge his presence just moments before. But He doesn't. He tells them that John the Baptist came in the spirit of the prophet Elijah, the prophet of repentance. Yahshua continues to elaborate His death as **recorded in the written word of the law**, in the spirit of Moses. Yahshua was the only one that could have identified them at that time*

*and didn't. Was He correcting them as He always did with another question allowing them to correct themselves?*

*This personal happening by Peter was written after the death of Yahshua as all the gospels were and sought to highlight **“the message”** not the identities of the actual messengers. Therefore many inferences made in transcribing the Word such as Jehovah for Yah or Jesus for Yahshua, Easter for Passover and the trinity has become new doctrines replacing Biblical truth.*

*Thus Yahshua's two witnesses would have seen and been present from the beginning to the end. They would have had to witness the entire sweep of sin in order to have the right to condemn humankind from every generation to death...the punishment of sin. The two archangels were there from the beginning.*

*Continuation of Chapter 11:*

*The end of the two witnesses is directly followed by the return of Yahshua and His wrath. The two witnesses' prophecies are given simultaneously as the first five seals are being released in Rev 6, as the beast and false prophet take control of the Holy city. Continuing, it will be shown that the beast and false prophet were already on the scene before these last 3½ years, and were allowed to **“continue”** on for the remainder of time as stated in Chapter 13 of the Book of Revelation.*

**Rev 13: 5** “And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to **continue forty and two months**”.

*These last 42 months will become the time of testing of the saints as well as serving as a warning to the world. As the 6<sup>th</sup> seal is opened with the signs of a great earthquake, with the sun becoming black as sackcloth of hair, the moon becoming red as blood, the stars of heaven falling unto the earth, the heavens departing as a scroll when it is rolled together, and every mountain and island moved out of their places...**it's all over!!!! “It's the Day of the Lord.”** It's a little late to be thinking of becoming a saint for it will be very hard to even remain one, let alone exist during the last 3½ years prior to His return, that is **“if”** you are one already? So before these last 3½ years come about, all must be zealous about our walk. Remember, when the battle begins*

*it's a little late to be looking for your sword, nor is there time to sharpen a blade, for the battle has begun, the adversary is at your door! Let us not be found wanting any spiritual gift that should have been well exercised by daily use when he calls us to arm, for truly...**He calls but once!***

*The opening of this Chapter stresses Chapters 10 through 14 are inserts in the story time line to provide valid witnesses for the cause of the judgment that is to come. Before condemning a wrong and applying punishment, there are always at least two witnesses required to convict the evildoer of sinning.*

*The prophecy line is broken to reveal this information: In Rev 9:13 as the sixth angel sounded, John hears a voice from the four horns of the golden altar before Yah saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, "Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates." This is the beginning of the second Woe. As that wrath ended, Rev 10: 7 states; "But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel when he shall **begin** to sound, **the mystery of God should be finished** as he hath declared to his servants the prophets." We continue the storyline in Chapter 11:14.*

*Also remember that John had been in a vision on the Lord's Day and was shown Yahshua's return. He was also shown things to occur in the "**Hereafter**," meaning future in time, after the Day of the Lord's return. That is where John is at the start of Chapter 11. He is told by the angel to "**Rise**" which is understood in prophecy to mean that moving physically is literally a movement in time. John was taken back in **time** before the Day of the Lord to be shown the prophecy of the two witnesses to the world before Christ's return. As we return to the vision, we find John seeing this happening being fulfilled before him.*

Rev 11:14~19 The second woe is past (which was the sixth angel of Rev 9:13) and, behold, the third woe cometh quickly. And **the seventh angel sounded**; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God, Saying, We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, **and art to come**; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned. And the nations were

angry, and **thy wrath is come**, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest **give reward** unto thy **servants the prophets**, and to **the saints**, and them that **fear thy name**, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth. And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail.

*As John was before the throne, he hears great voices; again he sees the 24 elders worshipping Yah saying, "We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which **art**, and **was**, and **art to come** because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast **reigned**." The words, "**Art to come**," would tell that the Lord God Almighty had not yet come. No, sin has not yet been put away, but that event is coming. And soon also is the coming of the time that the dead are raised and are given their reward; given unto thy servants, the prophets and to the saints...soon, but not yet.*

*And the temple of Yah was opened in heaven and there was seen in His temple The Ark of His Testament. With that statement one can surmise that all will be judged according to The Covenant that is within and alongside the ark at His judgment seat.*

Lk 8:16~18 No man, when he hath lighted a candle, covereth it with a vessel, or putteth it under a bed; but setteth it on a candlestick, that they which enter in may see the light. **For nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest; neither anything hid, that shall not be known and come abroad.** Take heed therefore **how ye hear**: for whosoever hath, to him shall be given; and whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he **seemeth** to have (*seems...or, thinks that he has*).

*So how do the blind see in the dark?  
They see with their ears  
And walk by... **Faith**: the action of their belief!*

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## **Revelation Chapter 12**

Chapter 10 ended with John being given the little book and then instructed; **“Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings.”** That prophecy message is the Book of Revelation which John penned for us to heed its warning as a witness of the events to come. Yah always gives us a message of warning which must precede events to come, for Yah does not punish without cause. The Book of Revelation is our warning and a witness, a testimony of wrong doing on the part of unrepentant humankind. Chapters 10 through Chapter 14, as previously stated, are inserts in the story time line validating witnesses for the cause of the judgment to come. Before condemnation of a wrong and applying the punishment (death), there are always two or three witnesses required to convict the evildoer of sinning.

Chapter 11 opens with John being instructed before the throne. He is told by the angel to **“Rise”** which is understood in prophecy to mean that physical movement literally becomes a movement in time. John was **taken back in time**, before the Day of the Lord, to be shown the two witnesses’ prophecy to the world before Christ’s return. As we return to the vision, we find John seeing this being fulfilled before him. This is what Chapter 12 and others provide...the legal rationale behind Yah’s wrath to come.

Rev 12: 1~2 And there appeared a great **wonder in heaven**; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars: And **she being with child** cried, **travailing in birth**, and pained to be delivered.

John is before the heavenly throne of Yah in a vision seeing these events as Yahshua reveals them to him who as a witness writes them for our admonishment. As the angel of Yah told him in Chapter 11 to **“rise,”** John is taken to a different time and shown the cause of Yah’s wrath. John now describes this event as a great **wonder**, meaning something seen causing uncertainty, a woman clothed with the sun and the moon under her feet with a crown of 12 stars. This uncertain wonder is symbolic.

A woman in the Bible is often depicted symbolically as religion, meaning worship. At times the woman is seen both as a faithful wife as

*in Proverbs 31 and also as an unfaithful wife, as a harlot or whore. The woman is the partner in an intimate relationship involving love in marriage. In this example, the woman represents the symbolic married nation of Israel to Yah. She is clothed with the sun, meaning favor from above by the Father and with a moon at her feet as having a mother. She wears a 12 star crown on her head representing the 12 sons of Jacob known as the 12 tribes of Israel.*

Gen 37:5~10 And Joseph dreamed a dream, and tells it to his brother's: and they hated him yet the more. And he said unto them, Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have dreamed: For, behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf. And his brethren said to him, Shalt thou indeed reign over us? or shalt thou indeed have dominion over us? And they hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words. And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, the **sun and the moon and the eleven stars** made obeisance to me. And he told it to his father, and to his brother's: and his **father** rebuked him, and said unto him, What is this dream that thou hast dreamed? Shall **I** (*your father - referring to the sun*) **and thy mother** (*referring to the moon*) and **thy brethren** (*referring to the 11 stars*) indeed come to bow down ourselves to thee to the earth?

*She is seen being with child crying, **travailing in birth**, in pain to be delivered, and showing a great need to give birth. In the Bible, Israel is never portrayed as giving birth, but Mary, as the Lord's earthly mother, who gives birth to Christ, is so depicted. She was called to be **glorified** through her life for the sake of Israel. This is also seen prophetically in the Book of Micah about the travailing in birth until the time He returns, and again in the Book of Isaiah.*

Mic 5:2~4 But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting. Therefore will he give them up, until the time that **she which travaileth hath brought forth**: then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel. And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his

God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth.

Isa 66:7 Before **she travailed**, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man child.

Rev 12: 3~6 And there appeared another **wonder** in **heaven**; and behold a **great red dragon**, having **seven heads** and **ten horns**, and **seven crowns** upon his heads. And his tail **drew** the third part of the **stars of heaven**, and did **cast them to the earth**: and the dragon stood before the woman which was **ready to be delivered**, for to devour her child as soon as it was born. And she brought forth a **man child**, who **was to rule** all nations with a rod of iron: and her child **was caught up unto God, and to his throne**. And the **woman fled into the wilderness**, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days.

*Again, John sees a wonder, a great red dragon, represented symbolically. Dragon - Strong's #1404 means a fabulous kind of serpent which is no other than Satan. He's seen having seven heads and ten horns and seven crowns. The heads represent "Kingdoms or Empires." The horns represent "Kings or rulers" and crowns denote "exalted," as stated in the book of Dan 7.*

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from all the beasts that were before it; and **it had ten horns**. I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another **little horn**, before whom there were **three of the first horns plucked up** by the roots: and, behold, in **this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things**.

***The seven headed beast:***

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*1 Head-Rome: Head like a dragon with 10 horns and 7 crowns: The Roman Empire consisted of the conquest of the Vandals, Heruli, Ostrogoths-3 Germanic tribes that were later destroyed and the Visigoths-Spain, Franks-France, Anglo Saxons-Britain, Suevi-Portugal, Burundians-Switzerland, Lombards-Italy and Alemanni-Germany that collectively made up the 10 horns with 7 crowns mentioned.*

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*Seven heads or "Kingdoms" in total, have ruled and the last was Rome, the dragon, the ruling Kingdom at the time of Christ when Mary was travailing about to give birth.*

*Note scripture states this great red dragon, Satan, **drew** the third part of the **stars**, symbolizing the fallen angels from heaven, and cast them to earth. **Drew** means to entice, to lure. Satan convinced the angels to give up their place in heaven and follow him. A parallel happening*

*occurs in the Book of Genesis when the sons of God mated with the daughters of men that were fair and were consequently cast out of heaven.*

Gen 6:1~5 And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose. And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years. There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown. And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

*Rev 12:4 states the dragon is seen standing before the woman who is ready to give birth fully intending to devour her child as soon as it was born. This scenario is seen in the Book of Matthew where Satan, working through King Herod about 5BC~3BC, is provoked to kill the new coming King of the Israelites...Yahshua, as soon as He is born.*

Mt 2:1~12 Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, Saying, Where is he that is born **King of the Jews**? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a **Governor**, that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the **house**, they saw the

young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; **gold, and frankincense, and myrrh**. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

*Rev 12:5~6 states: This man-child, Christ, **was to rule**, signifying that He is not yet ruling here on earth, His kingdom is to come. For the earth is now in subjection to the rule of the prince of this world, the dragon, Satan. The child, Yahshua the Christ, was caught up unto the throne after His death and now sits at the right hand of Yah, The Father, as His enemies are made His footstool. This happened at Christ's resurrection 30 AD. The woman is said to have fled into the wilderness where she has a place prepared by Yah who cares for them 1260 days or 3½ years, protected from the wrath of the dragon that was about to kill her son. This time frame is confirmed in the book of Matthew when Joseph is told by an angel of the Lord to flee to Egypt until Herod is dead (the same 1260 days or 3½ years).*

Mt 2:13~15 And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, **Arise**, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and **be thou there until I bring thee word**, (*the angel*), **for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him**. When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt: And was there **until** the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.

*Did you ever wonder why the Magi came and graced Yahshua and His family with wealth at His birth? The Magi's visit provided the riches, the funds, which Yahshua's family would use to flee with and live for the 3½ years spent in Egypt. With these events one is able to place this part of the vision happening at the time of Christ.*

Rev 12: 7~9 And there was war in **heaven**: Michael and his angels fought against **the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels**, And prevailed not; **neither was their place found any more in heaven**. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called **the Devil, and Satan**, which deceiveth the **whole world**: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

*These above verses are stating that Satan and his angels were cast out of heaven and are now on the earth. This is shown by Christ's own words referring to **the prince of this world** being cast out as found in the Book of John and in Hebrews.*

Jn 12:27~32 Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour. Father, glorify thy name. Then came there a voice from heaven, saying, I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again. The people therefore, that stood by, and heard it, said that it thundered: others said, An angel spake to him. Jesus answered and said, This voice came not because of me, but for your sakes. Now is the judgment of this world: **now shall the prince of this world be cast out.** And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.

Jn 14:28~31 Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe. Hereafter I will not talk much with you: **for the prince of this world cometh**, and hath nothing in me. But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go hence.

Jn 16:7~11 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: Of sin, because they believe not on me; Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; **Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.**

Heb 2: 14~15 Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that **through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;** And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

*Again these verses confirm the time of this happening coinciding with the death of Christ in keeping with the timing of this vision being given to John. The story, as it unfolds, provides **“valid witnesses for the***

*cause of the coming judgment.” Just as the parable of the vineyard was given to them in the temple by Yahshua before His death, the same events have occurred in Mt 21:33~46.*

Rev 12:10~13 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, **Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ:** for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the **blood of the Lamb**, and by the **word of their testimony**; and they loved not their lives unto the death. Therefore **rejoice, ye heavens**, and ye that dwell in them. **Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you**, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time. And when the dragon saw that he was **cast unto the earth**, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.

*Notice there are 4 things stated that are simultaneously occurring at the time of Satan being cast out of heaven: First: **the coming of salvation**, Second: **the strength to overcome**, Third: **the kingdom of our God** now living within one, and Fourth: **the power of his Christ**, as a gift from above. Examples:*

2 Tim 1:10 But is **now** made manifest by the appearing of our **Saviour** Jesus Christ, **who hath abolished death**, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel:

1Jn 5:1~5 Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him. By this we know that we love the children of God; when we love God, and keep his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous. For whatsoever is born of God **overcometh the world**: and this is the **victory that overcometh the world, even our faith**. Who is he that **overcometh the world**, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? (*Seen through our actions not just words...showing Him your love.*)

Mt 28:16~20 Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had **appointed them**. And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted. And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, **All power is given unto me in heaven and in**



**earth.** Go ye therefore, and **teach** all nations, **baptizing** them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: **Teaching** them to **observe** all things whatsoever **I have commanded you:** and, lo, **I am with you alway,** even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Acts 26:15~18 And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest. But **rise,** and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee **for this purpose,** to make thee a **minister** and a **witness** both of these things which thou **hast seen,** (*past*) and of **those things in the which I will appear unto thee** (*future*); Delivering thee from the people (*Jews*), and from the Gentiles, unto whom now I send thee, **To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God,** that they may receive forgiveness of sins, **and inheritance** among them which are **sanctified by faith** that is in me.

Lk 10: 9 And heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, **The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.** But into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you not, go your ways out into the streets of the same, and say, Even the very dust of your city, which cleaveth on us, we do wipe off against you: notwithstanding be ye sure of this, that **the kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.**

*In all these instances, the disciples were persecuted for their belief in Yahshua, for preaching the way of truth. Many persecutions occurred by the hand of their own people and families who rejected the Messiah. Yet through their faith, “the action of their belief,” they received the coming of salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God and power of his Christ.*

Rev 12:14~16 And to the woman were given two **wings of a great eagle,** that she might fly into **the wilderness,** into her place, where she is nourished for a **time, and times, and half a time,** from the face of the serpent. And the serpent cast out of his mouth **water as a flood** after the woman, **that he might cause** her to be carried away of the **flood.** And the **earth helped the woman,** and the **earth** opened her mouth, and **swallowed up the flood** which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

*This verse steps back to the beginning of Christ’s life when the woman, Mary, gives birth to the Messiah and is immediately protected from the*

*face of the serpent, Satan in the days of Herod the king. Mary, Joseph and Yahshua are sent to Egypt protected from the onslaught of his wrath. The **two wings** are symbolic of the protection she receives on their journey into the wilderness, meaning Egypt.*

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

Dt 32: 7~12 Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father, and he will shew thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel. For the LORD'S portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance. He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; he led him about, he instructed him, he kept him as the apple of his eye. **As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings:** So the LORD alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him.

*The flood of water cast out of the mouth of Satan represents the wrathful deeds of the people under Satan's control. In this case King Herod is being controlled by Satan, as Herod does evil against the coming King.*

Mt 2:16~18 Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was **exceeding wrath**, and sent forth, and **slew** all the children that were in Bethlehem, **and in all the coasts thereof**, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men. **Then was fulfilled** that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, **In Rama was there a voice heard**, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.

*Herod's vengeful, murderous decree is represented by that flood that swept through the land. Note that Herod's wrath extended to the coast, but not beyond, where the earth, symbolic of the land outside of his control, remained shielded from the flood, outside of King Herod's dominion. The prophecy of Jeremiah 31:15 noting a voice being heard in Rama in Judah is fulfilled as they flee the wrath of Herod and hear*

*the anguished cries over the slaughter of the children of Rachel, the mother of the called chosen ones in Israel.*

Rev 17: 15 And he saith unto me, The **waters** which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, **are peoples**, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

Jerm 46:7~8 Who is this that cometh up as a **flood**, whose waters are moved as the rivers? Egypt riseth up **like a flood**, and his waters are moved like the rivers; and he saith, I will go up, and will **cover the earth**; I will destroy the city and the inhabitants thereof.

Jerm 47: 2 Thus saith the LORD; Behold, **waters rise up** out of the north, and shall be an **overflowing flood**, and shall **overflow the land**, and all that is therein; the city, and them that dwell therein: then the men shall cry, and all the inhabitants of the land shall howl.

Isa 8: 7~8 Now therefore, behold, the Lord bringeth up upon them the **waters of the river**, strong and many, **even the king of Assyria**, and all his glory: and he shall come up over all his channels, and go over all his banks: And he shall pass through Judah; he shall **overflow** and go over, he shall reach even to the neck; and the stretching out of **his wings** shall fill the breadth of thy land, O Immanuel.

*Yahshua, Mary and Joseph fulfill that prophecy, as they remained in Egypt for 3½ years where she is nourished for a **time, and times, and half a time** from the face of the serpent. They are sustained by the gifts from the Magi of gold, frankincense and myrrh. After Herod's death they returned to the land of Israel to fulfill His goal to be our High Priest of Salvation.*

Mt 2:19~23 But when **Herod was dead**, behold, **an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt**, Saying, **Arise**, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life. And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus did reign in Judaea in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither: notwithstanding, **being warned of God in a dream**, he turned aside into the parts of Galilee: And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: **that it might be fulfilled** which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.

Rev 12:17 And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

*From the time of Yahshua's victory over Satan, releasing us from bondage as we overcome sin by His blood, Satan keeps working to fight our success. Satan continues to wage war with those who are the remnant of Yah's seed, those that are grafted in, who keep the commandments of Yah, and uphold the testament of Yahshua our Messiah.*

*Once again the witness to the wrath to come is given. Yahshua did come and did fulfill the prophecy of the coming Messiah as told in the scriptures. The continued denial of His coming and denial of His existence before humankind remain the cause for Yah's wrath to come.*

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## **Revelation Chapter 13**

*Please note again: Chapters 10 through 14 are inserts in the Revelation story timeline to provide valid witnesses for the cause of the judgment to come. Before condemning a wrong and applying the punishment, two or more witnesses are always required to convict evildoers of their sin. Chapters 13 and others provide the cause of the Yah's wrath to come.*

*In the beginning of Chapter 11, John was found in a vision on the Lord's Day seeing Yahshua's return. He was also shown things to occur in the "**Hereafter**," meaning future in time after the Day of the Lord's return. Proceeding into Chapter 11, an angel tells him to "**rise**." John is then taken to a **different time** prior to the the wrath of Yah before the Lord's return. Note that John in Chapter 12 and now in Chapter 13 has not moved from that position in time prior to the Day of the Lord. All these visions seen by John and penned for our admonishment collectively provide the witness for the wrath of Yah that is to follow.*

Rev 13:1~2 And I stood upon the **sand of the sea**, and saw a **beast rise up out of the sea**, having **seven heads** and **ten horns**, and upon his horns **ten crowns**, and upon his heads **the name of blasphemy**. And the beast which I saw was like unto a **leopard**, and his feet were as the feet of a **bear**, and his mouth as the mouth of a **lion**: and the **dragon** gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

*Often the books of prophecy are much more revealing when read backward. Many of the relevant clues are imbedded in the end of the prophecy. For example, going further into the Book of Revelation, words such as "waters" or "sea" are shown to symbolize people, nations and tongues which define their meaning.*

Rev17:1 And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore **that sitteth upon many waters**:

Rev17:15 And he saith unto me, **the waters** which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, **are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues**.

Jerm 51:13 O thou that dwellest upon **many waters**, abundant in treasures, thine end is come, and the measure of thy covetousness.

Isa 60:5 Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the **sea** shall be converted unto thee, **the forces of the Gentiles** shall come unto thee.

*This beast is seen rising out of the sea, denoting the people, the same beast shown in Chapter 12:3 appearing as **a great red dragon** having **seven heads** and **ten horns** and **seven crowns** upon his heads. The heads are representative of “**Kingdoms or Empires.**” The horns represent “**Kings or rulers**” and crowns refer to being “**exalted**” also stated in the Book of Daniel 7:1~8.*

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*Through the dream given to Daniel, the seven headed beast is revealed to us. Each head or beast is built upon the other until the final beast presents itself.*

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*In the Book of Daniel, Chapter 2:1~49 describes the great image, the beast of the earth, shown in four successive stages. The first beast is likened to **gold**, referring to the Babylonian Empire, the second of **silver**, representing the Persian-Medes Empire, followed by the **brass**, being the Grecian Empire, concluding with the last, of **iron**, being Rome consisting of the ten toes mixed with clay. Note each successive metal is of a lesser value, but of a stronger substance yet brittle, as iron and clay are structurally, symbolizing that these last two substances are less able to resist the stress of change.*

Dan 7: 7~8 After this I saw in the night visions, and beheld a **fourth beast** (*Rome*), dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had **ten horns**. I considered the **horns** (*denoting the 10 horns*), and, behold, there came up among them **another little horn**, before whom there were **three of the first horns plucked up** by the roots: and, behold, in this (*little*) horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

*Notice that during the time of the 10 horns or kings, there was another **little horn** that arises. This little horn plucks up by the roots three of the first horns or Kings. Once a King is plucked up, meaning conquered, his dominion now becomes the victor's spoil and is incorporated into the victor's realm. The 10 horns of Rome as stated above were the Vandals, Heruli, Ostrogoths-3 Germanic tribes, and the Visigoths-Spain, Franks-France, Anglo Saxons-Britain, Suevi-Portugal, Burundians-Switzerland, Lombards-Italy and Alemanni-Germany. The little horn that arises during the time of the Roman Empire that plucks up 3 horns: the 3 Germanic tribes: the Vandals, Heruli, and the Ostrogoths was none other than the Papacy assuming control of the Holy Roman Empire, having eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things. Upon further reading, the characteristics of **the little horn**, the Papacy, will be revealed.*

Dan 7:9~14 I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened. I beheld then because of the voice of the **great words** which the (*little*) horn spake: I beheld even till the **beast was slain**, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame. As concerning the rest of the **beasts**, (*beasts plural, referring to Babylonian, Persia-Medes and Grecian*), they **had** (*past tense, already happened*) **their dominion taken away**: yet their **lives** (*now asleep; their judgment awaits them after the 1000 years*) prolonged for a season and time. I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. And there was given him dominion, and glory,



and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

*The vision by night is revealed to Daniel.*

Dan 7:15~22 I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me. I came near unto one of them that stood by (*referring to the angels*), and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things. These **great beasts**, which are four, are four kings (**Babylon, Persia-Medes, Greece and Rome**) which shall arise out of the earth. But the saints of the most High **shall take** (*hasn't as of yet taken*) the kingdom, and possess the kingdom forever, even forever and ever. Then I would know the truth of the **fourth beast (Rome)**, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of **iron**, and his nails of **brass** (*meaning similar to the Grecian Empire*) which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet; And of the **ten horns** that were in his **head**, and of the other (**little horn**) which came up, and before whom three fell (*the 3 Germanic tribes: the Vandals, Heruli, and the Ostrogoths*); even of that horn (**the little horn**) that had **eyes**, and a **mouth that spake very great things**, whose look was more **stout** (#7227:*captain, chief, great, lord, master*) than his fellows. I beheld, and the same horn (**the little horn**) made war with the saints and **prevailed** against them; (*prevailed: Historians claim the Church of Rome destroyed at least 50 million people over matters of religious conviction*) Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

*The little horn has all of the attributes of the Papacy ruling the Holy Roman Empire and world power through the Church of Rome.*

Dan 7:23~28 Thus he said, The **fourth beast** shall be **the fourth kingdom upon earth**, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour **the whole earth**, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. (*Breaking into pieces is the legacy of the Roman Empire creating individual countries, most today enrolled in a global market*). And the **ten horns** out of this kingdom are **ten kings** that shall arise: and **another shall rise after them**; (*meaning AFTER the 10*) and he shall be **diverse from the first** (*meaning different, ruling through*

religion), and he shall **subdue three kings**. (*The 3 Germanic tribes: the Vandals, Heruli, and the Ostrogoths, destroyed by the hand of the Papacy ruling over the 4<sup>th</sup> beast power starting in the 5<sup>th</sup> century*).

And he shall speak great words **against the most High**, (*I am the Vicar of Christ*) and shall **wear out the saints** of the most High, and think to **change times and laws** (*changing the Sabbath to Sunday, time of Yah's Feasts, the law of Grace, etc...*): and **they** (*meaning the saints of the most High*) shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

*The three early conquests of the the little horn of this final beast power are noted as being:*

**Ostrogoth:** *a tribe of the easterly division of the Goths which maintained a monarchy in Italy 493AD~555AD. From the Goths derives the gothic decor of demonic creatures.*

**Vandals:** *a tribe of Germanic people which in the 5<sup>th</sup> century ravaged Gaul and Spain then settled in Africa and in 455AD sacked Rome. From the Vandals derives the word vandalism: one that willfully attacks or mars anything beautiful or valuable.*

**Heruli:** *hired as mercenaries in the Roman Empire with their heydays lasting 300 years from 268 – 568 AD.*

*Once again the reference to time, times and a half of times could refer to 3½ years, or 42 months, or 1260 days, the time frame that this last horn rules over the saints. Perchance this 3½ time frame could also refer to 1260 years! Scripture says that the saints will be given into this little horn's hand until a time and times and the dividing of time. From the time the Papacy starts ruling around 538 A.D. until the time it receives its deadly wound afflicted in 1798 by Napoleon, 1260 years would have elapsed... perchance time, times and a half of times? These suppositions will be further discussed.*

Dan 7:26~28 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end. And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of **the saints of the most High**, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him. Hitherto is the end of the matter. As for me

Daniel, my cogitations much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart.

*Compare the similarities seen in Daniel with Revelation starting in:*

Rev 13:1~2 And I stood upon the **sand of the sea**, and saw a **beast rise up out of the sea**, having **seven heads** and **ten horns**, and upon his horns **ten crowns**, and upon his heads **the name of blasphemy**. And the beast which I saw was like unto a **leopard**, and his feet were as the feet of a **bear**, and his mouth as the mouth of a **lion**: and the **dragon** gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

*Could this be the same fourth beast seen in a vision as **Rome** in the Book of Daniel having 7 heads and 10 horns? This beast's description referring to the Roman Empire is likened to a leopard which represents the Grecian Empire that preceded it. Also like the bear representing the Medes and Persian Empire, then concluding with the lion known as the first empire of Babylonia. Each empire builds upon the other to form the last, The Roman Empire, and that climaxes with the **little horn** forming The Holy Roman Empire.*

Rev 13:3 And I saw **one of his heads** as it were **wounded to death**; and his **deadly wound was healed**: and all the world wondered after the beast.

