

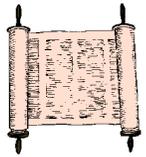
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is dedicated to His bride. Yahshua will be returning soon to receive His own unto Himself (Jn. 14:3). His bride must make herself ready (Rev. 19:7). A person who is called out of this world by the Father, who repents of his/her sins, is baptized in the name of Yahshua the Messiah (Acts 2:38), the only name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved (Acts 4:12), and receives the Holy Spirit must come to know Him as the Scriptures declare and witness of Him (Jn. 5:39-47). Peter encouraged, "But grow in grace, and the knowledge of our Sovereign and Saviour Yahshua the Messiah," 2 Pet. 3:18. We will, with Yahweh's help and the Spirit of Truth, seek to reveal a most wondrous Savior and Redeemer, a Savior and Redeemer that much of the world has spoken of, dreamed of, hoped for, but truly never known. While much of the world looks to a savior, the savior of whom they have been taught has become corrupted. Another has been substituted in the true Savior's place. Those who are called out of this world and given to Him are likened unto virgins. But in accordance with His own parable of those virgins, only five are wise while the other five are foolish. The five wise are able to enter into the planned marriage with the Messiah, but the five foolish have the door closed to them (Mt. 25:1-13). Let's be wise, remember our betrothal to the Messiah and the virginity to which He has restored us (2 Cor. 11:1-2), resist the wiles of the devil and look to and prepare for a joyous and glorious marriage that will endure for all eternity. HalleluYah!!!!

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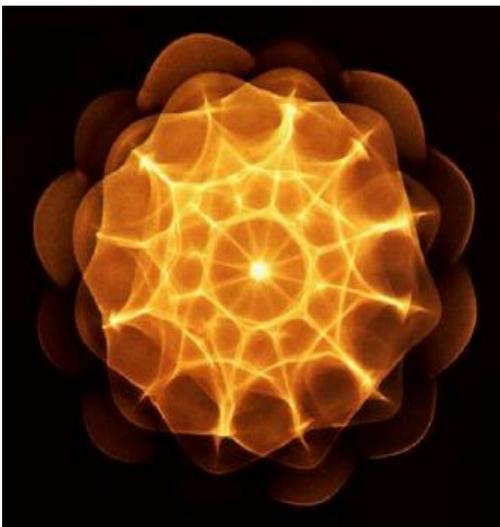
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OUR COVER: The image on our cover is quite awesome. It is an image made by scientists utilizing sound waves, principally music. Cymatics has been declared the science of the future. It should be declared also as the science of the past. While Cymatics is a relatively new field, the amazing thing is that it isn't new to the Scriptures. The Scriptures declare the power of Cymatics, only, they declare the power of the living Word of Yahweh, something that this ministry is also dedicated to do. We truly hope that you will read and be awe-inspired by our article on Cymatics.

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FROM THE EDITOR



The Unity Conference will be taking place on Aug. 5-7 at Cisco, Texas, this year. I have taken two trips to the Philippines. One in 1993 and the latest in 2004. Each time I was moved by the need for there to be unity in the body of the Messiah. The brethren from various assemblies were anxious and excited to be able to meet together in one body. I was told by one elder in the Philippines that we could probably very easily work to put all of the brethren under only one assembly there. (This was in 1993.) I was led to refuse to embark on such a goal.

Elder Jacob C. Meyer has traveled to Kenya in the last couple of years and has recently embarked upon a two week trip to visit brethren in the Caribbean. I spoke with him after his return and he has been influenced on those trips in the same manner as have I. The brethren desire to meet together in a unified body, but the leadership are the ones who promote the disunity. If we are ever to have unity in the body of the Messiah before He returns to this earth, that unity must begin with the leadership.

Now I know that there are some crazy doctrines out there which are totally unsuitable for the body of the Messiah. But there are several assemblies which have pretty much the same or like doctrines, but they still remain divided away from each other. Of course, much of this division has come about because of the desire of men to promote themselves above others. Men want to be thought of as more important to the work of Yahweh, to the work of the Messiah than others. This has caused great division and confusion in the body of the Messiah. There are some heads over assemblies who will not recognize any other group, body or leaders as viable representatives of Yahweh than themselves. These men are caught up in the error of likening themselves to Moses, EliYah, David or other important men who were utilized by Yahweh in the past.

When Moses had gathered 70 of the elders of Israel around the tabernacle, two men remained and prophesied in the camp. When he was encouraged to forbid them to prophesy, Moses refused saying that he desired all of Israel to have the Spirit and to prophesy. Where is this Spirit of Moses in these men who have been likened to him?

EliYah thought that he was the only one left in Israel who worshipped Yahweh. Yahweh informed him that He had reserved 7,000 men who had not bowed the knee to Ba'al. These men who love to be likened to EliYah, where is the Spirit of Yahweh in them to enlighten them to the fact that they aren't the only ones doing the work of Yahweh?

The Disciple John informed Yahshua that they discovered a man casting out demons in Yahshua's name. The disciples forbade this man from doing such because he was not following with them. Yahshua told them to forbid him not (see Mk. 9:38-39 & Lk. 9:49-50). Where is the Spirit of Yahshua in these men?

What about the example of Yahshua? Didn't He give His life for those who were His enemies? Even for those who hated Him? Didn't He say that we are to exhibit the same love that He exhibited toward us in being able to forgive? Didn't He say that we were to exhibit the same love toward others who were His by laying down our lives as He laid down His? Where is the Spirit of Yahshua in these men?

If we are going to be the followers of Yahshua then we must follow His example. We must not think more highly of ourselves than of others. Actually, we must humble ourselves by realizing that others would be far better at performing and fulfilling the job that we have been given to do. We can't continue to hold grudges against others.

We must feed the flock of Yahshua. We must realize that the sheep aren't our sheep. They belong to Yahshua. We must exhibit the love that Yahshua exhibited. We must exhibit the humility that even He exhibited. We must exhibit the forgiveness that He exhibited. We must exhibit the sacrifice that He exhibited.

If we are ordained to the position of Elder, Evangelist, Pastor, etc., then we are to aid the Chief Shepherd, Yahshua, in feeding the flock. We should pay heed to the warnings of the prophets in Ez. 34, Isa. 56 & Jer. 50. These prophecies not only apply to the day of those prophets, but to every age of the assembly which includes our world today. We should learn to work together in tending Yahshua's flock. Today, the flock is scattered and many seek to serve themselves and feed themselves at the expense of the flock. The first fruit of the Spirit, the Spirit of love (Gal. 5:22) is lacking. If the first fruit of the Spirit is lacking, then so are the rest of the fruits enumerated.

We encourage the leaders of the assemblies of the living Yahweh to search themselves out. Let's measure ourselves not among ourselves, but by the true measuring stick which is Yahshua the Messiah. If we do this, then we will come to understand that we haven't even begun to measure up to His stature. This should humble us and stir us to begin to bear the fruits of the Spirit. This should cause us to learn to work hand-in-hand for the good of the flock. The flock must be prepared. Are we willing to take part in this job? If not, then we will suffer the fate prophesied. If so, then let's attend the Unity Conference and see what we can do together.

SALVATION-AN ONGOING PROCESS

Have you been saved? I have been asked this question many times. It is a sincere question, asked by sincere people who are genuinely concerned for my spiritual well being. What is the answer? In the sense that the question is meant, are you saved?

By Dave Ganton

The people asking the question are asking from this point of view; When you accept the blood of Yahshua as the atonement for your sins and claim Him as your personal savior, you are saved. At that time your eternal salvation is assured. They are asking from the perspective of "once saved always saved". This idea comes from a statement made by the apostle Paul. ROMAN 8:1 "There is therefore no condemnation for those who are in Messiah Yahshua". From this perspective, all that is necessary is belief in the Messiah. This idea also comes from a statement of Paul. ACTS 16:31 A jailor asked him, "What must I do to be saved"? Paul answered him, "Believe in the Master Yahshua and you will be saved, you and your household".

The two scriptures quoted above are crucial for salvation, but must be taken out of context to arrive at the "once saved always saved" belief. This belief removes any responsibility on our part, in salvation. Belief is all that is required of us. Everything else rests on Yahshua's shoulders. This is a very comfortable doctrine and makes the religions of this world very easy to follow.

Another statement of Paul adds fuel to this concept, when taken out of context. This is the most often quoted scripture in Christendom. EPHESIANS 2:8 "For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not of your own doing, it is a gift of Elohim".

All of the above statements of Paul are true and hold a wealth of information when taken in context. But is Paul really saying we have no part to play in our ultimate salvation?

To begin to understand, let us look at another statement of Paul. PHILIPPIANS 2:12 "Therefore my beloved, as you have always OBEYED, so now, not only in my presence, but also in my absence WORK OUT YOUR OWN SALVATION WITH FEAR AND TREMBLING ". Paul says obedience and work are required to achieve salvation. The Greek word translated "work" is "Katergazomai". It means to work fully, fashion or finish.

Paul believed that there was something the brethren at Philippi had to do to ensure their salvation. He did not even imply that their salvation was a done deal. Paul understood that they were in the salvation process. He knew that we all have a part to play in our ultimate salvation. Paul knew that while we are alive, in these corruptible bodies, salvation is not a done

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Paul reinforces this concept of eternal salvation not happening immediately on conversion. ROMANS 13:11 "And that, knowing the time, that it is now high time to awake out of sleep: for now our Salvation is nearer than when we first believed." Paul says salvation is nearer, not yet here. The salvation process is begun in us but not yet complete.

SALVATION CAN BE LOST

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everyday things as Yahshua did. In his first letter to the Corinthians, he compares the "WAY" to a race, something they would be very familiar with.

1 CORINTHIANS 9:24-27 He said all participants compete for the prize at the finish. Isn't that what we all hope for, the prize of eternal life and serving with Yahshua? Paul made a statement that will be disturbing to the "once saved always saved" proponents.

He says in verse 27 " But I pommel my body and subdue it, lest after preaching to others, I myself should be disqualified". Paul knew that there was a chance he could lose his reward, salvation, if he failed to perform in the standards of the "WAY". If Paul could possibly fail to win the prize, couldn't we?

Before we investigate the scriptures that lead to the "Once saved always saved" doctrine, we must come to understand that salvation is a process in which we have a part to play.

THE PROCESS BEGINS

The process of salvation began with the coming of Messiah Yahshua as a suffering servant. It will not be complete until He returns as an almighty, glorious King of kings.

The whole world and we were alienated from our Heavenly Father by our sins. ROMANS 5:10 Paul says we were actually Yahweh's enemies. He was not our enemy, we were His enemy. ISAIAH 59:2 Because of our sins we were hidden from the Father, by our choice, not His. A reconciliation was necessary to bring us to the Father. Nothing we could do on our own could bring about this reconciliation. It could only be brought about by

the payment of the death penalty that our sins required. ROMANS 6:23

Yahweh is Holy. He cannot be where evil is. In our evil state we could not approach Him. This situation had to be rectified. Yahshua could rectify it by paying the penalty in our stead. He did this with the pure sacrifice of His Holy Blood. His sacrifice will be applied to each one of us. All that we need do is to have the faith in His word that He actually did this on our behalf and ask for this application.

What Yahshua did on our behalf laid the groundwork for the salvation process to begin. We did not initiate the step but we must take part. Yahshua said, "No one can come to me except the Father who sent me draws him and I will raise him up at the last day". JOHN 6:44 Before the salvation process can begin in us, we must be called by our Heavenly Father. Our part in the process now begins. There is a decision to be made. We must answer the call to follow Yahshua. If the answer is yes, Yahshua will begin to work with us. He will not work for us, He will work with us.

During this beginning stage He will lead us to repent of what we were. What we were separated us from Yahweh in the first place. We must recognize this and make the decision to change. We must realize that even the best of us were filthy rags compared to Yahweh. ISAIAH 64:6 The sacrifice of Yahshua cannot be applied to us personally until we come to this realization. Once we do this we have taken the first step in the salvation process. ACTS 2:38

Step number two involves the application of the sacrifice of Yahshua directly to us. We have a part in this step as well. ACTS 2:38 We must be immersed into the saving name of Yahshua. We are submitting to the death and burial of our old sinful self with Yahshua. ROMANS 6:1-11 It is the outward show of the faith we have that Yahshua truly did die in our place. When we are raised from the water, we are in a clean spotless con-

dition. We are now reconciled to the Father. In this pure state, He can now give us the most valuable gift we will ever receive. His HOLY SPIRIT. His very mind. This will enable us to begin to think as He and His Son do. 1 CORINTHIANS 2:16

TAKE SPECIAL NOTE OF THIS; At this point we are not eternally saved. We are reconciled to the Father by the death of Yahshua. Our slates are clean and we, because of Yahshua, are righteous before Yahweh. Yahshua did it, we did not, but we did play a part in this beginning of the salvation process. We answered the call, we repented and were immersed into the name of Yahshua..

Paul said in ROMANS 5:10 "For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to Elohim by the death of His son, much more, now that we are reconciled, we SHALL BE SAVED by His life". Did you notice that. WE SHALL BE SAVED not ARE SAVED. So you can see that the salvation process is not complete after the call, repentance, baptism, and the receiving of the Holy Spirit. The process has begun. We now stand under YAHWEHS grace. EPHESIANS 2:8. Grace is unearned, undeserved forgiveness or pardon. We are saved

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from the eternal death penalty, required by our past sins, through the Holy Blood of Yahshua and stand under the Grace of our Heavenly Father.

In a previous article (Yahweh's People and the Law) we saw that through the sacrifice of Yahshua, the Cheirographon that was against us, (a legal bond of indebtedness held by Yahweh) was marked paid and nailed to the stake with Yahshua. COLOSSIANS 2:14

We also saw that the law that convicted us in the first place is still intact and has the power to convict for its

transgression. While we are under the Grace of Yahweh, it has no power over us. Keep this in mind. It has no power over us while we stand under Yahweh's Grace. Could this condition change? Could one possibly fall from this Grace in which we stand?

With these questions in mind, lets go back and qualify the scriptures quoted at the beginning of this study and fully understand them.

ROMANS 8:1 "There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Yahshua Messiah who walk not after the flesh, but after the spirit." To get the full meaning of this scripture, read also verses 2 to 4. Notice that Yahweh did what we could not do by our own efforts, make us righteous. He sent His Son to satisfy the requirement of the law. The law demanded a death penalty be paid. With that penalty unpaid, our righteousness was not possible. Now that the penalty has been paid on our behalf, the righteous precepts of the law can live in us. Notice also, that it is those who live in the spirit and not in the flesh who no longer stand condemned.

What does it mean to live in the spirit and not in the flesh? It means simply that once we have been admitted to the Grace of our Heavenly Father following repentance and baptism we respond to the urges of the Holy Spirit that He has given us instead of the urges of our human, fleshly self. Our fleshly urges lead to condemnation and death but the urges of the Spirit lead to righteousness and eternal life. Also note that it is those who are in Messiah Yahshua for whom there is no longer condemnation. What does it mean to be in Yahshua Messiah? Lets turn to the book of Amos to begin to understand.

AMOS 3:3 He asks, "Can two walk together unless they be in agreement?" The answer of course is NO they can't. If they try there will be discord. This is not talking about taking a stroll together. It is talking about a life walk such as a husband and wife enter into.

When we accept the sacrifice of Yahshua, repent and are baptized, we enter into a life walk with Yahshua

and our Heavenly Father. For this walk to be successful there has to be agreement and a close harmonic fellowship. Yahweh and Yahshua will never introduce discord, but we can by responding to our carnal fleshly urges, which are not compatible with the urges of the Holy Spirit. As long as we are in this close harmonic fellowship there will be no condemnation.

Does this mean that there can never be condemnation for a converted baptized person who sins? I don't mean unintentional sin committed in human weakness through temptation.1 JOHN 1:9 and 1 JOHN 2:1-2 Tell us if we do sin in this way Yahweh is faithful and just and will forgive us. What about intentional, unrepented of sin? Could a truly converted person actually commit such sin? (I have been told that if one did, they were not truly converted in the first place. Scripture disagrees with this) Yahweh's word says they can commit such a sin.

HEBREWS 10:26 tells us; "If we sin deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth there no longer remains a sacrifice for sin". HEBREWS 6:4-6 Tells us that once one has partaken of the Holy Spirit and tasted the Heavenly gifts and deliberately turns away, that one crucifies the Messiah all over again and holds Him up to contempt. Such a one will never repent and stands condemned once again. How can we be sure to avoid such a spiritual condition as this?

Lets investigate some words of Yahshua to help us understand how we can depend on Yahweh and Yahshua to lead us in this salvation process and the life walk with them. Yahshua said in MATT.22: 14 "Many are called but few are chosen". Lets understand this statement fully and how it relates to the salvation process.

The lifelong walk with Yahweh and Yahshua is similar to being employed by a corporation. A call goes out for applicants to fill certain positions. This is like Yahweh's call to us to train for positions in His Kingdom. When we answer the call to apply for the positions offered and are accepted

by the corporation we must serve a probationary period. This serves two purposes. This time allows us to assess the corporation and decide if it is the company we wish to work for long-term. It is also a time for the company to assess our performance and decide if we will be an asset.

This probationary period is like the time we spend between being called by Yahweh and to the time of our immersion into Yahshua and the receiving of the Holy Spirit. Our baptism is our acceptance of Yahweh and Yahshua as our bosses and the giving to us of the Spirit is their acceptance of us to fill one of the positions offered.

During our probationary period we will assess the position offered. We will count the costs compared to the benefits. Yahshua told us to do this very thing. LUKE 14:25-33 He is telling us to assess the situation first. Are we willing to pay the cost of receiving the benefits of this position? He even lists some of the costs. These are personal costs. Are we willing to pay them? If the answer is "YES" then we must stop counting the cost and concentrate on the job at hand.

No one will ever know the job to its fullest. There will be new discoveries.

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There will be technological advances that require additional training and upgrading of our skills. That is what gives a job its interest. That is what makes it enjoyable.

It is the same with the fellowship walk with Yahweh and Yahshua. During our walk with them we are continually growing in knowledge and maturing as they train us for the promotion we are to receive at the return of Yahshua. They are good bosses. They will give us the help we need to accomplish the goal. HEB. 13: 6 "Yahweh is my helper, I will not be

afraid; what can man do to me?" HEB.13: 5 " I will never leave you or forsake you." MATT.28: 20 ---"I am with you always even to the close of the age."

Let's turn now to a parable of Yahshua to delve deeper into this subject. How could one possibly turn to a sinful life after being accepted into this fellowship walk with the two most awesome powers of the universe and beyond? MATT.13: 1-23 This is the parable of the sower. Read it very carefully and absorb what Yahshua is saying. Starting verse 18 He explains what the parable means. Can you see why the various people went astray? What is the difference between them and the one who bore fruit and grew spiritually?

Number one is someone who hears and does not understand the word of truth. Perhaps he did not know that Yahweh gives wisdom and understanding to those who fervently ask Him. JAS.1: 5 Number two hears and does understand and jumps in with both feet. He was very enthusiastic in the beginning. But he has no depth of commitment because he failed to count the full cost and when faced with some of these costs, was not able or willing to pay them. He had seen only the benefits and none of the personal costs.

Number three is one who hears the word, understands and accepts the cost. However instead of forging ahead with the job at hand in the life walk with Yahweh and Yahshua he continues to count the cost and is distracted from the goal and his fleshly desires choke the word and it cannot grow into good fruit. GAL.5: 22-23

Number four has heard, understood, counted the cost and forged ahead and did bear the fruit of the Spirit. How could this one do this and be successful and the others not? What was the difference in these people? Notice that the first three were focussed inward on the self and how things were affecting them. Tribulation, persecution, and the desire for things to make the self feel good. They lost sight of the goal. The cost became too high. They

turned their back on Yahweh and Yahshua and did not respond to the urges of the Spirit and instead responded to the urges of the flesh. They no longer lived in the Spirit with Yahweh and Yahshua.