*At the time of this final beast, referring to Rome, there is no other beast present. Each empire or beast historically building upon one another make up a total of 7 heads, beginning with the Babylonian #1, then the Medes / Persian #2, followed by the Grecian with **four heads** #3, #4, #5, and #6 and concluding with the Roman Empire #7. Thus each empire proceeds one after the other, none were simultaneously ruling. If that is the case, Rome becomes the final head of the seven headed beast, the culmination of all the heads into one.*

*John is standing upon the **sand of the sea**, and sees a **beast rise up out of the sea** having **seven heads** and **ten horns**, and upon his horns **ten crowns**, and upon his heads **the name of blasphemy**. This beast is Rome the seventh head, like a **dragon**, with 10 horns and 10 crowns, consisting of the Vandals, Heruli, Ostrogoths-3 Germanic tribes that were later destroyed and the Visigoths-Spain, Franks-France, Anglo Saxons-Britain, Suevi-Portugal, Burundians-Switzerland, Lombards-*

*Italy and Alemanni-Germany, which make up the 10 horns with 10 crowns.*

*In Rev 13:3 John sees one of **HIS** heads, referring to Rome's heads or horns as it were, wounded to death. If Rome is the last beast or head, no other heads are to follow. But this verse says one of **HIS heads**, which must be referring to one of its 10 horns, is wounded to death. Remember, that during the time of the 10 horns there was another **little horn** that came up that was stouter than the others which removed 3 of the first horns. This **little horn** was the leading horn and the 8<sup>th</sup> horn of the last beast. And it was this **little horn** that is seen speaking blasphemy in the Book of Daniel, Chapter 7.*

*This **little horn** as previously stated was the Papacy that started ruling through the Holy Roman Empire around 538 A.D. and dominated through its ruler-ship until a deadly wound was afflicted in 1798 by Napoleon, the ruler of France, who refused papal control over his country. Napoleon besieged Italy captured the Pope, imprisoned him where he died, ending papal power, a time span consisting of 1260 years or "time, times and a half of times."*

*Rev 13:4~5 And they (the world) **worshipped the dragon** which gave power unto the beast: and they **worshipped the beast**, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him? And there was given unto him a **mouth speaking great things and blasphemies**; and power was given unto him **to continue forty and two months**.*

*John tells us that they, referring to the world, worshipped the **dragon**. In verse 2 it said, "The **dragon**, (referring to **Satan**) gave **him** (the beast, the Papacy) his power, and his seat, with great authority". **And they** (meaning the people) **worshipped the beast**.*

*The definition of the **Papacy** in the Roman Catholic Church is: The office, dignity, or jurisdiction of the pope, the system of ecclesiastical government in which the pope is recognized as the **Supreme Head**. The Supreme Head is not only of the religious world, but through religious control, ruling the entire world.*

*Please understand what is being worshipped. It is "**The System**" of the beast that is being honored, revered, worshipped, the false system of ...**Paganism**. Satan has shown through his actions that he is not a*

respector of persons. He recruits Protestants, Baptists or Roman Catholics; whether Buddhists, Hindus, Muslims or Jews as long as they worship him (**False Religious Worship**) in error. Satan is the creator of a false religion through his beast, the counterfeit ruling power of its time. Look around; scrutinize the world that honors Satan with his false day of worship as well as his lawlessness, his works of the flesh as stated in Gal 5:19~21. If humankind refuses to live according to Yah's way, then it's never the right way, and anyone following such a system does so in error.

The word **worship** is Strong's #4352. Proskunew: means to kiss, like a dog licking his master's hand; to fawn or crouch, to prostrate oneself in homage, do reverence to, adore.

John previously told us before that after he saw "**one of the beast's heads or horns** (referring to the little horn) as it were "**wounded to death**", he then saw "**his deadly wound was healed.**" Sometime after his deadly wound is healed "there was given unto him a **mouth speaking great things and blasphemies**, and power was given unto him **to continue forty and two months.**" John tells that one event follows the other, **but** the length of time between events is not given. There is no reference that one event immediately follows the other.

Note that the little horn was to **continue 42 months**, referring to the fact that he was already there and now was given an additional 42 months = 3½ years = 1260 days. This is the same time that the Gentiles are to tread upon the Holy city at the end time, and the same time that the two witnesses are to prophecy as stated previously in Chapter 11.

Rev 11:2~3 But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the **Gentiles**: and the holy city shall they tread under foot **forty and two months**. And I will give power unto my **two witnesses**, and they shall prophesy a **thousand two hundred and threescore days** clothed in sackcloth.

Rev 13:6~10 And he opened his mouth in **blasphemy against God**, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. And it was given unto him **to make war with the saints**, and to **overcome them**: and power was given him **over all** kindreds, and tongues, and nations. And **all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him**, whose names are not written in the book of life of the

Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. If any man have an ear, let him hear. He that **leadeth into captivity** shall go into captivity: he that **killeth with the sword** must be killed with the sword. **Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.**

*Once again this beast opens his mouth and blasphemes Yah, as the little horn did in the book of Daniel. This beast makes war on the saints and **overcomes, prevails over** them, as was stated. But notice that he is not just ruling over the saints, but upon **all** kindred's, tongues and nations.... **all** that dwell upon the earth shall worship him. Remember that to **Worship... is to follow**, honoring that which is being set forth. Mainline Christian world religion among others is essentially a paganistic system replicating the former idolatry of Babylon, Grecian and Roman deities. If people are following such a system, they are worshipping it, showing by their action their true nature.*

*A revealing note to the saints of Yah is given in verse 10: "**Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.**" He that is **led into captivity** shall go into captivity, and he that **kills with the sword** (meaning fights back) must be killed with the sword. Why is such a message given? In Rev 6:9~11 prior to Christ's return and during the two witnesses' prophecy at the end of the last beast's rule, the martyrdom of the saints occurs. But not all are to be killed for **their faith**. There are the 144,000 that remain and are witnesses to the world showing there is a difference between worshipping Yah verses worshipping the beast and having his mark. They will face the hardest pressure to stand firm in **their faith** by putting their lives in Yah's hands. I believe this message is reserved for them.*

*This beast powered by Satan is present to the end. It is not the only power seen at the end time also powered by Satan. The beast, often disguised as a minister of light, is the ruling power over the people controlling them. This does not mean it is a world dominating empire, but the behind-the-scenes-system orchestrating world governments controlling the people to live as they do. Today one sees a world dominated by trade, money, wealth and greed through the constant merchandising of each other. And who is to blame?*

Ezk 28:11~19 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Son of man, take up a lamentation upon the king of Tyrus, and say unto

him, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Thou sealest up the sum, **full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty**. Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou **wast created**. Thou art the **anointed cherub** that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. **Thou wast perfect** in thy ways from the day that thou **wast created, till iniquity was found in thee**. By the multitude of thy **merchandise** they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire. Thine heart was lifted up because of **thy beauty**, thou hast **corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness**: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee. Thou hast **defiled thy sanctuaries** by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy **traffick**; therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee. All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terror, and never shalt thou be any more.

*Realize it is this system that promotes paganism with its many holidays with the world's people merchandising each other. Who is controlling this? None other than Satan with his obsessed agenda to gain the honor he feels that is due himself as stated in the Book of Isaiah.*

Isa 14:13~14 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the **mount of the congregation**, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; **I will be like the most High**.

*Satan's obsession is to be worshipped as God. Yah has bestowed upon mankind the same characteristic perhaps as a test to refinement in that we by cherishing ourselves deceive ourselves with such self praise. We are truly honoring Satan's system by following the world's false beliefs, worshipping its author...Satan.*

Rev 13:11 And I beheld **another beast** coming up **out of the earth**; and he had **two horns like a lamb**, and he spake as a dragon.

*Chapter 13:1 opens with John standing upon a beach by the sea seeing a **beast rise up out of the sea** which refers to **peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues**. Then John sees another beast coming up out of the earth. If the first beast came from the sea, sea referring to people, then this second beast from the earth would refer to a place void of the sea. The earth, void of the sea, would reference a lack of people in which this beast rises. Concurrently, as the last beast existed, namely "The Holy Roman Empire" including the seven horns and the 8<sup>th</sup> **little horn**, "The Papacy," there was the "**New World**," a vast land mass nearly void of people, none other than **North America**, now providing the setting for this second beast to rise.*

*To review: At the end of the seventh head...being Rome which had 10 horns, there was a **little horn** that started its rule and plucked up 3 last horns. This being the 8<sup>th</sup> horn of that last head, the Papacy, which also persecuted the saints. From the time the Papacy started around 538 A.D. until the time of its deadly wound afflicted by Napoleon in 1798, spanned 1260 years or time, times and a half of times in years.*

*It would be about 1798 when the Papacy was given its deadly wound, that this next beast arises from the earth in the likeness of the first. In 1776 America became a nation from a place that had indigenous peoples yet was very sparsely populated with Europeans, the latter similar in population types from which the first beast rises. The nation is formed with the intent of religious freedom. What proceeds is a nation based on religious freedom, yet mimicking a format, now called reformed Christianity, going by the names of Protestant (meaning protesting), Baptist, Methodist, and Lutherans, etc...all copies of the mother church of Rome. The nation arises and sets its government in the likeness of the Church of Rome having a president similar to the Papacy and having **two horns like a lamb**. The two horns on the head of this beast represent rulers, the two houses of representation composed of rulers elected by the people called **The Congress** consisting of the **Senate** and the **House of Representatives**. This form of government mirrors that of the Romans when Caesar, as emperor, presided over the Roman Senate in a similar manner as the Pope sits over Cardinals and Bishops presiding in countries descended from the Holy Roman Empire. And as the first beast mentioned in Dan 7:23*



would tread it down and break it into pieces, thus the United States in the same manner became administratively broken into many individual states.

*Proceeding further into Revelation will show the dragon, literally Satan, being mentioned and the beast, swayed by the Papacy, once again speaking as if it were a ruling religious power over humankind while this new beast, coming from the earth, called the **false prophet** deceives the world at the end time.*

Rev 16: 13 And I saw **three unclean spirits** like frogs come out of the mouth of the **dragon**, and out of the mouth of the **beast**, and out of the mouth of the **false prophet**.

Rev 19: 20 And the **beast** was taken, and with him the **false prophet** that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the **mark of the beast**, and them that **worshipped his image**. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

Rev 13:12 And he (*referring to the false prophet that rises out of the earth*) exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to **worship** the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

*A nation is shown arising that mimics the first beast with its pagan system of false religion. This nation grows in its error with manifestations such as vivid elaborations of the autumn and winter solstice, adding Santa Claus and Halloween, making pagan festivals national holidays in oneness with the system. Ironically, the Constitution of the United States preaches separation of church and state, yet boasts of a national cathedral to Christendom extolling paganism as its founding father. Did you ever notice that our capital building strongly resembles the Vatican in Rome? The Washington monument, one of the world's tallest obelisks, looks nearly identical to one brought from Egypt standing in Saint Peter's square in front of the Vatican. Rome is overrun with monuments to worship emperors like Caesar, as well as triumphal arches, columns, statues, tombs, altars, temples, Capitoline Hill, Campus Martius, etc... extensive, but all are pagan. In the same tradition, the United States honors its great men such as Washington, Lincoln, Jefferson and the like...emperor worship!*

*Nothing has changed, it's the same game, but the players are sharper!!! Washington, seat of American government, dominates the whole world into living this false system of paganism, promoting its agenda while being the world's policeman!*

*Please see appendix: **The False Prophet rising from the earth made in the image of the Beast and Comparisons of the Beast and the False Prophet.***

*Note what is said in verse 12: "he exercised all the power of the first beast (meaning the Holy Roman Empire led by the Papacy) before him, and caused the earth and them which dwell therein to **worship** the first beast (with its paganistic system of worship), who's deadly wound was healed. We must admit the world stops working but for one day, Sunday with banking halted and the like, for it's the world's day, a corrupt "day of rest" set by humans, not Yah's Sabbath day, the seventh day of the week, Saturday. So who changed the day of rest...the Papacy and who enforces it to this day...the false prophet!*

*Rev 13:13~14 And he (the false prophet that rises out of the earth) doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, (such as a rocket...America is the only nation to drop two nuclear bombs.) And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast (referring to the world;) saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an **image to the beast**, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.*

*And what would that **image** (meaning look alike) be of the beast that identifies itself as the **little horn**, the **Papacy** the ruler of humanity's morals and world power that rose from the remains of the Roman Empire? What is made in the same likeness as the Vatican with the same idols such as the obelisk standing in front of its throne? The painted image in the dome of the capital building depicting Washington surrounded by angels governing the people mimicking the same depiction in the Vatican in Rome with Christ surrounded by angels watching over mankind. This describes none other than **America**...the image of the beast! And what is the sign of this image, or **mark** that tells all the earth "who" is speaking? **Paganism** and its day of worship...**Sunday!** When one speaks of Sunday, they are speaking of Christendom...**modern paganism**. It was paganism that both the*

**“Beast”** and his image **“The False Prophet”** are preaching and their mark is **Sunday**. Whether one religiously adheres to it or tacitly acknowledges it, it has the same weight of disobedience. The nation of America was based on “in God we trust.” There is no other nation besides the USA and the city state of the Vatican that outwardly declare its national allegiance to God. There are no other nations that sit in the UN that pledge their foundation to God but these two, and unfortunately these are pledging to the god of this world...Satan.

Another sign of the pagan belief system is corrupted liberalism that declares that all types of diverse thought are morally acceptable in the pursuit of religious freedom. The Constitution of the United States has risen to exalted prominence with civil rights becoming sacrosanct, trumping Biblical teachings that formally formed the basis for the American way of life. We have one of the largest idols in the world set up to honor this mind set and the nation that promotes its agenda...the Statue of Liberty.

Please see appendix: **Roman Goddess Libertas and Connecting Libertas / Ishtar to the Statue of Liberty.**

Rev 13:15 And he (*Satan*) had power to give life unto the **image of the beast**, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

The word **image** – Strong’s #1504 *i-kone'* means: a likeness, faintness as a copy; to resemble: be like (literally) statue, profile, or (figuratively) representation, resemblance.

Earlier in history the crusades powered by the beast, the Church of Rome, forced all to follow the ways of the Papacy, ruling over nations, kings and people. Spanish and English invasions, as well as other conquests in every part of the world masked under the name of Christianity were in essence motivated by greed for treasure. The image of the beast refers to its sister’s look alike, main line Christendom, made in its likeness which now has become the ruling power over the world through the **“false prophet,”** the beast out of the earth...**America.**

As the whore, **pagan religion**, rides the back of the **beast**, The Holy Roman Empire, descended from Rome, including the little horn, the

*Papacy, that invaded every nation in the name of God, the **false prophet**, America, also has riding on its back its look alike pagan counterfeit, **Christendom**. No other nation but America has assaulted every part of the world with its outreach message of Christianity carried by its look alike counterfeit daughters of the harlot, namely the Protestants, Baptists, Roman Catholics, Methodists, Lutherans, Mormons, Jehovah Witnesses and the like.*

*Note: The 5<sup>th</sup> seal of Revelation, Chapter 6, shows the beast power ruling for the last 3½ years, 42 months or 1260 days before Christ's return. During this time there is a persecution of the saints who refuse to take the mark of the beast...Sunday observance. Conforming to Sunday credits Satan as owning that day with its power of observance that causes all to assign that day as the day of rest.*

*The **SABBATH ALWAYS** refers to Yah's holyday, not Friday or Sunday, but the seventh day...the Sabbath.*

Rev 13:16~18 And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to **receive a mark** in their right **hand**, or in their **foreheads**: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had **the mark**, or the **name of the beast**, or the **number of his name**. Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.

*So what is the message here? Scripture says that all receive "**the mark**" in the hand or the forehead. What is the **mark of the beast** that tells all who is being **worshipped**? **Worship** is also the mark that sets one as an enemy of Yah and a friend of Satan's...for whom one **worships** with time, money and effort...one's devoted actions display one's god.*

*The "hand" refers to physical work, meaning labor and the "forehead" refers to knowing or acknowledging its authority. Notice some of the clues: One doesn't have to observe Sunday as a day of worship to have its mark upon them. One needs only to acknowledge its position while going about one's life....perchance just dropping by on the winter's solstice relabeled Christ's birth or on the feast of Estar (Easter), the goddess of fertility, or just acknowledging Sunday (named after the sun god) as the day of rest. Whether one goes to a pagan*

*temple (a church building) to worship on that day or just observe its customs, such as Christmas, your action means the same to Yah, you are what you do! You could also receive the **name of the beast**, or the **number of his name** affiliated with the beast power by worshipping the system or by working to serve the system (government), doing its bidding in a political system that pushes its agenda to rule the world through its power over the people.*

*Earlier it was said that the image was in the likeness of the beast, the Papacy, ruling by its control over the world. That beast's image would be America. The mark of the beast and its pagan belief system is **Sunday**. The number of its name would refer to the old Roman system of government transforming its political system into one masquerading as a democracy promoting worldwide merchandising for financial gain, elevating every pagan holiday at your expense.*



## **Revelation Chapter 14**

*Please note again that Chapters 10 through 14 are inserts in the Revelation story time line providing valid witnesses for the cause of the judgment to come. Before condemning a wrong and applying punishment, two or more witnesses are required to convict the evildoer of sin. Chapter 13 and others provide justification for the wrath to come.*

*In the beginning of Chapter 11, John was in a vision on the Lord's Day seeing Yahshua's return. He was also shown things to occur in the **hereafter**, meaning future in time, after the Day of the Lord's return. Proceeding into Chapter 11, an angel tells him to "**rise**." John is then taken to a **different time**, prior to the the wrath of Yah, before the Lord's return. Note that John in Chapters 12 and 13 had not moved from that position in time prior to the Day of the Lord. All these events occurred before the Day of the Lord associated with Rev 6:12, (the 6<sup>th</sup> seal).*

*In Chapter 14, Yahshua is seen on Mount Zion with those redeemed from the earth, an event that follows right after the Lord's Day, at the beginning of the wrath of Yah.*

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

*These are the same 144,000 that were sealed in Chapter 7:4, "And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed one hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel" with the Father's name on their foreheads. These are sealed from the wrath of Yah that is to come to punish the nations for their evil doings. They were the witnesses to the world as Yah chooses to differentiate His chosen...righteous versus lawless, evil.*

Rev 14:2~5 And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the **hundred and forty and four thousand**, which were **redeemed** from the earth. These are they which

were not **defiled with women**; for they are **virgins**. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the **firstfruits** unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found **no guile**: for they are **without fault** before the throne of God.

*Once again the 144,000 are a select group **redeemed** at the time of Yahshua's coming. They alone are able to learn and sing as it were a new song before His throne. The above verses state that they were "**not defiled by woman; for they are virgins**" which could have two connotations.*

*This first speaks of "**physical**" virgins **not defiled**, as first fruits, which have not defiled themselves with relationships with a "**woman**." This would include fornication, marriage and adultery.*

*The uses of the word "**virgin**" – Strong's # 3933 par-then'-os; means a maiden, by implication, an unmarried daughter. This could then be interpreted as one in a physical relationship with another, a topic not likely on the mind of Yahshua at this crucial moment in time!*

*The second view would combine a physical and spiritual relationship with this **woman**. A woman in the Bible is often symbolically a religion, meaning, worship. The woman is seen both as a faithful wife as in Proverbs 31 and also as an unfaithful wife at times, called a harlot or whore. The woman is the other partner in an intimate relationship of love, consummated in marriage.*

*The woman referred to in Rev 14:4 is a defiled woman symbolizing her role as a harlot or whore as "**false religion**." This is confirmed in Rev 17:1~6 that describes a great whore sitting upon many waters, referring to people, arrayed in purple and scarlet color, having a cup full of abominations and filthy from her fornication. Remember, fornication is an unlawful physical relationship outside of marriage, truly not being a virgin.*

*The 144,000 are **redeemed** from the earth, seen as **not defiled with women**, found with **no guile**, meaning did not decoy, trick (bait), or were deceitful, for they are **without fault** before the throne of Yah. They have not been tainted by false religion. So a virgin **first fruit** would be one that has never defiled him or herself with false religion*



who is living **“The Way”** as well as being physically pure according to the law. Picture if you will a 144,000 out of approximately 7 billion people on the earth... not many virgins *“in the way.”*

Rev 14:6~8 And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; **for the hour of his judgment is come:** and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters. And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, **because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.**

*To review time wise where we are in this prophecy at the moment: Initially John is in a vision on the Lord's Day seeing Yahshua's return. He is told to write the things which he **“Has Seen”**...meaning those present events shown to him, and the things which **“Are”**...meaning past the condition of the seven churches, and the things which shall be **“Hereafter”**...meaning future after the Day of the Lord. From there **“a door was opened in heaven”** to him in Rev 4:1 and he is shown the opening of the seven seals, with the sixth seal being **the Day of the Lord**. After that, we read of the sealing of the 144,000 **first fruits** that will witness the event to come and also be witnesses to the world showing that Yah does make a distinction between His righteous ones and those who are lawless not heeding Yah's law. As the seventh seal is opened, John is shown seven trumpet blasts which are the last warning signs **“to repent”** given to the world.*

*At the end of the sixth trumpet blast in Rev 9:13~21, the story line is stopped to introduce the two witnesses. As Chapter 11 starts, an angel tells John to **“rise.”** John is taken to a **different time**, prior to the wrath of Yah, before the Lord's return. As we read, Chapters 11, 12 & 13 collectively provide the valid witnesses needed before His judgment. Chapter 14 opens with Yahshua standing on Mount Zion with the 144,000 having his Father's name written on their foreheads. They have not been changed as of yet, but have gathered to Mount Zion with Him to await seeing His judgment upon the world as stated in Rev 10: 7: *“ But in the days when the seventh angel's voice shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as He declared to his servants the prophets.”* The witness of mankind's sin has been shown and now the judgment begins. These events continue in:*

Rev 14:7~8 Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; **for the hour of his judgment is come:** And there followed another angel, saying, **Babylon is fallen**, is fallen, that **great city**, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her **fornication**.

*Babylon is symbolic of false religion as the woman feeding the nations with her fornication that brings about this wrath. **Fornication** – Strong’s #4202 por-ni'-ah, means harlotry, including adultery and incest, figuratively idolatry. This system of false religion denoting worshipping a false God or worshipping Yah falsely is called fornication. Fornication is having a relationship outside the marriage covenant between man and wife. In the same manner, when engaging in a sinful relationship outside our covenant with our Creator, Yah, as we are indulging in false religion, we are committing fornication.*

*It is also called **idolatry** # 1495 i-do-lol-at-ri'-ah, meaning; image-worship, literally or figuratively; an image for worship, an idol. And #2999 lat-ri'-ah; ministration of God, worship: divine service, render religious homage: serve, do the service, worship (-per).*

*So this Babylonian system involves the **worship of and ministry of false religion**. Satan could care less if one practices Catholicism or any of its sister religions for they are all authored by him, the **“father of lies.”** Whether it is Buddhism, Muslim, or Hinduism...it is from Satan, including the corrupted truth followed by Israel known as Judaism. It’s all false religion which means an organized form of worship whose followers are engaged in satanic worship.*

*Who is that great city trying to gather all under its power of false religion, bending its beliefs so all can fit itself under its umbrella? And who is trying to set up its new headquarters in Jerusalem... none other than the rise of the Holy Roman Empire (world governmental amoral system) arising from the Roman Empire led by the Papacy, the beast. And who is promoting in this end time the “I’m ok, you’re ok” attitude... none other than its look alike false prophet which comes out of the earth, America! Through its amoral teachings that promote a global market for gain, America is merchandising at the expense of morals. Wealth, wealth at all costs; I must have more “toys.”*

*In ancient times the ruling systems, such as Babylon, Medes- Persia, Greece and Rome, combined ruler-ship of empire with that of the*

*religion. There was no separation of church and state; they were one in the same. This arrangement was true when the Kings of England and the Church of England ruled as one entity. The United States boasts itself as having separation of church and state, but looking closely reveals a different story. One finds the state dictating the religion...Sunday worship and the holidays associated with pagan religion, such as Christmas and Easter. The national cathedral in Washington decorated with pagan gargoyles also houses the tomb of President Grant. Each part plays upon the other to control the masses in order to merchandise them for profit.*

*This new system of the influence through the Holy Roman Empire sets itself up in the Holy City which will control the world at the time of Yahshua's return. Powered from the beast of the earth and enforced by America, the false prophet will dictate all to conform to this false religion for world control, but only for a short time...3½ years.*

Rev 14:9~12 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man **worship the beast and his image**, and receive **his mark** in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no **rest day** nor night, who **worship the beast and his image**, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name. Here is the **patience of the saints**: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus before the Day of the Lord.

*Again, the beast represents the Holy Roman Empire living through its remaining horns with the last horn, "the little horn or eighth horn" being the Papacy. By its power the Papacy ruled the world until its deadly wound was inflicted in 1798 by Napoleon. At that time, America starting in 1776 becomes a great nation "**made in the image of this beast.**" America, powered through its two horns, the two houses of congress, governs in the image of the beast, coupled with the now liberated sister churches from the Reformation both setting up the ideal environment for mainline Christendom to flourish.*

*And what is the **mark** of the beast identifying itself as the **little horn** that rose from the remains of the Roman Empire...the Papacy? What is*

*the mark of its look-alike image, the false prophet...America? This mark telling all the earth who is speaking, is none other than pagan sun worship...**Sunday!** When one speaks of Sunday, one speaks of paganism. It was paganism that the beast of Rome was and is preaching, and it's paganism that its modern image, Christendom is preaching...and its duplicate mark is **Sunday**. Whether one adheres to or just acknowledges Sunday worship, it's the same as actively participating in its worship. Take note of the clues Yah is giving us in this passage: The first part is a warning to those that **worship** the beast being the last of the Roman Empire, the Papacy and its **image** being the false prophet, America.*

*The word **worship** is Strong's #4352. Proskunew: meaning to kiss, like a dog licking his master's hand; to fawn or crouch, to prostrate oneself in homage, do reverence to, adore.*

*Yah's judgment is about to happen on those that are on earth, on those that worship the beast...the Holy Roman Empire's **False Religion** and on those that worship his image...America's **Christendom** with its message of **Liberal permissiveness** conveying: I'm good with everything as long as I can do as I please.*

Rev 14:11 "they have no **rest day** nor night, who **worship the beast and his image**, and whosoever receiveth the **mark** of his name".

*Notice the significance of the word "**rest day**." They do not have the **rest day**, referring to the **Sabbath day of rest**, reserved by Yah. The beast and his image don't have this day for only the Sabbath day, (Saturday, the seventh day of the week) has been **hallowed by Yah** as a day of rest for humankind and no other.*

*Continuing, verse 12 states: "Here is found the **patience of the saints** that keep the commandments of Yah and the faith of Yahshua." This is "**the sign**" our Creator gave us that we are His, the Sabbath observance and the fulfilling of His commandments Ex 31:12~17.*

Ex 31:12-17 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep: **for it is a sign between me and you** throughout your generations; that ye may know **that I am the LORD that doth sanctify you**. Ye shall keep the sabbath therefore; for it is holy unto

you: every one that defileth it shall surely be put to death: for whosoever doeth any work therein, that soul shall be **cut off** from among his people. Six days may work be done; but in the seventh is the sabbath of rest, holy to the LORD: whosoever doeth any work in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death. Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the sabbath, to observe the sabbath throughout their generations, for a **perpetual covenant. It is a sign between me and the children of Israel for ever:** for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and **on the seventh day he rested**, and was refreshed.

*The Sabbath rest day is what separates us from the world; this is what we are told to purposefully observe regardless of circumstances. We are pursuing to be grafted into and becoming one with the family of those called and chosen. Remember, it's through tribulations that produce patience, and patience, experience and experience, hope: Ro 5:1~5.*

Rev 14:13~16 And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, **Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth** (*meaning; from now, already*): Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may **rest** from their labours; and their **works** do follow them. And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe. And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped.

*This is the culmination, the end time separating the wheat from the tares: The gathering of the called to His side by the fulfillment of the 5<sup>th</sup> seal of Revelation, Chapter 6. These are blessed in their death, given reward for their labor, “**their works**,” followed by **salvation forever!!!***

Rev 14:17~20 And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle. And another angel came out from the altar, which had **power over fire**; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe. And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the

earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God outside the city. And the winepress was trodden without the city, (Armageddon) and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs.