Number four was focussed outward and upward. The cost had been counted and found to be small compared to the assets. This one did what the others failed to do. When tribulation, persecution, and temptation arose, number four took Yahweh's escape route.

1 COR.10:13 Yahweh is faithful and will never allow us to be tested or tempted beyond our ability to cope. With the test He will provide the means of escape. When temptation comes turn to Yahweh who cannot be tempted and His strength will be the means of escape. One who is focussed inward will fail to see Yahweh's escape route. They will see only the immediate effect on the self. They will fail to see Yahweh's hand and see only the test or the temptation. The one bearing fruit and walking in close harmonic fellowship with Yahweh and Yahshua will see the test from Their point of view. ROM.5:1-5 The escape route is always through Yahshua and with Yahshua.

The first three may have thought, "all I have to do is believe in Messiah Yahshua and I will be saved." ACTS 16:31 When persecution tribulation and temptation comes, belief is not enough to see you through. Paul knew this. You might ask, "Why did he say what he did in ACTS 16:31 if it isn't enough?" The truth is that Paul did not say what most people think he did in this scripture.

To begin to understand lets turn to a letter from Yahshua's brother JAMES 2:19 James tells us that even the demons believe. They certainly believe that Elohim is one and that Yahshua is the messiah. Satan surely believes that Yahshua is returning to start Yahweh's Kingdom and give eternal life to His followers. That is why he is so full of hatred and anger. Is he or his demons saved by this belief? Absolutely not!!

In the Greek language there are many words that we would translate as believe. The one used in ACTS 16:31 is *PISTEUO*. It goes far beyond our English word *BELIEVE*. It means, to be totally reliant on, give total credence to, have absolute faith in. Is not Paul actually telling the jailor and us to be totally dependent on and give complete credence to Yahshua's word as true and unchanging? Is this not where those in the parable of the sower fell short?

Their belief did not go deep enough. They did not rely on Yahshua for the strength necessary to go on to the finish. This happened because they did not give total credence to His word. Paul's advice to the jailor is invaluable when properly understood. The word *PISTEUO* incorporates, belief, reliance, trust and undoubting faith. This is what Paul told the jailor, he needed to be saved. We must *PISTEUO* Yahshua continually throughout our lives or we could fall from this Grace in which we stand.

Let's turn now to another scripture mentioned at the beginning of this study. EPH.2: 8 " By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing, it is a gift of Elo-

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him." This is one of the most often quoted scriptures of this age. It is quoted so quickly that the true intent of the words are lost. What one is saved from is never mentioned. However, saved for all eternity is the inference intended. Still unanswered is, saved from what? We are saved by grace as a gift from Yahweh. What is grace?

The word *Grace* is translated from the Greek *Charis*. It has a wide range of uses. The meaning intended here is "benefit" or "Favour". This coincides with the real meaning of grace in English. Undeserved favour or benefit.

We stand in Yahweh's favour, His grace. How did we get there? Once we understand what we are saved from we will also understand how we came to be under Yahweh's grace or favour.

In ACTS 16:31 Paul told the jailor he would be saved. From what? In ROMANS 8:1 Paul said that there is now no condemnation for those in messiah Yahshua. Condemnation for what? These scriptures all interconnect in their statements. All are talking about the same thing. OUR PAST TRANSGRESSIONS OR SINS. The condition we were in BEFORE the sacrifice of Yahshua was applied to us at baptism. We were dead in our sins, COLL.2 :13 We were all in a downward spiral to eternal death. We were sick to death spiritually. We were in need of healing.

Lets now understand the full meaning of the Greek word translated *saved*. It is, *SOZO*. It has a wide variety of meanings that all apply to the situation. I am sure that is why Yahweh inspired it. It means; " deliver, heal, preserve, make whole, and make safe". Look at our pre-baptismal condition prior to Yahshua's intervention. Did we not need someone to do all of these things for us? We could not do them on our own. We could not heal ourselves of the spiritual sickness that gripped us. We could not deliver ourselves from the death sentence that the law demanded. We had no power to preserve our lives.

Yahweh sent His son to do all of these things for us. It was His gift to us. We did not earn it or deserve it. He did it because of His great love for us as His children. JOHN.3: 16 Isn't that why He created us? Weren't we created so Yahweh and Yahshua could love us? There is no other reason. Through His son Yahshua, Yahweh showed this great love by reconciling us to Himself. 2 COR.5: 19 not counting our sins against us. He saved us from eternal death by His loving favour and placed us under His Holy grace so we could undertake the life-
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WHO IS ELIJAH THE PROPHET?

PART II

THE PREPARATION

John's own father Zechariah the priest had prophesied of John's mission, "And thou child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for **thou shalt go before the face of Yahweh to prepare His ways;**

77 to give knowledge of salvation unto His People by the remission of their sins,

78 Through the tender mercy of our Elohim; whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us.

79 To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace," Lk. 1:76-79.

When confronted by the priests and Levites concerning his authority, John declared, "**I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of Yahweh,'**" as said the prophet Isaiah," Jn. 1:23.

Mark witnesses of John's ministry, "The beginning of the evangel of Yahshua the Messiah, the Son of Elohim;

2 As it is written in the prophets, **Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.**

3 **The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.**

4 **John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins.**

5 And there went out unto him all the land of Judaea, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptized of him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins.

6 And John was clothed with camel's hair, and with a girdle of a skin about his loins; and he did eat locusts and wild honey;

7 And preached, saying, There cometh one mightier than I after me, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose.

8 I indeed have baptized you with water: but he shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit, 1:1-8.

Yahshua declared concerning John, "Now when John had heard in the prison the works of the Messiah, he sent two of his disciples,

3 And said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?

4 Yahshua answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see:

5 The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the evangel preached to them.

6 And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me.

7 And as they departed, Yahshua began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind?

John's ministry was a ministry of preparation for the people to receive the messenger of the covenant, Yahshua the Messiah.

8 But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses.

9 But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet.

10 **For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.**

11 Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is

least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

12 And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.

13 For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.

14 And if ye will receive it, this is Elias, which was for to come.

15 He that hath ears to hear, let him hear," Mt. 11:2-15.

John's ministry was a ministry of preparation for the people to receive the messenger of the covenant, Yahshua the Messiah. It was a fulfillment of the prophecies of Isaiah and Malachi.

Years after both John's and Yahshua's beginning ministry, Paul found certain disciples at Ephesus and asked them, "Have ye received the Holy Spirit since ye believed?" And they said unto him, "We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Spirit." And he said unto them, "Unto what then were ye baptized?" And they said, "Unto John's baptism." Then said Paul, "John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the People, that they should believe on Him Which should come after him, that is on the Messiah Yahshua." When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Sovereign Yahshua.' And when Paul had laid his hands upon them the Holy Spirit came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied. And all the men were about twelve," Acts 19:2-7.

Even though John was filled with the Holy Spirit from his mother's womb and went about preaching repentance and baptism, he did not have the ability to give the Holy Spirit. That was reserved for Yahshua's ministry and for His disciples. These men had to be re-baptized in Yahshua's name and then the Holy Spirit was given with

the laying on of Paul's hands.

THE VISION OF GLORY

Yahshua took Peter, James and John up into a high mountain (Mt. 17:1). While there, He was transfigured before them. His face was shining as the sun and His clothing was white with light (v. 2).

This vision is extremely important for any modern day believer to understand. There appeared also to them Moses and Eliyah talking with Him (v. 3).

"Then answered Peter, and said unto Yahshua, 'Master, it is good for us to be here: if Thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for Thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.' While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, 'This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well pleased; hear ye Him.' And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their face, and were sore afraid. And Yahshua came and touched them and said, 'Arise, and be not afraid.' And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Yahshua only. And as they came down from the mountain, Yahshua charged them, saying, 'Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of man be risen again from the dead,' vv. 4-9. (See also Mk. 9:2-13; Lk. 9:28-36)

The question now is, Why did Moses and EliYah appear with Him in the transfiguration? Moses had warned the children of Israel, "**Yahweh thy Elohim will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto Him ye shall hearken;** according to all that thou desiredst of Yahweh thy Elohim in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, 'Let me not hear again the voice of Yahweh my Elohim, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I die not. And Yahweh said unto me, 'They have well spoken that which they have spoken. **I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put My words in His**

mouth; and He shall speak unto them all that I shall command Him. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto My words which He shall speak in My name, I will require it of him,'" Dt. 18:15-19.

The Apostle Peter, under inspiration of the Holy Spirit, declared, "Repent ye therefore, and be converted that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of Yahweh; and He shall send Yahshua the Messiah Which before was preached unto you: Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which Yahweh hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began. **For Moses truly said unto the fathers, 'A Prophet shall Yahweh your Elohim raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; Him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever He shall say unto you. And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will not hear that Prophet, shall be destroyed from among the People.'**" Acts 3:19-23.

Yahshua is THAT PROPHET like unto Moses. Any other man who claims to be "THAT PROPHET" is a liar and the truth is not in him!

The question now is, Why did Moses and EliYah appear with Him in the transfiguration?

According to Deuteronomy 18, what had the people desired? Wasn't it a mediator, a go between Yahweh and themselves so that they wouldn't perish because of the fiery voice of Yahweh?

MOSES' ACCOMPLISHMENTS

I know that many men in the modern-day world have a tendency to also liken themselves to Moses. Again, if any man does such he is only a deceiver who is seeking the lime-light.

What were some of the accomplish-

ments of Moses?

- 1) Knowledge of Yahweh's Memorial Name (Ex. 3:14-15). Yahshua declared the Father's name to His disciples (Jn. 17:6, 26).
- 2) Deliverance from bondage to Egypt which was a type of our slavery to sin, false worship and death through the Passover (Ex. 6-15). Yahshua is our Passover (1 Cor. 5:7) and deliverance from sin, false worship and death.
- 3) The giving of manna in the wilderness in order to sustain the lives of the children of Israel (Ex. 16). Yahshua is the true bread from heaven (Jn. 6).
- 4) The restoration of the knowledge of the seventh day Sabbath rest (Ex. 16). Yahshua is the true rest of Yahweh's people (Mt. 11:28-29). The seventh day Sabbath is a type of the seventh period of 1,000 years (the millennium) when the earth shall have rest (Isa. 11:10) under Yahshua's Kingship.
- 5) Water came from the rock in order to satisfy the people's thirst (Ex. 17). Yahshua is identified as the Rock Who was with the People in 1 Cor. 10:1-4). Water is a type of the Holy Spirit (Jn. 7:37-39). Yahshua (the Rock) was smitten in order to provide the Holy Spirit for the People (Acts 2).
- 6) The covenant and commandments were made and given through Moses' mediation (Ex. 20). Through Yahshua, Yahweh now has the power to make a new covenant with His people and write His law in their hearts and minds (Jer. 31:31-34; Heb. 8:8-12).
- 7) The tabernacle, its vessels and appurtenances were made through Moses' mediation so that Yahweh could dwell among His people (Ex. 25). Yahshua provides a new tabernacle, a new dwelling place for Yahweh for He now lives in His people (Jn. 17:17-23) who are tabernacles made without hands.
- 8) The Levitical Aaronic priesthood was established through Moses'

mediation (Ex. 28). The heavenly Melchizedek Priesthood came through Yahshua (Heb. 7, 8).

- 9) The sacrifices were instituted through the mediation of Moses (Ex. 29; Lev. 1-7). Yahshua offered the better sacrifice than that of animals. (Heb. 9:23-28, 10:12-18).
- 10) The Torah, the first five books of the Bible, was written by Moses. Moses was writing of Yahshua (Jn. 5:39-47). Yahshua is the living Torah.

One other thing to point out is the fact that Moses was singled out to not only deliver the children of Israel out of Egypt, but to bring them into the land that Yahweh had promised to the Patriarchs. Moses was utilized to deliver the children of Israel into the wilderness, and did bring them close to the land, but failed in the ability to bring them into the land of Canaan. That function was left to one named Yahshua Ben Nun, a man who possessed the same name as the Messiah.

ELIJAH'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Elijah was a prophet to the northern kingdom of Israel under the Ephraimite kings. Jeroboam the first king of the northern kingdom of Israel, in order to keep the people from returning to the Judaic dynasty of David, set up golden calves in Bethel and Dan, made priests of the lowest of the people rather than the Levites and changed the observance of the feast of tabernacles to the eighth month in lieu of the commanded seventh month (1 Ki. 12:26-33).

The kings of Israel waxed worse and worse until King Ahab came on the scene. He had married Jezebel, daughter of Ethbaal, king of the Sidonians whose holy city was Tyre. Ahab did even greater evil in the eyes of Yahweh (1 Ki. 16:29-34).

Elijah's accomplishments were:

- 1) He shut up heaven so that there was no rain nor dew for three years (1 Ki. 17:1; 18:1). Once again, rain, water is a type of the Holy Spirit. Yahshua has the power to open and no man can

shut and He has the power to shut and no man can open (Rev. 3:7).

- 2) During the drought Elijah was fed for a time by ravens which brought him bread and flesh while he drank from the brook Cherith. (1 Ki. 17:2-6). Interestingly "Cherith" comes from a Hebrew word "karath" which has to do with a covenant. When Yahshua dueled with Satan the devil, after having fasted for forty days and forty nights, overcoming him and sending him away, He was ministered to by angels. Note the types. Ravens, of course, are birds which fly through the heaven. Angels are spirits who are able to do the same only they are able to travel past the heaven of the earth into the heaven of heavens. Yahshua, in overcoming the devil, now has the power to administer a "new covenant" to His people.
- 3) Elijah, the Sidonian widow and her son were sustained by a handful of meal and a little cruse of oil which didn't fail until the day Yahweh sent rain on the earth (1 Ki. 17:10-14). Interestingly, he first asked her for a drink of water (v. 10). Yahshua fed five thousand men besides women and children

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with five barley loaves and two fishes. When the excess was taken up, it filled twelve baskets (Mt. 14:15-21; Mk. 6:35-44; Jn. 6:5-13). In another instance He fed four thousand with seven loaves and a few little fish. When the excess was taken up there were seven baskets of fragments left over (Mt. 15:32-38; Mk. 8:1-9).

- 4) EliYah restored the widow's son to life (1 Ki. 17:17-24). Yahshua restored several back to life and now has the power over death and the grave to restore all back to life (Mt. 9:18-26; Lk. 7:11-16; Jn. 11:1

-45).

- 5) Elijah called fire down from heaven (1 Ki. 18:37-39). John witnessed that One was coming after himself Whose shoes he was not worthy to bear, He shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire (Mt. 3:11).
- 6) Elijah restored knowledge to the children of Israel that Yahweh, rather than Baal, was the true Elohim (1 Ki. 18:37-39). Even though Elijah restored this knowledge, Israel didn't turn to worship Yahweh and eventually had to be cast out of the land. Yahshua declared Yahweh's name to His disciples (Jn. 17:6, 11-12, 26).
- 7) Elijah slew 450 prophets of Baal and 400 prophets of the groves (1 Ki. 18:19, 40). Yahshua will slay His enemies upon His return (Lk. 19:11-27, esp. v. 27). Who will this entail or include? Obviously, after the fashion of Elijah, He will slay the false prophets and priests, but Psa. 110:5 reveals that kings and rulers will also be included.
- 8) Elijah was taken up into heaven by a whirlwind (2 Ki. 2:1, 11). Yahshua was taken up into heaven (Acts 1:9).

The point is that Yahshua's accomplishments were far greater than those of Moses and Elijah combined. They were both seen in the vision with Yahshua which was given for Peter, James and John who are perceived to be the stronger and more faithful of the disciples. They, above all, understood Who Yahshua was. Yahshua had the power to fulfill both of the offices of Moses and Elijah and to do much, much more.

GOING BACK TO MALACHI

Malachi was inspired to proclaim, "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of Yahweh; 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," 4:5-6.

Which great and dreadful day of Yahweh is he speaking of here? The day

presented in verse 1, "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 Yahweh of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch."

Verse 3 declares of the righteous survivors, "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 Yahweh of hosts."

The Psalmist David declared, "Thine hand shall find out all Thine enemies: Thy right hand shall find out those that hate Thee. Thou shalt make them as a fiery oven in the time of Thine anger: Yahweh shall swallow them up in His wrath, and the fire shall devour them," Psa. 21:8-9.

The Apostle Peter was inspired to write, "But the day of Yahweh 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. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and piety, looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of Yahweh, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness," 2 Pet. 3:10-13.

Malachi, David and Peter understood the day that is coming. It is the period of time after the millennial kingdom rule. It is the period of time called the "GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT." This is spoken of in the book of Revelation, "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 Yahweh; 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 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," 20:11-15.

Those who are not recorded in the book of life will be cast into the fires of hellfire or Gehenna. They will be destroyed, reduced to ashes so that there is no root nor branch that could be resurrected in any way. It is the second death and this death is complete destruction with no hope or promise of ever living again.

Yahshua had warned, "And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear Him Which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell (Gehenna)," Mt. 10:28.

This is the hellfire that will burn at the end of the kingdom age. It will destroy all of the enemies of Yahweh. Even Satan will be cast into the fire and be destroyed (Rev. 20:10).

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ELIJAH'S WORK

Elijah the Prophet must be sent before this great and dreadful day in order to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children and the hearts of the children to the fathers. Therefore, we must ask the question, Who are the fathers? The answer is as simple as A, B, C, etc. The fathers are Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. The promises of the covenant were made to Abraham and then passed on to Isaac and Jacob who was named Israel.

The children spoken of by Malachi are the children of Israel! This is what

Yahweh has promised in His New Covenant, "Behold, the days come, saith Yahweh, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah: not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which My covenant they brake, although I was a husband unto them, saith Yahweh: But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; after those days, saith Yahweh, I will put My law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their Elohim, and they shall be My People. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know Yahweh:' for they shall all know Me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith Yahweh: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more," Jer. 31:31-34 (See also Heb. 8:8-12).

How does Yahweh initiate this New Covenant? Through Yahshua the Messiah! How will He confirm this covenant with the fathers and the children? Through a resurrection, a restoration to life!

"The hand of Yahweh was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of Yahweh, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones,

2 And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry.

3 And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Sovereign Yahweh, thou knowest.

4 Again he said unto me, Prophecy upon these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of Yahweh.

5 Thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh unto these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live:

6 And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall

know that I am Yahweh.

7 So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone.

8 And when I beheld, lo, the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the skin covered them above: but there was no breath in them.

9 Then said he unto me, Prophecy unto the wind, prophecy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.

10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army.

11 Then he said unto me, Son of man, **these bones are the whole house of Israel:** behold, they say, Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we are cut off for our parts.

12 Therefore prophecy and say unto them, Thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh; Behold, O my people, **I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves,** and bring you into the land of Israel.

13 And ye shall know that I am Yahweh, **when I have opened your graves, O my people, and brought you up out of your graves,**

14 **And shall put my spirit in you,** and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall ye know that I Yahweh have spoken it, and performed it, saith Yahweh," Ez. 37:1-14.

This great resurrection will bring Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and their descendants, the children of Israel out of their graves.

Notice in Jeremiah 31 and Hebrews 8 that Yahweh is prophesying about His New Covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. The significance of this is that the houses of Israel and Judah were divided after King Solomon's death and have never been joined back together.

The joining of the houses of Israel and Judah back together takes place after their resurrection from the grave ac-

ording to the Prophet Ezekiel, "The word of Yahweh came again unto me, saying,

16 Moreover, thou son of man, take thee one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim, and for all the house of Israel his companions:

17 And join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in thine hand.

18 And when the children of thy people shall speak unto thee, saying, Wilt thou not shew us what thou meanest by these?

19 Say unto them, Thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh; Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows, and will put them with him, even with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand.

20 And the sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thine hand before their eyes.

21 And say unto them, Thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh; Behold, I will

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take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land:

22 And I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all: and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all:

23 Neither shall they defile themselves any more with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions: but I will save them out of all their dwelling

places, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be my people, and I will be their Elohim.