*We have been waiting patiently to see the ultimate outcome of those that forsake Yah's truth. Though revenge is touted as sweet, it is sour to the stomach, yet their time has come.*

*Notice the similarities of those that had been called to those here that are gathered to present themselves before Yahshua. These also are called, but to a different supper. The chosen of Christ will be called to sup with Him at the wedding banquet. Yet these are not called to eat well at a feast, but to be feasted upon!*

*"It's better to be called to a feast, than to be the feast!"*

*One's situation at the table is dependent on his or her doing. It's up to us to choose life over death, blessing over cursing...all according to our works...**the actions of our belief.***

## **Revelation Chapter 15**

*The story line of Revelation continues. The seventh trumpet was about to sound in Rev 10:1~7. As stated in verse 7: “But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, **the mystery of God (Yah) should be finished**, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.”*

*For review, as previously stated, the vision time line from the end of Rev 10 to the beginning of Rev 15 is interrupted for the reason of showing and explaining to mankind the cause of His wrath to come. Chapters 11 through 14 are inserts into the Revelation time line providing valid witnesses justifying the cause of the judgment to come. Scripture states that before condemning a wrong and applying punishment, two or more witnesses are required to convict the evildoer of his sin. These become the witnesses for the cause of the wrath upon mankind.*

*Note that John was told to “**rise**” and go with the angel to see the cause of this wrath in Rev 11:1~. He had not moved from that position in time prior to the Day of the Lord as explained in Chapters 11,12, 13 and 14...**all these events occurred before the Day of The Lord as noted in time by the actions of the sixth seal in Rev 6:12**. Now action returns to where the seventh trumpet is about to sound.*

*An internal event now happening should be recalled. As read in Rev 6 regarding the seals, Yahshua stops the story line after the 6<sup>th</sup> seal at the end of Chapter 6. As Chapter 7 opens, He introduces the 144,000 that are to be sealed from the wrath to come before commencing with the 7<sup>th</sup> seal in Chapter 8. Note there is a break between the 6<sup>th</sup> seal and the opening of the 7<sup>th</sup> seal to mark His witnesses of righteousness...the 144,000 before the wrath of revenge. Presently, Satan has marked his followers, as does Yahshua.*

*Similarly as we proceeded further and have gone through the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 6<sup>th</sup> trumpets in Rev 8&9, Yahshua stops the story line again at the end of the 6<sup>th</sup> trumpet blast to reveal His messengers, the two witnesses, and the cause for the wrath of revenge before proceeding with the 7<sup>th</sup> trumpet blast at the end of Rev 15, beginning of Rev 16. Not likely a blunder from Him that lives by the law. I again mention the law, for to accuse someone of a sin which has the penalty of death by the law one*

*must have a clear conscience, meaning that one would assuredly have exhausted all the legal means that could have been done according to the law of Yah, before pronouncing judgment.*

Rev15:1 And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, seven angels having the **seven last plagues**; for in them is filled up the wrath of God.

*Seven last plagues are revealed from the angel with the 7<sup>th</sup> trumpet. This is similar to the seven trumpets that were seen proceeding from the opening of the 7<sup>th</sup> seal in Rev 8:1~. With these seven last plagues the wrath of Yah is filled. The word **filled** –Strong’s #5056 meaning to end, complete, execute, conclude, discharge a debt, accomplish, make an end, expire, finish, go over, pay, perform...or to paraphrase... **it’s all over.***

Rev 15:2~4 And I saw as it were a **sea of glass mingled with fire**: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.

*The sea of glass represents the saints that have overcome the beast. They are seen as a sea of glass, as being transparent, perchance as one would be if one were a spirit being. Notice the saints are mingled with fire which would represent refining by trials. Those trials came from the beast over which they gained victory by not succumbing to his **image or mark or the number of his name.***

*Rev 13 stated earlier that his image was in the likeness of the beast, the Holy Roman Empire directed by the Papacy, that ruled and rules by its control over the world. The image that is made in the beast’s likeness would be America, the mark of the beast and its pagan belief system of Sunday Worship. The number of its name would refer to the Roman Empire along with the Greek whose foundations influenced the development of America’s political system, democracy, which promotes the world into merchandising with her for gain, promoted by pagan holiday after pagan holiday.*

Rev 15:3~4 And they sing the **song of Moses** the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints.



Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for thou only art holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest.

*The Song of Moses is recorded in Exodus, Chapter 15 after Yah brought His called out people through the Red Sea, redeeming them from a life dominated by sin in Egypt. As you read it, note the similarities of victory over the ruling oppressor.*

Ex 15: 1~21 Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously: **the horse and his rider** hath he thrown into the sea. The LORD is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he is my God, and I will prepare him an habitation; my father's God, and I will exalt him. The LORD is a man of war: the LORD is his name. Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath **he cast into the sea**: his chosen captains also are drowned in the Red sea. The depths have covered them: they sank into the bottom as a stone. Thy right hand, O LORD, is become glorious in power: thy right hand, O LORD, hath dashed in pieces the enemy. And in the greatness of thine excellency thou hast overthrown them that rose up against thee: **thou sentest forth thy wrath**, which consumed them as stubble. And with the blast of thy nostrils the waters were gathered together, the floods stood upright as an heap, and the depths were congealed in the heart of the sea. The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil; my lust shall be satisfied upon them; I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them. Thou didst blow with thy wind, the sea covered them: they sank as lead in the mighty waters. Who is like unto thee, O LORD, among the gods? who is like thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders? Thou stretchedst out thy right hand, the earth swallowed them. **Thou in thy mercy hast led forth the people which thou hast redeemed** (*the 144,000 led out of His wrath to Jerusalem, Mount of Olives*): thou hast guided them in thy strength unto **thy holy habitation** (*Jerusalem*). The people shall hear, and be afraid: sorrow shall take hold on the inhabitants of Palestina. Then the dukes of Edom shall be amazed; the mighty men of Moab, trembling shall take hold upon them; all the inhabitants of Canaan shall melt away. Fear and dread shall fall upon them; by the greatness of thine arm they shall be as still as a stone; till thy people pass over, O LORD, till the people pass over, **which thou hast purchased** (*called-out ones*). Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of thine

inheritance, in the place, O LORD, which thou hast made for thee to dwell in, **in the Sanctuary**, O Lord, which thy hands have established. The LORD shall reign for ever and ever. For the horse of Pharaoh went in with his chariots and with his horsemen into the sea, and the LORD brought again the waters of the sea upon them; but the children of Israel went on dry land in the midst of the sea. And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand; and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances. And Miriam answered them, Sing ye to the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously; **the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.**

*The correlation between the “Song of Moses,” and Revelation 15:3~4: Satan in the Battle of Armageddon to Exodus 15: Pharaoh pursuing the Israelites is quite similar.*

Rev 15: 5~8 And after that I looked, and, behold, **the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened:** And the seven angels came out of the temple, having the **seven plagues**, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles. And one of the four beasts gave unto the seven angels **seven golden vials full of the wrath of God**, who liveth for ever and ever. And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; **and no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.**

*The seven plagues become the beginning of the last of Yah’s wrath upon humankind for the evil done on His earth. Yah has done everything possible to reveal truth and encourage us to change by the earlier punishment from the seven seals and the six trumpet blasts, yet humankind still refuses’ to repent!*

*Notice the statement that “no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled” would be inferring that as of this moment none have been redeemed and are with Him as spirit beings before His throne. The seven last plagues must be completed first before redemption occurs. This would also be the case for the 144,000 first fruit virgins that are about to see His final wrath descend upon humankind.*

*To summarize: As there is a break in the story time line at the end of the 6<sup>th</sup> seal with the marking of the 144,000 before the opening of the*

7<sup>th</sup> seal, there is also a break after the 6<sup>th</sup> trumpet blast with the marking of those that refuse to repent. The reason justifying the wrath to come upon mankind was given in Chapters 11, 12, 13, and 14. Even Chapter 15 follows suit providing the introduction to the final seven plagues.

*Again, the prophecy of Yah's final wrath halted in Rev 10 is now picked up here at the end of Rev 15 with Chapters 11, 12, 13 and 14 showing the cause before the effect of His wrath. As we read Rev 10:1~7, note the similarities and the final message given.*

Rev10:1~7 And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire: And he had in his hand a **little book open**: and he set his right foot upon the **sea**, and his left foot on the **earth**, And cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roareth: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices. And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not. And the angel which I saw stand upon the **sea** (*beast*) and upon the **earth** (*false prophet*) lifted up his hand to heaven, And swore by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, **that there should be time no longer**: But in the **days of the voice of the seventh angel**, when he shall begin to sound, **the mystery of God should be finished**, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

*The mystery of God is finished as he hath declared to his servants, the prophets (His messengers). “There shall be time no longer,” no reason to wait, all that are being called have been called, all that chose to repent have repented. Chapters 11 through 15 served to provide as witnesses given to humankind from Yah for the cause of His wrath on us contained in the “little book,” the Book of Revelation.*

*Continuing on, Chapter 16 relates this final wrath poured out upon His earth and its inhabitants.*



## Revelation Chapter 16

To review: The end of Rev 15:5~8 shows **“the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven being opened”** and the angel coming out with **seven golden vials full of the wrath of Yah**, which are the **seven last plagues upon mankind**. Also stated in these verses is that **“no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.”**

The seven plagues serve as the beginning of the last of Yah’s wrath upon mankind for the evil done on His earth. Yah has done everything possible to reveal truth and encourage us to change by the earlier warnings and punishments in the seven seals and the six trumpet blasts, yet mankind still refuses to repent.

Note once again Rev 15:8 states that **“no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.”** That would be telling us that as of this moment none have been redeemed and are with Him at His throne. The seven last plagues must be completed first before redemption occurs. This would also be the case for the 144,000 first fruit virgins that are about to see His wrath descend upon mankind.

As there was a break in the story time line at the end of the 6<sup>th</sup> seal with the marking of the 144,000 before the opening of the 7<sup>th</sup> seal, there is similarly a break after the 6<sup>th</sup> trumpet blast with the marking of those refusing to repent. The reason for the wrath to come upon humankind was given in Chapters 11, 12, 13 and 14. Even Chapter 15 follows suit providing the introduction to the final seven plagues.

Continuing, the prophecy of Yah’s wrath halted in Rev 10 is now picked up at the end of Rev 15. Rev 16 fulfills the final message formerly given in Rev 10:7: **“But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.”**

Rev 16:1~2 And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the **earth**. And **the first** went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a **noisome and grievous sore** upon the men which

had the **mark of the beast** and upon them which **worshipped his image**.

*The first vial poured upon the **earth** produces “**noisome and grievous sores**.” Note the similarities to the first trumpet blast in Rev 8:5~7: “And the angel took the censer and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast it into the earth and there were voices, and thundering, and lightning, and an earthquake. And the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound. The first angel sounded, and there followed **hail** and **fire** mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.” This time it is not the earth that is chastised but humankind.*

*Notice also those being affected by these “**noisome and grievous sores**” are those having the **mark of the beast** and those that **worship his image**. Earlier this study determined that the last of the seven headed beast was Rome with its 10 horns and seven crowns. The Roman Empire consisted of the conquest of the Vandals, Heruli, Ostrogoths-3 Germanic tribes than were later destroyed and the Visigoths-Spain, Franks-France, Anglo Saxons-Britain, Suevi-Portugal, Burundians-Switzerland, Lombards-Italy and Alemanni-Germany which collectively compose the 10 horns with 10 crowns. At that time a **little horn** (the Papacy) arises and plucks out 3 of the original horns, the 3 Germanic tribes, removing their crowns meaning their honor, not their people. This **little horn** now becomes the **eighth horn** of the seventh beast of Rome, the newly formed Holy Roman Empire. That **little horn** has been shown to be the Papacy speaking great words **against the Most High, blaspheming**, claiming to be the Vicar of Christ. He, the Papacy, morally directing the Holy Roman Empire is also **wearing out the saints** of the Most High, and **changing times and laws** (Sabbath to Sunday, time of Yah’s Feasts, the law of Grace) as stated in Dan 7:23~28.*

*The mark of the beast is **Sunday Worship**, which is the duplicate mark of the pagan religion it fosters throughout the world. Papal rule through the Holy Roman Empire as stated previously, was interrupted in 1798 by Napoleon who inflicted its deadly wound concurrent to America emerging in the world.*

*As was shown, this new power, America, arises and mimics the first beast made in its image with its pagan system of false religion. America continues to grow in error with vivid elaborations of the solstices adding Santa Claus and Halloween, etc...proclaiming all pagan observances national holidays being one with the system. Its capital building is in the image of the Vatican in Rome, as well as having the world's tallest obelisk resembling the one standing in Saint Peter's square in front of the Vatican. The image of the beast is Washington DC., American made in the likeness of the beast, the Holy Roman Empire, who has gotten vast areas of the world to live in this false system of paganism while assuming the role as the world's policeman just as Papal rule had done.*

**Worship** – Strong's #4352. *Proskunew meaning to kiss, like a dog licking his master's hand; to fawn or crouch to, (literally or figuratively) prostrate oneself in homage, do reverence to, adore.*

*AC Dictionary: Worship: paid homage to God or personage, or to any object, adorning reverence or regard; hero worship. Chiefly British: A title of honor used in addressing or mentioning certain magistrates and others of rank or station. To pay an act or feeling of adoration, idolize idolatry.*

*History records that during the Roman Empire, emperor worship was common place as typified in the salute: "Hail Caesar." Much later, similar adoration was given to Hitler, "Heil Hitler." In America, an image-like beast with two horns known as the two houses of Congress are honored by "we the people," saluting ...**pledging their allegiance to it**. As the saying goes, you are what you do by your actions. In this case Americans reciting their pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America (**the image of the beast**), one nation under God (**of this world, Satan**) indivisible with **liberty (no moral laws)** and justice (**as you can afford it**) for all." The image of the beast is America, having the same forum as does the Papacy ruling the world from its seat of power.*

Rev 16:3 And the **second angel** poured out his vial upon the **sea**; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and **every living soul died in the sea**.

*The second vial is poured upon the **sea** which becomes as the **blood** of dead men. Note the similarities to the second trumpet blast in Rev 8:8~9: “And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the **sea** and the third part of the sea became **blood**; And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the third part of the ships (shipping and or fishing) were destroyed.” Thus a third was affected, now all in the sea are killed.*

Rev 16: 4~7 And the **third angel** poured out his vial upon the **rivers and fountains of waters**; and they became blood. And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which **art**, and **wast**, and **shalt be**, because thou hast **judged** thus. For they have **shed the blood of saints and prophets**, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy. And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are thy judgments.

*The third vial is poured upon the **rivers and fountains of waters** which become **blood**. Similarities to that of the third trumpet blast in Rev 8:10~11 are evident: “And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters; And the name of the star is called **Wormwood**: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter.”*

*The trumpet blasts of Rev 8 become the final warning messages to repent. As such, they were just a taste of what was to follow in the pouring out of the vials as read in Rev 16. Also note the third angel is giving **witness** to the world’s sin that “**shed the blood of saints and prophets**,” confirming that such a punishment is just.*

*Is a principle evident here being conveyed to mankind? The seals were warning signs that something was very wrong. The witnesses were messengers telling us of our errors. As in life when things are not going right, take note, for there is a reason. If Yah sees no change in our character He uses the next instrument of correction, extreme physical pain. Most times after a good beating, one does come around to respond, but not all do. There are always some who hold out refusing correction. If the punishment of correction has no effect on the person, one can speculate the outcome; what else is Yah to do if*



people refuse to respond to His correction? Yah's principle is always present... **if** one is alert to it. **If** one walks through life blindly, then he or she deserves what one gets, for those that have eyes to see and ears to hear let them see and hear the warning.

Rev 16: 8~9 And the **fourth angel** poured out his vial upon the **sun**; and power was given unto him to **scorch men** with fire. And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and **they repented not to give him glory**.

*The fourth vial poured upon the sun and given to scorch men with its heat has similarities to the fourth trumpet blast in Rev 8:12~13: "And the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was **smitten**, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was **darkened**, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise. And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, **which are yet to sound!**"*

*Notice how Yah smote the world with darkness from the sun and the moon by a third part during the fourth trumpet blast, compared to here when through the fourth vial He reverses the effects of the sun by scorching man with its heat. Each succeeding punishment from Yah becomes more intense as He finishes cleansing the earth as was prophesied.*

2 Pe 3:3~10 Knowing this first, that there shall come in the **last days** scoffers, walking after their own lusts, And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation. For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, **reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men**. But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, **not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. But the day**

**of the Lord will come as a thief in the night**; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be **burned up**.

Rev 16: 10~11 And the **fifth angel** poured out his vial upon the **seat of the beast**; and **his kingdom was full of darkness**; and they gnawed their tongues for pain, And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and **repented not** of their deeds.

*Notice it says the beast's kingdom is **full of darkness**. Recall earlier, the beast desires to rule the world from Jerusalem. Regardless, the seat of this beast, meaning its headquarters, is being attacked. In comparing what was said in the fifth trumpet in Rev 9:1~12, there are some interesting correlations. The fifth trumpet blast is the first of the three **woes** that have more intense afflictions. Here it states in Rev 9:2, a bottomless pit is opened and smoke arose that the sun and the air were **darkened** because of the smoke of the pit. Proceeding, notice that locust appear led by a king named Abaddon in Hebrew, Apollyon in Greek, who is the fallen angel **of the** bottomless pit, meaning the pit is his domain or residence, seen at the time of the end to punish humankind. They cause affliction and **darkness** upon earth.*

*Now in Rev 16:10 the opposite is happening, darkness has fallen upon the beast's kingdom causing him pain. Another principle is evident to observe **if** we have eyes to see: What was used as a stick of affliction in the hand of the enemy, "Satan," is now turned against himself. Similarly, as told in the words of Deuteronomy, a false witness receives the punishment he wanted to give to another.*

Dt19:16~19 If a false witness rise up against any man to testify against him that which is wrong; Then both the men, between whom the controversy is, shall stand before the LORD, before the priests and the judges, which shall be in those days; And the judges shall make diligent inquisition: and, behold, if the **witness be a false witness**, and hath **testified falsely** against his brother; **Then shall ye do unto him, as he had thought to have done unto his brother**: so shalt thou put the evil away from among you.

*Yah is always teaching us...if we are willing to learn... even at the last moment of time, for all will rise to face our judgment before His throne according to His righteous laws.*

Rev 16:12 And the **sixth angel** poured out his vial upon the **great river Euphrates**; and the water thereof was dried up, that **the way** of the kings of the east might be prepared.

*The great river Euphrates was the eastern most edge of the Promised Land given to Israel. Since the ultimate goal of the beast is to rule from Yah's throne at Jerusalem, the final battle for its possession must occur there. Similarly Rev 9:13~15 states the **sixth angel** sounded its trumpet: "And I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar, which is before God, saying to the **sixth angel** who had the trumpet, **Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates. So the four angels who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year were released to kill a third of humankind.**"*

*A third of humankind was killed by the sounding of the sixth trumpet blast, once again using the instrument of punishment as a tool for correction. Rev 9:16~19 tells about demon-like creatures called horses with riders who sat on them having breastplates of fiery red, hyacinth blue, and sulfur yellow. This army of 200,000,000 had powers of fire, smoke and brimstone which killed a third of mankind.*

*But now Rev 16:12 speaks of **the way** or **a path** being given to the **kings of the east** to cross over the great river **Euphrates** and enter into the Promised Land and Jerusalem for the final battle. Note the similarities of the events and the wording. The kings from the east, meaning from the **rising of the sun** on the east side of the Euphrates River where Babylon is situated, have "**the way**" opened for them to cross over, a scenario similar to Christ coming from the rising of the sun, "**the way**," made for Him. Note: Satan is masquerading as the Savior trying to convince the world that he, Satan is fighting against the anti-Christ who is indeed Yahshua!*

Isa 40: 3 The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye **the way** of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Mt 3: 3 For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye **the way** of the Lord, make his paths straight.

Lk 1: 76~79 And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord **to prepare his ways**; To give knowledge of salvation unto his people by the remission of their sins, Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the **dayspring** from on high hath visited us, To give **light** to them that sit in **darkness** and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into **the way** of peace.

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

Ezk 43: 2 And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from **the way of the east**: and his voice was like a noise of many waters: and the earth shined with his glory.

*Satan has given a delusion to mankind in this end time event by mimicking the appearance of Yahshua coming from the east with his armies, his followers, to attack Jerusalem. Satan wants to enlist humankind to overpower Christ who stands on the mount with the 144,000. Satan has convinced the world that Yahshua is the anti-Christ and needs to be subdued. Yet just the opposite is the truth.*

Rev 16:13~16 And I saw three **unclean spirits like frogs** come out of the mouth of the **dragon**, and out of the mouth of the **beast**, and out of the mouth of the **false prophet**. For **they are the spirits of devils**, working miracles, which go forth unto **the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle** of that great day of God Almighty. Behold, **I come as a thief**. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue **Armageddon**.

*Satan is recognized as the father of sin, as the **dragon**, who works with demonic spirits such as the **beast**, led by the Papacy, with its pagan religion masquerading as Biblical truth, and with the **false prophet**, Washington, DC...America, made in the image of the beast acting on its behalf as its enforcer.*

*Please take note how these three entities: the **dragon**, the **beast**, and the **false prophet** comprise demonic spirits whose obsessive agenda produces counterfeit works in the likeness of truth. The dragon's role plays the part of Yah the Father, assigning his authority to his representative, the beast, just as the Father assigns His authority to His son, Yahshua. As such they are jointly worshipped as the forgiver of sin and the power of life while in contrast, the false prophet comes in the likeness of the Holy Spirit speaking not of himself, but telling all men to worship the beast, the Holy Roman Empire, cloaked in papal false religion. He confirms his testimony to the beast by performing miracles and acting as its power source, similarly as the Holy Spirit attested Christ's divine mission and His power.*

***Prestidigitation** means sleight of hand known as magic; you have been fooled! Satan is the master of deception, the consummate magician, appearing as an angel of light.*

*Yahshua sheds the light of truth on counterfeit teachings preached. The scriptures note that one is to be a light and speak the truth as in the day while there is still light, for in darkness there is blindness.*

**In 12:35~36 Then Jesus said unto them, Yet a little while is the **light** with you. Walk while ye have the **light**, lest **darkness** come upon you: **for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth**. While ye have **light**, believe in the **light**, that ye may be the children of **light**.**

***Three unclean spirits like frogs** come out of the mouth of the **dragon**, the **beast**, and the **false prophet**. Unclean spirits refer to demonic spirits proclaiming scriptural errors from false prophets as told in Zech 13:2.*

**Zech 13:2 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, that I will cut off the names of the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembered: and also **I will cause the prophets and the unclean spirit to pass out of the land**.**

*Why are the three unclean spirits like frogs? Perchance because frogs croak, meaning speak by **night**, not in the **light** of the day, and live in stagnant water found in marshes and quagmires, the opposite of clean, clear, moving water as does the spirit of truth. Frogs catch their prey*

*by surprise, unaware with its long sticky tongue, resembling unclean spirits that likewise speak in **darkness**, teaching “sticky” lies of deception as they speak of liberty, a license for lust.*

2Cor 11:13~15 For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an **angel of light**. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

*And he gathered them together for battle into a place called in the Hebrew tongue **Armageddon**.*

***Armageddon** – Strong’s #717 ar-mag-ed-dohn’ of Hebrew origin from #2022 (har) meaning a mountain or range of hills and from #4023 (Mgiddow) meaning a place in Palestine (Mgiddown or Har-Meggiddon).*

Zech 12: 1~14 The burden of the word of the LORD for Israel, saith the LORD, which stretcheth forth the heavens, and layeth the foundation of the earth, and formeth the spirit of man within him. Behold, **I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about**, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem. And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: **all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces**, though **all the people of the earth be gathered together against it**. In that day, saith the LORD, I will smite every horse with astonishment, and his rider with madness: and I will open mine eyes upon the house of Judah, and will smite every horse of the people with blindness. And the governors of Judah shall say in their heart, The inhabitants of Jerusalem shall be my strength in the LORD of hosts their God. In that day will I make the governors of Judah like an hearth of fire among the wood, and like a torch of fire in a sheaf; and they shall devour all the people round about, on the right hand and on the left: and Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in her own place, even in Jerusalem. The LORD also shall save the tents of Judah first, that the glory of the house of David and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem do not magnify themselves against Judah. In that day shall the LORD defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and he that is feeble among them at that day shall be as David; and the house of David shall be as God, as the angel of the LORD before them. And it shall come to

pass in that day, that **I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem.** And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn. In that day shall there be a great mourning in Jerusalem, as the mourning of Hadadrimmon in the **valley of Megiddon.** And the land shall mourn, every family apart; the family of the house of David apart, and their wives apart; the family of the house of Nathan apart, and their wives apart; The family of the house of Levi apart, and their wives apart; the family of Shimei apart, and their wives apart; All the families that remain, every family apart, and their wives apart.

Joel 2: 28~32 And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit. And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, **before** the great and the terrible day of the LORD come. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: **for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.**

Joel 3: 1~17 For, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I shall **bring again** the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem, I will also **gather all nations**, and will bring them down into the **valley of Jehoshaphat**, and will plead with them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land. And they have cast lots for my people; and have given a boy for an harlot, and sold a girl for wine, that they might drink. Yea, and what have ye to do with me, O Tyre, and Zidon, and all the coasts of Palestine? will ye render me a recompence? and if ye recompense me, swiftly and speedily will I return your recompence upon your own head; Because ye have taken my silver and my gold, and have carried into your temples my goodly pleasant things: The children also of Judah and the children of Jerusalem have ye sold unto the **Grecians**, that ye might remove them far from their border. Behold, I will raise them out of the place whither ye have sold them, and will return your recompence upon

your own head: And I will sell your sons and your daughters into the hand of the children of Judah, and they shall sell them to the Sabeans, to a people far off: for the LORD hath spoken it. Proclaim ye this among **the Gentiles**; Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up: Beat your plowshares into swords, and your pruninghooks into spears: let the weak say, I am strong. **Assemble yourselves, and come, all ye heathen, and gather yourselves together round about:** thither cause thy mighty ones to come down, O LORD. Let the **heathen** be wakened, and come up to the **valley of Jehoshaphat**: for there will **I sit to judge all the heathen** round about. Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe: come, get you down; for the press is full, the fats overflow; for their wickedness is great. Multitudes, multitudes in the **valley of decision**: for the day of the LORD is near in **the valley of decision**. The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining. The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but the LORD will be the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel. So shall ye know that I am the LORD your God dwelling in Zion, my holy mountain: then shall Jerusalem be holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more.

*Jehoshaphat is the son of Ahilud, the recorder, who served during king Solomon's time. Ahilud had another son, Baana, spoken of in 1 Kg 4:1~12 where one sees the association of the **Valley of Jehoshaphat**, named after the owner of the land with the **Valley of Megiddon** being one in the same place.*

1Ki 4:12 Baana the son of Ahilud; to him pertained Taanach and **Megiddo**, and all Bethshean, which is by Zartanah beneath Jezreel, from Bethshean to Abelmeholah, even unto the place that is beyond Jokneam:

***Megiddo** – Strong's #04023. meg-id-done'; from Zech. 12 or Mgiddow {meg-id-do'} from #1413; rendezvous; Megiddon or Megiddo, a place in Palestine: Megiddo, Megiddon.*

Rev 16:17 ~21 And the **seventh angel** poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, "**It is done.**" And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men



were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great. And the **great city was divided into three parts**, and the **cities of the nations fell**: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath. And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: **and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail**; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

*The words “it is done” say it all. This seventh angel pours out his vial. There is heard voices and thunder and there are seen lightnings. There is felt the movement of a great earthquake that divides the great city Jerusalem into three parts and causes the cities of all the nations to fall. The islands fall away and mountains are leveled and great hail falls onto earth “and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail.” Compare these events and their similarities with those which were spoken by the seventh trumpet:*

Rev 11: 15~19 And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he **shall reign** for ever and ever. And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God, Saying, We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; **because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned**. And the nations were angry, and **thy wrath is come** (*denoting it's about to begin*), and the time of the dead, that **they should be judged** (*referring to a coming judgment after His wrath*), and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; **and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth** (*His wrath is to begin*). And the temple of God was opened in heaven, **and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament**: and there were **lightnings**, and **voices**, and **thunderings**, and an **earthquake**, and **great hail**.

*One must understand what is being said here: What was seen in the temple when it was opened were the **lightnings**, **voices**, **thunderings**, an **earthquake**, and **great hail**. Rev 11:15~19 gives a preview, a prophecy of future events to happen upon humankind during His wrath. These are the same things that were just read occurring during the seventh vial. As was stated, the seal and the trumpet are signs of*

*physical correction to come before the final judgment. The vials are the fulfillment of the wrath of Yah. The seals and trumpets preceding them were humankind's last call to repent.*

*Please take note of this major event; this great hail upon humankind was the **final act of Yah's wrath**. "And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent." According to the law of Yah, if there is found one guilty of sin who refuses to repent, the individual is to be taken out beyond the city gates and stoned to death, as recorded in Dt 17:2~7.*

Dt 17:2~7 If there be found among you, within any of thy gates which the LORD thy God giveth thee, man or woman, that hath wrought wickedness in the sight of the LORD thy God, in **transgressing his covenant**, And hath gone and **served other gods**, and **worshipped them**, either the sun, or moon, or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded; And it be told thee, and **thou hast heard** of it, **and enquired diligently (as witnesses)**, and, behold, it be true, and the thing certain, that such **abomination** is wrought in Israel: Then shalt thou bring forth that man or that woman, which have committed that wicked thing, **unto thy gates**, even that man or that woman, and **shalt stone them with stones, till they die**. At the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, shall he that is worthy of death be put to death; but at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death. **The hands of the witnesses shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterward the hands of all the people**. So thou shalt put the evil away from among you.