24 And David my servant shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also walk in my judgments, and observe my statutes, and do them.

25 And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, even they, and their children, and their children's children for ever: and my servant David shall be their prince for ever.

26 Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore.

27 My tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be their Elohim, and they shall be my people.

28 And the heathen shall know that I Yahweh do sanctify Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore," Ez. 37:15-28.

KINGDOM RESTORATION

Neither Moses nor Elijah had the power to keep Israel from wandering away from Yahweh, His covenant and ways. John the Baptist prepared the way before Yahshua in the spirit of Elijah, but did not turn the hearts of all of the children of Israel to their fathers nor the hearts of the fathers to the children. While there are also men in this day and age who are proclaimed to be Elijah the Prophet, none of them have that power.

The apostles understood that Yahshua would be the One Who would restore the kingdom of Israel, "When they therefore were come together, they asked of Him, saying, 'Master, wilt Thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?'" Acts 1:6.

In another place, when Yahshua was making His approach to Jerusalem in order to fulfill the sacrifice for sins, the disciples expected that the kingdom would immediately appear (Lk.

19:11). Yahshua warned them in a parable that He, would be going into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom and to return (v. 12). Yahshua was preparing His disciples for the fact that the kingdom age would be farther away in time that they had expected.

Therefore, when asked about the kingdom in Acts 1, He instructed them, "It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in His own power. But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Spirit is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth," Acts 1:7-8.

The disciples were to declare the good news to the house of Judah (Jerusalem and Judaea), to Israel (Samaria) and to the Gentiles (the uttermost part of the earth).

Under inspiration of the Holy Spirit, the Apostle Peter cried out, "Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of **refreshing** shall come from the presence of Yahweh; And He shall send Yahshua the Messiah, Which before was preached unto you (by John): Whom the heaven must receive until the times of **restitution** of all things, which Yahweh hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began," Acts. 3:19-21.

Notice that Peter says "times of REFRESHING." Refreshing is translated from the Greek word "anapsuxis" which is defined as, from 404; properly, **a recovery of breath**, i.e. (figuratively) **revival** (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*, Greek Lexicon).

RESTITUTION is translated from the Greek word "apokatastasis" which is defined as, from 600; **reconstitution** (*IBID*).

Apokatastasis comes from another Greek word "apokathistemi" which is defined as, to reconstitute (in health, home or organization).

The times of refreshing have to do with the times of resurrection, a re-

covery of breath, a restoration to home, health and organization.

It is the understanding of most people that when the Savior returns, there will be a resurrection. Yahshua will resurrect His people Israel, Judah and the Gentiles who trust in Him. He will restore the kingdom of heaven on earth. The kingdom that He will restore is promised to last one thousand years (Rev. 20:4).

He will finally resurrect the rest of the dead in the Great White Throne Judgment and will prepare the hearts of those who are able to receive Him and His kingdom.

Yahshua is the only One Who has the power to open the graves, restore the houses of Israel and Judah and the Gentiles to life. He is the only One Who can circumcise the heart and institute the New Covenant in one's life. This has to be done before the present heavens and earth disappear. This has to be done before the new heavens and new earth and new Jerusalem descend from heaven wherein will dwell the Heavenly Father Yahweh.

Yahshua is the true Elijah the Prophet! Yahshua is that Prophet that the people were looking for like unto Moses.

Let no man deceive you into thinking that he is the prophesied Elijah!

The law came by Moses, but Moses couldn't write it on the hearts of the people. Yahshua can!

Elijah destroyed the prophets of Baal and of the groves, revealing that Yahweh was the true Elohim, but never turned the hearts of the people back to Yahweh. Yahshua can and will!

Yahshua is the greater law giver. He is the greater prophet. He must do the work of turning the hearts of the children (Israel) to the fathers (Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob), and the hearts of the fathers to the children! He must come and do this work or the earth will be smitten with utter destruction (Mal.

4:6).

No man has the power to do this great work. Only Yahshua has the power to perform it and He certainly shall. He is the EliYah who has the power to prepare His people to receive the Heavenly Father Yahweh! He is the TRUE ELIJAH!

Let no man deceive you into thinking that he is the prophesied Elijah! The Scriptures undeniably witness to Yahshua. The prophets and apostles witness of Yahshua. The Heavenly Father and the Holy Spirit witness of Yahshua. Listen to what the Spirit says to the assemblies! Trust in and look to Yahshua Who will prepare the way for all people to see and glorify the Heavenly Father Yahweh in the spirit and power of Elijah the Prophet. HalleluYah!!!!



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THE GREAT REVELATION OF CYMATICS

Cymatics is the study of the shape of sound. But it also has branched out to include the study of how sound affects the environment. This is a relatively new field, which is now being explored with great interest. The findings of the studies others have conducted serve to confirm the Biblical accounts.

By Jerry Healan

Ernst Chladni (1756-1829) pioneered the field of cymatics by drawing a violin bow across flat metal plates covered with sand. His experiment produced various patterns and shapes called Chladni Figures. (See Fig. #1) He published a book entitled "Discoveries Concerning the Theory of Music" in 1787.

In independent studies, mathematicians Nathaniel Bowditch and Jules-Antoine Lissajous revealed patterns that are created by the intersection of two sine curves whose axes are perpendicular to each other. (See Fig. #2)

"Both concluded that the condition for these designs to arise was that the frequencies, or oscillations per second, of both curves stood in simple whole-number ratios to each other, such as 1:1, 1:2, 1:3, and so on. In fact, one can produce Lissajous figures even if the frequencies are not in perfect whole-number ratios to each other. If the difference is insignificant, the phenomenon that arises is that the designs keep changing their appearance. They move. What creates the variations in the shapes of these designs is the phase differential, or the angle between the two curves. In other words, the way in which their rhythms or periods coincide. If, on the other hand, the curves have different frequencies and are out of phase with each other, intricate web-like designs arise. These Lissajous figures are all visual examples of waves that meet each other at right angles." (Quoted from *Cymatics - The Science of the Future?*)

"In 1967, the late Hans Jenny, a Swiss doctor, artist, and researcher, published the bilingual book *Kymatik - Wellen und Schwingungen mit ihrer Struktur und Dynamik/ Cymatics - The*

Structure and Dynamics of Waves and Vibrations. In this book Jenny, like Chladni two hundred years earlier, showed what happens when one takes various materials like sand, spores, iron filings, water, and viscous substances, and places them on vibrating metal plates and membranes. What then appears are shapes and motion-patterns, which vary from the nearly perfectly ordered and stationary to those that are turbulently developing, organic, and constantly in motion.

Jenny made use of crystal oscillators and an invention of his own by the name of the tonoscope to set these

make the human voice visible without any electronic apparatus as an intermediate link. This yielded the amazing possibility of being able to see the physical image of the vowel, tone or song a human being produced directly. Not only could you hear a melody - you could see it, too!

Jenny called this new area of research cymatics, which comes from the Greek *kyma*, wave. Cymatics could be translated as: the study of how vibrations, in the broad sense, generate and influence patterns, shapes and moving processes.

What did Hans Jenny find in his investigations?

In the first place, Jenny produced both the Chladni figures and Lissajous figures in his experiments. He discovered also that if he vibrated a plate at a specific frequency and amplitude - vibration - the shapes and motion patterns characteristic of that vibration appeared in the material on the plate. If he changed the frequency or amplitude, the development and pattern were changed as well. He found that if he increased the frequency, the complexity of the patterns increased, the number of elements became greater. If on the other hand he increased the amplitude, the motions became all the more rapid and turbulent and could even create small eruptions, where the actual material was thrown up in the air. The shapes, figures and patterns of motion that appeared proved to be primarily a function of frequency, amplitude, and the inherent characteristics of the various materials. He also discovered that under certain conditions he could make the shapes change continuously, despite his having altered neither frequency nor amplitude!

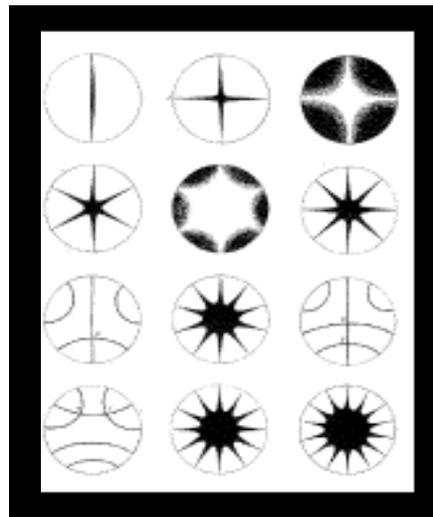


Figure #1—Cladni Figures

plates and membranes vibrating. This was a major step forward. The advantage with crystal oscillators is that one can determine exactly which frequency and amplitude/volume one wants. It was now possible to research and follow a continuous train of events in which one had the possibility of changing the frequency or the amplitude or both.

The tonoscope was constructed to

When Jenny experimented with fluids of various kinds he produced wave motions, spirals, and wave-like patterns in continuous circulation. In his research with plant spores, he found an enormous variety and complexity, but even so, there was a unity in the shapes and dynamic developments that arose. **With the help of iron filings, mercury, viscous liquids, plastic-like substances and gases, he investigated the three-dimensional aspects of the effect of vibration.**

In his research with the tonoscope, Jenny noticed that when the vowels of the ancient languages of Hebrew and Sanskrit were pronounced, the sand took the shape of the written symbols for these vowels, while our modern languages, on the other hand, did not generate the same result! How is this possible? Did the ancient Hebrews and Indians know this? Is there something to the concept of "sacred language," which both of these are sometimes called? What qualities do these "sacred languages," among which Tibetan, Egyptian and Chinese are often numbered, possess? Do they have the power to influence and transform physical reality, to create things through their inherent power, or, to take a concrete example, through the recitation or singing of sacred texts, to heal a person who has gone "out of tune"?

An interesting phenomenon appeared when he took a vibrating plate covered with liquid and tilted it. The liquid did not yield to gravitational influence and run off the vibrating plate but stayed on and went on constructing new shapes as though nothing had happened. If, however, the oscillation was then turned off, the liquid began to run, but if he was really fast and got the vibrations going again, he could get the liquid back in place on the plate. According to Jenny, this was an example of an anti-gravitational effect created by vibrations.

In the beginning of *Cymatics*, Hans Jenny says the following: "In the living as well as non-living parts of na-

ture, the trained eye encounters widespread evidence of periodic systems. These systems point to a continuous transformation from the one set condition to the opposite set.

Jenny is saying that we see everywhere examples of vibrations, oscillations, pulses, wave motions, pendulum motions, rhythmic courses of events, serial sequences, and their effects and actions. Throughout the book Jenny emphasizes his conception that these phenomena and processes not be taken merely as subjects for mental analysis and theorizing. Only by trying to "enter into" phenomena through empirical and systematic investigation can we create mental structures capable of casting light on ultimate reality. He asks that we not "mix ourselves in with the phenomenon" but rather pay attention to it and allow it to lead us to the inherent and essential. He means that even the purest philosophical theory is nevertheless incapable of grasping the true existence and reality of it in full measure.

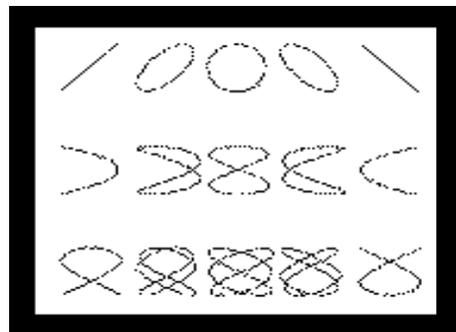


Figure #2—Lissajous Figures

What Hans Jenny pointed out is the resemblance between the shapes and patterns we see around us in physical reality and the shapes and patterns he generated in his investigations....

In the closing chapter of the book *Cymatics*, Jenny sums up these phenomena in a three-part unity. The fundamental and generative power is in the vibration, which, with its periodicity, sustains phenomena with its two poles. At one pole we have form, the figurative pattern. At the other is motion, the dynamic process. These three fields - vibra-

tion and periodicity as the ground field, and form and motion as the two poles - constitute an indivisible whole, Jenny says, even though one can dominate sometimes. Does this trinity have something within science that corresponds? Yes, according to John Beaulieu, American polarity and music therapist. In his book *Music and Sound in the Healing Arts*, he draws a comparison between his own three-part structure, which in many respects resembles Jenny's, and the conclusions researchers working with subatomic particles have reached. "There is a similarity between cymatic pictures and quantum particles. In both cases that which appears to be a solid form is also a wave. They are both created and simultaneously organized by the principle of pulse (Read: principle of vibration). **This is the great mystery with sound: there is no solidity! A form that appears solid is actually created by a underlying vibration.**" In an attempt to explain the unity in this dualism between wave and form, physics developed the quantum field theory, in which the quantum field, or in our terminology, the vibration, is understood as the one true reality, and the particle or form, and the wave or motion, are only two polar manifestations of the one reality, vibration, says Beaulieu.

In conclusion, I would like to cite Cathie E. Guzetta's poetic contemplation of where the investigation of the relationship between sound and the arising of various life forms might lead us in the future: "The forms of snowflakes and faces of flowers may take on their shape because they are responding to some sound in nature. Likewise, it is possible that crystals, plants, and human beings may be, in some way, music that has taken on visible form." (IBID)

In "Cymatics, The Study of Wave Phenomena" the following statement is made, "Dr. Jenny's cymatic images are truly awe-inspiring, not only for their visual beauty in portraying the inherent responsiveness of matter to sound (vibration) but because they elicit a deep recogni-

tion that we, too, are part and parcel of this same complex and intricate vibrational matrix.”

THE CREATION

The statements made by these articles as well as the research results are extremely profound. But we have even more deep and profound statements to come. Of course, the findings of the researchers into cymatics serve the greater purpose of confirming the Scriptures themselves! This will be our focus.

We read in the book of Genesis that there was darkness upon the face of the deep. The Spirit of Elohim moved upon the face of the waters, and Elohim SAID, ‘Let there be light,’ and there was light. (Gen. 1:2-3) Elohim simply spoke the light into existence where only darkness had been before. Reviewing the article above, we can come to only one determination, light exists because Elohim spoke it into existence. It continues to exist because of that spoken word.

Of course, on the fourth day, He created the sun, moon and stars by the power of His word, but they too only exist because of the power of the word that He sent forth, “**And Elohim said,** ‘Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:

15 And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so.’

16 And Elohim made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also.” Gen. 1:14-16.

But before He created the vehicles of light (sun, moon, stars, etc.) He created an expanse, a firmament in which to place these lights, “And Elohim said, ‘Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.

7 And Elohim made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and

it was so.

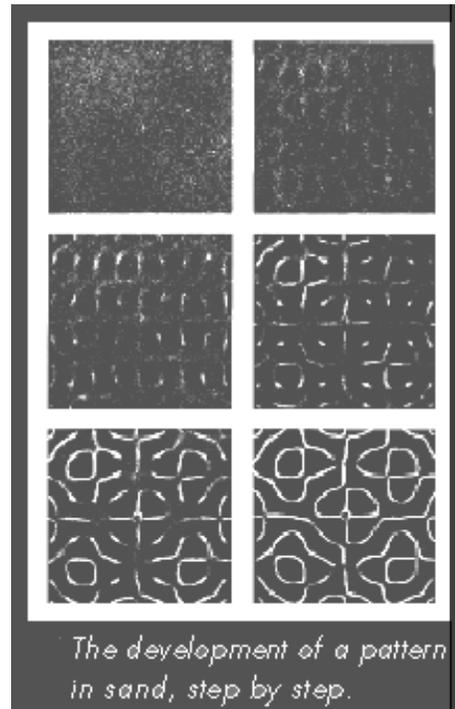
8 And Elohim called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day,” Gen. 1:6-8.

Everything that we read in the creation account of Genesis was made by the power of the Word of Yahweh! Psalm 33 declares, “By the word of Yahweh were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath (Heb. = ruach = spirit) of his mouth.

7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together as an heap: he layeth up the depth in storehouses.

8 Let all the earth fear Yahweh: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

9 For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast.” (vv. 6-9)



What a powerful Creator we have! All He has to do is speak and things are done. Things are created and stand fast! We should greatly fear Him and stand in awe of His great power and ability!

Again, it is declared, “Praise ye Yahweh. Praise ye Yahweh from the heavens: praise him in the heights.

2 Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts.

3 Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light.

4 Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that be above the heavens.

5 Let them praise the name Yahweh: for he commanded, and they were created.

6 He hath also established them for ever and ever: he hath made a decree which shall not pass,” Psa. 148:1-6.

In Psa. 104:30 we read, “Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth.” This certainly ties in with Gen. 1:2-3 which says that the Spirit first moved upon the face of the waters and then Elohim spoke, creating the light.

YAHSHUA — THE WORD

After doing much study and experimentation on the subject, Dr. Jenny had to make the following statement, “**The more one studies these things, the more one realizes that sound is the creative principle. It must be regarded as primordial. No single phenomenal category can be claimed as the aboriginal principle. We cannot say, in the beginning was number, or in the beginning was symmetry, etc. These are categorical properties which are implicit in what brings forth and what is brought forth. By using them in description we approach the heart of the matter. They are not themselves the creative power. This power is inherent in tone, in sound.**” Quote from Hans Jenny's book “Cymatics, Volume 2,” page 100; Publisher: Basilius Presse Basel

Does this summation not go hand in hand with what the Apostle John wrote about the word? “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with Elohim, and the Word was Elohim.

2 The same was in the beginning with Elohim.

3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

4 In him was life; and the life was the light of men,” Jn. 1:1-4.

Sit up and listen, all you in the body of the Messiah who deny His pre-

existence, which also denies His power, honor and glory. The Scriptures have declared this all along, but now science is corroborating what the Scriptures have to say!

John continues, **“He was in the world, and the world was made by him,** and the world knew him not....And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth,” vv. 10, 14.

If you continue to deny these words and many more that we will present, then the main problem is with you. If you can't believe in Yahshua's pre-existence, then you, being made by Him, know Him not! Which of these Scriptures will apply to you? The Scriptures that reveal the truth that Yahshua pre-existed and is the Creator to the New Covenant believer, or the Scriptures that reveal those who deny, disbelieve and do not know

The book of Hebrews declares, **“Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of Yahweh,** so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear,” 11:3. When it says “framed”, the Greek word is *katartizo* which is defined as; **to complete thoroughly,** i.e. **repair** (literally or figuratively) or adjust. (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*, Greek lexicon #2675)

Do you have this faith, or do you not? Yahshua is the Word of Yahweh. This is a mystery that the apostles and writings of the New Testament are revealing to us.

Peter writes, “For this they willingly are ignorant of, that **by the word of Yahweh** the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water,” 2 Pet. 3:5.

One should be able to read and study the Scriptures in order to deduce that Yahshua is the Word of Yahweh. It is

the Word of Yahweh. In Revelation 19 he writes, “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.

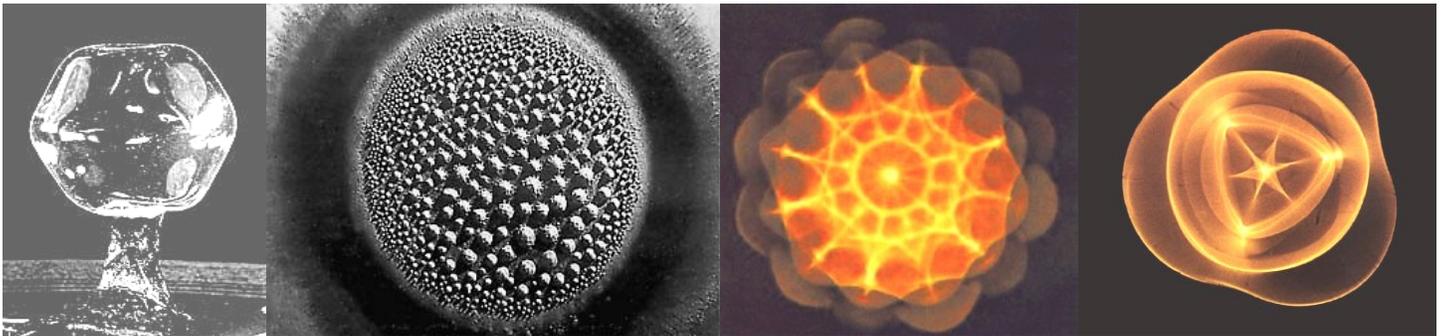
12 His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

13 And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and **his name is called The Word of Yahweh.**

14 And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

15 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 Yahweh.