*In this revelation, the location now becomes outside the city gate at the place called in the Hebrew tongue **Armageddon**, known as **the valley of Jehoshaphat**, or **valley of Megiddon**, the **valley of decision**. Here is found one who is about to be stoned. Who was to be the first to throw the first stone? Answer: None other than the witnesses that have observed and **inquired diligently** of the sin of humankind. And again, who would be those that have witnessed the sins of humankind from the beginning of time as true witnesses? None other than the Yah's angel's starting with His two archangels, the two witnesses of Chapter 11. And from where do the thrown stones originate? Answer: None other than from the estate of angels and their Lord where water is frozen and hail is born...heaven, sent down to destroy those that have sinned, the final act of Yah's wrath.*

*End of This Age Prophecy reading:*

Zech 14: 1~7 Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee. For I will **gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle**; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city. Then shall the LORD go forth, and **fight against those nations**, as when he fought in the day of battle. And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and **the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west**, and there shall be a **very great valley**; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south. And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: **and the LORD my God shall come**, and all the saints with thee. And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark: But it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, **that at evening time it shall be light.**

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## **Revelation Chapter 17**

*Please recall in Rev 1:1~ John is on the island of Patmos, imprisoned for his testimony of Yah and Yahshua. He is taken to a specific time called the Day of the Lord, referring to the day that Yahshua returns to earth and is shown events that are happening. He is in a vision, like a day dream and is called by Yahshua to write things he “**Has Seen,**” meaning present, those events occurring on the Day of the Lord, things that “**Are,**” meaning the past and things which shall be “**hereafter,**” meaning the future.*

*In Rev 4:1~ a door in heaven is opened. John is called up to the throne of Yah to see the **Hereafter**; after the Day of the Lord’s return, a future event in time. From there, John in Rev 6:1~ is taken back in time as the angels speak to him saying “**come and see** the seals unfold.” From here, John moves from the future, after the Day of the Lord, back in time before the Day of the Lord’s coming and is shown events leading up to His coming, as the final event of the rolling back of the sky with the moon turning red, with the great earthquake...etc. Then in Rev 7~10 John is shown the seven trumpets sounding and their respective events.*

*As John continues to describe what is being shown to him in Rev 11:1~, he is carried away yet again to a different time and shown another event from a different perspective. Here he is told to “**rise**” by the angel speaking with him and told to measure the temple of Yah (God), the altar, but specifically those worshipping Yah in His temple. John is shown the two end time witnesses that have been prophesying to humankind during the time of the beast’s rule which is concurrent with the timing of the 6 seals before Yahshua’s return. Continuing from there, the angel shows John the sins of the dragon, the beast and the false prophet that are described in Revelation Chapters 12 through 15 (the cause of His wrath).*

*A definite principle is evident: Every time John moves in the prophecy, he is taken to a different time. When John moves physically, he is really moving spiritually to a different time era, meaning from the present, to the past, or future for the purpose of being shown a different event or aspect justifying the cause of Yah’s wrath on humankind.*

Rev 15:5~8 ended where **“the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened”** with the angel coming out with **seven golden vials full of the wrath of Yah** which are the **seven last plagues upon humankind**. These verses also stated that **“no man was able to enter into the temple till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.”** Continuing into Rev 16:1~, John is shown the last of Yah’s wrath upon humankind for not repenting of its sinful ways.

Revelation Chapter 16 finishes with sinners being stoned by hail from both the witnesses and the Lord’s army of angels in heaven for the sinners’ transgressions. Rev16:21: **“And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent.”** According to the law of Yah, if one is found guilty of sin and refuses to repent, he or she was taken outside the city gates and stoned to death, Dt 17:2~7.

Chapter 16’s setting is outside the city gate at the place called in the Hebrew tongue **Armageddon**, known as **the Valley of Jehoshaphat**, or **Valley of Megiddon** also known as the **Valley of decision**. According to the law of Yah, the witnesses that have observed the sin are legally designated to throw the first stone. Those that have witnessed the sins of humankind from the beginning of time are true witnesses and as such are none other than the two archangels, the two witnesses of chapter 11 along with the host of angels in heaven. The stones that are thrown come from the estate of the angels and their Lord, where water is frozen and hail is born, from heaven, sent down to destroy those that have sinned...the final act of Yah’s wrath.

Rev 16: 17~21 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, **It is done**. And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great. And the great city was divided into three parts, and **the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath**. And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. And there fell upon men a **great hail out of heaven**, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

*Yah's wrath is completed on mankind as He **destroys the cities of all the nations** and repays "Babylon" with **her cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath**. Both are destroyed at the end of Chapter 16 pronouncing: "**it is done.**" Yet His new kingdom is not yet seen coming. John continues in a vision at the Throne of Yah, and is shown events that **had also occurred** to bring about this end as Chapter 17 begins.*

Rev 17: 1~2 And there came one of the seven angels **which had** the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, **Come hither**; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the **great whore** that **sitteth upon many waters**: With whom the kings of the earth **have committed fornication**, and the inhabitants of the earth **have** been made drunk with the wine of **her fornication**.

*Note the angel talking to John said "**come hither.**" John is moving. It has already been established that when John moves physically, he is actually moving in time to a different vantage point. The angel says, "**I will show unto you John the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters.**"*

*This angel was one of the seven angels "**which had**" the seven vials. "**Which had,**" past tense, denoting it already happened; after the day of wrath referring to something back in time to show events leading up to "it is done" Rev 16:12~17. And the kings of the earth "**have committed fornication**" and the inhabitants of the earth "**have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.**" Again, "**have**" committed and "**have**" been made drunk referring to events having already happened.*

*In Rev 16 the last of the seven vials of "**Yah's judgment**" on humankind have been completed. Thus for this angel to now reveal "**the judgment of the great whore**" to John, the judgment would have **already happened**. John is again being taken **back in time** to see it unfold. There are a lot of things happening concurrently. John is being shown these different events as he is able to comprehend them and then write them for our posterity to realize the rationale for Yah's wrath on humanity. Yah's recurring use of **going back in time** reveals the cause of His wrath. John is witnessing these events to reveal for us the fate of world rulers and their subjects as well as "**the great whore.**"*

*In Rev 17:1~2 this **great whore** “sitteth upon many waters” and “has committed fornication with the kings of the earth, while the inhabitants of the earth **have** been made drunk with the wine of **her fornication.**”*

*To review: Scripture often symbolically portrays a woman in the Bible as religion, as one denoting worship. The woman is also seen as a faithful wife as in Proverbs 31 and also as an unfaithful wife at times, called a harlot or whore. The woman is the partner in an intimate relationship called marriage. This bond represents the symbolic married nation of Israel and those grafted into her being married as a bride to Yahshua. In Rev 17, a woman called a **great whore** also known as **Babylon** is mentioned depicted earlier in Rev 14:8: “And there followed another angel, saying, **Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.**” This **great whore**, referring to an idolater or harlot, is an unfaithful partner of a relationship known as false religion called Babylon. This false system of worship is seen upon many waters. Proceeding into chapter 17, the definition of many waters is defined.*

Rev17:15 And he saith unto me, **The waters** which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, **are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.**

*The water represents people throughout the world infested by this false religion. Remember, this false religion came from Babylon whose origin was taken from Egypt. It was carried through the Medes and Persians elaborated by the Greeks and exalted through the Romans. The world is made drunk, intoxicated from the wine of her fornication, signifying harlotry that includes adultery and incest in false worship of the Creator. This dilution to falsehood of the truth would account for the vast majority being lost in the many religious dogmas far removed from the truth. Now at the end time, a look-alike religion called Christianity mimics the truth.*

*All world religions, Christianity, Muslims and Hindus as well as many other diverse sects have been corrupted taking parts of the truth and transforming it into an alluring human made religion focused on employing the will of the people to serve Satan rather than Yah.*



Rev 17:3 So he **carried me away** in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a **woman** sit upon a **scarlet coloured beast**, full of **names of blasphemy**, having **seven heads and ten horns**.

*Note the similarities if not a duplicate description given to the beast seen earlier in Rev 12:3: “And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red (scarlet)dragon, having **seven heads and ten horns**, and seven crowns upon his heads.”*

*John is carried away to see a **woman sitting upon** a scarlet colored beast similar to the **great red dragon**. **Dragon** – Strong’s #1404 means a fabulous kind of serpent which is Satan. Here again, the beast is seen having **seven heads and ten horns**. The heads are representative of “**kingdoms or empires**” with the horns representing “**kings or rulers**” and crowns from Rev12:3, meaning “**exalted**” as stated in Dan 7.*

**The seven headed beast:**

*1 Head-Babylon*

*1 Head-Persia-Medes*

*4 Heads-Greece: like a leopard with 4 heads*

*1 Head-Rome: like a dragon with 10 horns*

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*Seven is the total number of heads or “Kingdoms” that have ruled with the last being Rome, the dragon, the ruling kingdom at the time of Christ. Each one had a false religion associated with it which in turn was passed on to the succeeding beast. Again in Rev 13, this same beast is shown rising having the same aforementioned attributes.*

Rev 13:1~2 And I stood upon the **sand of the sea**, and saw a **beast rise up out of the sea**, having **seven heads and ten horns**, and upon his horns **ten crowns**, and upon his heads **the name of blasphemy**. And the beast which I saw was like unto a **leopard**, and his feet were as the feet of a **bear**, and his mouth as the mouth of a **lion**: and the **dragon** gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

*This red or scarlet dragon or beast has the combined attributes of the preceding kingdoms upon which the whore rides or sits. In Rev 17:3, John is carried away in spirit into the wilderness and sees a **woman sitting upon a scarlet colored beast having seven heads and ten horns full of the names of blasphemy**.*

*The woman comes into power by means of religious control. The people and their governments are controlled through her manipulation of spiritual worship. Humankind is always looking to a higher deity for help and answers. Genuine religion fills that gap as a mediator between humanity and God. Yet in this case, a true God is not being looked to or being preached. Instead this instigator is the beast, the dragon of old, the serpent...Satan, who is pushing a look-alike, false worship system. The Bible shows us that the symbol of true worship, as in a marriage, is a woman, a devoted wife. The symbol of an unfaithful wife, false worship, is a harlot or whore. Controlling the leading powers by forcing them to promote this false belief system with its origins from Babylon is the agenda the woman has promoted from its inception. This false belief system never had its own ruling army but enforced its ruling power through the beast while the woman (false religion), continues to ride on the back of the beast, letting it do its work for them (the religious leaders?)*

*Rev 17:3 reads: So he **carried me away** in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a **woman** sit upon a **scarlet colored beast**, full of **names of blasphemy**, having **seven heads and ten horns**. This woman is false religion as seen at the end times as the little horn, the Papacy, which rides the newly created Holy Roman Empire to influence the world through its ruling power. But this woman is not just the end time woman, but represents her harlotry since her inception.*

Rev 17:4~5 And the **woman** was arrayed in **purple** and **scarlet** colour, and decked with **gold** and **precious stones and pearls**, having a **golden cup** in her hand full of **abominations and filthiness** of her fornication: And upon her forehead was a name written, **MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.**

*The word purple is of Latin origin meaning mussel, the red-blue color itself, and the garment dyed with it. The color scarlet in the Roman Catholic Church and in other Christian denominations is reserved for popes, cardinals and other leaders, and is also utilized in five different articles of scarlet colored vestments including those studded with pearls. The Pope's miter is of gold and precious stones. The color "purple" is also the badge of the emperor seen even as in mockery, being placed on our Lord at His death. These are the outward*

*characteristics Revelation assigns to the harlot or whore, also called Babylon, from which much of its belief system originates.*

*Scripture states the church as being "clothed with the sun" as noted in Rev 12:1. Contrary in appearance, the harlot is arrayed in earthly merchandising apparel (donations, offerings and indulgences) as she compromises the truth of God through fear, flattery or by utilizing the powers of science and or wealth of the world. She rides the system of the beast and is doomed for judgment, aligned with the heathen system, selling out for earthly favors. She drinks her fill, "a cup filled with abominations and filthiness" instead of drinking our Lord's "cup" of repentance and meekness.*

*Jamieson-Fausset-Brown quotes: "Rome, in her medals, represents herself holding a cup with the self-condemning inscription, "Sedet super universum" (seed of the supreme universe). As the pagan world accepts this new religion called Christianity both are melded together by mutual concessions. Christianity becomes the new world's (pagan) system and the world accepts its new depth of understanding of its pagan heritage. The gainer is the world; the loser is the truth." The religion of the world is pagan **sun worship** with its roots formed in Babylon to its glorification through the Vatican with Sunday exalted as the day of the sun.*

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

*The false religion is its own mystery selling itself as truth calling herself pure with her own mouth while pointing her finger outward at the faults of others, blinded to her own errors. She is the originator, "**the mother**" of all false religion as it's embellished, carried from kingdom to subsequent kingdom, down from generation to generation. A prime example is the Roman Catholic Church carried down from its former pagan beliefs calling itself **mother** birthing spinoff churches: the Protestant, Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist and the like. They are all born from her as the **mother** following her pagan system of worship. The word abomination means sin. Through her domination as humankind's spiritual mediator, sin against Yah is promoted. The same indictment also follows regarding Judaism; a self made religion*

that arose by humanity's entanglement in a mixture of pagan and manmade traditions that smother's truth.

Rev 17:6 And I saw the woman (*the whore, Babylon the great, the mother of harlots*) drunken with the **blood of the saints**, and with the **blood of the martyrs of Jesus**: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.

*Please carefully discern the distinctions given in the following description: John sees this false religion drunk with the **blood of the saints** and with the **blood of the martyrs of Yahshua**. Two distinctions are being made: one of a saint and one of a martyr. If they were one and the same, John would have written something to the effect "the saints are the martyrs of Yahshua." But John doesn't and refers to them as two different groups of people.*

**Saint** – Strong's #40. hag'-ee-os: sacred, physically, pure, **morally blameless** or religious, ceremonially, consecrated: most holy -one.

**Martyrs** - Strong's #3144. martus: meaning; **a witness** (literally or figuratively); **a record** of the event, **a witness**.

*Martyrs appears 34 times in the New Testament: 32 times as **witness** as in Mt 18:16 & Act 2:32 and twice as **recorders** in 2 Cor 1:23 & Phil 1:8 and once in Rev 2:13*

Rev 2:13 I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas was my faithful **martyr** (*witness*), **who was slain** among you, where Satan dwelleth.

Rev19:10 And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See thou do it not: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren that have the **testimony of Jesus**: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

**Testimony** – Strong's #3141. marturia from #3144 martyr; evidence given (judicially or genitive case); **record**, report, testimony, **witness**. Thus the word testimony and martyr have the same meaning as a **witness or recorder** testifying of Yahshua's existence.

*A widely held modern usage perception of the word “martyr” allies persecution, suffering, even death as a prerequisite to one becoming a martyr for a cause. Yet the biblical definition of a martyr denotes one that is a witness or a recorder giving a testimony of an event. That event is recorded as being a witness to Yahshua, testifying of His coming and the salvation offered through His sacrifice. Scripture gives no definitive fact requiring that one must die to be a martyr of Yahshua. One need only witness and reveal testimony to the truth that Yahshua is the Christ.*

*The distinction between the saints and the martyrs are reflecting **two different moments in time**. The saints refer to those being sacred, physically pure, and morally blameless, consecrated as the called out ones walking in the truth of Yah. They existed before and after the time of Christ. They never witnessed Yahshua personally but follow His teachings of truth. **Martyrs** are those **having witnessed** Yahshua the Christ and also who follow as called-out disciples, denoting being a pupil of His teachings.*

*It is these two groups of people, saints and martyrs (witnesses of Yahshua) that John sees wondering with great admiration as the woman, known as the whore, Babylon the Great, the mother of harlots, drunk with their blood on her hands. This is similar to an earlier event found in Rev 12.*

Rev 12:17 And the dragon was wroth with the woman (*referring to the house of Israel*), and went to make war with the **remnant of her seed**, which keep the commandments of God, **and have the testimony of Jesus Christ**.

*Notice here they are one in the same being **the remnant of her seed**, (meaning of the line of Abraham) which keeps the commandments of Yah, **and have the testimony of Yahshua, Jesus Christ**. But now in Rev 17:6 they are mentioned separately as saints and martyrs (witnesses).*

*So when does this woman, meaning false religion that rides upon the back of the beast, start persecuting the saints, forcing them to believe as she does? This is a key question that will unlock the revelation that Yahshua is giving to his angels to be shown to John for our admonishment.*

Rev 17:7 And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? **I will tell thee the mystery** of the **woman**, and of the **beast** that **carrieth her**, which hath the seven heads and ten horns.

*Two entities of mystery are to be revealed: one a **woman** and another of the **beast** which carries her having seven heads and ten horns. This woman known as **Mystery**, **Babylon the Great**, the **mother** of harlots and abominations of the earth, drunken with the **blood of the saints**, and with the **blood of the martyrs of Yahshua** is **carried by the beast**, the ruling kingdom of its time. The woman's and the beast's sole purpose is world ruler-ship through their collective belief systems: the beast for monetary control, the woman, false religion, for spiritual control.*

Rev 17:8 The beast that thou sawest **was**, and **is not**; and **shall ascend out of the bottomless pit**, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they beheld the beast that **was**, and **is not**, and **yet is**.

*Before continuing, a time check is in order. In time context, the seventh vial has just been completed concluding the wrath of Yah. Back in the beginning of Chapter 17, the angel reveals to John “**the judgment of the great whore**” which sits upon many waters, meaning people. **John is carried away in the spirit into the wilderness** and shown a woman sitting upon a scarlet colored beast. The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet color, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: And upon her forehead was a name written, **mystery, Babylon the Great, the mother of harlots and abominations of the earth**. She was drunk with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Yahshua. Note that **John wondered** with great admiration when he saw the woman.*

*John is carried away in the spirit into the wilderness. As we have seen before, that every time John is carried away to a different place, he is really moving in time. Here he is moving back in time to see the judgment of the woman. Remember, there are two entities of this mystery that are being revealed, one of the woman and the other of the beast.*

The mystery revealed is of the woman riding on the beast. This beast is spoken of as **“was, and is not, and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit.”** Three different time eras are mentioned. **“Was”** would be referring to the past life of the beast, and **“is not”** is associated where we are in the story time line with John as he was just shown the the last vial completing the wrath of Yah on the world. The beast no longer rules the world because Yahshua comes to rule as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. And the final time era, **“shall ascend out of the bottomless pit,”** tells of a future time after the 1000 years of rest and the releasing of the beast (Satan) that was bound there as recorded in Chapter 20. Three different time eras are mentioned having three different events. Continuing, the verse mentions **“those that dwell on the earth shall wonder whose names were not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.”** One should note that it says that **“when they behold”**, meaning; when they see this beast themselves for who he is. And when would they see him as he is, as the beast that deceived them and brought this wrath upon them through his lies? That time would only occur in the future, after the completion of all three eras: **“was, and is not, and yet is.”** At the time of Satan’s return, after the 1000 years of rest, **“shall (he Satan) ascend out of the bottomless pit and go into perdition.”**

**Perdition** – Strong’s #684 *ap-o'-li-a* from a presumed derivative of 622; ruin or loss (physical, spiritual or eternal) damnable, damnation, destruction, die, perish, pernicious ways, waste.

Those whose names were **not written** in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world will behold the beast that **“was, and is not, and yet is.”** The above verses say **“yet is”** for they will also be with him at that moment, after the 1000 years at the second resurrection, the time of judgment, and at the last battle against Yah. Chapter 16 is completed with the last and final plague poured on those whose names were not written in the Book of Life. After this final plague there is no one left. Thus the term **“yet is”** would evidence this event as occurring after the 1000 years at the second resurrection.

Continuing, the mystery of the woman riding on the beast is revealed to John. John is then being carried into the wilderness to witness their identity.

Rev 17:9 **And here is the mind which hath wisdom.** The seven heads **are** seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth. And there **are** seven kings: **five are fallen**, and **one is**, and **the other is not yet come**; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.

*The beginning of this verse starts with a challenge. To understand what is being said will take wisdom. Wisdom is the application of knowledge and understanding gained from information given. Thus to accurately perceive what is being said one must apply the words in an unbiased context to ascertain what is being revealed.*

*The verse starts: "The seven heads **are seven mountains** upon which the woman sits.*

**Mountain** – Strong's #3735. *orov oros, or'-os: to rise or "rear"; a mountain (as lifting itself above the plain): -hill, mount. Something elevated above another.*

*There are seven continents or land masses elevated above the sea upon which all live as described in Rev 17:15: "The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues." The woman, referring to false religion does reside in each of the seven continents.*

*The seven-headed beast in the Book of Revelation has already been revealed to be seven consecutive kingdoms that ruled the world in their respective time periods. These ruling heads are said to carry the woman on their back. These heads have been revealed to us as:*

- 1- Babylonians
- 2- Persia-Medes  
Grecians starting with Alexander the Great which had **4 succeeding heads** or kingdoms
- 3- Cassander, reigning over Macedon and Greece
- 4- Lysimachus, over Thrace and Bithynia
- 5- Ptolemy, over Egypt
- 6- Seleucius, over Syria (from where **Antiochus IV Epiphanes** arrives)
- 7- Rome with 10 horns



*The woman sits upon and rides this multi-headed beast persuading it to do her bidding for spiritual power over humankind. Remember, John has been taken **back in time** to see the judgment of the great whore that rides the back of the beast as stated in Rev 17:3: “So he **carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness**: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet colored beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.” So to understand what is being seen one must be where John is in time. Continuing on to the next line:*

Rev17:10 And there **are** seven kings: **five are fallen**, and **one is**, and **the other is not yet come**; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.

*“**Five have fallen**” would refer to the first five kings or kingdoms that have already passed being: Babylonian, Persia-Medes and three of the Grecian kingdoms. This event would now place one at the time of “**and one is**” during the sixth king or kingdom, the last of the Grecian Empire of Seleucius. In this vision to John, the angel continues by saying the next king, the seventh king (Rome), has “**not come as of yet.**” This fact shows John is in the **past** seeing these things unfold, noting that Chapter 17 started with the completion of the final vial of Yah’s wrath upon the seventh beast before it is cast into the pit for a 1000 years. Recall, the purpose of this message to John was **to show him the judgment of the great whore**. At the time that John lived, he would have been very familiar with the Grecian Empire and the coming of the Roman Empire.*

*The great whore is seen sitting upon a beast, the woman known as Mystery, Babylon the Great, the **mother** of harlots and abominations of the earth, drunken with the **blood of the saints**, and with the **blood of the martyrs of Yahshua**. She is carried by the beast, the ruling kingdom of its time.*

*If one looks back in time to the first beast of Babylon and to its King Nebuchadnezzar, one finds him making an image and proclaiming himself as its head forcing all to bow down and worship it as described in Dan 3:1~30. Yet four young Israelites Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah stood by their faith against this false adoration, changing the events, and were blessed by their actions. After three of them were thrown into the fire for not complying with the king’s edict, they were consequently unharmed by the fire, saved by Yah. This miraculous*

*event prompted the King to recant, rescinding his national edict of forced idol worship.*

Dan 3:28~30 Then Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, **Blessed be the God** of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who hath sent his angel, and **delivered his servants that trusted in him**, and have changed the king's word, and yielded their bodies, **that they might not serve nor worship any god, except their own God**. Therefore I make a decree, That every people, nation, and language, which speak any thing amiss against the **God** of Shadrach (*Hananiah*), Meshach (*Mishael*), and Abednego (*Azariah*), shall be cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made a dunghill: **because there is no other God** that can deliver after this sort. Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, in the province of Babylon.

*There is no record of the Babylonian Kingdom killing the saints or forcing them to believe in its pagan religious system. He had initially wanted them to bow to the image of himself, but recanted and continued to show kindness to the Israelites as they remained in captivity in Babylon for those 70 years.*

*Continuing on into the Persia-Medes Kingdom, King Darius had now overthrown the Babylonian Kingdom and appointed Daniel as one of his top presidents, Dan 6:1~28. Once again, this King prematurely issued a decree demanding that all should petition him instead of any god. Daniel reaffirms his faith against this decree and is thrown into the lions' den as punishment for not complying. But again Yah demonstrates that He rewards those that are faithful to Him having King Darius rescind his decree of self-worship idolatry.*

Dan 6: 25~28 Then king Darius wrote unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied unto you. I make a decree, That in every dominion of **my kingdom** men tremble and fear before **the God of Daniel**: for **he is the living God**, and stedfast for ever, and **his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed, and his dominion shall be even unto the end**. He delivereth and rescueth, and he worketh signs and wonders in heaven and in earth, who hath delivered Daniel from the power of the lions.

So this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius, and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian.

King Cyrus, also a ruler of the Persia-Medes Kingdom, allowed the Israelites to return to their land and gave them provisions and gifts to rebuild the temple. Again there is no record of the Persia-Medes Kingdom killing the saints or forcing them to believe in its pagan religious system.

The next Kingdom, the Grecian Empire, ruled by Alexander the Great split into four heads or kingdoms after his death: 1-Cassander, reigning over Macedon and Greece, 2-Lysimachus, over Thrace and Bithynia, 3-Ptolemy, over Egypt and the last, 4-Seleucius, reigning over Syria where **Antiochus IV Epiphanes** came to rule.

There is no record of the first three Grecian Empires mentioned above interfering with Yah's people. Only by the hand of the 4<sup>th</sup> Grecian ruler of the sixth kingdom, does this occur.

The Seleucids Empire ruled over Syria and surrounding areas. One of this Empire's kings named Antiochus IV Epiphanes assumed the name Antiochus after he ascended to the throne. At this point Yah's judgment of the great whore that rides the back of the beast begins. The vision details the reasons for Yah's judgment upon her for the things that she did being depicted as drunk with the **blood of the saints** and the **martyrs** (witnesses) of **Yahshua**. John is being shown these events occurring at the time of "**and one is,**" during the sixth kingdom, the last of the Grecian Empires of Seleucids.

What happened that made this time so momentous? Reviewing history as recorded in the Book of Daniel and the Books of Maccabees 1 & 2 will enable one to fill in the blanks.

### **Antiochus Epiphanes IV and the Persecution of the Jews**

Antiochus Epiphanes was a Syrian King that came to power about 175 BC, a representative forerunner of the **Anti-Christ** soon to appear. He was one of the Seleucids succeeding Alexander the Great who built a realm in Syria and adjacent lands. Epiphanes' name means "**God made manifest.**" Epiphanes sought to force Greek culture upon the Jews. In imposing **Hellenism**, Epiphanes was implementing the intentions of his predecessor, Alexander, whose dream had been to create an empire, not by the sword but through culture that embraced religion. This initiative had a measure of success among the '**free**

*thinking' section of the Jewish priesthood, but Hellenism was staunchly opposed by **hard core priests and like-minded people** who refused to abandon the faith of their fore-fathers. Through the introduction of Hellenistic cults, Epiphanes endeavored to terminate the Jewish religious community inciting prolonged resistance, the Maccabean struggle. Severe punitive measures brought the matter to a head producing outright revolt.*

*While Antiochus was busily engaged in Egypt, a false rumor spread that he had been killed. The deposed High Priest Jason (using a Greek name) gathered a force of 1,000 soldiers and attacked the city of Jerusalem by surprise. Menelaus, an official Antiochus appointed as High Priest, was forced to flee Jerusalem during ensuing riots. In 167 BC, Antiochus Epiphanes IV returned from Egypt enraged by his defeat and attacked Jerusalem, restoring Menelaus while executing many Jews.*

2 Maccabees 5:11~14 When these happenings were reported to the king, he thought that Judea was in revolt. Raging like a wild animal, he set out from Egypt and took Jerusalem by storm. He ordered his soldiers to cut down without mercy those whom they met and to slay those who took refuge in their houses. There was a massacre of young and old, a killing of women and children, a slaughter of virgins and infants. In the space of three days, eighty thousand were lost, forty thousand meeting a violent death, and the same number being sold into slavery.