16 And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF



Marvelous shapes caused by sound!

Him?

Again, John wrote, “That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of **the Word of life;**

2 (For the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto **you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us,**” 1 Jn. 1:1-2.

John declares that this Word of life (Yahshua) is eternal life and was with the Father. This Word of life, this eternal life was manifested to the disciples. Read it for yourselves and believe what is written.

revealed in the Scriptures that Yahshua pre-existed. This should be all that a New Testament believer needs in order understand these powerful and valuable truths. But now science has entered into the fray proffering added proof. There is now no cloak to hide under, no excuse to not believe the profound truths that are revealed concerning Yahshua the Messiah. We can understand how evolutionists with only the spirit of man will be willingly ignorant of these things, but not those who believe in Yahweh's word and trust in Yahshua for salvation.

The writings of the Apostle John are quite explicit in revealing Yahshua as

KINGS, AND SOVEREIGN OF SOVEREIGNS,” vv. 11-16.

UPHOLDING CREATION

Quoting the above article again, *“In both cases **that which appears to be a solid form is also a wave.** They are both created and simultaneously organized by the principle of pulse (Read: principle of vibration). **This is the great mystery with sound: there is no solidity! A form that appears solid is actually created by a underlying vibration.**”..... Dr. Jenny's cymatic images are truly awe-inspiring, not only for their visual beauty in portraying the inherent responsiveness*

of matter to sound (vibration) but because they elicit a deep recognition that we, too, are part and parcel of this same complex and intricate vibrational matrix.

These statements confirm the statements made in the books of Hebrews and Colossians, "Yahweh, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, **by whom also he made the worlds;**

3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, **and upholding all things by the word of his power,** when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high," Heb. 1:1-3.

"Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:

15 Who is the image of the invisible Elohim, the firstborn of every creature:

16 **For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:**

17 And he is before all things, and **by him all things consist,**" Col. 1:12-17.

Notice these statements! Yahshua is UPHOLDING ALL THINGS BY THE POWER OF HIS WORD!. The study into cymatics reveals that we are nothing more than vibrations from sound even though we appear to be solid. All solid forms are nothing more than various vibrations from sound!

The word "consist" in Col. 1:17 is translated from the Greek word *sunistao*. It is defined as; to set to-

gether, i.e. (by implication) to introduce (favorably), or (figuratively) to exhibit; intransitively, to stand near, or (figuratively) to constitute (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*, Greek lexicon, #4921).

"Consist" is further defined as; to hold together or be held together; exist (usually by some means or agent). (*Webster's New World Dictionary*)

It is clear what cymatics and the Scriptures are saying. We only exist by the power of the Word of Yahweh. He upholds us, He sets us or holds us together by His Word Yahshua the Messiah. We must stand with and by His power, for if we don't then we will cease to exist.

THE FLOWERS OF THE FIELD

The article on cymatics states, "*The forms of snowflakes and faces of flowers may take on their shape because they are responding to some sound in nature. Likewise, it is possible that crystals, plants, and human beings may be, in some way, music*

Applying the article on cymatics, these firstfruits will exist and be held together by this song that they are given.

that has taken on visible form."

Yahshua told the people of His day, "Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?

28 And why take ye thought for raiment? **Consider the lilies of the field,** how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:

29 And yet I say unto you, That even **Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.**

30 Wherefore, if Yahweh so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?

31 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?

32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

33 But seek ye first the kingdom of Yahweh, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you," Mt. 6:27-33.

Solomon, with all of his power, wealth and influence, would have been clothed in the finest materials that the hands of men can make. However, if the lilies or flowers of the field are responding to the voice of Yahweh, then how much greater the glory!

Yes, oh yes, is this not the spirit of the New Covenant? Man was given his chance to fulfill Yahweh's covenant by the power of his own hand, his own strength, his own word, but man failed miserably. Man's word is useless. Under the New Covenant, all is done by the power of the Word of Yahweh (Yahshua and the Spirit). Therefore, the New Covenant will not and cannot fail. It is a far, far more glorious covenant because it is based solely on the promise of Yahweh.

THE FIRSTFRUITS

The book of Revelation chapter 14 speaks of the 144,000 firstfruits (vv. 1-5). Notice verses 2-3, "And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of a great thunder: **and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:**

3 **And they sung as it were a new song before the throne,** and before the four beasts, and the elders: and **no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand,** which were redeemed from the earth."

Applying the article on cymatics, these firstfruits will exist and be held together by this song that they are given. This song will be theirs and theirs alone. No one else will ever be able to learn this song. These will be in constant companionship with the Lamb. Others who receive salvation *Continued on page 23.....*

WHAT IS FORGIVENESS?

By Johnny R. McCarty

Scriptural Understanding

There are some admittedly difficult to understand passages in the Sacred Scriptures. However, there are far more passages that are clear and unambiguous in their meaning. The Scriptures need no interpretation because they interpret themselves. This becomes clear when one sees the various scriptures on each subject properly put together, as the Bible itself says, “[here a little, and there a little](#)” (Isaiah 28:10).

In order to understand all scripture properly, one must study the vague passages in the bright light of those clear, undeniable statements. Any interpretation of a difficult passage that contradicts a clear statement is thus a wrong interpretation; it is the “doctrine of men” rather than the Word of Yahweh. Yahshua clearly states the condition of those who teach and believe these false interpretations. “[Whoever, therefore, shall break one of these least Commandments, and teach others to do so, shall be called least in the Kingdom of Heaven; but whoever shall do and teach them shall be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven.](#)” (Matthew 5:19) “[And in vain they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men](#)” (Matthew 15:9). Therefore, we must diligently search the Scriptures and “hold fast that which is good” so our faith will not be “in vain.”

Prove It For Yourself

As you read through this article, have your Scriptures next to you. Look up and examine each passage

referenced. Examine the other sources referenced, also. Pray for Divine guidance all the while. In other words, prove it for yourself. Don't just take my word as truth. Yahweh's Word is the only source of truth. I am merely a tool He is using to reveal His word to you. When you admire a finely crafted piece of furniture, you don't marvel at the hammer and saw used to construct it. You recognize and acknowledge the talent and skill of the Master Builder.

I repeat, Yahweh commands us to “[Test all things; hold fast what is good](#)” (1 Thessalonians 5:21). When you are convinced of the truth of the matter, then take it into your heart and thank Yahweh, through Messiah, for revealing the

When you admire a finely crafted piece of furniture, you don't marvel at the hammer and saw used to construct it.

truth to you. “[Let each be fully convinced in his own mind](#)” (Romans 14:5). NOTE: Numbers in parenthesis are Strong's reference numbers. A “G” indicates the Greek dictionary and an “H” indicates the Hebrew.

Man's Definitions

Greek-

aph[^]sis

[N.T. forgiveness] (noun) (Strong's 859) - a release, as from bondage, imprisonment, etc.; forgiveness, pardon, of sins; the let-

ting them go, as if they had not been committed. (*Thayer's Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament*).

aphiemi

[N.T. forgiven] (verb) (*Strong's* 863) - to let go, let alone, let be, to disregard; to let go or give up a debt by not demanding it. (*Thayer's*).

eleos

[N.T. mercy] (noun) (*Strong's* 1656) - active mercy, kindness or good will towards the miserable and afflicted, joined with a desire to relieve them, compassion. (*Thayer's*). "Is the outward manifestation of pity; it assumes need on the part of him who receives it, and resources adequate to meet the need on the part of him who shows it.

charis

[N.T. grace] (*Strong's* 5485) - goodwill, loving-kindness, favor; kindness which bestows upon one what he has not deserved;

English-

Forgive

To grant free pardon for or remission of an offense, debt, etc.; mercy.

Forgiveness

Act of forgiving; state of being forgiven. *Webster's Encyclopedic Unabridged Dictionary*, Gramercy Books, 1994.

Clemency

Kindness, mercy, forgiveness, leniency; usually relating to criminal acts. *Black's Law Dictionary*, 6th Edition, West, St. Paul, MN, 1990.

Scriptural Definition

The above are man's definitions of "forgiveness" or "mercy." They are, in fact, excellent explanations of the concept. However, man has a very poor record in the true and proper application of the concept.

Notice that forgiveness is the "free pardon" of an offense, as if it "had never been committed." In other words, the person seeking forgiveness doesn't (indeed, can't) do anything to "earn" forgiveness. If one must earn remission of sins, then it is no longer forgiveness and grace but a salary or debt owed to the offender.

Let's examine forgiveness in the light of Yahweh's Word. We will find out what is involved in true righteous forgiveness. It's not difficult to understand. However, there is more to forgiveness than at first appears. Without the help of Yahweh, a human being can only give lip service to forgiveness. Yahweh requires much more than that.

We Must Emulate Yahweh

Contrary to popular belief, Yahweh does not allow us to determine how we exercise forgiveness. He requires us to emulate Him in the way we forgive someone.

"Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as Yahweh in Messiah forgave you" (Ephesians 4:31-32).

At this point, we must determine exactly what righteous forgiveness is. The Greek word, used in the New Testament, for forgiveness is *aphêsis*, which includes *eleos* or **active mercy**. The concept involves much more than sympathy in the popular sense or feeling pity for someone. It is possible to feel pity for someone without forgiving them. To more easily forgive someone, we must understand them.

Yahshua Has Empathy For Us

The English word that more readily encompasses the Scriptural concept is **empathy**. This is the intellectual and emotional identification with the feelings, thoughts, or attitudes of another person. In other words, getting into that person's mind to understand why he acts or feels the way he does; to experience what he is experiencing

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or has experienced. This requires a very deliberate act on our part.