2 Maccabees 6:1~11 Not long after this the king sent an Athenian senator to force the Jews to abandon the customs of their ancestors and live no longer by the laws of God; also to profane the temple in Jerusalem and dedicate it to Olympian Zeus, and that on Mount Gerizim to Zeus the Hospitable, as the inhabitants of the place requested...They also brought into the temple things that were forbidden, so that the altar was covered with abominable offerings prohibited by the laws. A man could not keep the sabbath or celebrate the traditional feasts, nor even admit that he was a Jew. At the suggestion of the citizens of Ptolemais, a decree was issued ordering the neighboring Greek cities to act in the same way against the Jews: oblige them to partake of the sacrifices, and put to death those who would not consent to adopt the customs of the Greeks. It was obvious, therefore, that disaster impended. Thus, two women who were arrested

for having circumcised their children were publicly paraded about the city with their babies hanging at their breasts and then thrown down from the top of the city wall. Others, who had assembled in nearby caves to observe the sabbath in secret, were betrayed to Philip and all burned to death.

*It was a tragic time for Judah when the heroes of the revolt were crushed. In 168 BC, Antiochus Epiphanes IV dared to occupy Jerusalem. He entered the temple, into the Holy of Holies and desecrated the sanctuary by offering unclean animals upon the altar of burnt-offerings and then proceeded to pollute the entire building by sprinkling it with water in which unclean flesh had been boiled. In a final desecration, Antiochus dedicated the Temple to Jupiter Olympius, and erected a statue of that deity while plundering the temple treasures.*

1 Maccabees 1:54 (162 BCE) - The Greeks set up the "Abomination of Desolation" in the Temple "Now the fifteenth day of the month Kislev, in the hundred forty and fifth year, they set up the abomination of desolation upon the altar, and builded idol altars throughout the cities of Judah on every side."

1 Maccabees 1:59 (162 BCE) The Greeks make pagan sacrifices in the Temple "Now the five and twentieth day of the month they did sacrifice upon the idol altar, which was upon the altar of God."

*To consolidate his empire and strengthen his hold over the region, Antiochus decided to Hellenize the Jews by outlawing Judaism and by ordering the worship of Zeus as the supreme god. Such worship was an anathema to the Jews. When they refused, Antiochus sent an army to enforce his decree. Because of the resistance, the city was destroyed, many were slaughtered, and a military Greek citadel called the Acra was established.*

*In 170 BCE, a law was announced requiring all citizens present themselves four times a year to pay formal homage to Antiochus Epiphanes IV as the senior god of the Seleucids. The day chosen for these periodic submissions was the Sabbath day of rest. Epiphanes was met by revolt that involved the setting up of a small independent state in which the high priest was the central figure. Soon after, Antiochus launched an unsuccessful offensive against the Jews but the Maccabean revolt had succeeded in gaining the Jews their independence.*

*In the Book of Daniel, Chapter 8, a vision of this same event is given to Daniel with its meaning revealed in latter verses: Dan 8:1~18.*

Dan 8: 19~25 And he said, Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end shall be. The **ram** which thou sawest having **two horns are the kings of Media and Persia**. And the **rough goat is the king of Grecia**: and the **great horn** that is between his eyes **is the first king**. Now that being broken, whereas **four stood up** for it, four **kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation**, but not in his power. And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the **transgressors are come to the full**, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up. And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and **shall destroy the mighty and the holy people**. And through his policy also he shall cause **craft to prosper** in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: **he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes**; but he shall be broken without hand.

*The above verses are describing none other than Antiochus Epiphanes IV, the “one that is,” the sixth beast, as mentioned in Rev 17:10. It is during his Kingdom that the woman that rides the beast’s back shows herself initiating her blood thirsty desire to control all by having the beast perform the role as a punishment enforcer over those that didn’t comply.*

*The sixth king or kingdom is seen prior to scripture moving on to the seventh ruling power which is Rome. It is from this perspective that the final verses declare the end time beast.*

Rev17:10 And there **are** seven kings: **five are fallen** (*Babylonian, Persia-Medes and three of the Grecian kingdoms*), and **one is** (*The Seleucids Empire-Antiochus Epiphanes IV*) and **the other is not yet come** (*The Roman Empire*); and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.

Rev 17:11 And the beast that **was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven**, and goeth into perdition.

*The message from the angel to John completes the story to its fulfillment (a future event) in which John had just witnessed with the destruction of the last beast power and humankind as told in Chapter 16. John is told that this beast, powered by Satan previously seen that “was” for now has been bound and thrown into the pit. Then the term “and is not” means Satan no longer controls this world as Yahshua begins to rule for a 1000 years unhampered by his deception. Satan shall then ascend out of the pit after the 1000 years and “become the eighth” beast “and is of the seven”, and goes into perdition after the Second Resurrection, the final judgment for all humanity and angels. Quite similar to the description of the little horn, the Papacy that arises from the head of the last beast power Rome that plucks up three of the former horns and becomes the eighth horn riding on the beast.*

*John writes in Rev 17:1~3 “Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness.” John has been brought **back in time** from where he just saw the completion of Yah’s wrath upon the 7<sup>th</sup>. beast, the last beast, and his subjects that comprise the ruling power at the end time. The angel returns John back in time to that description of the 7<sup>th</sup>. beast **after** alerting John of its power, Satan, and his fate.*

Rev 17:12~14 And the **ten horns** which thou sawest **are ten kings**, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. **These have one mind**, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. These shall **make war with the Lamb**, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

*The description returns to the time of the 6<sup>th</sup> beast as stated in verse 10 “And there **are seven kings: five are fallen** (Babylonian, Persia-Medes and three of the Grecian kingdoms), and **one is** (The Seleucids Empire-Antiochus Epiphanes IV) and **the other is not yet come** (The Roman Empire); and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.” The angel continues to unfold the identity of the 7<sup>th</sup> beast to come as John is in the presence of the 6<sup>th</sup> beast in which was just revealed.*

*The **ten horns** which are **ten kings** referring to the 7<sup>th</sup> and last beast to **come** in which the woman rides as stated in verse 17:3: “So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a*

*scarlet colored beast, full of names of blasphemy, **having seven heads and ten horns.***” The seventh head is the seven beast powers, and the ten horns come from the 7<sup>th</sup> beast, that rules this world from the time that Yahshua left until the time of Yahshua’s return. The ten kings themselves had no individual worldwide kingdoms but give their power over to the beast in a united consensus to fight against Yahshua at His return.

Rev 17:15~18 And he saith unto me, The **waters** which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, **are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.** And the **ten horns** which thou sawest upon the beast, these **shall hate the whore**, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire. For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the **words of God shall be fulfilled.** And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

*As shown previously, the **waters** represent, the many **peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues** of the world where the whore is also present. Here John is told that the **ten horns** that he saw upon the beast, **shall hate the whore**, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire. These ten horns arise from the last head, the 7<sup>th</sup> beast. This has partially happened when the first 3 Germanic tribes fought against the Papacy and later with France striking her with a deadly wound. Even now the ruling beast powers resist any attempts of control from religion to impose its moral standards upon mankind.*

*That woman still seeks to reign over the Kings of the earth from her great city / state, the Vatican, obsessed to be King and God over humanity. The nations that form the beast unify as does the United Nations setting the standard for the world, empowered by the false prophet, the USA, to form this one world order. Religion of any sort cannot coexist with its immoral state, thus must be eliminated, as seen in this country and others, religion no longer directs mankind’s agendas.*

*The essence of Satan is to rule the people, to be equal to Yah as creator, sustainer. The splitting of Satan’s power and deception at the final stage must come about through a consolidation of paganism and the beast. Thus the eradication of the woman’s control over the beast*



*is accomplished by the ten horns who, in their zeal for dominance attack the whore, wrench all moral-political power from her leaving this false system desolate. At that point paganism and the beast unite their forces for the final battle over the control of Yah's Kingdom.*

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## ***Revelation Chapter 18***

*Previous chapters show an undeniable principle: In every instance John is moved in prophecy, he is transported to a different time. Thus when John is moved physically, he is in essence moving spiritually to a different time era meaning present, past and/or future, and is shown a different event or aspect that provides the rationale behind Yah's wrath upon humankind.*

*Rev 15:5~8 ended where **“the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened”** and the angel came out with **seven golden vials full of the wrath of Yah** which are the **seven last plagues upon humankind**. These verses also state that **“no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.”** Continuing into Rev 16:1 John is shown the last of Yah's wrath upon humanity, the seven vials of punishment for not repenting our sinful ways.*

*Rev 16 finished with the stoning of sinners by hail for their transgressions by the witnesses from the Lord's heavenly army of angels that becomes the final vial poured out upon humankind.*

Rev 16: 17~21 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, **It is done**. And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great. And the great city was divided into three parts, and **the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath**. And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. And there fell upon men a **great hail out of heaven**, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

*Yah's wrath has now been completed upon mankind as He **destroys the cities of all the nations** and repays “Babylon” by giving **her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath**. Both are destroyed, **“it is done”** at the end of Chapter 16. Yet His new kingdom is not yet visible. As John continues in this vision from before the throne of Yah, he is*

shown events that **had also occurred** (in the past) to bring about this end.

Chapter 17 starts as the angel says to John **“come hither.”** John is moving, and as it has been already learned, when John moves physically, he also is moving in time to a different view point. The angel says, **“I will show unto you John the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters,”** with whom the kings of the earth **have committed fornication** and the inhabitants of the earth **have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.**

After the whore’s judgment is revealed, signifying **the cause or justification for her punishment** as an immoral woman, John is now shown in vision the details of the sin that incited the wrath of Yah upon humans. Again, judgment embraces the entirety of what one commits, being subjected to review; judgment by Yah in our relationship with Him **according to His laws.** The condemnation only occurs after the act of judgment, the process which defines the cause of the sin.

Rev 18:1 And **after these things** I saw **another angel** come down from heaven, having **great power**; and the earth was **lightened** with **his glory.**

After these things; what John had just finished seeing in Chapter 17, the woman known as Mystery, Babylon the Great, the **mother** of harlots and abominations of the earth, drunken with the **blood of the saints**, and with the **blood of the martyrs of Jesus**, is soon to be condemned for the cause of her sins. John now sees another angel coming down from heaven. This angel is no ordinary angel, meaning messenger. He is seen as having **great power** and the earth was **lightened** by **His glory.** Now our Lord appears in His Glory!

**Lightened** - Strong’s #5461 fo-tid'-zo to shed rays, to shine or (transitively) to brighten up: enlighten, illuminate, (bring to, give) light, make to see.

Rev 18:2~3 And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, **Babylon** the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of **her** fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with

**her**, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of **her** delicacies.

*This messenger, **lightened by His glory**, having **great power** cried mightily with a **strong voice** condemning this woman called Babylon for **her** fornication with the kings of the earth and for the abundance of **her** delicacies through the merchandising of the people. This woman, false religion, is being called out and told that it has fallen and has become the habitation of devils and of every foul spirit.*

Rev 18:4~8 And I heard **another voice from heaven**, saying, **Come out of her, my people**, that ye be not partakers of **her** sins, and that ye receive not of **her plagues**. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities. **Reward her** (*judge her, condemn her*) even as she rewarded you, and **double** unto her, **double** according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled, fill to her **double**. How much she hath **glorified herself**, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, **I sit a queen**, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow. Therefore shall **her plagues** come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who **judgeth her**.

*A voice is heard calling for the people to come out from this woman, false religions, before she is judged, subject to punishment, so one can avoid her plagues. Remember, in participating with false religion, one is condoning her actions, becoming equally guilty of her sins. She is to be rewarded with double punishment for her actions, but why double? Looking into Yah's law one sees that the principle of paying back double is associated with the act of stealing property. Does not her action fit this crime by stealing away Yah's truth from His people then replacing it with an inferior, false look-a-like image called Christianity?*

Ex 22:4 & 7 If the theft be certainly found in his hand alive, whether it be ox, or ass, or sheep; **he shall restore double**. If a man shall deliver unto his neighbour money or stuff to keep, and it be stolen out of the man's house; if the thief be found, let him **pay double**.

*This woman, false religion, is caught red handed with the blood of the saints and the martyrs of Yahshua, and hath **glorified herself**, living deliciously: She says in her heart, **I sit a queen**, and am no widow, and*

shall see no sorrow. Yes, she deserves double punishment, as our Righteous Judge has judged her.

**Judgeth** – Strong’s #2919. kree'-no; properly, to distinguish, decide (mentally or judicially); by implication, to try, **condemn, punish:** avenge, conclude, damn, decree, determine, esteem, judge, go to (sue at the) law, ordain, call into question, to **sentence**. We have passed judgment, discerning right from wrong and moved onto the condemning, the punishment.

Rev 18:9~13 And the kings of the earth, who have **committed fornication** and **lived deliciously with her**, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning, Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas, that **great city Babylon**, that mighty city! for in one hour is **thy judgment come**. And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; **for no man buyeth their merchandise any more:** The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and **purple**, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble, And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, **and souls of men**.

*Now to this great city of false pagan religion called Christianity which committed fornication with those of the world, sinning outside of marriage, condemnation has come! Notice that “no man buyeth their merchandise any more” denoting besides reaping physical merchandise people now no longer believe the lies of salvation through her. The merchants lament for they prospered by her constant lust for more, preaching health and wealth abounding through her greed, the desire to control mind and soul, being worshipped as God.*

Rev 18:14~19 And the fruits that thy **soul lusted after** are departed from thee, and all things which were dainty and goodly are departed from thee, and thou shalt find them no more at all. The merchants of these things, which were **made rich by her**, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing, And saying, Alas, alas, **that great city**, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls! For in **one hour** so great riches is come to nought. And every shipmaster, and all the

company in ships, and sailors, and as many as trade by sea, stood afar off, And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What city is like unto this great city! And they cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and wailing, saying, Alas, alas, that great city, **wherein were made rich** all that had ships in the sea **by reason of her costliness!** for in one hour is she made desolate.

*The fruits that her soul lusted after are departed from her; she is condemned for her sin. And those that used the system to gain wealth from her to control the souls of humanity grieve at their loss for they were made rich by reason of her costliness, the glorification of self.*

Rev 18:20~24 Rejoice over her, thou heaven, and ye holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her. And a **mighty angel took up a stone** like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all. And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft he be, shall be found any more in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee; And the **light of a candle** shall shine no more at all in thee; and **the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride** shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by **thy sorceries were all nations deceived.** And in her was found **the blood of prophets,** and of **saints,** and of all that were slain upon the earth.

*The word goes out to rejoice over her, those in heaven and to the holy apostles and prophets for Yah has avenged them on her. So for the sorrows that she had caused Yah's saints and witnesses (martyrs), Yah caused her double punishment. Also take note, **Yah's judgment** is carried out by this **mighty angel** (Yahshua) taking up a stone and casting it into the sea (referring to the people) saying, "Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all." Yahshua, this **mighty angel**, is the angel with **great power, lightened with His glory** seen in Rev 18:1~2.*

*Only Yah through Yahshua has the right to judge, condemn or punish both humankind and this woman, false religion, for their sin. Stoning of sinners to death outside the city gates starts with the first witness Yahshua, the mighty angel, followed by His two witnesses the archangels, Michael and Gabriel. False religion including*

*Christianity assumes the glory due Yah through its false worship system praising with **“harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, which shall be heard no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft he be, shall be found any more in thee”** for these all are counterfeit to a false deity.*

*Surely this description of an elaborate praise environment is depicting the churches, synagogues, mosques of mainline religions as well as Christendom as seen throughout history spanning the Middle Ages and before to the present with vast choruses, towering organ pipes, all under sprawling, inordinately expensive architecture. Note also: **“And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee:”** The lighting of candles for the dead, the purchase of atonement for sins as a tradition of this false woman masquerading as a queen is over. Also mentioned: the **“voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee”** for she by taking upon herself by her own authority the duties of Yah that joins two in marriage is now justly condemned. Truly as stated it’s **“by her sorceries were all nations deceived.”** And in her was found **the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.”** Because of her declared morality, humankind has been fighting each other forcing their respective belief systems upon one another throughout her deception as being the earthly representative of God incarnate.*

*Yahshua has given His servant, John, a message for us to heed...**if** we have ears to hear and eyes to see:*

***“Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. Rev 18:4***

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## ***Revelation Chapter 19***

*Rev 16 finished with the stoning of sinners for the transgressions of their sins by hail from the witnesses of our Lord's army of angels in heaven which comprised the final vial poured out upon humanity.*

Rev 16: 17~21 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, **It is done.** And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great. And the great city was divided into three parts, and **the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.** And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. And there fell upon men a **great hail out of heaven**, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

*Yah's wrath is completed on humankind as He **destroys the cities of all the nations** and repays "**Babylon**" (false religion) by giving **her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath.** At the end of Chapter 16 the beast and false prophet as well as the whore, false religion, are destroyed: "**it is done.**" Yet His new kingdom is not recorded as being seen. As John continues in a vision before the throne of Yah, he is shown events that **had also occurred** (in the past) to bring about this end.*

*Chapter 17 starts with the angel addressing John to "**come hither.**" John is concurrently moving both physically and in time to a different vantage point as previously stated. The angel says, "**I will show unto you (John) the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters,**" with whom the kings of the earth **have committed fornication**, and the inhabitants of the earth **have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.***

*The chapter continues: **After** revealing the whore's judgment, meaning **the cause and justification of her punishment** as an immoral woman, John is now able to be shown in a vision with great detail the cause for the sins that brought about the wrath of Yah upon humankind. Again, judgment exemplifies reviewing events in relationship to **Yah's law.***



*The act of being judged (discerning right from wrong) must come first followed by judgment, before condemnation that includes punishment for the cause of the sin.*

Rev 18:1 And **after these things** I saw **another angel** come down from heaven, having **great power**; and the earth was **lightened** with **his glory**.

*After these things, refers to after what John just finished seeing in Chapter 17 involving this woman known as Mystery, Babylon the Great, the **mother** of harlots soon to be condemned for her many abominations of the earth, drunken with the **blood of the saints**, and with the **blood of the martyrs of Yahshua**. John now sees another angel coming down from heaven, but this angel is no ordinary angel. He has **great power** and the earth was **lightened** by **His glory**. This angel refers to Our Lord who does appear and **judges the mother of all harlots**, condemning her to death.*

*Once again these events have already happened prior to the end of Chapter 16 with the last vial poured, **"It is done."** John has been brought **back in time** to see what had occurred to bring about the end. Now he is shown the judgment of the whore before she is judged.*

Rev 19:1~4 And **after these things** I heard a great voice of much **multitude** (*people KJV*) in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God: For true and righteous are his judgments: **for he hath judged the great whore**, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath **avenged the blood of HIS servants** at her hand. And again they said, Alleluia. And her smoke rose up forever and ever. And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia.

*After these things, denoting after seeing the judgment of the great whore for her sin, a great multitude is heard praising Yah for judging the great whore, condemning her while avenging the blood of **His servants**. Notice the verses did not say avenging **our** blood referring to the saints, but ones called **His servants**. The voice of the multitude is present at the judging to witness the event thus proclaiming that this judgment avenges the blood of **His servants**. Who were the witnesses of the whore and the blood of Yahshua, His servant? The Angels!!!!*

*Those called His servants refer to the two witnesses that were killed as noted in Chapter 11.*

**Multitude** – Strong’s #3793. Ochlos; from a derivative of 2192 (meaning a vehicle); a throng (as borne along); by implication, the rabble (crowd); by extension, a class of people; figuratively, a riot: company, **multitude**, a numbered group. This has a totally different meaning from the word, **People** #2992. laos, a people (in general, thus differing from #1218, which denotes one's own populace): people. This word “**people**” seen in the KJV of the Bible which is corrected in other versions to “**multitude**” refers to Yah’s angelic army witnessing the events from heaven. Until sin is put away, meaning Satan, we can not be joined to Yahshua.

*Yahshua is first seen appearing with a verdict of condemnation: **He hath judged the great whore** which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and avenged the blood of His servants killed by her hand. This is the revelation being shown to John by the angel’s, moving back and forth in time to reveal all the different aspects of the events. Things are happening simultaneously yet are being revealed to John and to us in pieces to be assembled as a puzzle to create a unified, single picture. Here in Chapter 19 Yahshua first appears returning with his army of angels, yet this event has already happened as related in Chapter 16 at the last poured vial. Now in Rev 19:1~4, the whore is condemned who had killed many saints and witnesses called martyrs who had stayed faithful as Yah waited for the great whore to repent at the cost of His servants. When one touches the apple of His eye, you touch Him. The smoke of her punishment will rise forever as incense before His throne.*

Rev 19:5~6 And a voice **came out of the throne**, saying, Praise **our** God, all ye **his servants**, and ye that fear him, both **small** and **great**. And I heard as it were the voice of a **great multitude**, and **as the** voice of **many waters**, and **as the** voice of **mighty thunderings**, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

*The voice is heard from the throne by the great multitude sounding **as many waters** and **as the voice of mighty thundering**. This is surely not the saints but those in heaven, his angels, saying: “Praise **Our** Yah, all **you servants** and those that fear Him both small and great.” For the saints and martyrs don’t appear until after His return and the putting*

away of Satan (the dragon), the beast and the false prophet as told earlier in Rev 14.

Rev 14:1~3 And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and **with him** an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads. **And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder:** and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: And **they sung** (*the 144,000*) as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and **no man** could learn that song **but the hundred and forty and four thousand**, which were redeemed from the earth.

Rev 19:7~10 Let **us** (*meaning the angels*) be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for **the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife** (*the 144,000 virgins with the saints and witnesses*) hath made herself ready. And to **her** (*His wife*) was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. And he saith unto me, Write, **Blessed are they which are called** unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God. And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See thou do it not: I am thy **fellow servant**, and of thy brethren that have the **testimony** of Jesus: worship God: for the **testimony** of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

*So it is the angels that are seen gladly rejoicing and being told to give honor to the lamb's wife...we the church, "if" we have remained faithful. The church, its saints and witnesses, has made herself ready and now awaits her reward of being blessed, called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. Note also that as John attempts to worship the angel, John is quickly rebuffed and told that this angel is also a fellow servant having the testimony of Yahshua. One is to only worship Yah!!!!*

**Testimony** – Strong's #3141. *marturia*; from 3144 evidence given (judicially or genitive case): record, report, test **witness**. Note the same word used in Rev 17:6 "And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus" martyrs; denotes a witness. That is why it is stated that "**the testimony of Yahshua is the spirit of prophecy,**" for when witnessing one is prophesying of Him and His word to others.

Rev 19:11~14 And I saw **heaven opened**, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth **judge** and **make war**. His eyes were as a **flame of fire**, and on his head were **many crowns**; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he was clothed with a vesture **dipped in blood**: and his name is called **The Word of God**. And **the armies which were in heaven** followed him upon **white horses**, clothed in **fine linen, white and clean**.

*Again, these events have already happened prior to the end of Chapter 16 with the last vial poured, "It is done." John has been **brought back in time** to see what occurred to bring about the end as stated: "I saw **heaven opened**." John had already been shown this event earlier in Chapters 11 and 15.*

*Notice that Yahshua comes for judgment, to condemn and punish. Despite having the plagues completed, Yahshua's control of the earth and its inhabitants is not complete. Also, though His clothes are dipped in blood, He has yet to go into battle. Perchance the blood is the blood sacrifice, His life, given for our sins at Passover. He is dripping with the blood sacrifice of being the first born, dressed in white, as are those angels with Him. He is already our pure High Priest that does intervene for us, able to make atonement for us.*

Rev 11:19 And the **temple of God was opened in heaven**, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were **lightnings**, and **voices**, and **thunderings**, and an **earthquake**, and **great hail**.

Rev 15:5~8 And after that I looked, and, behold, the **temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened**: And the seven angels came out of the temple, having the **seven plagues**, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles. And one of the four beasts gave unto the seven angels **seven golden vials** full of the wrath of God, who liveth for ever and ever. And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and **no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled**.

*These are the seven last vials of Rev 16 that complete the wrath of Yah. At this point He comes to make war and to **judge the world**, the **whore** and the **beast**. He comes crowned with many crowns and His clothes are dipped in blood as one being martyred for the word of Yah. And His name is the word of Yah. He comes with an army, a band of angels, the only army in heaven as recorded in the Book of Matthew.*

Mt 16:27 For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father **with his angels**; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

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

Rev 19:15~16 And **out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword**, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, **KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS**.

*Yahshua fights with a sword from His mouth, known as the Word of Yah, not an actual sword. Yah's word works both ways: for healing and for correction. The manner in which it is used is dependent upon the hearers' reaction to the Word. Both ways aid our walk blessing us as we follow our Creator's words, healing us when problems interfere that prevent us from following Him. Remember, one did "sign up" to walk as He walked; it is up to us to live righteously in order to receive the eternal benefit of salvation...all placed in the user's hand to be realized.*

Rev 19:17~19 And I saw an **angel standing in the sun**; and he cried with a **loud voice**, saying to all the fowls that **fly in the midst of heaven**, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the **great Yah**; That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great. And I saw the **beast**, and the **kings of the earth**, and **their armies**, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against **his army**.

*This flying messenger standing in the light, the same mighty angel of Rev 10:1 is our Savior, Yahshua, who cries out to His creation in mid-sky, in the midst of heaven, come gather for a feast of flesh.*

Re 10:1 And I saw another **mighty angel** come down from heaven, clothed **with a cloud**: and a **rainbow was upon his head** (*crowns*), and his face was as it were the **sun**, and his feet as pillars of fire:

Ezk 39:17 And, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD; Speak unto every **feathered fowl**, and to every beast of the field, Assemble yourselves, and come; gather yourselves on every side to **my sacrifice** that I do sacrifice for you, even a **great sacrifice** upon the mountains of Israel, that ye may eat flesh, and drink blood.

*Midst of Heaven – Strong’s #3321 mesouranhma; from a presumed compound of 3319 and 3772; mid-sky.*

*John sees “the **beast, the kings of the earth and their armies** gathered together to make war against Yahshua sitting upon a horse, and against **His army**.” Once again, John is going **back in time** to see this event, for all these events have already occurred during the last seven vials poured upon humans as previously stated:*

Rev 16:15~21 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon. And the **seventh angel** poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, “**It is done**.” And there were **voices**, and **thunders**, and **lightnings**; and there was a **great earthquake**, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great. And the great city was divided into three parts, and the **cities** of the **nations fell**: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath. And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. And there fell upon men a **great hail out of heaven**, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

*Please note the great destructive hail upon humans is the finality of Yah’s wrath: “**And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven**,*

*every stone about the weight of a talent.” According to the law of Yah if one guilty of sin refused to repent, that individual was taken out to the city gates and stoned to death, Dt 17:2~7. At this point in time, the action is **outside the city gate** at the place called in the Hebrew tongue **Armageddon**, known as **the Valley of Jehoshaphat**, or **Valley of Megiddon** also known as the **Valley of Decision**. And who was to stone him and be the first to throw the first stone? The answer: None other than the witnesses that have observed the transgression. And again, who would have witnessed the sins of humankind from the beginning of time as true witnesses? The answer: the angels, starting with the two archangels, the two witnesses of Chapter 11. And where do the stones that are thrown originate? They are from the estate of the angels and their Lord where water is frozen and hail is born...heaven sent to destroy those that have sinned.*

Dt 17: 2~7 If there be found among you, within any of thy gates which the LORD thy God giveth thee, man or woman, **that hath wrought wickedness** in the sight of the LORD thy God, in **transgressing his covenant**, And hath gone and **served other gods**, and worshipped them, either the sun, or moon, or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded; And it be told thee, and thou hast heard of it, and enquired diligently, and, behold, it be true, and the thing certain, that such **abomination** is wrought in Israel: Then shalt thou bring forth that man or that woman, which have committed that wicked thing, unto **thy gates**, even that man or that woman, and **shalt stone them with stones, till they die**. At the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, shall he that is worthy of death be put to death; but at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death. **The hands of the witnesses shall be first upon him to put him to death**, and afterward the hands of **all the people**. So thou shalt put the evil away from among you.

*From the beginning, the covenant our ancestors made with Yah and Yahshua stated the blessings and cursings that would befall us according to our actions. We who are aware of His truth should not be surprised because of the many warnings we have continually received for the penalty of sinning.*

Rev 19:20~21 And the **beast** was taken, and with him the **false prophet** that wrought miracles before him, with which he **deceived** them that had **received the mark of the beast**, and them that **worshipped his image**. These both were cast alive into a **lake of fire**

burning with brimstone. And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, **which sword proceeded out of his mouth:** and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

*The beast, The Roman Empire, is the last of the seven heads that includes the power influenced by the Papacy, the eighth little horn, the ruling power at the end forming the Holy Roman Empire by controlling the world. The Beast/Papacy is given this power by the false prophet, the image, made in the beast's likeness... America. The mark of the beast and its pagan belief system is **Sunday** as was shown in Chapter 13. The remnant of mankind that did not repent of their sins, who were left at that time, are judged and then slain by the word of Yahshua.*

***Atonement** is the real thing involving real blood and death not just the shadow of or a rehearsal. Every year believers faithfully rehearse this event depicting its reality. All these same events within scripture must come to pass in order to fulfill Yah's "**Plan of Salvation.**" The seven Holydays of Yah's plan of salvation speak of the entire sweep of events that must occur before we are united with Him in His new kingdom here on earth. The first three spring Holydays have already occurred: Passover, The Feast of Unleavened Bread and the Feast of Weeks that depict in order; (1) His calling and sealing of His elect, (2) the sacrifice of redemption, the release from bondage and (3) the giving of His Holy Spirit to believers sealed with His Holy Spirit of promise which is the earnest of our inheritance until being united as one.*

*The fourth Holyday seen in the fall begins with the Feast of Trumpets depicting Yahshua's return seen being fulfilled as the sixth seal is opened in Rev 6:12~17. This Holyday is followed by the Day of Atonement seen here in Chapter 19 and completed in Chapter 20.*

### **DAY OF ATONEMENT:**

*This day pictures the High Priest entering the temple and going behind the veil into the Holy of Holies to make atonement for Himself and his family, the priestly line, and for the people of Yah. Two sin offerings involving two goats which are selected by lot for their respective purpose focused on laying iniquities, sins, upon their heads. One goat, the goat of departure, accused of the sins committed, is sent away alive into the wilderness, separated from the people. The other goat is killed, sacrificed. Atonement or at-one-ment, means to set at one, joining into one, by uniting. We shall not be completely joined into one*



*and united with Yah our heavenly Father until Satan, the accuser of the brethren, the tempter and author of sin, is taken away. The Plan of Yah cleanses the corrupted land and its people allowing the blessed to coexist with Him eternally.*

Lev 16:1~4 And the LORD spake unto Moses after the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they offered before the LORD, and died; And the LORD said unto Moses, Speak unto Aaron thy brother, **that he come not at all times into the holy place within the veil before the mercy seat, which is upon the ark; that he die not:** for I will appear in the cloud upon the mercy seat. Thus shall Aaron come into the holy place: with a young bullock for a sin offering, and a ram (*meaning a strong male goat*) for a burnt offering. He shall put on the **holy linen coat**, (*simulating the pure garment of Yahshua as our high priest*) and he shall have the linen breeches upon his flesh, and shall be girded with a linen girdle, and with the linen mitre (*a tiara, official turban of the high priest*) shall he be attired: these are **holy garments**; therefore shall he wash his flesh in water, and so put them on. (*This washing represents being baptized.*)

Lev 16:5~10 And he shall take of the congregation of the children of Israel **two kids of the goats for a sin offering, and one ram (or male goat) for a burnt offering.** And Aaron shall offer **his** bullock of the **sin offering, which is for himself, and make an atonement for himself, and for his house.** And he shall take the two goats, and present them before the LORD at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. And Aaron shall **cast lots** upon the two goats; one lot for the LORD (*note that lots are cast, meaning it is Yah's decision to discern which goat represents each party*), and the other lot for the **scapegoat.** {Azazel: *goat of departure--guilty one*} And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which the LORD'S lot fell (*Fell, denoting which goat the Lord chose to represent His people*), and offer him for a **sin offering.** But the goat, on which the lot fell to be the **scapegoat**, shall be presented **alive** before the LORD, **to make an atonement with him,** and to let him go for a **scapegoat** into the **wilderness.** (*Goat departing sent to a place of separation, accused as the guilty one.*)

*Three sin offerings are used to make an atonement, a **cleansing**, to disannul at the temple: The first one, a **bullock** offered for the transgressions of the **priests**, the ministers of Yah's word, the second one, a **goat** offered for the transgressions of the **people** which departed*

*from His words, ruling their own lives according to their own will, and the third one, a **second goat, the Azazel (scape goat,)** which has blame assigned to it for sins committed being sent away alive into the wilderness.*

Lev 16:11~13 And Aaron shall bring **the bullock of the sin offering, which is for himself, and shall make an atonement for himself, and for his house,** and shall kill the **bullock** of the sin offering which is for himself: And he shall take a censer full of burning coals of fire from off the altar before the LORD, and his hands full of sweet incense beaten small, and bring it within the veil: **And he shall put the incense upon the fire before the LORD, that the cloud of the incense may cover the mercy seat** that is upon the testimony, that he die not:

*As the High Priest enters the Holy of Holies, a veil of incense separates him from the mercy seat where Our Lord sits because a human high priest is contaminated with sin. The cloud of incense represents “the prayers of the saints” before Yah’s throne that go up into His presence as mentioned in Rev 5:8 & 8:3~4. Remember, the saints under the altar awaiting their redemption **to be made for them** are told to rest a little season until their brethren and fellow servants join them as stated in Rev 6:9~11. Thus this veil of incense separates Yah’s face from humankind.*

Lev 16: 14 And he shall take of the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it with his finger upon the mercy seat **eastward**; (*At the east gate where the Lord enters*) and before the mercy seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger **seven times**.

*Notice, for **seven times** blood is sprinkled to purify, to show redemption, before the mercy seat. This offering was done to cleanse the priests, the human messengers of Yah and the temple. The blood is brought to the mercy seat where Yah presides to offer before Him the blood of remission. Also as paraphrased in Heb 9:22, almost all things are purged with blood as required by the law. Without the shedding of blood there is no remission, no forgiveness. This process is similar to that of the wrath of the **seven trumpets** in Rev 8 cleansing sin from false religion as practiced by false prophets masquerading as ministers of Yah.*

Lev 16:15~16 Then shall he kill the goat of the **sin offering, that is for the people**, and bring his blood within the veil, and do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat, and before the mercy seat: *(the same 7 times)* **And he shall make an atonement for the holy place, because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions in all their sins:** and so shall he do **for the tabernacle of the congregation**, that remaineth among them in the midst of their uncleanness.

*This offering was done in the same manner as was the previous one: The High Priest sprinkling the blood seven times for remission of the people's transgressions against Yah as did the seven last plagues of vials in Rev 16:1 cleanse the earth from the beast which came out of the sea, from out of the people.*

Lev 16: 17~19 **And there shall be no man in the tabernacle of the congregation when he goeth in to make an atonement in the holy place, until he come out, and have made an atonement for himself, and for his household, and for all the congregation of Israel.** *(Note: Aside from the High Priest, no one is allowed in the temple area until the offering is done. At-one-ment is not complete until sin is put away).* And he shall go out unto the altar that is before the LORD, and make an atonement for it; and shall take of the blood of the bullock, and of the blood of the goat, and put it upon the horns of the **altar** round about. And he shall sprinkle of the blood upon it with his finger **seven times, and cleanse it, and hallow it from the uncleanness of the children of Israel.**

*These were the events stated in the Old Testament referring to the temple or Yah and His priests and people. Yahshua our everlasting High Priest is cleansing His house of the uncleanness of the priests and people so He can live there. In the same manner, He will cleanse the land **first before He comes** to coexist with humankind.*

*The seven trumpets are associated with the sins of the priests, the human messengers of Yah's word, by the sprinkling of blood upon the altar. As messengers, the priesthood's mandate was to bring truth to the people with a warning to repent. Note how each trumpet blast becomes more intense and finishes with the fallen angels who are messengers themselves. Remember the plagues start with events against the earthly things and then follow to the point of being directly*

set against human flesh. They become the last messages or warnings the people of this earth are to receive before His coming wrath. At this point, the mystery of Yah has fully been revealed. If one hasn't gotten it yet, one never will because of an unwillingness to change. The priests as messengers of the warning signs who experience the affliction of the earth followed by the fallen angels collectively become the last wake-up call for humanity to see the truth. Beyond these two events it is too late to successfully transform a life, but not too late to acknowledge the New King, similar to what is read in Lev 16:6 concerning the offering of the Bull for the priests who sprinkled its blood upon the altar **seven times**.

Atonement is being played out right before our eyes in the Book of Revelation. Note, the temple of Yah is open, the veil before the Holy of Holies is pulled back and the ark is seen which only occurs on the Day of Atonement when the high priest goes behind the veil. The day is a time of cleansing the priests, the people, and the land of sin so that **at-one-ment** (purging, putting away, coexistence) can take place. The **seven plagues** are similar to the sprinkling of blood **seven times** for cleansing the people.

Also Lev 16:17 says "**no man is allowed in the temple**" until the cleansing for sin is completed to obtain oneness with Yah. The same is stated in Rev 15:8: "And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power and **no man was able to enter into the temple** till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled." Like the seven sprinklings of blood for the priests, like the seven trumpet blasts, come the last seven plagues associated with the seven sprinklings of blood for the people.

The plagues are completed, yet Christ is not seen taking over. Although the earth still contains those that acknowledge Him as the New King, they don't praise Him because Satan is still present. Reconciliation for sin is not yet completed, sin has not been removed. Sin incorporating desire, lust, and all its sources is not taken away; condemnation has not yet come. The presence of sin still separates us from our Lord. Until sin is taken away, there can be no **at-one-ment**.

We started with three offerings: One bull offering for the priests, messengers of truth, serving as His prophets. The second offering being one of the two goats selected by the Lord's lot dedicated to

*people transgressing against Yah. The fate of the final goat must now be addressed. Note three different creatures representing three different things are used during The Day of Atonement.*

*In Lev 16 the High Priest must perform one last event to complete the atonement process. There is the cleansing of the priesthood, cleansing of the people, and cleansing of the tabernacle of the congregation. Yet Atonement is not completed until the removal of the guilty one, the Azazel goat (the scapegoat).*

Lev 16:20~34 And when he hath made an end of reconciling the holy place, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar, he shall bring the live goat: And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the **live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat,** and shall send him away by **the hand of a fit man into the wilderness: And the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a land not inhabited:** and he shall let go the goat in the **wilderness.** And Aaron shall come into the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall put off the linen garments, which he put on when he went into the holy place, and shall leave them there: And he shall wash his flesh with water in the holy place, and put on his garments, and come forth, and offer **his burnt offering,** and the **burnt offering of the people,** and make an atonement **for himself, and for the people.** And the fat of the sin offering shall he burn upon the altar (*denoting the bullock for the priests and the goat for the people*). And he that let go the goat for **the scapegoat** (*goat of departure*) shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward come into the camp. And the **bullock for the sin offering,** and the **goat for the sin offering, whose blood was brought in to make atonement in the holy place,** shall one carry forth **without the camp;** and they shall **burn in the fire** their skins, and their flesh, and their dung. And he that burneth them shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp.

*Three entities are seen at the end time; the dragon, the beast and the false prophet. The false prophet would symbolize sin associated with the work of ministering untruth, as would the offering by the high priest would symbolize the sin offering of the bullock then by Aaron and his family, the priestly line, the messengers of His word. The beast would be similar to the sin offering of the goat for the people as the beast*

arises from out of the sea, meaning people. Both the false prophet and the beast are totally consumed in the lake of fire, as were the burnt offerings **outside the city gate** at the start of Rev 19:20. In Chapter 19, the setting is **outside the city gate** at the place called in the Hebrew tongue **Armageddon**, known as **the Valley of Jehoshaphat**, or **Valley of Megiddon** also known as the **Valley of Decision**.

The blood from the offerings was sprinkled on the altar **seven times** for sin. Blood is also spilled during the seven trumpets and seven plagues as the **penalty for sin is death**. **Atonement** is the real thing involving real blood; death is not just the shadow or a rehearsal. This event is what believers faithfully rehearse every year depicting its reality. All these same events within the scriptures must come to pass in order to fulfill Yah's "**Plan of Salvation**." Although the plagues are completed, control of the earth and its inhabitants is not yet seen. Atonement has not been fully completed until the removal of the guilty one, the Azazel goat (the scapegoat). Chapter 20 completes the events of Atonement.



## ***Revelation Chapter 20***

*Revelation Chapter 20 opens with the conclusion of the events fulfilling the Day of Atonement seen in Chapter 19 that ended with the **beast** and the **false prophet** being cast alive into the lake of fire.*

Rev 19:20~21 And the **beast** was taken, and with him the **false prophet** that wrought miracles before him, with which he **deceived** them that had **received the mark of the beast**, and them that **worshipped his image**. These **both were cast alive into a lake of fire** burning with brimstone. And the remnants were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, **which sword proceeded out of his mouth**: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

*The beast is the The Roman Empire, the last of the seven heads including the power of the Papacy, the eighth little horn, who is the ruling power at the end controlling the world. The Beast/Papacy is given this power by the false prophet, the image made in the beast's likeness... America. The mark of the beast and its pagan belief system is Sunday as was shown in Chapter 13.*

***The Day of Atonement** depicts the High Priest entering the temple going behind the veil into the Holy of Holies to make atonement for Himself and his family, the priestly line, and for the people of Yah. Two sin offerings involving two goats which are selected by lot for their respective purpose focused on laying iniquities...sins, upon their heads. One goat, the goat of departure, accused of the sins committed, is sent away alive into the wilderness, separated from the people. The other goat is killed, sacrificed. Atonement means to set at one, to become united. We shall not be completely joined into one and united with Yah our heavenly Father until Satan, the accuser of the brethren, who is the tempter and author of sin is taken away, as will be seen in this chapter.*

*The events of Revelation, Chapters 19 and 20, are the fulfillment of the annual rehearsal given in the Book of Leviticus Chapter 16:1~17. Three sin offerings are used to make atonement, a **cleansing**, at the temple: (1) The **bullock** offered for the transgressions of the **priests**, the ministers of Yah's word, (2) one **goat** offered for the transgressions of the **people** which departed from His words, ruling their own lives according to their own will. And (3) a second goat, **the Azazel (scape goat)** which has blame assigned to it for sins committed and is sent*



away into the wilderness. It is this event that is being spoken about in Chapter 20.

As the High Priest enters the Holy of Holies, the veil of incense separates him from the mercy seat where Yah sits because this human high priest is contaminated with sin. The cloud of incense represents “the prayers of the saints” before Yah’s throne that go up into the presence of Yah as mentioned in Rev 5:8 & Rev 8:3~4. Remember, the saints under the altar awaiting their redemption **to be made for them** are told to rest a little season until their brethren and fellow servants join them as noted in Rev 6:9~11. Thus this veil of incense separates Yah’s face from man.

Note in Lev 16: **Seven times** blood is sprinkled to purify, to show redemption before the mercy seat where Yah presides. This offering was done to cleanse the priests, the messengers of Yah and the temple. The blood is brought to the mercy seat before Yah to offer Him the blood of remission. This process is similar to the wrath of the **seven trumpets** in Rev 8 for cleansing sin from false religion as the false prophet masquerades as a minister of Yah.

The following offering of the first goat was done in the same manner as was the previous one done with the bullock by the High Priest who had sprinkled blood **seven times** for remission of the people’s transgressions against Yah. Now likewise, these **seven last plagues** of vials in Rev 16:1 cleanse the earth from the beast which came out of the sea, meaning from out of the people.

Lev 16: 17 **And there shall be no man in the tabernacle of the congregation when he goeth in to make an atonement in the holy place, until he come out, and have made an atonement for himself, and for his household, and for all the congregation of Israel.** (Note: aside from the High Priest, no one is allowed in the temple area until the offering is done. At-one-ment is not complete until sin is put away). And he shall go out unto the altar that is before the LORD, and make an atonement for it; and shall take of the blood of the bullock, and of the blood of the goat, and put it upon the horns of the **altar** round about. And he shall sprinkle of the blood upon it with his finger **seven times, and cleanse it, and hallow it from the uncleanness of the children of Israel.**

*These were the events stated in the Old Testament referring to the temple of Yah and His priests and people. Yahshua our everlasting High Priest is cleaning His house of the uncleanness of the priests and people so He can live there. In the same manner, He will cleanse the land **first before He comes** to coexist with humankind.*

*Atonement is being played out right before our eyes in the Book of Revelation. Note the temple of Yah is open, the veil before the Holy of Holies is pulled back, and the ark is seen which only occurs on the Day of Atonement when the High Priest goes behind the veil. Lev 16:17 states, **“no man is allowed in the temple”** until the cleansing for sin is completed. The same is stated in Rev 15:8, **“And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power and no man was able to enter into the temple** till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.” The sprinkling of blood for the priests seven times correlates with the seven trumpet blasts, as the last seven plagues are associated with the seven sprinklings of blood for the people.*

*We started with 3 offerings: The first offering: one bull for the priests, messengers of truth, serving as His prophets. The second offering: one of the two goats selected by the Lord’s lot dedicated to people transgressing against Yah. The third offering: The fate of the final goat must now be addressed. Note three different creatures representing three different things are used during The Day of Atonement. In the same manner, three figures or creatures are shown at the end time: the **beast, the false prophet and the dragon.***

*In Lev 16 the High Priest must perform one last event to complete the atonement process. Not until the removal of the guilty one, the Azazel goat (the scapegoat), is Atonement completed.*

Lev 16:20~30 And when he hath made an end of reconciling the holy place, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar, he shall bring the live goat: And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the **live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat,** and shall send him away by the hand of a fit man into the wilderness: **And the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a land not inhabited:** and he shall let go the goat in the **wilderness.** And Aaron shall come into the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall put off the linen garments,

which he put on when he went into the holy place, and shall leave them there: And he shall wash his flesh with water in the holy place, and put on his garments, and come forth, and offer **his burnt offering**, and the **burnt offering of the people**, and make an atonement **for himself**, and **for the people**. And the fat of the sin offering shall he burn upon the altar (*referring to the bullock for the priests and the goat for the people*). And he that let go the goat for **the scapegoat** (*goat of departure*) shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward come into the camp. And the **bullock for the sin offering**, and the **goat for the sin offering, whose blood was brought in to make atonement in the holy place**, shall one carry forth **without the camp**; and they shall **burn in the fire** their skins, and their flesh, and their dung. And he that burneth them shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp.

*In Lev 16, the location of this event, “carry forth without the camp” as described in Rev 19, is an event happening outside the city gate at the place called in the Hebrew tongue **Armageddon**, known as **the Valley of Jehoshaphat**, or **Valley of Megiddon**, also known as the **Valley of Decision**.*

*The **false prophet** and his sin associated with the work of ministering untruth would duplicate the priest’s role, his sin offering of the bullock and the sprinkling of blood **seven times** to cover Aaron and his family, the priestly line, the messengers of His word. The **beast** would be similar to the sin offering of the goat and the sprinkling of blood **seven times** for the people because he arises from out of the sea or from out of masses of people. Both are totally consumed in the Lake of Fire, as were the burnt offerings outside the city gate as stated in Chapter 19.*

*The plagues are completed. Yet before redemption of the earth and its inhabitants can occur, the completion of the Atonement, the putting away of the guilty one, the Azazel goat (scapegoat)...Satan by Yahshua our High Priest, must be accomplished. Now as Chapter 20 unfolds this final event, Atonement is brought to fulfillment.*

*All these events are Yah’s Holyday Plan of Salvation as noted in Lev 23. Starting with the spring Feasts, **Passover**, the calling and sealing of His elect, followed by the **Feast of Unleavened Bread**, the sacrifice of redemption and the release from bondage by the putting away of sin, followed by the **Feast of Weeks**, the giving of His Holy Spirit leading to*

*His truth. Now the fall Feasts begin with the **Feast of Trumpets** depicting Yahshua's return being fulfilled as the sixth seal is opened as seen in Rev 6:12~17. This Holyday is followed by the **Day of Atonement** seen beginning in Chapter 19 and now completed here in Chapter 20.*

Rev 20:1~3 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a **great chain** in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, **which is the Devil, and Satan,** and **bound him a thousand years,** And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and **set a seal upon him,** that he should deceive the nations no more, till **the thousand years should be fulfilled:** and after that he must be loosed a little season.

*This angel seen earlier in Rev 9:1 which came down from heaven with the key to the bottomless pit is a servant, an angel of Yah. This angel completes the Atonement process by laying hold of Satan, the guilty one, which is assigned blame for sin, as in the blaspheming of the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of the Father, and is justly sent away as the guilty party.*

*Atonement is now completed. The cause of sin, the "Azazel goat," is put away, and believers can now be joined with Christ. The scapegoat, the goat of departure...Satan, is sent away for a 1000 years. Note that neither the goat nor Satan is killed, unlike the false prophet and the beast that are destroyed in the Lake of Fire.*

*It is stated in Jn 5: 25~29 that the hour is coming and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live. And Yah has given His son authority to execute judgment. For the hour **is coming**, in which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth; they that have done **good**, unto the **resurrection of life**; and they that have done **evil**, unto the **resurrection of damnation**. But when will these things be? When are we redeemed? When is the resurrection of the saints?*

1Cor 15: 51~57 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all **sleep**, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, **at the last trump:** for the **trumpet shall sound**, and the **dead** shall be raised incorruptible, **and we shall be changed.** For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So

when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? **The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.** But thanks be to God, which giveth us the **victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

*The change does not happen until the **last trumpet** is sounded. There are seven trumpet blasts to be sounded recorded in the Book of Revelation. Yet it is stated that at the last, the final trumpet, we are redeemed. When looking closely at the events recorded in the Old Testament we see a final trumpet blast to be sounded to fulfill the event to liberty.*

Lev 25: 8~22 And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven times seven years; and the space of the seven sabbaths of years shall be unto thee forty and nine years. Then shalt thou cause **the trumpet of the jubile** to sound on the **tenth day of the seventh month**, in the **day of atonement** shall ye make the **trumpet sound** throughout all your land. And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and **proclaim liberty** throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a **jubile** unto you; and ye shall return every man unto his possession, and ye shall return every man unto his family. A **jubile** shall that **fiftieth year** be unto you: ye shall not sow, neither reap that which groweth of itself in it, nor gather the grapes in it of thy vine undressed. For it is the jubile; **it shall be holy unto you**: ye shall eat the increase thereof out of the field. **In the year of this jubile ye shall return every man unto his possession.** And if thou sell ought unto thy neighbour, or buyest ought of thy neighbour's hand, ye shall not oppress one another: According to the number of years after the jubile thou shalt buy of thy neighbour, and according unto the number of years of the fruits he shall sell unto thee: According to the multitude of years thou shalt increase the price thereof, and according to the fewness of years thou shalt diminish the price of it: for according to the number of the years of the fruits doth he sell unto thee. Ye shall not therefore oppress one another; but thou shalt fear thy God: for I am the LORD your God. Wherefore ye shall do **my statutes**, and keep **my judgments**, and do them; and ye shall dwell in the land in safety. And the land shall yield her fruit, and ye shall eat your fill, and dwell therein in safety. And if ye shall say, What shall we eat the **seventh year**? behold, we shall not sow, nor gather in our increase: Then I will

command my blessing upon you in the **sixth year**, and it shall bring forth fruit for **three years**. And ye shall sow the **eighth year**, and eat yet of old fruit until the **ninth year**; until her fruits come in ye shall eat of the old store.

*The Jubilee is the final trumpet blast to be heard in sending liberty for those held in debt. It is now that we are released to be joined to Christ, freed to achieve righteousness. This event precedes “The Feast of Ingathering,” the calling of His saints to partake of the wedding banquet with Christ. They will rejoice with Him for 1000 years as this feast includes a seven day commemoration.*

*Mankind has been on the earth approximately 6000 years, similar to 6 days of the week. The seventh day is the **day of rest** associated with the Sabbath. This 1000 years rest without the influence of Satan denotes the completion of a full week.*

Ex 23: 10~12 And six years thou shalt sow thy land, and shalt gather in the fruits thereof: But the seventh year thou shalt let it rest and lie still; that the poor of thy people may eat: and what they leave the beasts of the field shall eat. In like manner thou shalt deal with thy vineyard, and with thy oliveyard. Six days thou shalt do thy work, and on the seventh day thou shalt rest: that thine ox and thine ass may rest, and the son of thy handmaid, and the stranger, may be refreshed.

Rev 20:4~6 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which **had not worshipped** the beast, **neither his image, neither had received his mark** upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and **they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years**. But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the **first resurrection**. Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the **first resurrection**: on such the **second death** hath no power, but they shall be **priests of God and of Christ**, and shall **reign with him a thousand years**.

*Notice those who receive this reward: Only those servants of Yah that **have not** received the mark of the beast nor worshipped the beast, or the image of the beast (previously shown to be Sunday worship, the mark of the beast...the pagan day of worship). The beast carrying this*

*mark is mainline Christianity. This pagan system of false worship has corrupted the truth and now, at the end time, will pay with its life as will all those who steadfastly refused to change their ways by continuing to follow her. The reward given to the witnesses of Yahshua, and for their loyalty to the words of Yah our Father, even at the expense of their own lives, is to live and reign with Christ a thousand years. This reward precedes the Great White Throne Judgment and eternity that follows. A Sabbath rest, a thousand years without the influence of Satan, is given to His loyal servants as a wonderful rest as was the original day Yah sanctified, the Seventh Day Sabbath, purposefully set away from the cares of the world in order for us to have an intimate relationship with our Creator.*

*The saints are to be priests of Yah and of their Savior, Yahshua. If one recalls, the Levitical priesthood was to minister to the people from which they received tithes. If one ministered to ten people each giving 10%, one would amass 100%. Yet Yahshua said that those that are willing to forsake all for him would receive 100 fold in this life and in the life after. 10% of 100 fold is 1000. Yet for forsaking all for Yahshua, the reward is fantastically greater!!!*

*Notice the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. These dead represent the rest of humanity from the time of Adam and Eve until the wrath of Yah upon the earth. They are not first fruits and do not partake of the first resurrection. They are asleep awaiting their resurrection day after the thousand years are completed. During this thousand year period, there will still be those on earth who did submit to the new King of Kings when He came. It's these people that the first resurrected believers will be ministering to generation after generation, instructing them concerning Yah's truth as denoted in His law. No, Yah does not change and will not change; the change is ours to do according to His will.*

*Blessed and holy is he that has part in the first resurrection: on such the **second death** has no power. The second death is referring to the time after the Great White Throne Judgment of those partaking in the second resurrection. At that time, their judgment will begin as it has now begun in the house of Yah.*

1Pe 4:17 For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it **first begin at us**, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?

*For a thousand years Yahshua will rule while cleaning the earth and giving it rest with peace. After the thousand years are completed, Satan is released from the bottomless pit, as noted in Rev 20:3 “And (Satan is) cast into the bottomless pit, and shut up, sealed, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season. These 1000 years depict “**The Feast of Ingathering**” with its 7 day week of rest and peace with Yahshua. After that rest, a new week begins with the resurrection of the rest of mankind to face judgment. Remember, the judgment is not a moment in time as read in 1Pe 4:17~19 but a lifetime to fully experience one’s life purpose.*

1Pe 4:17~19 For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear? Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.

*After the thousand years are completed, Satan is released once again. At that time in the plan of salvation, will be the judgment time for the rest of humanity!*

Rev 20:7~8 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, And shall go out **to deceive the nations** which are in the four quarters of the earth, **Gog** and **Magog**, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea.

**Gog** – Strong’s #1136 *gogue of Hebrew origin (1463); Gog, a symbolic name for some future Antichrist.*

**Magog** – Strong’s #3098 *mag-ogue’ of Hebrew origin (4031); Magog, a foreign nation, figuratively an Anti-Christ party.*

*After a thousand years of being imprisoned in the pit, Satan is released and immediately seeks to **deceive the nations** one last time. Satan*



called Gog, the antichrist, and Magog, his followers, both gather to battle against the camp of the saints.