This we rarely do. Most of us are concerned only with our own feelings and not those of others. When we feel sorry for someone, we do it from the outside, from our own limited perspective. To achieve true forgiveness, we must make the effort to truly and completely empathize with the person asking our forgiveness. Doing this would make forgiving a person much easier and more meaningful. This is also exactly what Yahshua did when He still had the flesh and blood form of man.

"For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need" (Hebrews 4:15-16).

Everyone has different experiences as they go through life. If we make the effort to empathize with others, we can realize why someone acts as they do. Once we understand that, we can more easily extend mercy toward them, then true forgiveness is just one small step away. True, our understanding of another person's motives is not a requirement of our forgiving him; it just makes it easier to do so. When I speak of forgiveness, this is the type of empathy, active mercy and pardon to which I refer.

This does not require that we sit down for hours and learn all we can about the background, life, outlook and attitude of the people we intend to forgive. Yahweh, through Yahshua the Messiah, has already done that for us. We simply need to pray earnestly for His guidance and help through the Holy Spirit for the ability to forgive. We then apply this ability to those situations in which we must offer forgiveness.

Yahweh's Forgiveness is Conditional

Forgiveness of our sins is the cornerstone of the Good News of Yahshua. "Therefore let it be known to you brethren, that through this Man is preached to you the forgiveness of sins" (Acts 13:38). Forgiveness of our sins is required before we may have a part in the Kingdom of Yahweh. "I will deliver you from the Jewish peo-

ple, as well as from the Gentiles, to whom I now send you, to open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to Yahweh, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me” (Acts 26:17-18). The forgiveness of our sins by Yahweh is through His unlimited mercy. “In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace” (Ephesians 1:7). (See also Colossians 1:14.)

Yahweh promises that if we confess our sins to Him, repent of (turn away from) our sins and ask His forgiveness, He will give it. “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us” (1 John 1:9-10). Yahweh requires us to **acknowledge** our sins then **ask** Him to forgive our sins before He will do it. If we don't ask, He will not forgive. The simple act of asking is an act, or work, of **faith**. We are exercising the **faith** that after we forgive others, then Yahweh will also forgive us.

There is one very important caveat in asking for our sins to be forgiven. We must realize that forgiveness of our sins is **conditional**. “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy” (Matthew 5:7). “For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses” (Matthew 6:14-15). This is one verse that should be memorized by and kept in the hearts of all who profess to be fol-

lowers of Yahweh and Yahshua the Messiah.

Further, “But go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy and not sacrifice.’ For I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance” (Matthew 9:13). “And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses. But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in Heaven forgive your trespasses” (Mark 11:25-26). (See also Luke 6:37; 11:4.)

Do you see it? Yahweh **requires** us to forgive the sins of those who sin against us **before** He will forgive our sins. Too many people don't heed this critical admonition. This makes the act of forgiveness a three step process on our part. 1) Forgive those who sin against us.

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2) Acknowledge our own sins to Yahweh. 3) Ask Yahweh to forgive our sins. **ALL** of these are **acts**, or **works**, of **faith**. Notice, too, that the person sinning against us doesn't even have to ask for our forgiveness. We are to grant it whether they ask it or not. And we must give it **unconditionally**, just as Yahweh extends His mercy and grace towards us and forgives our sins.

This isn't just a suggestion. Yahweh commands it! “Take heed to yourselves. If your brother sins against you, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him. And if he sins against you seven times in a day,

and returns to you, saying ‘I repent,’ you shall forgive him” (Luke 17:3-4). “For judgment is without mercy to the one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment” (James 2:13). Yahweh will not extend mercy to any who refuse to show mercy to those who sin against them.

“Then Peter came to Him and said, ‘Master, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?’

“Yahshua said to him, ‘I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven. Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made.

“The servant therefore fell down before him saying, ‘Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’ Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt.

“But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat, saying, ‘Pay me what you owe!’

“So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’

“And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done.

“Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?’ And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him.

“So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you from his heart,

COMMENTS FROM OUR READERS

I received your magazine in the mail Thursday, and I just want to tell you it was phenomenal!! I will be sending you a donation...I don't want my subscription to end. The pics of the damage the tsunami did were unbelievable. I read the magazine from cover to cover this weekend and it was just wonderful! Keep up the good work.
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does not forgive his brother his trespasses" (Matthew 18:21-35).

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"Therefore, as the elect of Yahweh, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Messiah forgave you, so you also

must do. But above all these things; put on love, which is the bond of perfection" (Colossians 3:12-14).

The foregoing examples are plain, powerful statements of Yahweh. There is no way to rationalize or justify our way around them. Also, Yahweh doesn't allow us to put a limit on how many times we are required to forgive someone

who sins against us. (Matthew 18:21-22)

It is undeniable, brethren, to be forgiven, we must first forgive. The many examples and exhortations of Messiah, the Apostles, and the early congregation bear true witness to this. They also show the extent to which we must forgive. Merely saying the words is **NOT** enough. We must forgive **in our hearts** and then extend the love of

COME TO THE FEAST!!!!

Yahweh's Evangelical Assembly will be hosting Yahweh's Feast of Tabernacles this year. The feast will be held at the Bluegrass Festival Park near Texarkana, Texas. We invite you to come and rejoice with us concerning the promise of the soon coming kingdom of heaven. The feasts of Yahweh are not only appointments that He made for us, they are also rehearsals for the wedding that will take place between the coming Messiah Yahshua and His bride, the assembly. These appointed days are also for the purpose of reminding us of things past, things present and things future. Come learn with us. Come rejoice with us. Come rehearse with us. Come fellowship with Yahweh's people. Come get a taste of the promised kingdom which will soon appear for Yahweh, Who cannot lie, declared it to be so.

We ask you to please fill out the form below and mail it to us. This will give us a general idea as to how many we can expect. We truly hope to see you there!

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Continued from page 18..... will also be given their song, their music, their relationship with the Father and the Son. They also will be upheld forever by the Word of Yahweh, but none will have the relationship that the 144,000 have.

The Lamb and these 144,000 firstfruits are Mount Zion! Yahweh says that He has placed His king upon His holy hill of Zion (Psa. 2:6). That King is the Lamb Yahshua. Furthermore, Psa. 87 reveals that Yahweh's foundation is in Zion (v. 1). He loves the gates of Zion more than all of Jacob's dwelling places (v. 2). Yahweh will count when He writes up the people of Zion concerning those who are born in her (v. 6). That count is 144,000! Yahweh says that all His springs are in Zion! (v. 7)

The Hebrew word for "springs" is *miyan* which has to do with fountains, springs, wells. In other words, this will be the only place from whence the Spirit of Yahweh will be offered. Mount Zion will be the only place

from whence the waters of salvation will issue. These waters will issue from the Father Yahweh, through His Son Yahshua and from Yahshua through the 144,000 firstfruits.

When Yahweh builds up Zion, He will appear in his glory (Psa. 102:16). Zion will be the perfection of beauty from whence Elohim will shine (Psa. 50:2). He has chosen Zion for His habitation (Psa. 132:13). Once Zion is built up, completed, Yahweh will turn His hand to save Jacob/Israel, "Oh that the salvation of Israel were come out of Zion! When Elohim bringeth back the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad," Psa. 53:6. "Oh that the salvation of Israel were come out of Zion! When Yahweh bringeth back the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad," Psa. 14:7.

Psalm 33 begins by declaring, "Rejoice in Yahweh, O ye righteous: for praise is comely for the upright.

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HE began the salvation process in us at that time. That process will continue as long as we are willing to obey Him.

ACTS 5:32 HEB.5: 7-10 The decision is ours. Do we walk in harmony with our loving Elohim, living by every word that proceeds from Him MATT. 4:4 or do we, in discord, seek salvation our own way? Do we say, "I am saved" or do we say, "I am being saved". If we say I am saved then there is nothing for us to do. If we say, I am being saved, then we can see that we have a part to play and are in a partnership with Yahweh and

Yahshua in this lifelong fellowship walk.

We will close this study with one final scripture of Paul from his letter to the brethren in Philippi. He wrote this letter from prison many years after he had been converted. He knew even after all these years his salvation had still not reached completion and that he was still in the process. PHIL.3: 8-14 He knew that he was in the process, not because of his own righteousness but because of the righteousness that comes from Yahweh through Yahshua. In VERSE 12 He states that the salvation process was not yet completed in him and he had not yet reached perfection through the resurrection. But he says in VERSE 13 that he presses on with that as his

2 Praise Yahweh with harp: sing unto him with the psaltery and an instrument of ten strings.

3 **Sing unto him a new song;** play skilfully with a loud noise.

4 For the word of Yahweh is right; and all his works are done in truth," vv. 1-4.

The "new song" will be the song that the firstfruits of Zion will be singing. This song will be sung at Jerusalem and will eventually fill the earth. This new song, this new sound, this new vibration will serve to heal the earth and bring salvation. There will be no place found for the evil music that fills the earth today. The one who inspires that music will be put away (Rev. 20).

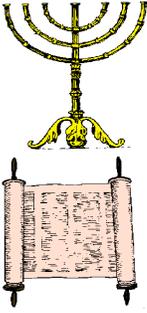
Yes, cymatics is a most powerful tool. The science of cymatics, along with the Scriptures, serves to prove how powerful Yahweh, and Yahshua, the Word of Yahweh are. Let us serve Him with greater fervor than ever before and let us declare Him to the earth. May His glorious kingdom

goal. VERSE 14 He says he pressed on toward the prize of the upward call of Elohim that will reach completion in Yahshua Messiah.

Paul completes the subject perfectly in VERSE 15-16 I will quote from the Jerusalem Bible as it is worded so clearly.

"We who are mature must all think in this way. If there is some point on which you see things differently, Elohim will make it clear to you; meanwhile let us go forward on the road that has brought us to where we are".

May Yahweh bless you as you walk in fellowship with Him and His son Yahshua. HalleluYah. Elder Dave Ganton



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