*Those of the second resurrection will not be awakening into the majestic time promised by deceptive, misleading and in some cases outright false Christian mainline teachings that corrupted their thinking. Instead, they will awaken into disappointment in not having obtained salvation while seeing the camp of the saints living in splendor with Yahshua. At this point, their time of judgment has come: to choose right from wrong. Satan once again is present deceiving these people through his false self worship system rather than honoring Yah. Satan will gather the people to usurp what has been given to the saints of Yah. Yahshua will decisively and permanently overcome Satan. Those that follow Satan's lead will perish. This time presents the **final and last opportunity for humankind to repent**, meaning; to change their ways and follow truth as recorded in Yah's laws, as did the first fruits. This second death only affects those that are not Yah's who are actively fighting against Him. There can be no peace as long as people deny the truth and follow error; lies never prevail over righteousness.*

Rev 20: 9~10 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the **camp of the saints** about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. And the devil that **deceived them** was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the **beast** and the **false prophet are**, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

*The camp of the saints is Jerusalem, that beloved city, where Yahshua rules. The opponents to His Kingdom are killed and the devil, Satan, is cast into the Lake of Fire where the beast and the false prophet are. The beast and the false prophet aren't actual people but a worldwide system orchestrated and ruled by Satan corrupting humankind. It is this system of lies that is destroyed and with it those that follow its teachings. Satan is also cast into this Lake of Fire where he is tormented day and night forever. To be noted: Satan is spirit, thus immortal, cannot be killed and as such is forever tormented alive in captivity away from Yah and His saints.*

*This scenario is similar to that in Atonement when the "azazel goat" is put away. The scapegoat, the goat of departure, Satan, is first sent*

*away for a 1000 years. Note that neither the goat at Atonement nor Satan is killed, unlike the false prophet and the beast that are destroyed in the Lake of Fire. Now Satan is sent away alive forever at the cost of his own errors!*

Rev 20:11~15 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the **books were opened**: and another book was opened, which is the **book of life**: and the dead were **judged** out of those things which were written in the books, **according to their works**. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were **judged** every man **according to their works**. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

*Now at the end, the Great White Throne is seen from where Yahshua passes His **verdict upon** mankind by the books. Judgment, the time of choosing right from wrong, has been given. All have seen, heard and felt the causes and effects of sin. Now is the time for sentencing, the time to be given life or death according to one's **actions**.*

*Notice there is no reference to knowledge or understanding as being the principle on which one is to be judged, but on one's work, their actions, their doing. The books that are being referred to are the Books of the Bible, the Word of Yah. They are given by "The Word," Yahshua, as stated in the Book of John where it's also stated that Yahshua does the judging.*

Jn1:1 In the beginning was the Word (*Yahshua*), and the Word (*Yahshua*) was with God, and the Word (*Yahshua*) was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him (*Yahshua*); and without him (*Yahshua*) was not anything made that was made. In him (*Yahshua*) was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness **comprehended it not**.

Jn 5:22 For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son: (*Yahshua*)

Jn 5:26~29 For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son (*Yahshua*) to have life in himself; And hath given him authority to **execute judgment** also, because he is the Son of man. Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, And shall come forth; they that have **done good**, unto the **resurrection of life**; and they that have **done evil**, unto the **resurrection of damnation**.

*The dead who are resurrected were judged out of those things written in the Books of the Bible **according to their works**, their actions, how they obeyed the words of Yah, His laws. And the sea gave up the dead who were in it; death and hell, meaning the grave, delivered up the dead and they were judged, every person **according to their works**. All are called from every era of time, from all places to be judged. Note the message is repeated twice that one will be judged “**according to one’s works**.”*

***There shouldn’t be any confusion over the fact that His books and His laws will serve as the legal basis in determining one’s eternal judgment!***

*At that time death, the penalty for sin, and hell, meaning the grave, were cast into the Lake of Fire. These events show there is no more death. Life with Yah and His son will be forever! This event is the **second death** which eternally separates those not found written in the Book of Life to be cast into the Lake of Fire, ergo: terminated, forever gone, not to return.*

*All should endeavor to get this message out to others so they may know the fate of those refusing to repent, in order to effect a crucial change in their life, coming to know and live the truth of Yah: He alone is able to save through *Yahshua*!*

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## **Revelation Chapter 21**

*Chapter 20 ends showing the Great White Throne from where Yahshua judges humankind by the Books of the Bible, the words of Yah given by "The Word," Yahshua Himself, as stated in John 1:1. By these books Yahshua judges humanity. The 1000 years of peace on earth celebrated by the Feast of Ingathering for 7 days has now been completed. The Sabbath rest for the earth is over and a new week has begun. The new week starts with the time of judgment, the time to discern right from wrong, the beginning of a new way and the last of the old.*

Rev 20:11~15 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the **books were opened**: and another book was opened, which is the **book of life**: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, **according to their works**. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man **according to their works**. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

*The resurrected dead were judged out of those things written in the Books of the Bible **according to their works**, their actions, how they obeyed the words of Yah, His laws. And the sea gave up the dead who were in it; death and hell, meaning the grave, delivered up the dead with every person judged **according to their works**. All are called from all periods of time, from all places to be **judged** by His books... by **His laws**.*

*At that time death, the penalty for sin, and hell, referring to the grave, were cast into the Lake of Fire. At this point after the judgment there is no more death. Life with Yah and His son will be forever! This is the second death which will separate all sin and sinners from His truth as stated in Chapter 20. From this point forward, those who were first fruits in the first resurrection and those that repented in the second resurrection, will live in peace with Yah and His Son forever. This glorious event is commemorated in the fall by a Feast called The Last Great Day in Lev 23.*

Lev 23:23~ 44 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of **blowing of trumpets**, an holy convocation. (*The Feast of Trumpets: the time of the Lord's return.*) Also on the tenth day of this seventh month there shall be a **day of atonement**: it shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD. (*The Day of Atonement: Satan is put away for a 1000 years.*) Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the **feast of tabernacles for seven days** unto the LORD. (*The Feast of Ingathering; to present yourself before Him, the wedding supper of the first fruits.*) Seven days ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: on the **eighth day** (*The Last Great Day: all are gathered in His presence*) shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: it is a solemn assembly; and ye shall do no servile work therein. These are the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, Beside the Sabbaths of the LORD. Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when ye have gathered in the fruit of the land, ye shall keep a feast unto the LORD **seven days**: on the first day shall be a Sabbath, and on the **eighth day** shall be a Sabbath.

Rev 21:1~3 And I saw a **new heaven** and a **new earth**: for the **first heaven** and the **first earth** were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, **New Jerusalem**, coming down **from God** out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and **they shall be his people**, and **God himself shall be with them**, and be their God.

*A renewed heaven appears and with it a transformed earth made anew that contains no seas. At present, the seas cover 70% of the earth's surface. If all the seas were removed, the earth's potentially habitable dry-land surface area would triple. John sees a New Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from Yah, the Father, as a gift for His bride. A great voice out of heaven declares that Yah's tabernacle is now among humanity and Yah Himself, our Father, His Holy Spirit will dwell with us on His renewed earth. This also confirms that it was Yahshua in Chapter 20 who judged humans and not the Father. For until all sin is put away, humans can not be in the presence of Yah Our Father.*

1Cor 15:24~28 Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. **For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.** The last enemy that shall be destroyed is **death.** For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, **that God may be all in all.**

*Notice the gift that Yah brings through Yahshua our High Priest to His new bride, a tabernacle where both can live together in the same manner as a husband prepares a suitable dwelling for living with his new bride.*

Jn 14:2~3 In my Father's house are **many mansions**: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

Rev 21:4~6 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are **passed away.** And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, **I make all things new.** And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful. And he said unto me, **“It is done”**...**I am Alpha and Omega**, the beginning and the end. **I will give unto him that is athirst** of the fountain of the **water of life** freely.

*The former things are passed away for Yah has made all things new. Yahshua tells John to write this down as a prophecy to come true. The phrase **“It is done,”** denotes the completion of His task, as it is heard for the third time.*

*The first time occurred when Yahshua died on the cross as stated in Jn 19:28~30, “When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, **“It is finished,”** and he bowed his head, and gave up the spirit.” This event is associated with Yahshua coming the first time for salvation. The second time occurs in Rev16:17 as the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air completing the final verdict of wrath: “There came a great voice out of the temple of heaven from the throne saying;*

**“It is done.”** *Humanity has now been judged as Yahshua declares that the will of the Father has been completed in Him as in His second coming for judgment. Now the final completion occurs when Yahshua turns all things over to the Father after death has been put away, as read in Rev 21:6: “And he said unto me, **It is done...I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.**”*

*Also note that the statement, “**I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end,**” confirms Yahshua’s divine nature, as having been from the beginning.*

Rev 1: 10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet, Saying, **I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last:**

Rev1:12~18 And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks; And in the midst of the seven candlesticks **one like unto the Son of man**, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire; And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters. And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp two edged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength. And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; **I am the first and the last: I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore**, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

*The water fountain of life, discussed in Chapter 22, is given freely to those that thirst for it, that desire it with great zeal. Those that are parched and crave to be refreshed from this dry and deathly life are given living water. Anyone who desires this water and the life that is afforded through Yahshua must thirst: grow and produce fruits of devotion.*

Rev 21:7~8 He that **overcometh** shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be **my son**. But the **fearful**, and **unbelieving**, and the **abominable**, and **murderers**, and **whoremongers**, and **sorcerers**,

and **idolaters**, and all **liars**, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the **second death**.

*The inheritance with the title of “son” is conveyed to “he that over comes.” This involves **subduing self** in conquering, prevailing, getting the victory over the environment in which one lives. Not the act of just going through the motions. One must devote a life of action, fighting to achieve by overcoming evil with goodness as a gift to the world and to self.*

*This is so vital a point that Yahshua lists the characteristics that will oppose this most precious gift. As one reads through these characteristics, one hopefully will take advantage to examine and correct oneself well before each one’s progress of shedding these negative attributes is judged.*

**Fearful** – Strong’s #1169. *Deilov: to dread, timid, faithless, being afraid of.*

**Unbelieving** – Strong’s #571. *Apistov: a negative particle, actively disbelieving, without faith (The Action of your Belief). Specially a heathen, passively untrustworthy person; or incredible....having no credibility, one who believeth not, faithless, infidel.*

**Abominable** – Strong’s #948. *Bdelussw: from a derivative of bdeo (to stink); to be disgusted, to detest (especially of idolatry) abhor, to be repulsed by.*

**Murderers** – Strong’s #5406. *Phoneus: a slayer criminal or intentional homicide, assassination, carnage, killing.*

**Whoremongers** – Strong’s #4205. *Pornos: from pernem; to sell; prostitute, a debauchee, to corrupt, libertine, fornicator. The selling of body and or soul.*

**Sorcerers** - Strong’s #5332. *Pharmakeus: from pharmakon, a drug, or spell-giving potion; a druggist ("pharmacist") or poisoner, by extension a magician.*

**Idolaters** – Strong’s #1496. *Eidololatres: an image, a servant or worshipper of a idol.*

**Liars** – Strong’s #5571. *Pseudes: untrue, erroneous, deceitful, wicked, false.*

*Yah declares that these above characteristics and those that practice them **will not** be with Him in the New Kingdom. For those that have*



*ears to hear and eyes to see, let them hear and see so they may judge and correct themselves before His judgment!*

Rev 21:9~14 And there came unto me **one of the seven angels** which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, **Come hither**, I will shew thee the **bride**, the Lamb's wife. And he **carried me away in the spirit** to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, Having the glory of God: and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a **jasper stone, clear as crystal**; And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are **the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel**: On the east three gates; on the north three gates; on the south three gates; and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of **the twelve apostles** of the Lamb.

*Again the principle of movement and times: Every time John moves in the prophecy, he is taken to a different time. When John moves physically, he is really moving spiritually to a different time era for the purpose of being shown a different event or aspect of a revelation given to him.*

*Notice the same angel who had shown John Babylon, the harlot, in Rev 17:1, is now employed to show him in contrast, the New Jerusalem. As the description of the harlot's seat was given in Rev 17 to describe her attributes, here the Bride of the Lamb has her future living area described.*

*The angel shows John the New Jerusalem descending out of heaven from **Yah** the Father. Yet again the scriptures confirm that Yah is coming to His Bride here on earth...and not humans ascending to him in heaven. John describes the glory of Yah's great city and sees the names of the twelve tribes written on the twelve gates. Now near the end, Revelation unequivocally states that believers are to be eternally with Him, be part of, grafted into His chosen nation, worshipping accordingly to His laws. There is no outside group or many pathways to His Kingdom; entrance is only through His exclusive calling according to His will. This Bride, His church, in contrast to the harlot, was built on the foundations of the twelve apostles, the very system in which Yahshua said He would build His church. All the apostles were*

*of the nation of Israel who followed Yah's laws. He did not create a new church, but enlisted an existing covenant people to lawfully comply, recognize and acknowledge Him as the Messiah.*

Rev 21:15~17 And he that talked with me had a golden reed to **measure the city**, and **the gates** thereof, and **the wall** thereof. And the city lieth **foursquare**, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, **twelve thousand furlongs**. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal. And he measured the wall thereof, an **hundred and forty and four cubits**, according to the measure of a man, that is, of the angel.

*This angel has a reed equivalent to a ruler by which he measures the gates and walls of the city. The city is laid out as a cubic: its length the same as its width, the same as its height. The angel measured the city with the reed and its measurement was twelve thousand furlongs. The walls of this city measure one hundred and forty-four cubits thick.*

*A furlong is a unit of distance equal to 220 yards or 660 feet. 12,000 furlongs x 660 ft = 7,920,000 ft. 1 mile equals 5280 ft. 12,000 furlongs or 7,920,000 ft = 1500 miles. In comparison, the world trade centers in NYC were 1,368 ft tall or approx. ¼ mile high. Yah's temple will be 1500 miles tall or equivalent to 6000 trade centers stacked on top of each other!*

*The cubit, from "cubitus," meaning the elbow, is the measure from the tip of the elbow to the tip of the middle finger, approximate 1.5 feet, or 18 inches. This is also the approximate width of a man. 144 cubits could refer to the 144,000 virgins that are with Him on the mountain when He returns as referenced in Rev Chapter 7. Or perchance 12 tribes of Israel times 12 apostles would also equal 144. 144 cubits x 1.5 ft = 216,000 ft which is equivalent to approximately 95 miles, making the width of the walls of the city 95 miles thick. The gates of this city would then be 95 miles in length from the beginning of the threshold to the entering of the city. In perspective, to enter the gate and walk into the city would take one approximately 6 days, walking 16 miles each day, before reaching the inner city.*

*The size of the city's being 1500 miles square would encompass an area equal to its north / south direction stretch from the tip of Florida northward to the border of Canada while its east / west direction would*

*span westward from the east coast of Florida to the westernmost part of Texas.*

Rev 21:18~21 And the building of **the wall of it was of jasper**: and the city was pure gold, **like unto clear glass**. And the foundations of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation was **jasper**; the second, **sapphire**; the third, a **chalcedony**; the fourth, an **emerald**; The fifth, **sardonyx**; the sixth, **sardius**; the seventh, **chrysolite**; the eighth, **beryl**; the ninth, a **topaz**; the tenth, a **chrysoprasus**; the eleventh, a **jacinth**; the twelfth, an **amethyst**. And the twelve gates were **twelve pearls**; every several gate was of one **pearl**: and the street of the city was pure gold, as it were transparent glass.

*The walls and foundation of the building are composed of precious stones; the streets are made of gold. Yes, Yah is living large as are the believers with Him. He is showing that these cherished material things in this physical life are relegated as common building materials not hoarded away or put on display to be admired, but used to serve in the spirit of **giving your best**. These are the same gem varieties that were on the ephod, the breastplate, worn by the High Priest. The wall is made of jasper stone, clear as crystal or as glass with the glow of pure gold shining through it from within the city as stated in Verse 11.*

*Verse 12, displays the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel written on the twelve gates. The gates are each made from a pearl. A pearl is made from a small piece of sand, an irritant, an imperfection taken in by an oyster which then slowly secretes a covering, smoothing over its roughness. This is the same way the twelve tribes were created to be His glorious kingdom as stated, "As many as the sands of the sea, so shall be your descendents," imperfections that Yah refines covering over our hardness until we become a perfected, precious stone. Three gates per each side of the city cube equally divide the twelve tribes.*

Rev 21:22~27 And **I saw no temple** therein: for **the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple** of it. And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the **glory of God** did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof. And **the nations of them which are saved** shall walk in the light of it: and **the kings of the earth** do bring their glory and honour into it. And the gates of it

shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there. And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it. **And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie:** but they which are written in the **Lamb's book of life.**

*We are shown a great city, the New Jerusalem, coming down from Yah built with precious stones. In this city Yah the Father and Yahshua the Lamb, His son, comprise the temple. They are no longer hidden behind a veil for sin has been taken away. The nations of people that are saved with their kings over them shall bring their offerings to honor Yah, our God and live with Him. As noted, none defiled shall enter this city, only those written in the **Lamb's Book of Life.***

*This edict seems to infer there are still those living that will defile themselves, being abominable, who sin. Regardless, these will not be permitted to enter the city safeguarded by 12 angels so the redeemed may partake of its eternal life. Their fate of total separation and death itself lies in their own hands; they have no one to blame but themselves.*

*The inheritance is conveyed with the title of “**son**” given freely to “**he that over comes.**” This inheritance, birthright or heritage to be received as ours is gained through our obedience readily given. We as believers are required to conform according to family values honoring our elders in order to bequeath this most precious gift. It is earned by our action, seen through our faith in obedience to the divine family, the Father and His Word, Yahshua. It cannot be taken away...**it can only be thrown away.** Such a great reward requires great responsibility on our part.*

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## ***Revelation Chapter 22***

*Throughout the Book of Revelation an undeniable principle arose: In every instance when John is moved in prophecy, he is transported to a different time. Thus when John is moved physically he is in essence moving spiritually to a different time era meaning present, past and/or future. John's witnessing to us of the events or aspects that have occurred provide us with the rationale behind Yahshua's fulfilled revelation completing Yah's Plan of Salvation.*

*Revelation 21 ends as John is shown a great city, the New Jerusalem, coming down from Yah built with precious stones. In this city, Yah the Father and Yahshua the Lamb, His son, are to be the Temple. They are no longer hidden behind a veil for sin has been taken away. The people and their kings shall bring their offerings to His new city to honor Yah, our God and live with Him. **Now is the time of healing of the nations, to be at one with our Creator to live at peace.***

Rev 22: 1~5 And he shewed me a **pure river of water of life**, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the midst of the **street** of it, and **on either side of the river**, was there the **tree of life**, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the **healing of the nations**. And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him: And **they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.**

***Street** – Strong's #4113 Plateia of 4116; a wide "plat" or "place," open square, spread out "flat"- "plot" broad-wide.*

*This open square adjoins the center attraction or point of gathering at the head of the city similar to Saint Peter's Square in front of the Vatican. Most European town centers have such spacious squares before governing houses called a "Platz", as found in the names of Marienplatz, Karkplatz, Lenbackplatz and the like in Bulgaria and in Munich, Germany. These great squares fronting governing houses served as gathering places for the town's people to gather in order to be governed.*

*Proceeding from His throne running down the middle of this street, the "platz," or great square, flows the pure River of Life. On either side of*

*this river of living water was the Tree of Life having 12 varieties of fruit with a different variety becoming available each month. Two trees, one on each side of the river, symbolize two powers from which the water, the Spirit of life flows. The two powers are Yah and His son Yahshua that give life and heal the nations by their grace.*

*This vision of the City of Yah after the 1000 year reign of Yahshua was also shown to the prophet Ezekiel.*

Ezk 47:1~12 **Afterward** he brought me **again unto the door of the house**; and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house **eastward**: for the forefront of the house stood toward the east, and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at the south side of the altar. Then brought he me out of the way of the gate northward, and led me about the way without unto the utter gate by the way that looketh eastward; and, behold, there ran out waters on the right side. And when the man that had the line in his hand went forth eastward, he measured a thousand cubits, and he brought me through the waters; the waters were to the ankles. Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through the waters; the waters were to the knees. Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through; the waters were to the loins. Afterward he measured a thousand; and it was a river that I could not pass over: for the waters were risen, waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed over. And he said unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen this? Then he brought me, and caused me to return to the brink of the river. Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the river were very **many trees** on the one side and on the other. Then said he unto me, These waters issue out toward the east country, and go down into the desert, and go into the sea: which being brought forth into the sea, **the waters shall be healed**. And it shall come to pass, that every thing that liveth, which moveth, whithersoever the rivers shall come, **shall live**: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; **and every thing shall live whither the river cometh**. And it shall come to pass, that the fishers shall stand upon it from Engedi (*the fountain of a kid, a place in Palestine*) even unto Eneglaim (*the fountain of two calves*); they shall be a place to spread forth nets; their fish shall be according to their kinds, as the fish of the great sea, exceeding many. But the miry places thereof and the marishes thereof **shall not be healed**; they shall be given to salt. And by the river upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side, shall grow all trees for

meat, whose leaf shall not fade, neither shall the fruit thereof be consumed: it shall bring forth new fruit according to his months, because their waters they issued **out of the sanctuary**: and the **fruit thereof shall be for meat, and the leaf thereof for medicine.**

*The Bible first describes the **Tree of Life** in Genesis, Chapter 3, the very same tree bearing fruit from which one could eat and gain eternal life. Adam and Eve were in the Garden of Eden which also contained the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. Yahshua instructed them about this latter tree in which **not to eat** for they did not hold The Spirit of Yah within them.*

Gen 2:16~17 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: **for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.**

*Also note that Yahshua says to Adam, “the day that you eat of this tree you will surely die.” Yet Adam did not die that year but lived 930 years as stated in Gen 5:5, or did he? The timing of “**a day**” was given by Yahshua and is reckoned according to His count. Ps 90:4 states: “For a **thousand years** in thy sight are but as **yesterday** when it is past, and as a watch in the night.” And again, in 2Pe 3:8: “But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that **one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.**” One must be alert to what is being said and also to what is not being said. Thus in the time of a day according to Yahshua, Adam did die.*

*To bar Adam and Eve from eating fruit from the Tree of Life after eating fruit from the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, they were cast out from the garden flanked by guarding Cherubim with a flaming sword, just as Jerusalem’s gates will be guarded.*

Gen 3:22~24 And the LORD God said, Behold, **the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil**: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, **and live for ever**: Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. So he **drove out the man**; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.



*Notice: Even though humans know good from evil, if we do not have the Holy Spirit of Yah within us, we will never be able to fight off evil to conquer self, to gain victory over our carnal desires. Only through His Holy Spirit that indwells within one made available by the His grace are we able to overcome sin. That is why Adam and Eve and the generations thereafter were forbidden access to the Tree of Life. Only until His Holy Spirit dwells within is everlasting life possible through grace granted by Yah.*

*Only with His Holy Spirit indwelling within us through the sacrifice made by our High Priest, Yahshua, are we to have access to His throne being able to **“see his face with his name on our foreheads.”***

Rev 22:5 And there shall be **no night** there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; **for the Lord God giveth them light:** and they **shall reign** for ever and ever.

*Can you imagine a city lit from within by a beam of light contained by the four walls 1500 miles high, and radiating from atop of this Holy City? Imagine other beams of light radiating out through the 12 pearly gates in each direction, 3 to the north, 3 to the south, 3 to the east and 3 to the west! Visualize the appearance of 12 highways going out in each direction illuminating the way to His throne for worshippers. Envision walls of jasper stone, clear as crystal, and a city of pure gold radiating a clear light through it! From this throne Yah the Father and Yahshua our High Priest shall rule forever!*

Rev 22: 6~7 And he said unto me, These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done. **Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.**

*The angel specifically states the words of this book are faithful and true and that Yahshua sent His angel to show His servants, John and those that follow the way, those things that must shortly be fulfilled according to this prophecy. **Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.** The end of this book of prophecy started the way it began with this declaration from Our Lord.*

Rev 1:1~3 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must **shortly come to pass**; and he sent and signified it by **his angel** unto his servant John: Who bare record of the **word of God**, and of the **testimony of Jesus Christ**, and of all things that he saw. Blessed is he that **readeth**, and they that **hear** the words of this prophecy, **and keep** those things which are written therein: **for the time is at hand**.

*Throughout this prophecy given to John and now shown to us it stated: “**The time is at hand.**” There is no other message so compelling that directs us to prepare for His second coming. Those that have lived during and through this time have been given the centuries-old message of John the Baptist to repent and receive the Messiah. From that point forward the Kingdom of Yah has been preached. We have heard and seen through our faith the living power of Yahshua and of Our Father’s Holy Spirit working in us. There is no other message besides what has already been given, “Blessed is he **who reads** and those **who hear** the words of this prophecy, and those **who keep** the things which are written in it **for the time is near...is at hand.**”*

Rev 22:8~12 And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, **I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel** which shewed me these things. Then saith he unto me, See thou **do it not**: for I am thy **fellow servant**, and of thy **brethren the prophets**, and of them which **keep the sayings of this book: WORSHIP GOD**. And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: **for the time is at hand**. He that is **unjust**, let him be unjust still: and he which is **filthy**, let him be filthy still: and he that is **righteous**, let him be righteous still: and he that is **holy**, let him be holy still. And, **behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be**.

*Notice the correction that John receives as he fell down to worship this magnificent angel which revealed all this enlightenment to him. The angel says that he is a **fellow servant of the brethren, the prophets**, and one that **keeps** the sayings of this book. He concludes his message to John with this final admonishment: “**WORSHIP YAH.**” It is quite clearly stated as to whom our devotion is to be addressed: **Yah the Father**.*

*He also tells John **not to seal up this prophecy “for the time is at hand.”** Those that **do evil** let them continue doing so, and those that **do righteously** let them do also, for their reward is with Yahshua at His coming. Behold, **I come quickly; and my reward is with me**, to give every person **according as his work**. We will be judged according to **our doing**...not our knowing, but what we did with the knowledge given, as in the parable of the talents when the master returns to gather from His servant a profit left in their charge.*

Rev 22:13~16 I am **Alpha** and **Omega**, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. **Blessed are they that do his commandments**, that they may have **right to the tree of life**, and may enter in through the gates into the city. For without are **dogs**, and **sorcerers**, and **whoremongers**, and **murderers**, and **idolaters**, and whosoever loveth and maketh a **lie**. **I Yahshua have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches**. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.

*I am The Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last: **Yahshua, the Word of Yah**. Those that **do** the commandments of Yah are given access through the gates of the city to partake of the **Tree of Life**. The Tree of Life is the entity sustaining life. Without it, those that are not spirit-filled by this life giving tree die. Life cannot be sustained apart from the Tree of Life within the city.*

*One must **do His commandments** to be able to enter in and have the right to the Tree of Life. Those that refuse to comply are left outside the gated city where life is not sustainable. This message is given to His churches, the called out ones by His angels to testify, bearing witness, to confirm once again to all that have **ears to hear** what is prophesied to transpire according to His will. The responsibility is ours to either heed and comply or reject the message as one sees fit. It will be a crown **if** we do as instructed by His Spirit; it will also be a witness against us **if we neglect** to follow in His likeness. The choice is ours to make...choose life!*

*This principle remains relevant. Outside of His Way as found outside of the city, life is not sustainable. Just as the Sabbath revives us as the sanctified day of rest by His presence within us, so does the Tree of Life spiritually revive and sustain partakers. Apart from His will, His blessings of eternal life are not attainable.*

Rev 22:17~19 And **the Spirit** and **the bride** say, Come. And let **him that heareth** say, Come. And let **him that is athirst** come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely. For I **testify** unto every man that **heareth the words of the prophecy of this book**, If any man shall **add unto** these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall **take away** from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the **book of life**, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

*Notice the invitation sent out to join **them** in the New City of Yah. The invitation is from **His Holy Spirit**, the power and essence of the Father, and from the **Bride**, the church of the Bridegroom, Yahshua. The Bride comprises the assembly of called-out ones, His first fruits, redeemed, made in the likeness of His Son. They are His messengers to the world to enter into the Kingdom of Yah...gifts to His creation as stated in the Book of Ephesians.*

Eph 4:10~13 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things. And **he gave** some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; **For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:** Till we all come in the **unity of the faith**, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

*The invitation reads:*

*“Let **him that hears this message ...Come!***

*And let **him that thirsts** for His righteousness...**Come!***

*And **whosoever will**, let him take the water of life **freely**.*

*Again, He testifies to the fact we are **judged** by **our actions** according to His words, not by our own will or by our feelings. There are no additions or substitutions, subtractions, no elimination or changing of one word from this prophecy allowed. Those found doing so shall reap their just condemnation: plagues, afflictions, calamities, loss of any share in the Tree of Life and the City of Holiness for their denial of the truth.*

Rev 22: 20~21 He which testifieth these things saith, **Surely I come quickly.** Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

*The Book of Revelation started with Yahshua declaring that “**He cometh quickly**” and it ended with the same but now reaffirmed statement, “**Surely...I come quickly.**” Amen.*

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## **Appendix:**

### ***The False Prophet rising from the earth made in the image of the Beast: Rev 13***

*This study has endeavored to show that the Beast is the resurrected Holy Roman Empire; the False Prophet made in its image rising from the earth is the United States of America. The Holy Roman Empire controlled by the Vatican with its domed structure and court yard (Saint Peter's Square) adorned with an obelisk has an undeniable resemblance to that of the United States Capitol Building and the Reflection Pond highlighted by the Washington Monument, the largest obelisk in the world. The Vatican's St Peter's Basilica interior is laced with a scene depicting our Creator surrounded by angels governing humanity from above which remarkably parallels the Capitol Building's dome interior which is painted with a scene showing Washington, America's founding father, surrounded by angels looking down governing from above.*

*The Apotheosis of Washington is the name of the immense fresco painted by Italian artist Constantino Brumidi in 1865. Millions annually view this fresco through the oculus of the dome in the rotunda of the United States Capitol Building. Brumidi had worked for three years in the Vatican under Pope Gregory XVI. The artist immigrated to America in 1852, and spent much of the last 25 years of his life working in the Capitol also designing the Brumidi Corridors.*

*The Apotheosis of Washington depicts George Washington becoming a god (apotheosis). Washington, the first U.S. president and commander-in-chief of the Continental Army during the American Revolutionary War, is allegorically represented, surrounded by figures from classical mythology. Washington is draped in purple, a royal color, with a rainbow arch at his feet, flanked by the goddess Victoria to his left (draped in green, using a horn) and the goddess Liberty to his right. Liberty wears a red Phrygian cap, symbolizing emancipation, from a Roman tradition where sons leave the home and/or slaves being emancipated would be given a red cap. She holds a fasces in her right hand and an open book in the other.*

*Forming a circle between Liberty and Victory are 13 maidens, each with a star above her head, representing the original 13 colonies.*

*Several of the maidens have their backs turned to Washington, said to represent the colonies that had seceded from the Union at the time of the painting. Upside down above Washington is the banner E Pluribus Unum meaning "out of many, one."*

*Surrounding Washington, the two goddesses and the 13 maidens are six scenes lining the dome's perimeter, each representing a national concept allegorically from directly below Washington in the center and moving clockwise: "War," "Science," "Marine," "Commerce," "Mechanics," and "Agriculture".*

**War:** *The pagan god Freedom, also known as Columbia, is directly below Washington personifying War. The scene depicts a woman fighting for liberty with a raised sword, a cape, and a helmet and shield (in the colors of the American flag) trampling figures representing Tyranny and Kingly Power. To Freedom's left assisting her is a fierce bald eagle (the national bird of the United States) carrying arrows and a thunderbolt reminiscent of the arrows carried by the eagle in the Great Seal of the United States.*

**Science:** *Minerva, the Roman goddess of crafts and wisdom, is portrayed with helmet and spear pointing to an electrical generator creating power stored in batteries next to a printing press, collectively representing great American inventions. American scientists and inventors Benjamin Franklin, Samuel F. B. Morse, and Robert Fulton watch. In the left part of the scene, a teacher demonstrates the use of dividers.*

**Marine:** *This scene shows Neptune, the Roman sea-god, with trident and crown of seaweed riding in a shell chariot drawn by sea horses. Venus, goddess of love born from the sea, is depicted helping to lay the transatlantic telegraph cable which ran from America to Telegraph Field in Ireland. In the background is an ironclad warship with smokestacks.*

**Commerce:** *Mercury, the Roman god of commerce, with his winged petasos and sandals and a caduceus, is depicted giving a bag of gold to American Revolutionary War financier Robert Morris. To the left, men move a box on a dolly while on the right; the anchor and sailors lead to vivify the concept "Marine."*

***Mechanics:*** Vulcan, the Roman god of fire and the forge, is depicted standing at an anvil with his foot on a cannon next to a pile of cannonballs. A steam engine is in the background. The man at the forge is thought to represent Charles Thomas, the supervisor of ironwork during the construction of the Capitol dome.

***Agriculture:*** Ceres, the Roman goddess of agriculture, is shown with a wreath of wheat and a cornucopia, symbol of plenty, while sitting on a McCormick mechanical reaper. The personification of Young America in a liberty cap holds the reigns of the horses, while the goddess Flora gathers flowers in the foreground.

### ***Comparisons of the Beast and the False Prophet:***

*There are three City States in the world that belong to no nation and pay no taxes. They are: Washington's District of Columbia which is not part of the city of Washington or the United States, London's Inner City which is not part of London or England, and Vatican City which is not part of Rome or Italy. These cities, called City States, have their own independent flag, their own separate laws and their own separate identity.*

***Vatican City:*** *Gracing the walls of St Peter's Basilica is the Vatican adorned with images of God. The dome depicts our Creator as an angry bearded man in the sky painted by Michael Angelo. Cruel and violent images of God's tortured Son, suffering, bleeding and dying with thorns gouged through his skull and nails pounded through his feet and hands are on display throughout the Vatican.*

*The colossal wealth of the Vatican includes enormous investments with the Rothschilds in Britain, France and the USA and with giant oil and weapons corporations like Shell and General Electric. The Vatican's solid gold bullion, worth billions, is stored in both the Rothschild controlled Bank of England and the US Federal Reserve Bank. This woman known as "false religion" represents the biggest financial power, wealth accumulator and property owner in existence, possessing more material wealth than any bank, corporation, giant trust or government anywhere on the globe.*

*While two thirds of the world earns less than \$5 a day and one fifth of the world is underfed or starving to death, the Vatican hoards the*



*world's wealth, profits from it on the stock market and at the same time preaches about charity. So how did the Vatican accumulate all that wealth over the millennia? A chief method was to assign a price-tag on sin. Many bishops and popes actively marketed guilt, sin and fear for profit through the practice of selling indulgences. Worshipers were encouraged to pre-pay for sins they hadn't yet committed in order to receive an advance pardon. Those who didn't pay-up were threatened with eternal damnation. Another method was to coerce wealthy land owners into conveying their lands and fortunes legally over to the church on their death bed in exchange for a blessing which would supposedly enable them direct entry into heaven.*

*During the dark ages, the Catholic Church not only hoarded the wealth they collected from the poor, but they hoarded knowledge. They kept the masses ignorant, in the dark, by denying them a basic education. They also prohibited anyone from reading or even possessing a Bible under pain of death. Between 1095 and 1291 AD the Pope launched seven blood baths called the Christian Crusades, torturing, murdering, beheading and mass murdering hundreds of thousands of Muslims and alike in the name of God. The Pope's brutal soldiers were called Knights Templar or Knights of the Temple of Solomon and evolved into today's secretive brotherhood called the Freemasons. Between 1450 and 1700 AD the Catholic Church followed up their holy terror with The Inquisition. Based on rumors of practicing witchcraft, the Catholic Church hunted down, tortured and burned-alive tens of thousands of innocent people at the stake.*

***The City of London:*** *Like Vatican City, London's inner city is also a privately owned corporation or city state located right in the middle of greater London. It became a sovereign state in 1694 when King William the third of Orange privatized and turned the Bank of England over to the "banksters." Today the City State of London is the world's financial power center and the wealthiest square mile on the face of the Earth. It houses the Rothschild controlled Bank of England, Lloyds of London, the London stock exchange, all British banks, as well as the branch offices of 385 foreign banks and 70 US banks. It has its own courts, its own laws, its own flag and its own police force. It is not part of greater London, or England, or the British Commonwealth and pays no taxes. The City State of London houses Fleet Street's newspaper and publishing monopolies. It is also the headquarters for worldwide English Freemasonry, and headquarters for the world wide money*

*cartel known as the Crown.*

***The District of Columbia:*** *Like the City States of London and the Vatican, a third city state was officially created in 1871, upon passage of the Act of 1871. This city state called the District of Columbia is located on 10 square miles of land in the heart of Washington. The District of Columbia flies its own flag, and has its own independent constitution.*

*The Constitution for the District of Columbia operates under a tyrannical Roman system of law known as Lex Fori, that bears no resemblance to the US Constitution. When congress passed the Act of 1871 it created a separate corporation known as The United States and Corporate Government for the District of Columbia. This treasonous act allowed the District of Columbia to operate as a corporation outside the original Constitution of the United States and outside of the best interests of American citizens.*

*Although geographically separate, the city states of London, the Vatican and the District of Columbia are one interlocking empire called Empire of the City. The flag of Washington's District of Columbia has three red stars, one for each city state in the three city empire. This corporate empire of three city states controls the world economically, through London's inner city, militarily through the District of Columbia, and spiritually through the Vatican.*

***Obelisks:*** *At the center of each city state is a towering phallic shaped stone monument called an obelisk that points skyward. In the DC city state, the obelisk known as the Washington monument was dedicated to the Freemason George Washington by the Freemason grand lodge of the District of Columbia. 250 Masonic lodges financed the Washington obelisk monument including the Knights Templar Masonic order. At the heart of London city state is a 187 ton 69 foot tall Egyptian obelisk called Cleopatra's Needle. It was transported from Egypt and erected on the banks of the river Thames. In Vatican City, another Egyptian obelisk towers high above St Peter's square. Obelisks are phallic shaped monuments honoring the pagan ancient Egyptian sun god called Amen Ra. The spirit of this pagan god is said to reside within the obelisk.*

***The Capitol:*** *Pierre Charles L'Enfant was given the task of creating the DC city plan for the new capitol. L'Enfant chose Jenkins Hill as the*

site for the Capitol building and included a grand boulevard connecting it with the President's House, along with a public space stretching westward to the Potomac River. In reviewing L'Enfant's plan, Thomas Jefferson insisted that the legislative building be called the "Capitol" rather than "Congress House." The word "Capitol" comes from Latin and is associated with the Roman temple to Jupiter Optimus Maximus on Capitoline Hill in Rome. In addition to designing the city plan, L'Enfant had also been tasked with the designing of the Capitol and the President's House, only to then be dismissed in February 1792 over disagreements arising with President George Washington and the commissioners.

**Capitolium:** Jupiter, Juno and Minerva were honored in temples known as **Capitolia** which were built on hills and other prominent areas in many cities in Italy and the provinces, particularly during the Augustan and Julio-Claudian periods. Most had a triple cella. The earliest known example of a Capitolium outside of Italy was at Emporion in Spain.

Although the word Capitolium (Capitolia) could be used to refer to any temple dedicated to the Capitoline Triad, it referred especially to the temple on the Capitoline Hill in Rome known as *Aedes Iovis Optimi Maximi Capitolini* "**The temple of the Best, Greatest, Capitoline Jupiter**". The temple was built under the reign of Lucius Tarquinius Superbus, the last King of Rome, prior to the establishment of the Roman Republic. Although the temple was shared by Jupiter, Juno and Minerva, each deity had a separate cella, with Juno Regina on the left, Minerva on the right, and Jupiter Optimus Maximus in the middle. It included a podium and a tetrastyle (four column) pronaos (porch).

**Capitoline Triad:** Jupiter, the supreme Roman god of the sky, was the only deity represented in both Capitoline Triads. In ancient Roman religion, the Capitoline Triad was a group of three supreme deities who were worshipped in an elaborate temple on Rome's Capitoline Hill, the Capitolium. Two distinct Capitoline Triads were worshipped at various times in Rome's history both originating in ancient traditions predating the Roman Republic. The one most commonly referred to as the "Capitoline Triad" is the more recent of the two, consisting of Jupiter, Juno and Minerva drawing on Etruscan mythology. The earlier triad, sometimes referred to in modern scholarship as the Archaic Triad, consisted of Jupiter, Mars and Quirinus and was Indo-

*European in origin. Each triad held a central place in the public religion of Rome during its time.*

***The House of Representatives:*** *It is adorned with relief portraits of famous lawmakers and lawgivers throughout history. Few are American patriots; most are created in the former beast power's likeness. Please review and question why such men should be adorned in this house which declares: "In God We Trust."*

***George Mason IV*** (December 11, 1725 – October 7, 1792) was an American patriot, statesman and a delegate from Virginia to the U.S. Constitutional Convention. He is called the "Father of the United States Bill of Rights."

***Robert Joseph Pothier*** (January 9, 1699 – March 2, 1772) was a French jurist and in 1720 was appointed Judge of the Presidial Court of Orléans. Pothier paid particular attention to the correction and co-ordination of the text of the Pandects, a classic in the study of Roman law.

***Jean-Baptiste Colbert*** ( August 29, 1619 – September 6, 1683) was a French politician who served as the Minister of Finances of France from 1665 to 1683 under King Louis XIV. He achieved a reputation for his work of improving the state of French manufacturing and bringing the economy back from the brink of bankruptcy.

***Edward I*** (June 17, 1239 – July 7, 1307), also known as Edward Longshanks and the Hammer of the Scots, was King of England from 1272 to 1307. The first son of Henry III, Edward was involved early in the political intrigues of his father's reign, which included an outright rebellion by the English barons.

***Alfonso X***, ( November 23, 1221 – April 4, 1284), called the Wise, was the King of Castile, León and Galicia from 30 May 1252 until his death. During the Imperial election of 1257, a dissident faction chose him to be King of the Romans (Latin: Rex Romanorum) on April first.

***Pope Gregory IX*** (1145/70 – August 22, 1241), born Ugolino di Conti, was the head of the Catholic Church from 19 March 1227 to his death in 1241. He is known for instituting the Papal Inquisition, a mechanism that severely punished people accused of heresy in response

*to the failures of the episcopal inquisitions established during the time of Pope Lucius III through his papal bull Ad abolendam issued in 1184.*

**Louis IX** (April 25, 1214 – August 25, 1270), commonly Saint Louis, was King of France from 1226 until his death. He worked with the Parliament of Paris in order to improve the professionalism of his legal administration.

**Justinian I** (c. 482 – November 14, 565), commonly known as Justinian the Great, was Byzantine Emperor from 527 to 565. During his reign, Justinian sought to revive the Empire's greatness and reconquer the lost western half of the historical Roman Empire.

**Tribonian** (c. 485?–547) was the jurist who during the reign of the Emperor Justinian I supervised the revision the legal code of the Roman Empire.

**Lycurgus** (c. 820–730 BC?) was the legendary lawgiver of Sparta who established the military-oriented reformation of Spartan society in accordance with the Oracle of Apollo at Delphi. All his reforms were directed towards the three Spartan virtues: equality (among citizens), military fitness, and austerity.

**Hammurabi** ("the kinsman is a healer") was the sixth king of Babylon (of the First Babylonian Dynasty) from 1792 BC to 1750 BC. He became the first king of the Babylonian Empire following the abdication of his father, Sin-Muballit, extending Babylon's control over Mesopotamia by winning a series of wars against neighboring kingdoms. Although his empire controlled all of Mesopotamia at the time of his death, his successors were unable to maintain his empire. It has been said that Hammurabi was Amraphel, the King of Shinar, in the Book of Genesis 14:1. Hammurabi is known for the set of laws called Hammurabi's Code, one of the first written codes of law in recorded history.

**Moses**, according to the Hebrew Bible, was a religious leader, lawgiver, and prophet to whom the authorship of the Torah is traditionally attributed. "Moses our Teacher/Rabbi", is the most important prophet in Judaism; he is also an important prophet in Christianity and Islam, as well as a number of other faiths.

**Solon** (c. 638 BC–558 BC) was an Athenian statesman, lawmaker, and poet. He is remembered particularly for his efforts to legislate against political, economic, and moral decline in archaic Athens. His reforms failed in the short term, yet he is often credited with having laid the foundations for Athenian democracy.

**Aemilius Papinianus** (142–212), also known as Papinian, was a celebrated Roman jurist, *magister libellorum* and, after the death of Gaius Fulvius Plautianus in 205, a praetorian prefect.

**Gaius** (AD 130–180) was a celebrated Roman jurist. Scholars know very little of his personal life. As with his name it is difficult to ascertain the span of his life, but it is safe to assume he lived from AD 110 to at least AD 179, since he wrote on legislation passed within that time.

**Mosheh ben Maimon** called Moses Maimonides, "Our Rabbi/Teacher Moses Son of Maimon", was a preeminent medieval Spanish, Sephardic Jewish philosopher, astronomer and one of the most prolific and influential Torah scholars and physicians of the Middle Ages. He was born in Córdoba in present-day Spain, Almoravid Empire on Passover Eve, 1135, and died in Egypt on December 12, 1204. He was a rabbi, physician, and philosopher in Morocco and Egypt.

**Suleiman I**, known as "the Magnificent" in the West and "Kanuni" (the Lawgiver) in the East, (November 6, 1494 – September 7, 1566) was the tenth and longest-reigning Sultan of the Ottoman Empire, from 1520 to his death in 1566.

**Pope Innocent III** (1160 or 1161 – July 16, 1216) was the head of the Roman Catholic Church from January 8, 1198 to his death in 1216. His birth name was Lotario dei Conti di Segni, sometimes anglicised to Lothar of Segni. Pope Innocent was one of the most powerful and influential popes. He exerted a wide influence over the Christian regimes of Europe, claiming supremacy over all of Europe's kings. Pope Innocent was central in supporting the Catholic Church's reforms of ecclesiastical affairs through his decretals and the Fourth Lateran Council. This resulted in a considerable refinement of the Western canon law. Pope Innocent is notable for using interdict and other censures to compel princes to obey his decisions, although these measures were not uniformly successful. Innocent called for Christian

*crusades against Muslims in Spain and the Holy Land and against heretics in southern France (Albigensian Crusade). One of Pope Innocent's most critical decisions was organizing the Fourth Crusade. Originally intended to attack Islam through Egypt, a series of unforeseen circumstances led the crusaders to Constantinople, where they ultimately attacked and sacked the city (1204). Innocent reluctantly accepted this result, seeing it as the will of God to reunite the Greek and Latin churches, but instead had the opposite effect poisoning relations between the two churches.*

**Simon de Montfort, 6th Earl of Leicester** (1208? – August 4, 1265) was an Anglo-Norman nobleman. He led the rebellion against King Henry III of England during the Second Barons' War of 1263–4, and subsequently became *de facto* ruler of England. During his rule, de Montfort called two famous parliaments. The first stripped the king of unlimited authority, the second included ordinary citizens from the towns. For this reason, Montfort is regarded today as one of the progenitors of modern parliamentary democracy.

**Hugo Grotius** (April 10, 1583 – August 28, 1645), was a jurist in the Dutch Republic. With Francisco de Vitoria and Alberico Gentili he laid the foundations for international law, based on natural law. Grotius's influence on international law is paramount, and is acknowledged by, for instance, the American Society of International Law, which since 1999 holds an annual series of Grotius Lectures. Additionally, his contributions to Arminian theology provided the seeds for later Arminian-based movements such as Methodism and Pentecostalism and he is acknowledged as a significant figure in the Arminianism-Calvinism debate. Because of his theological underpinning of free trade, he is also considered an "economic theologian".

**Sir William Blackstone** (July 10, 1723 – February 14, 1780) was an English jurist, judge and Tory politician of the eighteenth century. He is most noted for writing the *Commentaries on the Laws of England*.

**Napoleon Bonaparte** (August 15, 1769 – May 5, 1821) was a French military and political leader who rose to prominence during the latter stages of the French Revolution and its associated wars in Europe. He was Emperor of the French from 1804 to 1815, the first monarch of France bearing the title emperor since the reign of Charles the Fat

(881–887). *His legal reform, the Napoleonic Code, has been a major influence on many civil law jurisdictions worldwide, but he is best remembered for his role in the wars led against France by a series of coalitions, the so-called Napoleonic Wars. He established hegemony over most of continental Europe and sought to spread the ideals of the French Revolution, while consolidating an imperial monarchy which restored aspects of the deposed Ancien Régime. Due to his success in these wars, often against numerically superior enemies, he is generally regarded as one of the greatest military commanders of all time, and his campaigns are studied at military academies worldwide.*

**Thomas Jefferson** (April 13, 1743 – July 4, 1826) was an American Founding Father, the principal author of the Declaration of Independence (1776) and the third President of the United States (1801–1809). He was a spokesman for democracy and the rights of man with worldwide influence. At the beginning of the American Revolution, he served in the Continental Congress, representing Virginia and then served as wartime Governor of Virginia (1779–1781). Jefferson was the first United States Secretary of State (1790–1793) serving under President George Washington.

## **Lincoln Memorial**

**Lincoln Memorial** is an American national monument built to honor the 16th President of the United States, Abraham Lincoln. It is located on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. across from the Washington Monument. The building is in the form of a **Greek Doric temple** and contains a large seated sculpture of Abraham Lincoln and inscriptions of two well-known speeches by Lincoln, The Gettysburg Address and his Second Inaugural Address. Engraved in the wall behind this sculpture is written: “In this **Temple** as in the hearts of the people for whom **he saved** the union the memory of Abraham Lincoln is enshrined forever.”

During the Roman and Greek Empires as well as in the Persian, Mede, and Babylonian Empires which started at the tower of Babel and seen from the time of Egypt, Emperor Worship was a stable used to elevate any personage as a means to exalt, to honor and adore as a god. This pagan influence remains prevalent as seen in the praise of man through sculptures and paintings, whether for military victory or material



*accomplishment, as a part of a system endlessly repeated throughout the world.*

## ***Roman Goddess Libertas***

***Libertas:*** *This goddess was the name of an ancient Roman deity adopted by the Romans perhaps as early as the 4th century BC. She was referred to as the goddess of personal freedom and liberty. In fact, Libertas meant freedom from which comes the word liberty. This goddess promoted ideals for the personal freedom to do anything that felt good. She was called the matron goddess of prostitution because she promoted sexual freedom. Slaves considered her their goddess in the hope of her winning them freedom. Many women who gained freedom later turned to prostitution in order to survive and thereby retained Libertas as their goddess, especially if they became priestesses in the Libertas cult. Libertas also served as a goddess of war in fighting for freedom. She is referred to at times as the goddess of victory because freedom must have victory in order to survive. This goddess later became adopted as the goddess of immigrants. The whole idea of immigration connoted the idea of freedom. Her popularity was also unique because her doctrines embraced the hearing of personal prayers. This unique ability was something that most of the pagan deity dogmas were not disposed towards.*

*We have the ancient writings of Cicero, the famous Roman historian and senator, who wrote of this goddess and her temple on the Aventine Way in Rome. She was depicted on some Roman coins as donning a freedom cap while wearing a wreath along with a spear or sometimes a sword. Such coin images were not the only depictions. Sometimes she was well robed and at other times seductively unclothed in both sculptures and paintings. In Cicero's writings, he referred to Libertas as being the Mother of Harlots. Cicero indicates that she was also a very early goddess of the Greeks predating early Roman culture.*

*Further investigation reveals the Greeks had acquired knowledge of this mythology from previous empires in the Middle East and Egypt. This goddess was called Ashtoreth in Hebrew and in the Old Testament's Greek version (the Septuagint), Ashtoreth becomes transliterated into the Greek as Astarte, which became the early Greek name for the goddess until it was later changed to Aphrodite. The*

Hebrew term *Ashtoreth* was in itself a transliteration from the Babylonian dialect (Akkadian) term of *Ishtar*.

*Ishtar*, in the most ancient of times, was also referred to by the Sumerian dialect as *Inanna* or *Ninanna* meaning the *Queen of Heaven* or *Lady of Heaven*. In Canaan, this deity was called *Ashtaroth*. The Hittites called her *Shaushka*. The Phoenicians on Cypress initially referred to her as *Astarte*. *Isis* was the name the Egyptians gave to her. This is how the goddess became introduced to the earliest Greeks. Later the Romans referred to her in the Latin initially as *Libertas* and later as *Venus* when they embraced more than just the Liberty doctrines.

***Ishtar:*** *Goddess of Liberty and Personal Freedom*  
 The allure of *Ishtar* was likely enhanced through her doctrine of holy sex or salvation by holy sexual relations with temple priestesses or priests as a means of purification and holiness. Of course, this entailed paying the priestess or priest and thus sealing the act as officially sanctioned and therefore now deemed "holy" prostitution. *Ishtar* introduced the concept of payment offerings of thanksgiving for purification, the taking away of sin. This is why *Ishtar* was referred to as the *Mother of Harlots*. Harlots had been deemed social outcasts and in that capacity, she was also referred to as being the *Mother of Exiles*. This was later equated with the idea of immigration. Naturally then *Ishtar* (*Libertas*) became known as the *Mother of Harlots*, the *Mother of Exiles* and the *Mother of Immigrants* throughout not only *Babylon* and *Babylonia* but also later in *Assyria*, *Egypt*, *Greece* and *Rome*.

She was the chief goddess of *Babylon* and *Babylonia*. There was no other goddess more honored than she. She was equated to have nearly the same power as the chief god of *Babylon*, the sun god *Utu*, also known as *Shamesh*. In later years, the chief male deities would flip-flop in popularity. The most famous and prominent during the times of *Israel's* nationhood was "*Baal*." *Baal* was also called *Marduk*/*Mardok*/*Merodach*/*Bel*. *Baal* was identified with the planet *Mars* and was called the *God of War*. His name meant "*Lord of the air*" for his superior powers and for his supremacy of the air. It was claimed that he, as well as *Ishtar* and all the other deities, "*flew*" among and from the "*stars in heaven*."

## **Connecting Libertas / Ishtar to the Statue of Liberty**

*The Statue of Liberty was a Masonic concept conceived within Freemasonry. The chief promoter and fundraiser for the project was Edward Laboulaye. He in turn collaborated with the sculptor, Frederic Bartholdi, to develop a statue of Masonic enlightenment. The statue was designed incorporating sacredly held principles from the doctrines of Freemasonry. This "enlightenment" took its form in various symbols found in the sculpture itself.*

**The Crown of 7 Spikes:** *This symbol represented the enlightenment of the Babylonian sun god Shamesh/Utu. The idea put forth that the sun god's occultic illumination could be focused on each of the 7 spikes of the crown. Each spike would then flash occultic enlightenment to each of the 7 "horas" or large landmasses, representing the seven continents of the world. The crown of 7 spikes is also described in Revelation 17:9 "And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sitteth." Revelation 18:7 refers to her as a Queen wearing what all Queens display to validate their respective position as Empress... a crown.*

*Thus this woman sitting on 7 "horas" becomes the same mystical religion of Freemasonry whose doctrines originated from the Greek mystics who kept the doctrine alive from Ishtar worship. This idea promulgated that enlightenment from the sun god Shamesh-Utu...or Rah (Egyptian) would be beamed to the 7 "horas" or continents of the world, enlightening them with Shamesh's occultic wisdom.*

**The Tablets:** *A common misconception is that the tablets represent the 10 Commandments that God gave to Moses. This is not true. The tablets are engraved only with the Roman numerals: July 4th, 1776. According to the preeminent Statue Historian, Marvin Trachtenberg in his book, The Statue of Liberty, the tablets represented a generic notion of the concept of law. This should not be confused with the Laws of Moses. Freemasonry gives lip service to Judaism, Christianity and Islam as law-giving religions but Freemasonry tries to blend all religions into one central focus...the idea of "law" in general. Hence the tablets being held by the Statue of Liberty carry that general meaning.*

**The Robe:** In the original planning, the Statue of Liberty was designed in the initial stages to be in color. She was to be wearing the royal robes of scarlet and purple. It became obvious that for reasons of monetary purposes the statue must be made from copper. The use of copper precluded the use of any color schemes thus the original plans for scarlet and purple robes were abandoned.

**The Torch:** This item was originally designed to be a golden cup filled with the wine of freedom. This golden cup remained in the planning and was actually made. However, before the statue's completion and shipping from France to the United States, the New York Port authorities requested modification allowing for an eternal flame or light to be designed into the statue as a maritime navigational aid. Sculptor Frederic Bartholdi consented to the modifications allowing for a natural gas flame to be utilized. The torch we see today is actually the same type of cup design used in ancient times for drinking wine. It featured a handle at the bottom of the cup looking much like a stick. The golden aspect itself was altered again to conform to the needs of the natural gas flame. The actual, original golden cup was later sold by the project to Czar Nicholas of Russia.

**"Mother of Exiles:"** These words compose a key term from the poem by Emma Lazarus. In her famous poem about the Statue of Liberty (now etched into the base of the statue), Lazarus refers to the woman as "The Mother of Exiles." The poem has forever indelibly linked the statue to immigrants from around the world. The statue is the patron "saint" of immigrants everywhere. Oddly enough the Babylonian goddess Ishtar was also the patron goddess of immigrants in Babylon, the goddess of personal freedom, who brought hope to immigrants seeking to make a better life for themselves in Babylon.

*Those that have eyes to see and ears to hear  
Let it be observed and examined the truly revealed.*



*Truth rusts into a useless tool if not acted upon. If used, truth serves as the straight arrow that directs life toward salvation but if not used, living a life of lies tragically becomes a crushing burden of negative consequences because Yah's truthful message promoting positive change was rejected.*

*We walk through life but once; where we walk is far less important than how we walk. Yah is more concerned about tomorrow than what has passed. While our lives are but a moment in time in the sight of our Creator, regrets last for eternity. Our actions show forth our belief, for what we do is "Our Living Faith."*

*On the plains of despondency, bleached bones of countless millions  
who at the dawn of victory,  
sat down to rest and in resting died.*

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